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# SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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<u>Jan 21</u> <u>19:30, Wednesday</u> **SARCI Meeting** Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

Updated phone lists, ham callsigns, and SARCI Grant Request forms are available on the SARCI data page.

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

**DIVER'S CALENDAR** 

Nov 04 17:00, Tuesday SARA House Annual Elections and Potluck

Nov 21–23 Mexico Dive Trip
Dec 14 09:00, Sunday SARA House Altitude Tables

Welcome back Tim Froebe!!! October's training was needed and very productive. A big thanks to those of you who showed up to help. Tuesday, November 4 is our annual meeting and elections beginning at 5:00pm for meet and greet. Potluck will begin at 6:00 with elections taking place thereafter. The new slate is in place so come and share some food and watch some videos of past seminars and callouts.

Ray and Lisa Gundy have graciously put together a sport diving trip to Mexico. They have room for 8 people so please contact Lisa at <u>lisat@us.ibm.com</u> if interested. This is a first come – first served basis. The price of \$200 will get you food, lodging, and boat travel to various dive sites and a chance to reacquaint yourself with "visibility".

December training will be altitude tables at the SARA house.

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

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

#### SRDI CALENDAR

Nov 02	<u>08:00 Sunday</u>	Training: Empire Cienega	Meet I-10 / Hwy 83
Nov 05	19:00-21:00, Wed	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Nov 12	19:00-22:00, Wed	General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
Nov 16	08:00, Sunday	Training: Mock Search	Meet: Ryan Field Airport, Training: Buenos Aires NWR
Nov 19	18:00-22:00, Wed	Training: Urban	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Dec 03</u>	19:00-21:00, Wed	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>Dec 07</u>	11:00, Sunday	Christmas Party	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
<u>Dec 10</u>	19:00-22:00, Wed	General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

The dog team is proud to announce that Jerri Blackman and Mona Johnson are full mission ready members now. Also, Mona Johnson and her golden retriever Cruiser are now certified in tracking. Look for Jerri, Mona and Cruiser on future searches.

# <u>PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE</u>

by Cindy Cusack, posse@sarci.org

## POSSE CALENDAR

Nov 13	19:00, Thursday	Board Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
Nov 15	11:00, Saturday	<b>SARA Community Service</b>	Contact Dan if interested
Nov 16	11:00, Sunday	Gymkhana	Registration 11:00am – Event 12:00 pm
Nov 18	18:00, Tuesday	<b>CPR Refresher Class</b>	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
Nov 20	19:00, Thursday	General Meeting	Sub-station 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway
Nov 25	09:00, Tuesday	Collier School Safety Days	Contact Cindy if available

We have a busy month so please check your calendars and make as many dates as possible. Please note the General Meeting is moved up a week due to Thanksgiving. A reminder of the Party on December 12. Please hold that date open - Contact Bob

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

by Robert McCord, <u>cap@sarci.org</u>,

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

#### **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

Nov 01	09:00 Saturday	MRA Re-accreditation	Location: TBA
Nov 07	19:30 Friday	SARA General Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
Nov 09	08:00 Sunday	OEC Refresher	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft
Nov 20	19:30 Thursday	SARA Board Meeting	Location: SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

by Brian Duffy, saratraining@sarci.org SARA TRAINING

## **November Monthly Training**

09:00, Saturday Location: TBA Nov 01 **MRA Re-accreditation** 

Monthly Training for November will be the MRA Re-accreditation scheduled for November 1. The field exercise will start at 9:00a.m. Location TBA. Check AUDIX.

## 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.

Nov 01	MRA Technical Reaccredidation	(all members)	Mar 2004	Tanque Verde Falls Orientation	(candidates)
Dec 06	Base Camp/Truck & Equipment On	rient. (candidates)	Apr 2004	Cave Rescue Training	(all members)
Jan 2004	Map and Compass	(all members)	May 2004	Swift Water Rescue	(all members)
Feb 2004	Winter Skills	(all members)			

#### Field Skills Recertification Sessions for 2003:

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

**OEC Corner** by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

Sunday, November 9 at the SARA House is the last chance you will have to take this year's refresher. Instructor's time is 07:30 along with anyone wishing to assist as a patient. 08:00 start for the rest of the group. Please have all your paperwork completed before your arrival.

#### **SARA Birthday**

Come join us at the November meeting for cake and ice cream. I will bring the cake if someone will bring the ice cream!

SARA has been serving Tucson and the surrounding areas for 45 years. SARA was organized in 1958. SARA gained attention in October of that year when a snowstorm hit the Santa Rita mountain range, and a group of Boy Scouts became trapped in the snow. And as they say...the rest is history.

SARA Store by John Gorski, tucmj@worldnet.att.net

Polo shirts will be on sale at the monthly meeting. The Polo shirts are white with our logo, along with the lettering "45 years" in green under the logo. There is a limited supply of this collectable polo shirt and is priced at \$25.00.

## **Building Fund Raising**

Congrats to the volunteers who pulled off the Golf Tournament!

