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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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SARCI CALENDAR

October 17 19:30, Wednesday **Council Meeting**

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

The Craycroft Road driveway to the SARA House is closed while approaches to the Rillito Bridge are being reconstructed. Drivers exiting the River Road driveway are restricted to a left (East) turn only. Please do not stop westbound traffic while waiting to turn into the driveway from River Road (it won't take many vehicles to block the intersection behind you).

WorldCare: Thanks SARCI!

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, RCT2JTP@aol.com

Kathy Hunter, Treasurer has asked me to convey WorldCare's thanks to SARCI for putting out information to recruit volunteers for the operation in New York. Individuals who responded will be hearing directly from WorldCare.

Thank You !

by Rob Offerle, rofferle@juno.com

On August 25 Christine Olfana twisted her knee on the Aspen Draw Trail. In a thank you note Chris writes:

There are no adequate words to thank all of you for your highly professional and caring rescue of me...every one pulled together.... It was quite amazing to me how everyone got me up the mountain with very minimal pain.... I am deeply grateful....

She concludes with:

To think that you volunteer your time and energy to help people warms my heart!

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVER'S CALENDAR

October 14 09:00, Sunday **Equipment and Gear**

Meet at Rich and Fran Kunz home.

Nov 06 18:30, **TUESDAY** **Diver's Annual Meeting**

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Meet at 09:00 at Rich and Fran Kunz home to work on equipment and gear. Rob Offerle was working on another dive site, and if that pans out, we will notify everyone. Also, be thinking about nominations for next year's board, as elections are coming up in November.

September training consisted of orientation at Parker Canyon Lake. This lake is typically full of weeds, but it was at capacity with good visibility and NO WEEDS. This was the best I have seen the lake in years.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Joe Beckman, joebec@theriver.com

POSSE CALENDAR

October 11 19:00, Thursday **Board Meeting**

Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

October 21 11:00, Sunday **Gymkana**

Vail Feed Store Arena, 11366 S. Vail Rd.

October 25 19:00, Thursday **General Meeting**

Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

No other news.

Beckman

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, Rdmcii@aol.com

Due to recent events, and get unit interest in the topic, October's meetings will be devoted to taking the National Fire Academy's Emergency response to terrorism course. The course will commence as soon as course materials are received.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Paul Cartter, 825-6517, hornet@flash.net

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>October 03</u>	19:00-21:00, Wed	Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>October 07</u>	Sunday	Training:	Location: Greaterville
<u>October 10</u>	19:00-22:00, Wed	General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>October 21</u>	Sunday	Training:	Location: Old Sonoita Highway

If anyone would like to come train with us, you are most welcome. Call Paul or Vi Brown and let us know.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

<u>October 05</u>	19:30, Friday	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>October 06</u>	19:00, Saturday	Training: Night Search	Meet at Camino Loma Alta and Garrigan's Gulch.
<u>October 13</u>	TBA, Saturday	Training: Basic III	TBA
<u>October 25</u>	19:00, Thursday	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>October 27</u>	08:00, Saturday	Field Skills Refresher	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>October 27</u>	06:30, Saturday	Vertical Mile	Meet: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Nov 02</u>	18:00, Friday	PreBriefing: Mine Rescue	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Nov 02</u>	19:30, Friday	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Nov 03</u>	07:30, Saturday	Training: Mine Rescue	Meet at Ajo and Mission, northeast parking lot.
<u>Nov 10</u>	08:00, Saturday	Field Skills Recertification	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Board of Directors Attendance Report

by Rob Offerle, rofferle@juno.com

Of the six SARA Board of Directors Meetings the 2001 - 2002 directors have had to date, the recorded attendance has been:

Jim Gilbreath	5	Bill Kelleman.....	3	Rob Offerle.....	5
Rich Kunz	6	Frances Walker	6	John Gorski	4
Mykle Raymond	5	John Perchorowicz.....	4	Mike Comeau	6

October Training:

Night Search Training

by Jim Gilbreath, jbgarchitect@theriver.com

Meet 19:00 (7PM) Hours; Saturday 06 October 2001, Camino Loma Alta and Garrigan's Gulch. From the east side, go east on Old Spanish Trail past Rocking K towards Colossal Cave. Turn south on Camino Loma Alta (well signed). Garrigan's Gulch is a mile south. From I-10, exit at Vail, turn north and continue thru Vail and across the Pantano Wash. At the top of the hill, turn north on Camino Loma Alta and continue a couple of miles (past the sharp right and left turns) to Garrigan's Gulch.

