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Jul 16 19:30, Wednesday **SARCI Meeting**

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

HAM Repeater Status

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

The Aspen Fire has burned almost all radio installations on Radio Ridge, east of the pavement. This includes our ham shack adjacent to the top of the Ski Lift. None of the structures or equipment are salvageable.

We will be using the RACES 448.550 repeater as we did during the Bullock Fire. The site housing the RACES repeaters is being replaced, so the antennas are currently mounted on top of the county building. The coverage is less extensive, maybe into the fall, maybe later.

An alternative repeater is the Tucson Mountains 447.875 at KB7RFI, especially for work on the west end of the Catalinas.

Both of these repeaters are listed on the SARCI web site, and are usually included in basic radio programming.

Please remember that these repeaters are used for other purposes and by other people.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Cindy Cusack, posse@sarci.org

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>July 10</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
<u>July 19</u>	<u>17:00, Saturday</u>	Gymkhana	Vail Arena - Registration 4:00 – Saturdays in summer
<u>July 24</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	General Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

Please note on July 19th, set up is at 3:30 p.m.; 4:00 p.m. registration and the events start at 5:00 p.m. Contact Kelly Goudielock for weekly rides in various mountain ranges around Tucson. The next ride will be in the Santa Rita mountain range. Days may vary so check in with him if you are interested in going.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

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

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jul 02</u>	<u>19:00-21:00, Wed</u>	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Jul 06</u>	<u>TBA, Sunday</u>	Training	TBA
<u>Jul 09</u>	<u>19:00-22:00, Wed</u>	General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Jul 20</u>	<u>TBA, Sunday</u>	Training	TBA

The SRDI members would like to pass on their condolences to the Graff's of the passing of William.

We have had several searches in the past couple months working with Pima Co. Sheriff's Detectives and also Cochise Co. Sheriff's Detectives. Southwest Gas Co. donated a ground venting probe to use locating graves. It breaks the soil crust so that scent is released for the dogs. In April we did several demo's at the Co. Fair as well as some schools with SARA. We have started an additional training each month on the 3rd Wednesday at 1830 hrs. as well as our 1st & 3rd Sunday trainings. Some were planned for Mt. Lemmon but you can guess that change. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call Vi Brown or Paul Cartter for locations and times. Some are started Saturday evening thru midnight till O dark thirty on Sunday. We have a new addition to the doggie family, Amy & Andy Marble had a baby girl, Emma Marble.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org.

<u>Jul 13</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – No E.S. Training
<u>Jul 20</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – Ground team skill testing
<u>Jul 26</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	Meeting	SARex, Tucson Area
<u>Jul 27</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sat.</u>	Meeting	Oro Valley Library – Ground team skill testing

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVER'S CALENDAR

<u>Jul 13</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	Pena Blanca Lake	Meet 0730 at Kunz's
<u>Aug 03</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	Parker Canyon Lake	Meet 0730 at Kunz's

June's training was great. Ask Joe Barr about his new "assist" in getting back onto the pontoon boat. July's training will be a visit to Pena Blanca and the "weeds" where we will do a familiarization tour of the lake; rig underwater communications and perform search patterns. August's training will most likely take place at Parker Canyon. Please remember that assistance is required to get gear to and from the lake. Rendezvous will be at the Kunz's at 0730.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.

SARA CALENDAR

<u>July 04</u>	<u>18:00 Friday</u>	SARA 4th of July Pot Luck	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>July 04</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>July 05</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	Training: Man Tracking	Location:
<u>July 17</u>	<u>19:30 Thursday</u>	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Aug 04</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Aug 01</u>	<u>19:30 Thursday</u>	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

SARA TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, saratraining@sarci.org

<u>Jul 05</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	Night Tracking/Search	Location: TBA
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Monthly training for July will be: "An Introduction to Search and Tracking" This training is tailored specifically for new candidates and for those who want an introduction to this topic. Training date: Saturday, July 5th. Time and location TBA

Advanced Training: For this month's advanced training we will again provide training/practice for the upcoming MRA Technical Recert. We will concentrate on stokes handling and low angle evacuation techniques. Saturday, July 19th, Rendezvous Time: 7 pm until very late, Location: TBA

Membership:

by Linda Catterson, lcjardin@aol.com

Thank you to all who helped out with this year's Basic 2 at Prison Camp. It was a SARCI event with Kelly, George, Cindy, Larry, and John from the Posse; and Paul and LaLania from the Dog Team training us on working with the animals. The new C2 candidates are now available for callouts, please teach them all you know!!

OEC Corner:

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

The 2003 OEC classes have been concluded and the new candidates will now be participating in field operations. Please help ensure that they get the experience to help them be successful.

