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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by Mykle Raymond, sarnews @ sarci.org

The SARCI Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of January, April, July, and October.

SARCI Records by Joe Barr, records @ sarci2.org

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PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, divers @ sarci2.org

DIVER'S CALENDAR

Mar 12 08:30 Sun Black Mountain Reservoir Rdv: Valencia & I-19

<u>Apr 09</u> <u>08:30 Sun</u> **Patagonia Lake** Rdv: TBD

February's training was at Ft. Lowell Pool where we covered basic search patterns. March's training will hopefully be at Black Mountain Reservoir. We hope to get Sunnyside Pool as a back up. Again March training will focus on search grids and patterns, Meet at the Burger King at Valencia & I-19 at 8:30 am so we can caravan to the reservoir. April's training is scheduled for Patagonia Lake.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Paul Cartter, kd7bib @ earthlink.net

No submission for March

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

CAP CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Location: Oro Valley Library 1305 W. Naranja Dr, corner of La Canada and Naranja

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, posse6 @ sarci2.org

POSSE CALENDAR

Mar 09	19:00 Thurs	Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Mar 19	11:00 Sun	Gvmkhana	Vail Arena

Mar 23 TBD Thurs General Meeting Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Posse is in a small membership drive. If any of you members know of anyone interested in joining the posse, please refer over to us. Minimum qualification: Must be able to pass the Sheriff's large application, must have a horse or mule and have access to a trailer.

On Feb. 14th, The Far Horizon East Hiking club held a special fund raising BBQ for SARCI. Remember the 80yr old, Sycamore Dam 1-10-06 Rescue?

Dan McPhedran was invited and did attend. Not only did he get a free meal, he was presented a check made out to SARCI for \$275.00, which he is mailing to C. Wasmann.

Dan reported there were 55 people at the fund raiser. They did the normal, with the picture taking etc. The reason Dan was invited was because he met an old home boy from his home town. That's the big connection. Note of interest. The 80 old Lady told Dan, "If she had known what the ride out on the Stokes was like prior-she would have rode the Mule!" She said she really didn't care to do that again. And hearty thanks to all who helped get her out of there. Once again, Dan M. gets the BBQ and the cash.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Mar 03</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Mar 04	07:30 Sat	Tanque Verde Falls Orientation	Rdv: Circle K, Tanque Verde Rd & Tanque Verde Loop
Mar 04	08:30 Sat	TV Falls Technical Rescue	Rdv: Circle K, Tanque Verde Rd & Tanque Verde Loop
Mar 11	09:00 Sat	Basic IV and Field Skills Recert	Location TBD

OEC REFRESHER

by John Gorski, tucmj @ worldnet.att.net

There is a new price for your three-year OEC card. The new cost is now \$50.00. If you will need a new card this year, please plan on bringing your check to the refresher of choice. Please fill out the form for your NEW OEC card, and attach your check thereto. Please make your check payable to "National Ski Patrol". This will serve as your receipt once the check is cashed.

Mark your calendar with the following dates for this year's Cycle B refresher. Saturday August 19th, 2006 will be the first date. Sunday September 17th, 2006 will be the second date. Starting time will be at 8 am at the SARA House.

2006 MRA CONFERENCE

by John Gorski, tucmj @ worldnet.att.net

The team members of the Marin County Search & Rescue and Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) will be hosting the 2006 MRA Conference during from June 15–18, 2006 at the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, California. The conference will feature an expanded schedule of outdoor Search and Rescue (SAR) exhibitions in conjunction with the annual Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) conference. See http://www.marinsar.org/MRAconf/home.htm for more information.

SARA.BASIC TRAINING

by Henry Jacobs, hjacobs @ bblabs.net

The following is the current schedule of Basic Training events through March.

11 Mar 09:00 SARA Basic IV and Field Skills Recert, Location TBD

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SARA BASIC TRAINING

Contact Henry Jacobs or Rich Giachetti

Volunteers are needed to assist in our annual SARA Basic Training. Our training next year will be conducted between January 28th and March 11th. We especially need people to help with Basic III, which will be a two day training with an overnight, and will emphasize technical skills. We can especially use SARA Orange Shirts who have attended the Orientation on December 12th, 2005, but everyone is welcome to come and help out. Basic I will be at the SARA House, the other sessions will be in the field, location TBD.