Community Outdoor Safety Day presented by SARA and Friends, 15 November at Rillito Park. We need volunteers to help with the day of the event and we are looking for additional door prizes (restaurant and other gift certificates, new cars, etc). Look for sign up sheets posted at the SARA House at the November meeting and expect recruiting calls.

Christmas is coming! Don't forget when you shop on line, please consider going through buyforcharity.com and selecting the Southern Arizona Rescue Association as your charity. You may access all of the most popular shopping sites and your cost or expense will not be affected.

Don't forget the \$2500 matching pledge put up by an anonymous SARA member offered through 15 December. Any amount large or small will help us achieve our goal. Send checks to the P.O. Box or place them in the Building Fund box at the SARA House. Give cash to John Gorski with a note of who it's from and that it is to count toward the match.

Call Date Day # Hrs Problem

Location

Resources

3.045 030923 Tue 16 44 61ym hiker hip injury

Cargodera Canyon Road, Catalinas

**GRFD** 

A hiker injured his hip while walking on the Cargodera Canyon Road, about a mile from the Catalina State Park, north boundary gate. He laid on the trail for two days before another hiker encountered him. The injured hiker gave his car keys to the other hiker, who retrieved a cellphone from the vehicle and returned to the scene so he could call for help. Some confusion resulted from the "50 Year Trail" name being applied to several trails and not to the one that the hiker had been lying on. He was carried to the gate by litter, just as several days of rain commenced.

3.046 030928 Sun 11 11 40ym hiker missing

Butterfly Trail, Catalinas

MLFD

A hiker was missing from his group at the Soldier's Camp Trailhead. As we were meeting, Deputy Jess hollered from Mt. Bigelow, and the hiker responded from nearby. He had lost the trail, and bushwhacked uphill towards the TV towers.

3.047 031014 Tue 19 22 14yf bike rider injured

Sabino Canyon X4, Catalinas

RMF

A bicycle rider stopped on the fourth crossing (there are nine on the road in "upper" Sabino) and lost her balance, falling off the crossing on the downstream side, down to the concrete and boulder footing about seven feet below. Rural Metro requested SAR help with a litter, simply to lift her back to the roadway. A group responded from a training at the SARA House, and met everyone else when they returned to the gate.

3.048 031020 Mon 13 32 3 bike riders overdue

Mule Ears, Samaniego Ridge, Catalinas Omaha747

Five people rode Mtn Bikes down Samaniego Ridge (they knew the area is still closed from the Aspen Fire). After many delays, problems finding the trail, and losing their bikes (??), two of the five headed off the ridge, leaving all water with their companions. The two made it out Monday morning. Cellphone (the battery didn't last long) and FRS radio (not much life their either) maintained contact with the remaining three. Around lunch they reported being exhausted and almost out of water near Mule Ears (it's on your maps!). That's about halfway along the route, so a team drove to the top while alternatives were sorted out in Catalina. We didn't have any transportation to Charouleau Gap, so it was looking like a long hike from either end. Ranger38 was not to be found, so Customs was asked for support. A Blackhawk landed at Catalina State Park and picked up a team, spotted the trio at Mule Ears, then found a place to put their main wheels on the ground (after blowing a towering column of ash into the sky) while keeping their tail off the ground. The team retrieved the three and all were flown down to the park.

**2003 Totals:** People: 634 Hours: 2537 Hours per person: 4.0





# **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31 HALLOWEEN	Nov 01  SARA Training  MRA Reacreditation	Nov 02 SRDI Training
Nov 03	Nov 04 Diver Meeting	Nov 05 SRDI Board	Nov 06	Nov 07 . SARA Meeting	Nov 08 LMN OEC Refresher	Nov 09 OEC Refresher
Nov 10 : :	Nov 11	Nov 12 . SRDI Meeting	Nov 13 Posse Board	Nov 14	Nov 15 . SARA Family Day	Nov 16 Posse Gymkhana SRDI Training
Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19 SRDI Training	Nov 20 SARA Board Posse Meeting	Nov 21	Nov 22	Nov 23
Nov 24	Nov 25	Nov 26	Nov 27 THANKSGIVING	Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30
Dec 01	Dec 02	Dec 03 SRDI Board	Dec 04	Dec 05 . SARA Meeting	Dec 06 SARA Training Base Camp Op's	Dec 07 SRDI Party
Dec 08	Dec 09	Dec 10 SRDI Meeting	Dec 11 Posse Board	Dec 12 Posse Party	Dec 13	Dec 14 Diver Training
Dec 15	Dec 16	Dec 17	Dec 18 SARA Board Posse Meeting	Dec 19	Dec 20	Dec 21
Dec 22	Dec 23	Dec 24	Dec 25  MERRY CHRISTMAS	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28
Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31	Jan 01 . HAPPY NEW YEAR	Jan 02 SARA Meeting	Jan 03 . SARA Training Map and Compass	Jan 04



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## PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E.Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749 Meet  $\mathbf{4}^{\text{th}}$  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 Sunday 15:30-18:00, details inside

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