2003 Training Schedule:

<u>Jul. 05</u>	Man tracking/Night Search	<u>Oct. 04</u>	High Angle Rescue Training
<u>Aug. 02</u>	Basic Rock/Basic Rope Skills (Phase II & III)	<u>Nov. 08</u>	ICS/Base Camp/Exercise with NPS
<u>Sep. 06</u>	Helicopter Operations	<u>Dec. 06</u>	Mountain Travel/Snow Rescue/Cold Weather Orientation

Field Skills Recertification Sessions for 2003:

Jul 26 0800 Saturday **Field Skills Recertification**
Oct 25 0800 Saturday **Field Skills Recertification**

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
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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.

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 <http://www.buyforcharity.com> 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.

MRA

The Spring MRA meeting was held in Idyllwild, California. Topics included "Child Abduction and Search and Rescue", "Helitac and "GPS" training. The guest speakers included Jim Donini, an accomplished climber who has dozens of first ascents to his name from Alaska to Patagonia to the Himalayas and shared his breathtaking slides. Saturday's guest speaker was Dr. Beck Weathers, a pathologist from Dallas, Texas who is better known for his survival from an attempt to climb Mt. Everest where he was left for dead.

Next year's Spring Conference will be held in Anchorage, Alaska.

Condolences:

GRAFF, William Nathaniel, October 5, 2000 - June 7, 2003

William Nathaniel Graff, 2 1/2 died Saturday morning, June 7, 2003 at home. William courageously battled a rare genetic disorder far longer than anyone could foresee or ever imagine. His parents, William and Elizabeth Robb Graff, survive him. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Southern Arizona Rescue Association, P.O. Box 12892, Tucson, AZ 85732



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CALLOUT REVIEWS

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<i>Call</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>Hrs</i>	<i>Problem</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Resources</i>
<i>none</i>	<i>030420</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2 groups of hikers overdue</i>	<i>Romero Canyon, Catalinas</i>	
<i>First group returned on their own, second group hiked elsewhere. No call.</i>							
<i>3.025</i>	<i>030426</i>	<i>Sat</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>63yf hiker heart problem</i>	<i>Amphitheater, Pontatoc Canyon, Catal</i>	<i>R38 RMFD</i>
<i>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.</i>							
<i>3.026</i>	<i>030426</i>	<i>Sat</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>37ym hiker missing</i>	<i>Sycamore Basin, Catalinas</i>	
<i>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.</i>							
<i>3.027</i>	<i>030430</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>63yf distraught missing</i>	<i>Downtown Tucson</i>	<i>R38 TPD P&R</i>
<i>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 22nd St.</i>							
<i>3.028</i>	<i>030503</i>	<i>Sat</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>Evidence Search</i>	<i>Box Canyon, Santa Ritas</i>	
<i>Canine and Horse teams looked along the west end of Box Canyon for victims of a Biker altercation, and found nothing.</i>							
<i>3.029</i>	<i>030504</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>45yf hiker fall victim</i>	<i>Soldier's Canyon, MP 0.5, Catalinas</i>	<i>RMFD</i>
<i>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.</i>							
<i>none</i>	<i>030515</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>16yf hiker overdue</i>	<i>Pima Canyon, Catalinas</i>	
<i>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.</i>							
2003 Totals:	People:	333	Hours:	1337	Hours per person:	4.0	



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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jun 30 . .	Jul 01 .	Jul 02 . SRDI Board	Jul 03 .	Jul 04 Independence Day SARA Meeting	Jul 05 . SARA Training Night Tracking/Search	Jul 06 . SRDI Training
Jul 07 . .	Jul 08 .	Jul 09 . SRDI Meeting	Jul 10 . Posse Board	Jul 11 .	Jul 12 .	Jul 13 . Diver Training
Jul 14 . .	Jul 15 .	Jul 16 . SARCI Board	Jul 17 . SARA Board	Jul 18 .	Jul 19 . Posse Gymkhana	Jul 20 .
Jul 21 . .	Jul 22 .	Jul 23 .	Jul 24 . Posse Meeting	Jul 25 .	Jul 26 . SARA Field Skills Recert	Jul 27 .
Jul 28 . .	Jul 29 .	Jul 30 .	Jul 31 .	Aug 01 . SARA Meeting	Aug 02 . SARA Training Basic Rock	Aug 03 .
Aug 04 . .	Aug 05 .	Aug 06 . SRDI Board	Aug 07 .	Aug 08 .	Aug 09 .	Aug 10 . Diver Training
Aug 11 . .	Aug 12 .	Aug 13 . SRDI Meeting	Aug 14 . Posse Board	Aug 15 .	Aug 16 .	Aug 17 . SRDI Traing
Aug 18 . .	Aug 19 .	Aug 20 .	Aug 21 . SARA Board	Aug 22 .	Aug 23 .	Aug 24 .
Aug 25 . .	Aug 26 .	Aug 27 .	Aug 28 . Posse Meeting	Aug 29 .	Aug 30 .	Aug 31 .
Sep 01 . .	Sep 02 .	Sep 03 . SRDI Board	Sep 04 .	Sep 05 . SARA Meeting	Sep 06 . SARA Training Helicopter Operations	Sep 07 .



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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.

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

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

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