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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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Oct 15 19:30, Wednesday SARC Meeting

Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Larry Cunningham

Our best wishes to Larry for a speedy recovery. We don't know exactly what happened yet, but it involved Larry, his Mule, and lightning. Larry lost, so TMC has him as their guest for a few days, and hopefully not longer.

N7SAR

SARA applied for an Amateur Radio Club callsign, then applied for a Vanity call (one of our choosing, rather than a random call). So SARA is now licensed as N7SAR. All of the vehicle trackers, and the one at the SARA House, will use N7SAR. The K7KZ repeater is also identifying as N7SAR. Also, the tone for the K7KZ repeater is now 107.2 for input and output.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVER'S CALENDAR

Sept 14 09:00, Sunday SARA House
Oct 12 09:00, Sunday TBA

OSHA requirements for Diver safety
Training TBA

August training was good; not only for divers, but support people received some training on dealing with public, reportees and using care and discretion while working an "operation". Everyone did a great job. The new boat trailer should be ready soon and we may need to go to a lake to swap trailers. September's training will be a classroom session on OSHA requirements and diver safety. Please keep in mind that the annual meeting and elections are in November, and nominations will be due in October.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Cindy Cusack, posse@sarci.org

POSSE CALENDAR

Sept 11 19:00, Thursday Board Meeting
Sept 20 17:00, Saturday Gymkhana
Sept 25 19:00, Thursday General Meeting

Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
Vail Arena - Registration 4:00pm - Event 5:00 pm
Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

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

SRDI CALENDAR

Sep 03 19:00-21:00, Wed Board Meeting
Sep 10 19:00-22:00, Wed General Meeting

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

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org

CAP CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Location: Oro Valley Library

1305 W. Naranja Dr, corner of La Canada and Naranja

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSN

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Sept 05</u>	<u>19:30 Friday</u>	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Sept 06</u>	<u>08:30 Saturday</u>	Training: Helicopter	Location: Ratliff Aviation
<u>Sept 13</u>	<u>19:00 Saturday</u>	Training: Personal Rope Skills	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Sept 18</u>	<u>19:30 Thursday</u>	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Sept 20</u>	<u>08:00 Saturday</u>	OEC Refresher	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Sept 27</u>	<u>16:00 Saturday</u>	High Angle Rescue Training	Location: Chuy's at 106
<u>Sept 30</u>	<u>19:00 Tuesday</u>	High Angle Rescue Training Prep	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Oct 04</u>	<u>08:00 Saturday</u>	High Angle Rescue Training	Location: TBA – Check Audix
<u>Oct 11</u>	<u>TBA Saturday</u>	Basic III	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Oct 25</u>	<u>0800 Saturday</u>	Field Skills Recertification	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Nov 01</u>	<u>TBA Saturday</u>	MRA Re-accreditation	Location: TBA
<u>Nov 09</u>	<u>08:00 Sunday</u>	OEC Refresher	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

SARA TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, saratraining@sarci.org

Sept 06 08:30, Saturday **Helicopter Ingress/Egress** Location: Ratliff Aviation – see below

The Monthly Training for September will be held on September 6. Helicopter Ingress / Egress at a low hover. Meet at 08:30 in the parking lot south of Ratliff Aviation, on Plumer Ave, just south of Valencia. Please don't be late. This is a controlled access area. We will be escorted through the locked gate in one group. If you miss the movement through the gate, you will miss the training!

Note: This training is for all active members who are C4 and above, only. As with all Helo training, it is dependent upon the DPS mission load. They may be called away at any time!

Sept 13 19:00, Saturday **Personal Rope Skills** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Personal Rope Skills Practice will be conducted at the SARA House beginning at 19:00. This practice is for all members with strong Single Rope Techniques (SRT) skills. Practice will focus on skills and techniques that will be needed for the MRA Technical Skills Re-accreditation.

Sept 27 16:00, Saturday **High Angle Rescue Training** Location: Chuy's at 106

Monthly Advanced Training will be conducted on September 27. Advanced Training although normally conducted on the 3rd Saturday of the month, is moved to the 4th Saturday to avoid conflict with OEC Refresher Training on September 20.

