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Jan 17 19:30, Wed **Quarterly Council Meeting**

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Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Joe Beckman, joejbec@aol.com

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Jan 11</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	Board Meeting	Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Jan 21</u>	<u>11:00, Sunday</u>	Gymkhana	Rincon Creek Stables, Old Spanish Trail
<u>Jan 25</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	General Meeting	Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

The Posse held elections for officers and directors at the December General Meeting. The new officers and board take office on January 1. The election results are as follows:

President (CPT)	Bill Cunningham	Sgt-at-Arms and one year board member.....	Dan McPhedran
1 st Vice Pres. (ILT)	George Herget	Two year board member	Cindy Cusack
2 nd Vice Pres. (2LT)	Jerry Simmons	Two year board member	Ken Harrelson
Secretary	Jon Klein	One year board member	Bob Siegel
Treasurer	Joe Beckman	Past President.....	Pat Gallagher

The Posse's Christmas Party was December 16, 2000. Everyone had a ball, especially Kenny Harrelson. I'd really hate to have had his head Sunday morning.

The Posse gave two school presentations in November and December. In November, Dan, Kelly, and Cindy were at Collier Elementary School. They gave a presentation to 6 and 7 year olds. In December, Bob, Cindy, and myself gave demonstrations to sixth graders at Gridley School. I have to admit, Dan and company had it tougher than we did because of holding the attention of 6- and 7-year-olds. Bob had a blast explaining how my horse, Mustache, got his name. How Cindy's mare got her name defies imagination. For those of you that are interested, e-mail me and I will give you Cindy's super secret phone number and let her explain. I sure can't.

That's about it from Posse Land. Hope you all had a good Christmas and that the year 2001 is super good.
Beckman

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Paul Carter, 825-6517

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jan 03</u>	<u>19:00-21:00, Wed</u>	Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 07</u>	<u>08:00, Sunday</u>	Training, Greaterville	Meet: Houghton and I-10
<u>Jan 10</u>	<u>19:00-22:00, Wed</u>	General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 21</u>	<u>08:00, Sunday</u>	Training, Catalina State Park	Meet: Catalina State Park

Hello from the doggie folks,

First off would like to welcome back Tracy from Montana. It has been an interesting period for the K-9's and their handlers. We were using the area off of Tangerine and discovered a body. This has been something we have talked about happening and then it happens. Santa Cruz Sheriff's office has requested us twice down behind Patagonia on bone searches. In a very, very, very remote area a human skull was found and we have looked for the rest. In January we will be training in Greaterville on the 7th and Catalina State Park on the 21st. Anyone in SARCI is welcome to come join us for training. We will work the new dogs and pups on the 7th and the more experienced on the 21st.

On December 23rd, Ralph Weaver, a K-9 handler with the Sonoran K-9 Search Unit in Pinal County passed away suddenly. We wish to send our condolences to his wife Liz and their family.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, fkunz@lrlaw.com

DIVER'S CALENDAR

<u>Jan 14</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	First Pool Session	Location: Fort Lowell Park Pool
<u>Feb 11</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	Second Pool Session	Location: Fort Lowell Park Pool

The January training begins our "wet" sessions for the new year. Please bring your SCUBA gear including wetsuit, fins and gloves. Also, remember 2001 dues are due and become delinquent at the January training.

December training included Altitude Tables and Oxygen Administration. A big "thanks" goes to Joe Barr and Rob Offerle for this training and everyone who brought refreshments.

Congratulations go to John Millard and Glen Patterson who have been accepted into the Pima County Search & Recovery Divers' 2001 training program.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, Rdmcii@aol.com

The SAR Academy has been postponed until the new year to accommodate new members and to incorporate the new Emergency Services program.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Jan 05</u>	<u>19:30, Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
		Program: ICS / Base Camp class	
<u>Jan 06</u>	<u>09:00, Saturday</u>	Training: ICS / Base Camp	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 13-14</u>	<u>TBA, Sat-Sun</u>	Trail Familiarity Hike	Location: Baboquivari Peak
<u>Jan 15</u>	<u>19:00, Monday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase I	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 22</u>	<u>19:00, Monday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase II	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 23</u>	<u>19:00, Tuesday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase II	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 25</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 27</u>	<u>08:00, Saturday</u>	SARA Recertification	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 27</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	Basic IV (2000 class)	Location: TBA
<u>Jan 31</u>	<u>19:00, Wednesday</u>	Classroom: Winter Survival	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Feb 02</u>	<u>19:30, Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Feb 3-4</u>	<u>10:00, Saturday</u>	Training: Snow Rescue	Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Feb 13</u>	<u>TBA, Tuesday</u>	2001 Candidate Orientation	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Feb 17</u>	<u>19:30, Sunday</u>	2001 Candidate Hike	Location: TBA
<u>Feb 20</u>	<u>19:30, Tuesday</u>	2001 OEC Class Starts	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Feb 22</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

