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## SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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October 15 19:30, Wednesday **SARCI Meeting**

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

### **HAM Repeater Status**

by Mykle Raymond, 793-2303, [n7jzt@arri.net](mailto:n7jzt@arri.net)

We will continue 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 445.875 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](mailto:posse@sarci.org)

### **POSSE CALENDAR**

<u>Aug 14</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	<b>Board Meeting</b>
<u>Aug 16</u>	<u>17:00, Saturday</u>	<b>Gymkhana</b>
<u>Aug 28</u>	<u>19:00, Thursday</u>	<b>General Meeting</b>

Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway  
Vail Arena - Registration 17:00 – Saturdays in summer  
Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Paul Cartter, 825-6517, [k9@sarci.org](mailto:k9@sarci.org)

### **SRDI CALENDAR**

<u>Aug 03</u>	<u>07:00, Sunday</u>	<b>Training</b>
<u>Aug 06</u>	<u>19:00-21:00, Wed</u>	<b>Board Meeting</b>
<u>Aug 13</u>	<u>19:00-22:00, Wed</u>	<b>General Meeting</b>
<u>Aug 17</u>	<u>07:00, Sunday</u>	<b>Training</b>

Patagonia Lake  
Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy  
SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft  
Parker Canyon Lake

Well July was an interesting month. Our response to Ajo for one search expanded into another. The desert is hot and dry there and hazards of getting stuck in talcum powder dirt is a reality. The bombing range is full of metal fragments that will cut your tires. Everyone got training in vehicle removal, i.e. dirt filling, brush cutting, tow strap attaching and plain old pushing.

In August we are planning water training on the 3rd at Patagonia Lake, meeting at I-10 & Hwy. 83 @ 0700hrs. On the 17th will be Parker Canyon Lake, meeting the same place and time. We also plan a training on Wed. August 20th at Pantano Stables on Houghton Rd. @ 1800hrs to 2200hrs. Everyone is welcome to come but be flexible as things could change. Call Vi Brown or Paul Cartter. On water training you must have a current CPR and life vest.

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

by Robert McCord, [cap@sarci.org](mailto:cap@sarci.org)

<u>Aug 02</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	<b>Meeting</b>	TBD
<u>Aug 09</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	<b>Meeting</b>	TBD
<u>Aug 16</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	<b>Meeting</b>	TBD
<u>Aug 23</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	<b>Meeting</b>	TBD
<u>Aug 30</u>	<u>15:30-18:00, Sun.</u>	<b>Meeting</b>	TBD

## **PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS** by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, [divers@sarci.org](mailto:divers@sarci.org)

### **DIVER'S CALENDAR**

<u>Aug 10</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	<b>Parker Canyon Lake</b>	Meet 07:30 at Kunz's
<u>Sept 14</u>	<u>09:00, Sunday</u>	SARA House	OSHA requirements for Diver safety

July's training was great. Due to the water level, we could not launch the pontoon boat. We did work on new methods of searching the "weeds" and decided there is no best way. It will always be difficult and fatiguing. August's training will be 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. September's training will be information on OSHA requirements and diver safety.

## **SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN.**

### **SARA CALENDAR**

<u>Aug 01</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	<b>SARA General Meeting</b>	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Aug 02</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	<b>Training: Basic Rock</b>	Location: TBA – Check Audix
<u>Aug 12,14</u>	<u>19:00</u>	<b>Training: Rope Lab</b>	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Aug 21</u>	<u>19:30 Thursday</u>	<b>SARA Board Meeting</b>	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Sept 05</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	<b>SARA General Meeting</b>	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

### **SARA TRAINING**

by Brian Duffy, [saratraining@sarci.org](mailto:saratraining@sarci.org)

<u>Aug 02</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	<b>Basic Rock Training</b>	Location: TBA – Check Audix
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Monthly Training, Saturday August 2nd. Basic Rock Training for Candidates. This class introduces techniques and practices skills necessary for search and rescue work in the low angle environment. Due to the USFS closure of the Santa Catalina's rendezvous time and location TBA. Check Audix.