The training will consist of four separate scenes. Participants will be divided into four teams. Each team will be responsible for gathering information from the scene including reportee interviews, setting search strategy, determining direction of travel, and beginning the search.

Probable scenario lost hunter/shooter, lost child, confused adult, depressed person, and Alzheimer's patient.

Questions and Directions: Call James Gilbreath (o) 792-2767 or 647-7635 after 7 P.M.

November Training:

Mine Rescue Training

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, RCT2JTP@aol.com

Friday, 02 November, 18:00, SARA House: There will be a prebriefing on mine safety and confined space procedures. Volunteers will be recruited to staff the operation. This is an excellent chance to put yourself in a position of authority in a practice situation. You need not attend the prebriefing to participate in the training.

Saturday, 03 November, 08:00, University of Arizona San Xavier Mine.

The Scenario: Debbie and her parents moved to Tucson a few months ago from the east. They live in the city. Debbie is 18 years old although she has the mental capacity of an 8-year old. The family is invited to dinner at a friend's house on Friday evening. The friends live in a rural area off Mission Road. It is the family's first time away from the city proper. Following dinner on the patio, the parents carry dishes into the house, wash them and put them away, leaving Betty and the other couple's 10-year old (Jeff) to entertain each other. Upon returning to the patio some 45 minutes later, Jeff informs them that Debbie left to "explore" shortly after the adults went inside. After searching for several hours, the parents call 911 around midnight.

Debbie's parents describe her as 5 ft 4 in tall, 120 lbs, very strong and in good physical shape. She has always been very inquisitive, and does not frighten easily. She was wearing jeans, a white T-shirt with an American flag on the front and white tennis shoes when last seen.

SARA, Southwest Rescue Dogs, and the Posse begin an overnight search for sign, that is uncharacteristically unsuccessful. At first light, Ranger joins the operation and spots a mine in the vicinity. A second page is put down to gather volunteers to search the unsecured mine while the air and ground search continues.

The Training: Please be prepared to depart rendezvous by 07:40 since the site is twenty minutes away. At rendezvous I will ask for volunteers for various duties (see below) associated with an operation that were not recruited at the prebriefing. The volunteers will assume their duties at rendezvous. At the site, there will be a brief orientation about the mine and a review of mine safety after which the operation will begin. In order to expose the largest number of people to the different aspects of an operation I would ask that those with experience participate as team members rather than leaders. The training will be run using the incident command system. We will need the following positions filled: Scene Commander (in charge of this site of the operation) and the following positions to support the SC: Surface Communications (responsible for communicating with and monitoring teams and their locations (could be the SC once the operation is underway if we are short of personnel)), Logistics (responsible for coordinating and providing the SC with the personnel (including accounting for their whereabouts) and equipment resources), Underground Coordinator (the SC's eyes underground), Team Leaders, and Safety Officers. The complexity of the operation will be tailored to the size of the group responding. In the interest of time, part of the operation normally run sequentially may be run in parallel.

The Objective: The training is primarily to hone skills associated with mine or confined space operations in a safe manner and secondarily to gain experience in positions or responsibility and tasks that one may not have frequent opportunity to hold or participate in on an actual operation. This is a chance to do get to do things that are often assigned to more experienced members.

As part of qualifying for MRA recertification, the practice will emphasize proper briefing and debriefing of field teams, and proper communication around high angle systems. Please be prepared to rig raising and lowering systems and to work around areas where open shafts exist. Personal equipment should include a helmet, three sources of light (at least one of which can be used without your hands), and a climbing harness. There is no potable water on site.