January Training: ICS / Basecamp

by Jim Gilbreath, jbgarchitect@theriver.com

<u>Jan 05</u>	<u>19:30, Friday</u>	Classroom: ICS	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 06</u>	<u>09:00, Saturday</u>	Field: Basecamp	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

February Training: Winter Survival

by Henry Jacobs, 296-9949, [hjacob@azstarnet.com](mailto:hjacobs@azstarnet.com)

<u>Jan 31</u>	<u>19:00, Wednesday</u>	Classroom Session	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Feb 03</u>	<u>10:00, Saturday</u>	Field Day 1	Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Feb 04</u>	<u>TBA, Sunday</u>	Field Day 2 (until 14:00)	Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

SARA's first annual Winter Survival Training course is intended as an introduction to winter survival for search and rescue personnel operating in Arizona. The class will emphasize information and techniques that enhance personal survival and field effectiveness under winter conditions found in Arizona. Hard-core winter mountaineering subjects such as glacier travel, ice climbing, and 8000 meter operations are not the focus of the course. The course is open to all SARCI members and candidates as well as law enforcement personnel. No prior experience or training is required, inexperienced personnel should attend. Participants should bring backpackable winter overnight camping equipment (sleeping bag, bivvy sack, layered warm clothes, waterproof shoes, food, etc.) to the field session and be prepared to spend Saturday night in the field on top of Mt. Lemmon, 0.5 to 2 miles from the trailhead depending on conditions. Classroom session will cover equipment needs in detail. Loaner equipment is available for those who have not - contact Henry Jacobs. Specialized equipment (crampons, ice axe, etc.) will be provided and is not required.

(February Training: Winter Survival continued)

Classroom	January 31, 1900-2200 hrs	SARA House	
Introduction to Winter Weather		Introduction to Snow and Ice Travel	
Introduction to Snow		Winter Land Navigation	
Avalanches and Other Snow Dangers		Basic Winter Camping	
Winter SAR Missions in Arizona and Elsewhere		Special Equipment for Winter Operations	
Hypothermia and Winter Health Review		Winter Driving and Vehicle Operations	
Clothing and Moisture Management			
Day 1	February 3, 1000 hrs	Mt. Lemmon	Rendezvous 106
Basic Snow Travel Practical		Winter Fire-Building Practical	
Winter Navigation Practical		Snow Camping Practical	
Snow Shelter Practical			
Day 2	February 4, until 1400 hrs	Mt. Lemmon	
Introduction to Winter Technical Operations		Snow Rescue Practical	
Basic Avalanche Avoidance and Rescue Practical		Winter Vehicle Ops Practical	

2001 OEC Class

Feb 20 TBA, Tuesday **2001 OEC Class Begins** *by John Gorski, 744-9190, tucmj@worldnet.att.net*

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Those interested in taking this class, please contact your group representative. Anyone wishing to assist with this upcoming class may contact the lead instructor. The lead instructor's name will be posted in next month's newsletter.

OEC Instructors

<u>Jan 15</u>	<u>19:00, Monday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase I	<i>by John Gorski, 744-9190, tucmj@worldnet.att.net</i>
<u>Jan 22</u>	<u>19:00, Monday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase II	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jan 23</u>	<u>19:00, Tuesday</u>	OEC Instructor Class, Phase II	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

We will be holding an instructor class Monday, January 15 (Phase One). Phase Two will be January 22 and 23. Anyone interested in becoming an instructor please contact Rich Kunz or John Gorski.

Baboquivari Hike and Climb

Jan 13-14 TBA, Sat-Sun **Trail Familiarity Hike** *by John Carroll, 529-4900*

Location: Baboquivari Peak

The SARA Trail Familiarity hiking group has scheduled a hike and climb on Baboquivari Peak. This hike and climb is open to anyone who would like to participate. Marvin Stafford, who has climbed Baboquivari over 30 times, will act as our guide on the mountain. The basic plan is to start very early on Saturday morning so we can get one climb in before camping on the mountain Saturday night. Sunday will be a more leisurely day of hiking, exploring and getting home before dark. If you plan to stay on the mountain overnight, bring your winter overnight camping gear and supplies (expect cold weather!).

If you want to do the climb, in addition to your winter overnight camping gear you'll also need your hard hat, head-mounted light, seat harness (even if improvised from webbing), independent rappel apparatus and locking carabiners. Those who are planning to do some of the lead climbing will have to bring ropes, slings and extra carabiners. When we finally know how many climbers we have, we will decide just how many ropes to take.

Also, for anyone interested, on Sunday, Jan 7, we'll take a day trip to Baboquivari to pre-position some gear there to make the logistics of trip the following weekend a little easier. Hiking but no technical climbing is anticipated for this day trip.

If you'd like to join us, call John Carroll at (520) 529-4900 for further details.

