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# **SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL**

http://www.sarci.org

Jul 16 19:30, Wednesday SARCI Meeting

You may now be able to send mail to a specific SARCI Group. Mailboxes have been set up for the following organizations:

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

SARA – <u>sara@sarci.org</u> Posse - <u>posse@sarci.org</u> CAP – <u>cap@sarci.org</u>

Divers - <u>divers@sarci.org</u> Dogs - <u>k9@sarci.org</u>

#### **ALERT Text Messaging System**

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

Pima County has switched their pager contract from Arch to Network Services. The coverage of the new provider is unknown, but appears to be similar to previous coverage by Arch. All SARCI pagers have been exchanged for alpha pagers on the new system. Additional pagers are expected to be available SARCI for any field-qualified person. Note that the "Activate your Account" procedure at <a href="https://www.360link.com">www.360link.com</a> is required for the new pagers to work with our ALERT text messaging system. Updates to the ALERT system are being made to accommodate the new pagers. We now have THREE numeric group-call numbers, but we hope that they won't be needed, since they don't reach all of our pagers, cell phones, and other addresses, and the ALERT system does.

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Cindy Cusack, posse@sarci.org

#### POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Jun 12</u>	17:00, Thursday	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
<u>Jun 21</u>	17:00, Saturday	Gymkhana	Vail Arena - Registration 4:00 – Saturdays during
summer			
<u>Jun 26</u>	19:00, Thursday	General Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

Special thanks to Jim Gilbreath, Tracy Perkins and Powder, George Herget, Greg Pallack and Kelly Goudielock for attending Ventana Vista Elementary School family night on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Contact Kelly Goudielock for the planned Trail Familiarization Rides on Wednesday's

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Paul Cartter, 825-6517, k9@sarci.org

# SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jun 01</u>	08:00, Sunday	Training	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Jun 04</u>	19:00-21:00, Wed	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Jun 11</u>	19:00-22:00, Wed	General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
Jun 14/15	09:00, Saturday	Training	Rend. I-10 & Hwy 83

Hello from the doggie folks. It was a busy for the dogs on a couple of searches this month. One took them into Mexico with the FBI about 130 miles in country. Once there, they found out that the search area was back up near the border. It was a lesson in flexibility and being able to adapt to the situation. Paul went back east with his Bloodhound "Ginger" to Maryland to attend a five-day Bloodhound seminar with the Law Enforcement Bloodhound Association and then on to the FBI Academy Laboratory at Quantico, Virginia to participate in a Bloodhound Research Workshop.

We are planning training on Mt. Lemmon the 1st of June, meeting at #106 at 0800hrs. Since it is getting hot out, we are planning night trainings at I-10 & Hwy 83, meeting at 1930hrs on the 14/15 June and 5/6 July. On 20 July we will be back to Mt. Lemmon meeting at #106 at 0700hrs. Anyone is welcome to come and for more information call Paul at 825-6517.

# **NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.**

by Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org,

<u>Jun 01</u>	15:30-18:00, Sun.	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – No E,S, Training
<u>Jun 08</u>	15:30-18:00, Sun.	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – Ground Search Training
<u>Jun 15</u>	15:30-18:00, Sun.	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – BCUT (Basic Communicator User Training
Jun 22	15:30-18:00, Sun.	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – Blood Borne Pathogen Training
<u>Jun 28</u>	15:30-18:00, Sat.	Meeting	SARex, Bisbee

# PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, divers@sarci.org

#### **DIVER'S CALENDAR**

<u>Jun 8</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	Patagonia Lake	Meet 0700 at Kunz's
<u>Jul 13</u>	09:00, Sunday	Pena Blanca Lake	Meet 0700 at Kunz's

Although the water level is down about 20 feet, May's training went well and was fun. The manikin remains planted for future trainings. June's training will be in one of the coves or other deep areas of the lake and will involve deployment off the pontoon boat. July's training will be a visit to Pena Blanca and the "weeds".

# SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

#### SARA CALENDAR

<u>Jun 06</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jun 07</u>	TBA, Saturday	Training: Swiftwater Rescue	Location: Gila or Salt River
<u>Jun 19</u>	19:30 Thursday	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jul 04</u>	19:30 Friday	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jul 17</u>	19:30 Thursday	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

**SARA TRAINING** 

by Brian Duffy, saratraining@sarci.org

<u>Jun 07</u> <u>TBA, Saturday</u> **Swift water Rescue** Location: Gila or Salt River depending on streamflow

The monthly training for June will be an introduction to swift water rescue. The training will be conducted on June 7th, depending on stream flow, either at the Gila or Salt River. All participants will need to wear a helmet, PFD and footwear and to enter the river, they are required to have demonstrated their swimming ability at a SARA sponsored swim qualification during the past three years. Additional swim qualifications will be conducted on June 1st and June 4th, if necessary. Time and location TBA.

Rendezvous time and location will be announced at the monthly meeting and on audix.

# **MEMBERSHIP:**

by Linda Catterson, <a href="mailto:lcjardin@aol.com">lcjardin@aol.com</a>

"Basic 2" will be held June 14th at Prison Camp. Candidates should rendezvous at 1230 at Substation 106. SARA members are welcome to assist with the Night Search Training. Please meet at the Prison Camp at 1800. RSVP to Linda Catterson 825-1562 or <a href="mailto:lcjardin@aol.com">lcjardin@aol.com</a>.

#### **OEC Class:**

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

June 10th and 12th will be the final hands-on practical for the Spring class at the SARA House. Anyone wishing to assist please arrive around 6 p.m. on either or both nights.

#### 2003 Training Schedule

<u>J</u>	<u>un. 07</u>	Swift water Rescue	Oct. 04	High Angle Rescue Training
J	ul. 05	Man tracking/Night Search	Nov. 08	ICS/Base Camp/Exercise with NPS
A	ug. 02	Basic Rock/Basic Rope Skills (Phase II & III)	Dec. 06	Mountain Travel/Snow Rescue/Cold Weather Orientation
S	ep. 06	Helicopter Operations		

#### FIELD SKILLS RECERTIFICATION Sessions for 2003

Jul 260800 SaturdayField Skills RecertificationLocation: SARA House, 3455 N. CraycroftOct 250800 SaturdayField Skills RecertificationLocation: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

**SARA Store** 

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

The SARA store now has new car tags for two dollars available for \$2.00. Price is to cover the cost of the supplies. All old car tags have expired.

**SARA Dues** 

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

Yes, it is time to pay your dues. Please mail dues to the P.O. Box or you may leave them at the SARA house in the Treasurer's slot in the mailroom. If you have not already sent in your dues, they are now late!! Members who have not paid their dues by the July Board meeting will be dropped from membership.

**World Care Day** 

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

Saturday, June 14th at 9:00 am till the crew runs out of steam. New shelves have been put up with more to come. Pam stated that more items have arrived, and plenty more will be finding its way to the back door. This is a very worthwhile effort and is much appreciated. Last time, we not only sorted much equipment, but had a great time.

#### **Building Fund Raising**

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, rct2jtp@aol.com

Double your contribution. A SARA member has anonymously agreed to match contributions made to the Building fund from now through 31 August up to \$1,000.

Don't forget to visit the Buy for Charity web site at <a href="http://www.buyforcharity.com">http://www.buyforcharity.com</a> when you shop on line. It's a painless way to add to the fund.

The contract for building design has been signed with D'CO'SINE. Final plans will be brought to the board for the June meeting.



Call Date Day # Hrs Problem

Location

Resources

none 030420 Sun 0 0 2 groups of hikers overdue Romero Canyon, Catalinas First group returned on their own, second group hiked elsewhere. No call.

#### 3.025 030426 Sat 15 53 63yf hiker heart problem Amphitheater, Pontatoc Canyon, Catal R38 RMFD

A group hiked up Pontatoc Canyon to the Amphitheater. One of the women was having cardiac problems. Rescue teams met the group near the base of the switchbacks. The old tent platform was cleared for Ranger to land, and they ferried her to the ambulance at basecamp.

#### 3.026 030426 Sat 15 19 37ym hiker missing Sycamore Basin, Catalinas

A group last saw one of their companions in Sycamore Basin. Although the group had talked about the Palisades Trail, they chose to return to the Prison Camp. Shortly after the search started from many trailheads, the missing hiker returned to their vehicles, having gone up the Palisades Trail on his own.