I expect the training will end early afternoon with a debriefing.

Basic Skills Recertification Schedule

by Jim Gilbreath, jbgarchitect@theriver.com

All dates are on Saturday, at the SARA House, from 08:00 to 12:00.

27 October 26 January 27 April 27 July 27 October

2001 Vertical Mile

by John Carroll, 576-1160, tech.resource@worldnet.att.net

On Saturday, October 27th, many SARA members will embark on our annual lunatic adventure known as the "Vertical Mile". In doing so, we'll climb from the Visitors Center at Sabino Canyon up to the Girl Scout camp on Organization Ridge, covering approximately 15 miles and gaining over 5,280 feet in elevation. Oh, did I forget to mention that, although not necessarily required, many of us will start and finish the hike carrying 20% of our body weight in our packs (hence the term lunacy). Believe it or not, however, we'll actually have fun doing so.

To pull this off, we're going to need some help. Some folks will be needed at the starting point to help with weigh-ins, as will some at the bitter end with weigh-outs. We can also use some help at the Girl Scout camp serving the scrumptious food provided by Pam Phillips, and/or providing a shuttle service to drive hikers back down the mountain. And anyone not interested in doing the actual hike is still welcome to hike down the trail a mile or so from the Girl Scout camp to cheer intrepid "vertical milers" on to the finish.

We need you to help out, so please call either Jackie Marcus at 312-5890, or Rich Giachetti at 299-5140 to get more details on how you can help. Meet 6:30 am at the SARA House so we can start at 7:00 am. **THIS IS NOT A RACE!!**

Outdoor Emergency Care – Refresher 2001

by John Gorski, 744-9190, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

The second refresher will be held Saturday, November 10 at the SARA House. Starting time will be 8 a.m. Please be sure to have your study guide complete before attending the class. Also, bring a snack that will keep you going! Study guides are available at the SARA House in the Mailroom and from the NSP website at www.nsp.org, under the topic "WHAT'S NEW" look for "Refresher "C" 2001".

Remember anyone holding a current OEC card must attend one of the refreshers. If you are unable to attend either date, contact, Rich Kunz or John Gorski to make other arrangements. This year's OEC class does not need to attend, however, if you would like to help by being a patient, please feel free to show up and assist.

House Building Fundraising Committee

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, RCT2JTP@aol.com

October 25 19:00, Thursday **AcuCom final Report to SARA Bd** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

The preliminary report regarding the survey and personal interviews from AcuComm was positive. They will be preparing a draft final report for the committee on or around 17 October. John Carroll will coordinate.

A final report will be delivered to the SARA Board at the October Board Meeting and to the general membership at the November General Meeting.

SARA Strategic Planning

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, RCT2JTP@aol.com

As was mentioned in last month's newsletter, SARA will hold a strategic planning meeting in mid November. While it is not practical to include all of the membership in the meeting, your input is valued. Please provide any input you care to in writing by the November General Meeting. You may email it to me, leave it the Building Fund Raising box (lower left) in the mail room at the SARA House or hand it to me at the General Meeting. I will be using your input to develop the agenda for the meeting in mid November and look forward to your input and suggestions.

2000 Raytheon RAYS OF HOPE Agency Fair

by Rob Offerle, rofferle@juno.com

SARA will again staff a booth at the 2000 Raytheon RAYS OF HOPE Agency Fair on Tuesday, October 16, 2001. Gary Copus will be there with '331' (aka SARA 1), and he needs some assistance. Volunteer to load '331' with promotional items at SARA House at 09:30 and be at the Raytheon airport site Tuesday, October 16, 2001, 10:30 to 13:00. Contact Gary directly at 298-1351.

SARA Board Meeting: Significant Items from August

by Rob Offerle, rofferle@juno.com

SARA 1's check engine light still illuminates. Nevertheless, all three vehicles are running well.

Only those C2 candidates with a minimum of eight callouts will be invited to participate in *BASIC III*. Mike Comeau will prepare a list of those who meet the criteria.