Subject: High Angle Rescue Skills training in support of our preparations for the MRA Technical Skills Re-accreditation on November 1st. Meet 17:00 at the Chuys by 106. We'll have dinner, and then conduct an operations briefing. Training will be conducted in the vicinity of Tanque Verde Falls. Look forward to another long night.

Note: All SARA members who are interested in improving their technical skills are encouraged to participate.

October Monthly Training

Oct 04 08:00, Saturday **High Angle Rescue Training** Location: TBA – Check Audix

Andy Lamb will teach a class on High Angle Training on October 04. Rendezvous location TBA, Rendezvous time 0800. Andy extends his invitation to bring friends and family to a training that shouldn't be missed! In preparation for this monthly training Andy will conduct a class at SARA House on Tuesday September 30 from 19:00 to 22:00.

MRA Technical Reaccreditation training update

In preparation for the MRA Technical Reaccreditation personal rope skills practice will be conducted at the SARA House on Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 18:30. This is not introductory level training. This practice is specifically for members with strong Single Rope Techniques (SRT) skills. You need strong skills and the ability to ascend a rope with prusiks, lock off, and then changeover to rappel to participate in this practice.

Membership

by Linda Catterson, 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 2nd or 4th weekend. These are for training purposes only, but we would appreciate participation from Orange Shirts. Thank you! Contact Linda for more info.

OEC Corner

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

This year’s refresher dates will be Saturday, September 20, and Sunday, November 9 and will be held at the SARA 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, 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.

SARA Store

by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

We have a new location for the SARA Store and even a new entrance!!! The remodeling crew did a great job and has split the large Board Room closet into two smaller ones, so now you will find the new entrance (door) at the base of the stairs. This should make it more convenient for everyone to shop. A big Thank You!! to Rich Kunz and Mike Jennings for all their efforts in putting the SARA Store back in order and in time for our monthly meeting in August.

The SARA store will be putting in an order for name patches for your orange SARA shirt. If interested please let John Gorski know.

Copy Machine

The copy machine is once again up and running. The machine was given a tune up along with a good cleaning. As always, when you are using the copier and find something wrong, please advise Gary Copus or John Gorski of the problem(s).

2003 / 2004 Training Schedule (revised)

Note: we will begin including the (*target audience*) so that people can choose training sessions that are more likely to be of interest.

<u>Sep 06</u>	Helicopter Operations	(c4 and up)	<u>Jan 2004</u>	Map and Compass	(all members)
<u>Oct 04</u>	High Angle Rescue Training	(all members)	<u>Feb 2004</u>	Winter Skills	(all members)
<u>Nov 08</u>	MRA Technical Reaccreditation	(all members)	<u>Mar 2004</u>	Tanque Verde Falls Orientation	(candidates)
<u>Dec 06</u>	Base Camp/Truck & Equipment Orient.	(candidates)	<u>Apr 2004</u>	Cave Rescue Training	(all members)
			<u>May 2004</u>	Swift Water Rescue	(all members)

Field Skills Recertification Sessions for 2003:

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

Building Fund Raising

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

The model of the building should be available for viewing within the next month.

The \$1,000 has been matched! Another individual has stepped up and placed a \$2500 challenge to the membership. This challenge will be open until 15 December. We look forward to your participation.

The Building Fund Committee is looking for more members. Feel free to ask records@sarci.org to be added to our fundraising email list. To make participation easier, or if you just want to drop by and see what we're up to, future meetings will be included on the information page.

The golf tournament is scheduled for 18 October at Forty Niner Country Club. George Herget is in charge.

The community event is scheduled for 15 November at Rillito Park. Jennifer Ashbeck is in charge.

Both events are in need of volunteers. Please contact George or Jennifer for a list of open positions. Most jobs require only a few hours work.

The dinner event is still on hold pending identification of a speaker with broad appeal to the Tucson community. Ideas are welcome.

