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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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SARCI CALENDAR

Apr 17 19:30, Wednesday Council Meeting

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Pagers

by Mykle Raymond, 531-6438, n7jzt@arrl.net

Arch pager people have received a letter that announces a dollar charge for group pages. There are at least two different methods for creating groups of pagers. One is a versatile method that requires Arch to maintain lists of pagers for each group. We are not using this method. Our pagers have the group information programmed into each pager, so we are not affected by this announcement.

You are welcome to call the billing number on your invoice if you have any unusual charges. Those of us with annual accounts should not be seeing any invoices at all. If this doesn't work, call Mykle or Bill Kelleman.

Verizon included an announcement with the current billing. The email address has changed that sends text to alpha pagers, that's all.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVER'S CALENDAR

Apr 14 0900, Sunday Black Mountain Reservoir

Meet: Valencia & I-19

May 19 0900, Sunday Patagonia Lake

Meet: 0715 at Kunz's or 0900 at swim beach

March's training consisted of four scenarios involving drugs, aircraft and watercraft. Thanks to Stuart Anderson for all his work. April's training will be back at Black Mountain Reservoir to continue work on basic patterns, rigging ropes, knots and more familiarity with the Mark II full-face mask.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

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

SRDI CALENDAR

Apr 03 19:00-21:00, Wed Board Meeting

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Apr 07 0900 Sat Training

Greaterville

Apr 10 19:00-22:00, Wed General Meeting

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Greetings from the Dog folks. Would like to extend a welcome to new people, Bonnie Coe, Shannon Holt, Jeri Blackman, and Scott Harper. Also congratulations to "Dakota" (Jeff Merrell), on passing Air Scenting test, and "Ivan" (Jason) and is now mission ready.

We were asked to look for the missing parts belonging to a human skull found West of Silverbell Mine on the 18th. We used "Masque" and "Patches" with 5 SRDI folks and located the right Humerus along with some animal bones. On Sunday 24 February we line searched with "Masque", "K-Duke" and 17 SRDI folks. We collected numerous bones as small as phalanges, and the hat and pants of an individual containing picture I.D. and money. We hope this will provide some closure for the family.

I am sad to report of "Derby", Marti's Border Collie, crossed over the "Rainbow Bridge" to play in beautiful green fields. "Derby" and Marti joined SRDI in 1993 and was mission ready in tracking, cadaver, evidence and water searches. Marti retired "Derby" in December 2001.

April trainings will be in Greaterville on the 7th.

PAW PRINTS: "If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise"

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Joe Beckman, joebec@gci-net.com

POSSE CALENDAR

Apr 11 1900, Thursday Board Meeting

Sub-station 106 Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

Apr 21 1100, Sunday Gymkhana

Vail Feed Store Arena, 11366 S. Vail Rd, Vail

Apr 25 1900, Thursday General Meeting

Sub-station 106 Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

No other news. J Beckman

No News

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

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|---------------|-------------------------|--|---|
| <u>Apr 05</u> | <u>18:00, Friday</u> | SARA Pot Luck | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 05</u> | <u>20:00, Friday</u> | SARA Annual Meeting | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 06</u> | <u>08:00, Saturday</u> | Training: ICS / Search Operations | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 10</u> | <u>19:00, Wednesday</u> | Introduction to Caving | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 13</u> | <u>07:00, Saturday</u> | Caving Trip: Cave of the Bells | Meet: 108, Houghton and Irvington |
| <u>Apr 25</u> | <u>19:00, Thursday</u> | SARA Board Meeting | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 27</u> | <u>08:00, Saturday</u> | Intro. to Single Rope Techniques | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
| <u>Apr 27</u> | <u>08:00, Saturday</u> | SARA Field Skills Recertification | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |

Notes from The Prez

by Jim Gilbreath, 647-7635, jbgarchitect@theriver.com

Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you cannot grow. Ronald Osborn

April 5th is our Annual Meeting, Awards Banquet and election of New Board. It is a good time to renew friendships, meet new members of the team, and enjoy good food, fellowship, and vote for a new group of scoundrels for the Board. Join us in recognizing SARA member years-of-service for a friendly roast.