SARA Building Fundraising Committee

Jan 05 19:00, Friday Committee Meeting *by John Perchorowicz 529-0080, RCT2JTP@aol.com*

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Thank you to all who dug deeply into their pockets at the last minute and met the fund raising challenge. The Building Fund is now almost \$4000 larger. Way to go!! Donations ranged from \$10 to \$500.

We will set our regular Monday meeting for later in January at the 5 January meeting. New committee members are welcome.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Andy & Mary Lamb, 743-7175, wb0lwh@arrl.net

Reporting Period	Callouts	SARCI People	Total Hours	Hours/Person	Weeks	Calls/Week
01 Jan – 29 Dec	91	1207	4441	3.7	51	1.8
25 Nov – 29 Dec	9	106	398	3.8	4	2.2

SAT 25 NOV CALL 2000.083 14 people 24 hours Ranger 38, Medic 65

A hiker twisted his ankle near the last stream crossing below Seven Falls in Bear Canyon. He gimped his way down trail, and rode a horse the rest of the way out.

WED 29 NOV CALL 2000.084 5 people 14 hours Air 1, TPD

Evidence Search for human remains in a desert area. The helicopter found the scene before anyone got into the field.

WED 29 NOV CALL 2000.085 4 people 20 hours TPD

The previous search area was used for training after the scene had been investigated. A second body was found close to the first scene, partly obscured by debris and vegetation.

THU 30 NOV CALL 2000.086 25 people 106 hours

Search people were requested to cover the area around the previous two scenes, looking for any additional evidence. Several canine teams, a horse team, and a couple of large foot teams spent several hours in the area.

MON 04 DEC CALL 2000.087 4 people 24 hours SCSO

A hunter found a human skull near Lochiel, near the Sonora border in Santa Cruz County. Canine teams were requested to search for additional human remains in the area. One bone, possibly human, was found.

SAT 16 DEC CALL 2000.088 13 people 130 hours SCSO

Canine teams provided additional coverage in the previous search area.

SUN 17 DEC CALL 2000.089 17 people 17 hours

A female hiker injured her ankle in Molino Canyon, reported to be a mile or two up trail. She was about a mile from the entrance to the Molino Campground, but a very short distance from the end of the paved road. Nobody got into the field.

WED 20 DEC CALL 2000.090 5 people 28 hours Ranger 38, SAV

An 83 year old male with Alzheimer's was missing in Green Valley. SAV people were covering the residential area, and canine teams were requested when the nearby desert area needed attention. There was about a half mile of flat desert to the base of mine tailings, but well protected by typical less-than-friendly natural vegetation. The subject was found in good condition a couple of miles further west along a road by a mine security patrol.

SUN 24 DEC CALL 2000.091 19 people 35 hours

A 33 year old hiker was reported overdue in Catalina State Park. He had gone for a long hike the previous day, intending to hike up Mt Lemmon and return. He was somewhat equipped for finishing his hike by dark. Horse riders at the north gate reported seeing a subject matching the description, turning off the road/trail on the trail leading to the Romero / Sutherland Trailhead (basecamp). The hiker had a dog with him, so wasn't interested in seeing any official people. So he evaded the red shirts (posse), but ran into the orange shirts (sara), and would have had to deal with a lot of yellow shirts (candidates) a short distance later. But we were all outside of the wilderness area at this point. The dog was sufficiently pooped that we can only guess that he completed his trip as planned.



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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jan 1 New Year's Day	Jan 2	Jan 3 SRDI Board	Jan 4	Jan 5 SARA Mtg	Jan 6 SARA Trng Basecamp / ICS	Jan 7 SRDI Trng
Jan 8	Jan 9	Jan 10 SRDI Gen Mtg	Jan 11 Posse Board	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14 Divers Trng
Jan 15 OEC Instructors Phase I	Jan 16	Jan 17 SARCI Quarterly Meeting	Jan 18	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 21 SRDI Trng Gymkhana
Jan 22 OEC Instructors Phase II	Jan 23 OEC Instructors Phase II	Jan 24	Jan 25 SARA Board Posse Mtg	Jan 26	Jan 27 SARA Basic IV SARA Recert	Jan 28
Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31 SARA Trng Classroom	Feb 1	Feb 2 SARA Mtg	Feb 3 SARA Trng Snow Rescue	Feb 4 SRDI Trng SARA Trng Snow Rescue
Feb 5	Feb 6	Feb 7 SRDI Board	Feb 8 Posse Board	Feb 9	Feb 10	Feb 11 Divers Trng
Feb 12 Lincoln's Birthday	Feb 13 SARA Candidate Orientation	Feb 14 SRDI Gen Mtg	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17 SARA Candidate Hike	Feb 18
Feb 19 President's Day	Feb 20 OEC Class Starts	Feb 21	Feb 22 SARA Board Posse Mtng OEC	Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25
Feb 26	Feb 27 OEC	Feb 28	Mar 1 OEC	Mar 2 SARA Mtg	Mar 3 SARA Trng	Mar 4 SRDI Trng

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