<u>Aug 12, 14 &amp; 16</u>	<u>19:00</u>	<b>Rope Lab</b>	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
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Training for upcoming MRA Recert? Rope Lab. Want a more thorough understanding of haul systems? How they work? Why they work? How to calculate your mechanical advantage? Come to rope lab! Mike Comeau will teach Rope Lab on two nights and a Saturday. August 12, 14 and 16th. Location: SARA House 7pm August 12 and 14th. Rendezvous time for Field Training on Saturday August 16th TBA. Check Audix.

<u>Aug 23</u>	<u>TBA, Saturday</u>	<b>High Angle Rescue Training</b>	Location: TBA – Check Audix
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Advanced Training. Normally conducted the third weekend of the month, is moved to August 23rd. This training will focus on high angle rescue techniques in preparation for the upcoming MRA re-accreditation Fall 2003. Due to the USFS closure of the Santa Catalinas. Rendezvous time and location TBA. Check Audix.

Interested in being an Instructor? Ever feel like teaching our new, up and coming SARA members? The Training Committee is looking for instructors to begin preparing classes for the Monthly Trainings for the next year. Those interested please email: [saratraining@sarci.org](mailto:saratraining@sarci.org) for further information.

### **Membership:**

by Linda Catterson, [lcjardin@aol.com](mailto:lcjardin@aol.com)

Basic 3 will be held on October 11. Normally, the candidates need 8 callouts to qualify. With many of the parks being closed, the committee is holding mock searches during August and September to give the candidates some experience. These searches will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. These are for training purposes only, but we would appreciate participation from Orange Shirts. Thank you! Contact Linda Catterson at [lcjardin@aol.com](mailto:lcjardin@aol.com) for more info.

### **2003 Training Schedule:**

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

**OEC Corner:**

by John Gorski, [tucmj@worldnet.att.net](mailto:tucmj@worldnet.att.net)

This year's refresher dates will be Saturday, September 20th, and Sunday, November 9th and will be held at the SRA house. Starting time for instructors and helpers will be 07:30. Refresher will begin at 08:00. Be sure to pack a lunch or light snack, this is an all day refresher. Dress for grass and dirt, as you will be moving about the grounds.

There will be a master copy of the study guide hanging above the copy machine at the SARA house for those who wish to make a copy. (Please do not take the master copy) You may also download it at home from [WWW.NSP.ORG](http://WWW.NSP.ORG), under the heading What's New, then look for Study Guide Refresher B. Please have your study guide completed before you attend your refresher. As in the past, if you are unable to attend one of SARA's refresher dates, please contact John Gorski or Rich Kunz to make other arrangements.

**Field Skills Recertification Sessions for 2003:**

Oct 25      0800 Saturday      **Field Skills Recertification**      Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

**SARA Store**

by John Gorski, [tucmj@worldnet.att.net](mailto:tucmj@worldnet.att.net)

The SARA store now has new car tags 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](mailto:tucmj@worldnet.att.net)

The following people have been dropped from SARA for non-payment of dues on or before the July board meeting. If I am in error regarding your payment please contact me [tucmj@worldnet.att.net](mailto:tucmj@worldnet.att.net). Bryan Back, Larry Brewster, Joseph Carney, Rian Clawson, John Engen, Paul Gilbert, Doug Hartley, Jim Johnsen, Mary Lamb, Aleck & Vivian MacKinnon, Jeff Marcoux, Matt Martin, Jason Merrell, Doug Neely, Mark Peters, Ron Plunkett, Josh Poles, Shannon Reilly, Lisa Spahr, Rich Tillis, Karen Walker and Leslie Willingham.

**Building Fund Raising**

by John Perchorowicz, 529-0080, [rct2jtp@aol.com](mailto: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 Building Fund Raising Committee is composed of Jennifer Ashbeck, Victor Braun, John Carroll, Bill Florence, George Herget, Richard Kunz, John Perchorowicz, and Pam Phillips. We are looking for additional members and volunteers to help with several fund raising events planned for this fall. We meet every week or so. A list server has been set up to facilitate communication.