# 3.027 030430 Wed 19 64 63yf distraught missing Downtown Tucson

R38 TPD P&R

A distraught woman left an office in downtown Tucson. Search teams worked along the tracks, Santa Cruz River, around "A" Mountain, and along drainages, letting people know of the search. A number of people from the woman's church also searched. TPD detectives took the search from there. She apparently called home at 02:30 the next morning and asked her husband to pick her up along the frontage road near 22<sup>nd</sup> St.

# 3.028 030503 Sat 5 26 Evidence Search Box Canyon, Santa Ritas

Canine and Horse teams looked along the west end of Box Canyon for victims of a Biker altercation, and found nothing.

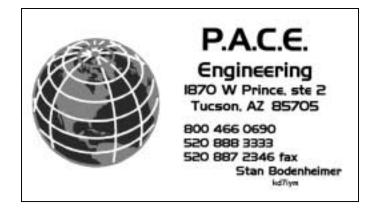
# 3.029 030504 Sun 15 30 45yf hiker fall victim Soldier's Canyon, MP 0.5, Catalinas RMFD

A female climber rolled down a rock while hiking back to the highway after a climb. She refused treatment by medics for back pain and a head laceration, but accepted a litter carry for the short distance back to the vehicles. Her companion drove her to the ER.

## none 030515 Thu 0 0 16yf hiker overdue Pima Canyon, Catalinas

A 16y female started about 12:00 to hike up Finger Rock to Mt Kimball. She called her home at 16:00 from near the peak, saying that she was having problems finding the trail down Pima Canyon, was about out of water, and was not equipped for travel after dark. As search people were enroute, her mother called from the first crossing, 1 mile from trailhead. TJ and her father walked in to meet the pair as it got dark and the moon was in eclipse.

**2003 Totals:** People: 333 Hours: 1337 Hours per person: 4.0



# **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	Jun 01
:	·	·	·	·	SARA Trainining Intro to Helicopter	SRDI Training CAP Meeting
Jun 02	Jun 03	Jun 04	Jun 05	Jun 06	Jun 07	Jun 08
:	·	SRDI Board	·	SARA Meeting	SARA Training Swiftwater Rescue	Diver Training CAP Meeting
Jun 09	Jun 10	Jun 11	Jun 12	Jun 13	Jun 14	Jun 15
:	OEC Final Exam	SRDI Meeting	OEC Final Exam Posse Board		SARA BASIC II Training	SRDI Traing CAP Meeting
Jun 16	Jun 17	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22
: :	OEC Graduation		SARA Board		Posse Gymkhana	CAP Meeting
Jun 23	Jun 24	Jun 25	Jun 26	Jun 27	Jun 28	Jun 29
:			Posse Meeting		CAP SARex, Bisbee	
Jun 30	Jul 01	Jul 02	Jul 03	Jul 04	Jul 05	Jul 06
		SRDI Board		Independence Day SARA Meeting	SARA Training Night Tracking/Search	SRDI Training
Jul 07	Jul 08	Jul 09	Jul 10	Jul 11	Jul 12	Jul 13
:		SRDI Meeting	Posse Board	·		Diver Training
Jul 14	Jul 15	Jul 16	Jul 17	Jul 18	Jul 19	Jul 20
	·	SARCI Board	SARA Board	·		·
Jul 21	Jul 22	Jul 23	Jul 24	Jul 25	Jul 26	Jul 27
: :	·	·	Posse Meeting	·	SARA Field Skills Recert	·
Jul 28	Jul 29	Jul 30	Jul 31	Aug 01	Aug 02	Aug 03
: :	·	·	·	SARA Meeting	SARA Training Basic Rock	·



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# PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E.Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749 Meet  $4^{\rm th}$  Thu 19:00

Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

#### SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

P.O.Box 12892, Tucson AZ 85732-2892 Meet 1<sup>st</sup> Fri 19:30, SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

## PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732 Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun 09:00, details inside.

# **NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.**

4933 N. Sunrise Avenue, Tucson AZ 85705 Meet each Sun 15:00-18:00, RMFD, 490 W. Magee Rd

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P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed 19:00 SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft **SARNEWS** Published monthly by Search and Rescue Council, Inc., a volunteer, non-profit organization. It is distributed free to members of SARCI affiliated groups and other qualified search and rescue organizations.

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