Membership Awards to be awarded at the Annual Meeting

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 25 year (rock) | Marvin Stafford | Tom Faulkner | | | | |
| 20 year (plack) | Ken Iserson | John Perchorowicz | | | | |
| 15 year (rock) | Doug Neely | | | | | |
| 10 year (plack) | Andy Lamb | Dave Hamer | Dale Mann | Bill Kelleman | | |
| 5 year (buckle) | Rob Offerle | Ed Sherlock | Don Carroll | Elizabeth Graff | Karmin Laramie | Jurgen Seidel |

Nominees for April 2002 elections (vote for 9)

| | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| John Carroll | Linda Catterson | Jim Gilbreath | Mike Jennings |
| Walter Pickett | Scott Clemans | Rob Offerle | Ed Sherlock |
| John Gorski | John Perchorowicz | Jeff Merrell | Mike Comeau |

Board Meeting Attendance (as required by SARA Policy): April 6, 2001, through February 21, 2002

| | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----|-------------------|----|
| Jim Gilbreath | President | 11 | Frances Walker | 11 |
| Bill Kelleman | Vice President | 7 | John Gorski | 7 |
| Rich Kunz | Treasurer | 12 | Mykle Raymond | 12 |
| Rob Offerle | Secretary | 10 | John Perchorowicz | 9 |
| | | | Mike Comeau | 11 |

Board Meeting Notes

A pager cradle and programming software for setting up pagers are at the SARA House. Ask Mykle or Bill K. The Communications Committee is exploring options to our current Arch or Verizon service.

SARA-1 has a GPS tracker and a new radio console. T&E Committee is considering a new site for SARA-2 since that vehicle is not utilized enough.

The University of Arizona's Campus Recreation Department is offering a Wilderness First Responder course this summer. Interested? Contact Walter Pickett.

The SARA Board approved the Recommended First Aid Kit list, a minimum of items for in our personal medical kits.

SARA Building Fundraising Committee

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

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| <u>Apr 09</u> | <u>18:30, Tuesday</u> | Committee Meeting | Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft |
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Training Review: Tanque Verde Falls

by Walter Pickett, Wpick85706@aol.com

We started the training with a familiarization hike down the canyon led by Mykle Raymond. We had more than 15 people who showed up for training, including a large number of candidates from this year's OEC class (Welcome Aboard Candidates).

Upon arriving at the Turkey Chute anchor, the group found an overweight, inebriated, out of breath individual from Texas who reported that his cousin had fallen down in the canyon and was seriously injured. Rich Giachetti was placed in charge of the rescue. We had a medical team on the way down to the victim and the stokes was ready to lower when we received a call that there was a real victim needing assistance elsewhere in the canyon. So the training was curtailed. That operation is summarized in the Callout Reviews. The moral of the story: SARA trainings can sometimes turn into a callout!!!

Training Schedule for 2002

| | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| Apr 06 | ICS / Search Operations | July 06 or 13 | River Rescue | Oct 05 | Night Search / Tracking |
| May 04 | Cave Rescue | Aug 03 | Basic Rock / Rope | Nov 02 | Mine Rescue |
| June 08 | Helicopter | Aug 17 or 24 | Advanced Rock / Rope | Dec 07 | Advanced Technical Rescue |
| June 22 | Desert Survival | Sept 07 | Map & Compass | | |

Apr 06 08:00, Saturday **ICS / Search Operations** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Topic: Mountain Search - Instructors: Cathy Wasmann, Tom Harlan, and James Gilbreath

What to Bring: Catalina Mountain Maps, note pads, pens/pencils, wear comfortable clothes, rescue radio if you have them.

Objective: To familiarize participants with the organization, strategies and tactics of Mountain search.

Goals: Participants shall be able to articulate knowledge of the role use of ICS, and be familiar with the documentation necessary to start and end a search. Participants through the exercises will demonstrate knowledge of tactics and strategy used in a Search in the Mountain environment.

Part I: Overview of ICS structure, application and documentation related to Search. Organization and starting a search.

Instructor: Cathy Wasmann.

Part II: Mountain search strategy and tactic in the Catalina Mountain environment. Instructor: Tom Harlan.

Part III: Search Exercises; Participants will form teams, organize and conduct searches of the Catalina Mountains using maps, simulated radio traffic, and knowledge gained in Parts I & II. Instructor: James Gilbreath.

Part IV: Debriefing on all aspects of the training, review of each group's operations and any questions generated. Instructors: ALL

Suggested reading: The chapter(s) on Mountain Search in Mays, Setnicka, and Search is an Emergency.

Apr 10 19:00, Wednesday **Introduction to Caving** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

This classroom session by Walter Pickett is for SARA/SARCI personnel. We will cover Cave Environment, Cave Conservation, Caving equipment, and an introduction to Single Rope Techniques.

Apr 13 07:00, Saturday **Caving Trip: Cave of the Bells** Meet: 108, Houghton and Irvington

This is for those SARA / SARCI / EGI / Kartchner Cave Rangers who want to go into a cave before they have to go rescue someone.

Apr 27 08:00, Saturday **SARA Field Skills Recertification** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Apr 27 08:00, Saturday **Intro. to Single Rope Techniques** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

We'll practice ascending, rappelling, change-overs, crossing knots, etc. Maybe even put up a rope course for people to try out. Another good idea would also be to fire up the grille & barbeque & have lunch too.