George is heading a committee to put on a golf tournament that will occur on 18 October at Forty Niner Country Club. He is looking for help with the following: 1) identifying a major corporate sponsor to underwrite the cost of golf shirts 2) contacting prospective players to pull together foursomes. He has entry forms and information. 3) Individuals whose company would sponsor a hole for \$100 in return for signed recognition at the event. 4) Individuals willing to help solicit donated goods or services to be given away to entrants. 5) Help with media contacts to promote this and the other upcoming events. Contact George for more information.

Jennifer is organizing a family oriented community event that is tentatively scheduled for Rillito Race Track on 1 November. It will include games/contests for kids, and safety talks will be given to educate the public. Other SARCI component groups wishing to participate, local EMS and government agencies will be invited to put on static displays. She will be looking for teachers for classes, ticket sellers, game referees, etc for the day of the event.

John Perchorowicz is organizing an evening dinner to attract the movers and shakers of the community. We are working on a keynote speaker. That individual's availability will drive the date for the event. As part of this event we will sell tables to corporations. Each table will also feature one SARA member so that the attendees can better get to know SARA and its members.

More on each of these events as they develop. Feel free to contact George, Jennifer or John with offers of help, suggestions or to join the list serve.

**MRA**

Next year's Spring Conference will be held in Anchorage, Alaska June 18 – 20, 2004. Please visit [www.amrg.org](http://www.amrg.org) for more information or just to peruse Alaska's web site.

**CALLOUT REVIEWS**

by Mykle Raymond, 793-2303, [n7jzt@arrrl.net](mailto:n7jzt@arrrl.net)

<i>Call</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>Hrs</i>	<i>Problem</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Resources</i>
3.036	030712	Sat	14	207	Search for 6 UDA's code 900 west of Ajo		PCSD, USBP, Customs
<p>One UDA made it out of the desert and returned to Mexico. He reported separating from his companions, and another male returned to the border to report them missing. He was familiar with the route (smuggling cargo, not people), and one male was quickly found, code 900. Another six were supposed to be nearby. Several hours of searching by several resources did not find anyone else. The Growler Valley is west of Ajo about 10 miles, temps over 110 degrees, and a vehicle that wouldn't shift to 4WD.</p>							
3.037	030715	Tue	16	104	Search for ill UDA's west of Silverbell		PCSD, Pinal SD, USBP
<p>One UDA made it out of the desert (sound familiar?) and reported that his companions were ill. Two were found quickly by helicopter, south of Friendly Corners, near Arizona Farms where we've been before. While recovering those two, another was reported at a well several miles away in poor condition. He wasn't that bad, but insisted he was alone until the original person showed up and greeted him enthusiastically. Gradually a tale of several more people was told, a couple of them having passed away that morning, and contact was lost with the others. It's hard to find people who want help, but don't want to be found.</p>							
<p><b>2003 Totals:</b>    People: 443        Hours: 1878        Hours per person: 4.2</p>							




**PINE PIG  
RESCUE**

**Bob Brantley**    In Arizona Call: **Dave Brown**  
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# SARCI Calendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
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 . Posse Gymkhana	Aug 17 . SRDI Training
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 .
Sep 08 . .	Sep 09 .	Sep 10 . SRDI Meeting	Sep 11 . Posse Board	Sep 12 .	Sep 13 .	Sep 14 . Diver Training
Sep 15 . .	Sep 16 .	Sep 17 .	Sep 18 . SARA Board	Sep 19 .	Sep 20 . OEC Refresher Posse Gymkhana	Sep 21 .
Sep 22 . .	Sep 23 .	Sep 24 .	Sep 25 . Posse Meeting	Sep 26 .	Sep 27 .	Sep 28 .
Sep 29 . .	Sep 30 .	Oct 01 .	Oct 02 .	Oct 03 . SARA Meeting	Oct 04 . SARA Training High Angle Rescue	Oct 05 .



**PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.**  
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### **SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL, INC.**

P.O.Box 44231, Tucson AZ 85733  
Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed 19:30 (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct), details inside.

### **PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE**

8987-309 E. Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749  
Meet 4<sup>th</sup> 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  
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### **SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS**

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