MRA

Next year’s Spring Conference will be held in Anchorage, Alaska June 18 – 20, 2004. Please visit www.amrg.org for more information or just to peruse Alaska’s web site.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, 793-2303, 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>
3.038	030725	Fri	19	111	17y male fall victim	Agua Caliente Canyon	Survey-1, RMFD
<p>A hiker called for help by cellphone, stating that he had hiked up La Milagrosa Canyon, and on the way back lost his balance, banging his body in several places. He had continued to hobble down canyon before calling for help. Two canyons are parallel to each other in this area, and easily confused. Survey-1 could see the hiker's flashlight and provided coordinates that indicated he was really in Agua Caliente Canyon. Teams arrived and determined that he needed to be carried by litter, with C-spine precautions. Meanwhile it started to rain, but it didn't last long. Several hours were required to muscle the litter down the canyon bottom filled with boulders, with a short trail very well appreciated at the bottom.</p>							
3.039	030801	Fri	15	37	River Rescue	Arivaca MP 4	PCSD, Ranger38
<p>A vehicle drove into a flooded wash, the driver was observed to have exited and was carried downstream. Ranger 38 covered the area without finding anyone. As we arrived, they noticed some clothing that appeared to be associated with a body. It wasn't far from the road, so we were able to investigate quickly, finding only old clothing. The original call turned out to be associated with a Border Patrol attempt to stop a couple of vehicles observed dropping off undocumented migrants, then fleeing. The first vehicle made it across the wash, but the second one was stuck in the sand, and the driver bailed. A resident on the other side described the subject floating downstream, but he got himself out of the wash, and fled. So all people were accounted for and we wound up nursing an ill SARA-2 back to town.</p>							
3.040	030825	Mon	12	36	Flooded area investigation	Golder Ranch Rd & Lago del Oro	GRFD, FWFD, Survey-1
<p>Flood water in the Canada del Oro wash spread over the floodplain into structures. River Rescue teams from several agencies were assigned to check the residences to ensure that any occupants were safe and accounted for. The water level had receded, so travel was just muddy and sloppy.</p>							
3.041	030828	Wed	17	44	53ym missing	Sandario & Snyder Hill	Ranger38, SAV
<p>He walked one of his granddaughters to the bus stop to meet another granddaughter, but tired halfway there and stopped to wait for the two to return. They didn't find him. He was reported missing at 01:00, and SAR people were requested at 08:00. As we were getting into the field, a resident called to report a subject needing help. Ranger38 found him 3.5mi from his residence, dehydrated, and transported him. Meanwhile, a woman arrived at basecamp reporting her husband missing while walking their child to the bus stop. SAV called the school, who wouldn't release any information about the child. The mother finally got to talk to her kid, who reported that dad had got into another vehicle at the bus stop. Nothing more for us to do.</p>							
<p>2003 Totals: People: 506 Hours: 2106 Hours per person: 4.2</p>							



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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sep 01 . .	Sep 02 .	Sep 03 . SRDI Board	Sep 04 .	Sep 05 . SARA Meeting	Sep 06 . SARA Training Helicopter Ingress/Egress	Sep 07 .
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Sep 22 . .	Sep 23 .	Sep 24 .	Sep 25 . Posse Meeting	Sep 26 .	Sep 27 . SARA Training High Angle	Sep 28 .
Sep 29 . .	Sep 30 . SARA Training High Angle Class	Oct 01 . SRDI Board	Oct 02 .	Oct 03 . SARA Meeting	Oct 04 . SARA Training High Angle	Oct 05 .
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Oct 20 . .	Oct 21 .	Oct 22 .	Oct 23 . Posse Meeting	Oct 24 .	Oct 25 . SARA Training Field Skills Recert	Oct 26 .
Oct 27 . .	Oct 28 .	Oct 29 .	Oct 30 .	Oct 31 .	Nov 01 . SARA Training MRA Recreditation	Nov 02 .
Nov 03 . .	Nov 04 .	Nov 05 . SRDI Board	Nov 06 .	Nov 07 . SARA Meeting	Nov 08 . SARA Training	Nov 09 . OEC Refresher Diver Training

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8987-309 E. Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749
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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