May 04 07:00, Saturday **Cave Rescue Training** Meet: TBA

Members of the local Grotto, Central Arizona Grotto, Kartchner Caverns Rangers and a couple from CAMRA will be participating.

We don't know yet which cave we'll have permission to use. Be prepared for some Single Rope Techniques to be utilized as well as some good "dirty" fun to be had by all.

MRA News

by Richard Kunz, rekunz@juno.com

Mike Comeau has been elected MRA regional chair. Rich Kunz was selected as SARA's representative to the MRA. Mike and Richard just returned from Las Vegas where they helped certify Las Vegas Metro Mountain Rescue in snow and ice rescue.

The MRA summer hands-on technical conference will be held June 7-9 at Estes Park in Ft. Collins, Colorado sponsored by Larimer County Search and Rescue. Additional information is available on the MRA website www.mra.org. Next winter's MRA Business Meeting will be in Salt Lake City.

MRA is looking for member submissions to Advanced Rescue Technology and will pay \$400 for accepted articles. The MRA has established a memorial fund for memorials in the name of all MRA personnel killed on rescues.

GPS / Map Corner

by Andy Lamb, wb0lwh@arrl.net

Want better luck finding the anchors at Tanque Verde Falls in the dark?. Add these waypoints to your GPS.

Turkey Chute Anchor..... N 32 15.325' W110 39.411'

Main Falls High-Line Anchor N 32 15.293' W110 39.447'

Main Falls Evacuation Anchor..... N 32 15.276' W110 39.525'

If you are trying to find something to do with your GPS receiver try GEO Caching. People have placed registers and trinkets at various locations. They give the lat/lon for their caches and you can use your GPS receiver to find them. Check out the web site: <http://www.geochaching.com>

Over the next six months I plan to collect as much information as possible to create a SAR Resource CD for SARCI. The CD will be handed out to SARCI members as a resource. Included on the CD will be things like directions to various trailheads (i.e. the bottom of the Davis Springs Trail on Davis Mesa). How many of you know how to get there? The CD can contain various waypoints of the locations where you need to make turns and so on. The CD could also contain photos of various points of interest.

I am trying to collect accurate trail location information. The next time you are out hiking or riding a trail, turn your GPS on and collect a track. Then e-mail the track to me. I hope to include accurate trail tracks on the SAR Resource CD.

Maps

Want to find the trail numbers used in the Catalina's? Check out the maps on this Catalina National Forest web page:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coronado/scrd/rec/hiking/trails.htm>

ATTP Sessions

by Jeff Merrell, 531-5902 pager

For those who would like to review their basic technical skills (SARA Orange Card items), Jeff Merrell will hold "Augmented Testing, Training and Proficiencies" (ATTP) sessions every third and fourth Wednesdays, 18:00 to 21:00, at the SARA House. These sessions will be held while people continue to participate.

EMT's and OEC's Wanted

by Jim Gilbreath, 647-7635, jbgarchitect@theriver.com

First Aid positions are available at the Boy Scout Camp on Mount Lemmon. Must hold current EMT or OEC or higher medical certification and current CPR card. Stay at Camp Lawton health lodge. Teach First Aid merit badge. Age 21 or older. Weekly slots are available from June 2 through July 21. Contact Mr. Wade Hatch at the Catalina Council Boy Scout Office, 750-0385 or wade@catalinacouncil.org

OEC Corner

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

On April 16th and 18th the OEC hands-on practical mid term will be take place. We will be in need of people to be patients. Anyone interested, please contact Rob Offerle or John Gorski. The starting time will be at 7:00 pm. We will need all instructors to show up as soon as possible that night.

OEC Refresher

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

Update! The Fourth Version of the OEC book will be out in July. The price of the book will increase. I am looking for anyone who might be able to secure a grant in aiding SARA in the purchase of these books.

SARA Runners Group

by Rich Giachetti, REGia@aol.com

Rich Giachetti and anyone else interested is organizing a SARA runners group. The intent of this group is to gear the runs to all levels of experience depending on who shows up, novice and experienced runners. We will group people by their experience level and provide advice and coaching. We can discuss track workouts, hill repeats, long runs, trail runs, running shoes, shoe inserts, hydration, energy bars, GU, aches and pains, bla bla bla.. oh and maybe have some fun. Our first run was Sunday, March 24 at Sabino Canyon. Barry Richards, Karmin Laramie, Gerry Bach and Rich Giachetti ran up the road and down the Phoneline Trail back to the visitors center; only minor injuries were reported. Our next meeting is Sunday, April 7 at 8:00 am at Sabino Visitors Center. See you then.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, 531-6438, n7jzt@arrrl.net