The MRA Committee and the board has discussed revamping our training process splitting the candidate sequence into a 25-hour Outdoor First Care (OFC), *Basic I*, and *Basic II*; then the C2 candidate attends callouts. Active C2 candidates get invited to OEC (slightly abbreviated because the individual already has OFC), *Basic III*, and *Basic IV* before becoming C4. SARA 'orange shirt' membership requirements remain unchanged and lead to initial MRA *support* designation. Further training would lead toward advanced MRA designation levels.

The cut cottonwood logs are firewood for the taking

Two SARA membership issues from July remain. Both the *SARA Short Haul Rappel Team* and the *MRA Patch issuance* were brought before the membership for the first time at the general meeting on August 3. (Both were mentioned again at the general meeting on September 7.)

Come hike our Vertical Mile on Saturday, October 27, from the Sabino Canyon Visitors Center to Girl Scout Camp via the Palisades Trail. The board allotted \$50-\$60 from the training budget for food and tee shirts.

The board made a \$50 donation on behalf of SARA to the Ike Rodriguez Memorial Fund. Ike was a highly respected DPS flight medic on Ranger 38 who died in September.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, 793-2303, n7jzt@arrl.net

Reporting Period	Callouts	SARCI People	Total Hours	Hours/Person	Weeks	Calls/Week
01 Jan – 23 September	63	835	3500	4.2	39	1.6
31 August – 23 September	4	49	228	4.6	4	1.0

MON 03 SEP CALL 1.060 6 people 114 hours CCSO, Federales

A 33 year old male swimmer was missing in Jacinto Lake, Sonora. SRDI was requested a few days later.

MON 03 SEP CALL 1.061 12 people 33 hours

A female hiker became exhausted while with a group going to 7 Falls. While she was being tended to, a male companion cut his foot while wading at the falls. Both rode out on horseback.

SUN 09 SEP CALL 1.062 19 people 43 hours MLFD, PM72

A female injured her leg on the slopes of Bear Wallow, below the observatory. Mt Lemmon Fire tended to her injuries while waiting for a stokes team to carry her down to the road and ambulance.

SAT 15 SEP CALL 1.063 12 people 38 hours R38

Two hikers became stranded by dark on the Aspen Trail. Ranger-38 located their light and confirmed their location. They were quickly retrieved from the top of the switchbacks.



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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Oct 1 . .	Oct 2	Oct 3 . SRDI Board	Oct 4	Oct 5 . SARA Meet	Oct 6 . SARA Training Night Search	Oct 7 . SRDI Training
Oct 8 . .	Oct 9	Oct 10 . SRDI Meet	Oct 11 . Posse Board	Oct 12	Oct 13 . SARA Basic III	Oct 14 . Divers Training
Oct 15 . .	Oct 16	Oct 17 . SARCI Meet	Oct 18	Oct 19	Oct 20	Oct 21 . Posse Gymkhana SRDI Training
Oct 22 . .	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25 . Posse Meet SARA Board	Oct 26	Oct 27 . SARA Field Skills Vertical Mile	Oct 28
Oct 29 . .	Oct 30	Oct 31	Nov 01	Nov 02 . SARA Meet	Nov 03 . SARA Training Mine Rescue	Nov 04
Nov 05 . .	Nov 06 . Divers Annual Meet	Nov 07 . SRDI Board	Nov 08 . Posse Board	Nov 09	Nov 10 . OEC Refresher	Nov 11
Nov 12 . .	Nov 13	Nov 14 . SRDI Meet	Nov 15	Nov 16	Nov 17	Nov 18 . Posse Gymkhana
Nov 19 . .	Nov 20	Nov 21	Nov 22 . Thanksgiving	Nov 23	Nov 24	Nov 25
Nov 26 . .	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29 . Posse Meet SARA Board	Nov 30	Dec 01 . SARA Meet	Dec 02 . SARA Training

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Meet 4th Thu 19:00
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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Meet 1st Fri 19:30, SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

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Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

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Meet each Sun 15:00-18:00, RMPD, 490 W. Magee Rd

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Meet 2nd Wed 19:00
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