| Call | Date | Day | # Hrs | Problem | Location | Resources |
|-------|--------|-----|--------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| 2.001 | 020121 | Mon | 9 26 | 2 hikers stranded on cliff | Pusch Peak, Catalinas | R38 |
| 2.002 | 020126 | Sat | 11 11 | ??yf hiker injured | Bear Canyon, Catalinas | |
| 2.003 | 020131 | Thu | 8 14 | 4ym missing | 3 Points | Survey1 SAV USBP |
| 2.004 | 020131 | Thu | 6 6 | ??ym hiker stranded by dark | Douglas Spring Trail, Rincons | Survey1 |
| 2.005 | 020219 | Tue | 5 50 | Evidence Search | Silverbell | |
| 2.006 | 020223 | Sat | 18 23 | ??ym hiker hyperthermia | Esperero Trail, Catalinas | R38 RMFD |
| 2.007 | 020224 | Sun | 17 102 | Evidence Search | Silverbell | |
| 2.008 | 020226 | Tue | 28 128 | 67ym missing | Agua Caliente Park, Tucson | Customs SAV |
| 2.009 | 020227 | Wed | 16 61 | 67ym missing | Agua Caliente Park, Tucson | R38 SAV |
| 2.010 | 020227 | Wed | 11 16 | 65yf hiker ankle injury | Pink Hill, Rincons | NPS |
| 2.011 | 020302 | Sat | 7 13 | 16ym hiker fall victim | Tanque Verde Canyon, Rincons | R38 Meds C510 CriticalAir |
| 2.012 | 020302 | Sat | 11 13 | 34ym, 37ym hikers overdue | Esperero Canyon, Catalinas | R38 Survey1 |
| 2.013 | 020304 | Mon | 11 11 | ??yf hiker knee injury | Phoneline Trail, Sabino Can, Catalinas | |
| 2.014 | 020312 | Tue | 10 26 | 50yf hiker ankle injury | Romero Canyon Trail, Catalinas | CSP |
| 2.015 | 020312 | Tue | 11 30 | 19ym, 36ym hikers tired | Pusch Peak, Catalinas | |
| 2.016 | 020317 | Sun | 12 67 | 34yf 25yf hikers overdue | Madera Canyon, Santa Ritas | R38 SCSO SCSAR BORSAR |
| 2.017 | 020320 | Wed | 13 27 | 31ym fall victim | Punch & Judy, Windy Point, Catalinas | MLDF RMFD |
| 2.018 | 020324 | Sun | 19 33 | ??yf hiker ankle injury | Switchbacks, Sabino Canyon, Catalinas | Meds84 |
| 2.019 | 020325 | Mon | 8 8 | 55ym hiker exhausted | Blackett's Ridge, Sabino Can., Catalinas | RMFD |



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SARCI Calendar

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| Apr 01 . . . | Apr 02 . | Apr 03 . SRDI Board | Apr 04 . | Apr 05 . SARA Ann Mtg Pot Luck Dinner | Apr 06 . SARA Training ICS/Search | Apr 07 . SRDI Training Greaterville |
| Apr 08 . . . | Apr 09 . SARA Building Fundraising Meet | Apr 10 . SRDI Meet SARA Training Intro. to Caving | Apr 11 . Posse Board | Apr 12 . | Apr 13 . SARA Caving Trip Cave of the Bells | Apr 14 . Divers Training |
| Apr 15 . . . | Apr 16 . OEC MidTerm | Apr 17 . ATTP SARCI Meeting | Apr 18 . OEC MidTerm | Apr 19 . | Apr 20 . | Apr 21 . Posse Gymkhana |
| Apr 22 . . . | Apr 23 . | Apr 24 . ATTP | Apr 25 . Posse Meet SARA Board | Apr 26 . | Apr 27 . SARA Intro. S.R.T. Field Skills Recert | Apr 28 . |
| Apr 29 . . . | Apr 30 . | May 01 . SRDI Board | May 02 . | May 03 . SARA Meeting | May 04 . SARA Training Cave Rescue | May 05 . |
| May 06 . . . | May 07 . | May 08 . SRDI Meet | May 09 . Posse Board | May 10 . | May 11 . | May 12 . |
| May 13 . . . | May 14 . | May 15 . ATTP | May 16 . | May 17 . | May 18 . | May 19 . Divers Training Posse Gymkhana |
| May 20 . . . | May 21 . | May 22 . ATTP | May 23 . Posse Meet | May 24 . | May 25 . | May 26 . |
| May 27 . . . | May 28 . | May 29 . | May 30 . SARA Board | May 31 . | June 01 . | June 02 . |
| June 03 . . . | June 04 . | June 05 . SRDI Board | June 06 . | June 07 . SARA Meeting MRA Meeting | June 08 . SARA Training Helicopter MRA Summer Meet | June 09 . . MRA Summer Meet |

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