SARA TRAINING

Review of February's Training:

The monthly training for February was Winter Skills Orientation. This training is based on the National Ski Patrol's "Mountain Travel and Rescue" course. Our thanks go out to Rich Giachetti, Owen Watson, and Frances Walker for setting up a realistic exercise. Thanks also to all who participated. Next year pray for cold weather!

March Monthly training:

Tanque Verde Falls Orientation and Technical Rescue

This month's training will be conducted in two phases. The TV Falls orientation is aimed specifically at new candidates seeking an orange card sign off and of course all members desiring to improve their knowledge of the TV Falls area.

Date: 04 March 2006

Rendezvous: 07:30 Circle K Parking Lot, Tanque Verde Loop

Instructor: Mykle Raymond Target Audience: Candidates

TV Falls Orientation will be conducted from 0800-1000. The route will travel down the SARA Trail and then upstream to finish at the technical rescue exercise. The second phase will be a technical rescue exercise.

TV Falls Technical Rescue:

Date: 04 March 2006

Rendezvous: 08:30 Circle K Parking Lot, Tanque Verde Loop

Instructor: Scotty Clemans

Target Audience: All members and candidates

This year we will practice our technical skills by establishing the trolley system at Tanque Verde Falls. This is a challenging and

demanding exercise.

April Monthly training:

Cave Rescue

Date: 08 April 2006 Rendezvous: TBA Instructor: TBA

Target Audience: All members and candidates

May Monthly Training

Subject: Swift Water Rescue

Date: 06 May 06 Time: 0800

Rendezvous: Oracle and Magee Rd

Instructor: Richard Kunz

Required equipment: Helmet, PFD, whistle, knife, suitable footwear. Recommend wearing a wetsuit. Some PFD's available thru

SARA.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, sarnews @ sarci2.org

CallDate# HrsProblemLocationResources6.009060129 Sun7 4463ym hiker overdueVentana Canyon, CatalinasSurvey1

01:28 – 10:07 A hiker was reported overdue on a hike in Ventana Canyon. He was thought to have been interested in coming down another trail, so teams started up Esperero and Finger Rock as well as Ventana. Voice contact was made high in Ventana. He was chilly but otherwise in good condition and walked out with the team. He had reached the Window at 17:00, and ran out of daylight soon after starting downtrail.

6.010 060131 Tue 11 36 ??ym hiker fall victim Pontatoc Canyon, Catalinas TucsonRanger

15:10 – 19:34 A hiker reported falling a short distance into cactus, and was unable to walk. He reported hiking up Finger Rock Canyon and was now off trail, but also thought he was close to the trailhead, so several teams were looking in different drainages. TucsonRanger was directed to him by cellphone, winding up above the end of the trail in Pontatoc Canyon. He realized that he was not really injured, and started down trail, meeting a team a short distance above the amphitheater.

6.011 060204 Sat 11108 51ym 38ym hikers lost

Finger Rock Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger

23:21 – 12:29 Two hikers reported themselves stranded above cliffs in Finger Rock Canyon. They signalled TucsonRanger with flashlights, with coordinates plotting them adjacent to the drainage below Finger Rock. Teams got close, determined that finding a route at night would be difficult, so stopped for a rest until dawn a couple hours later. The hikers were given a choice of either going back towards the Finger (UP!) or climbing a short distance to the base of the high cliff and working down canyon. The second team traversed and worked thru cliffs to meet the hikers as they descended, and all walked out without problems.

6.012 060212 Sun 11 60 ??ym hiker fall victim

Pontatoc Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger

11:19 – 16:35 A hiker was reported to have fallen about 20', then tumbled backwards downhill into rocks, and was unresponsive for a few minutes. The cellphone GPS coordinates plotted next to the Finger Rock Trail, but TucsonRanger spotted the group near the base of the cliff under the Pontatoc Ridge Trail, about halfway up to the mine workings. The hasty team was climbing from the Pontatoc Canyon Trail as teams and equipment were dropped off near the trail above the cliffs. The patient was stable, packaged, then carried downhill about 100 yards, where Ranger shorthauled him to the trailhead for transfer to a medical helicopter.

6.013 060212 Sun 8 16 ??ym vehicle rollover

Chivo Falls area, Rincons

TucsonRanger

A vehicle rollover near Chivo Falls injured the driver. TucsonRanger landed about ¼ mile away. The paramedic assisted the patient back to the helicopter. Teams were standing by at the trailhead in case more help was needed.

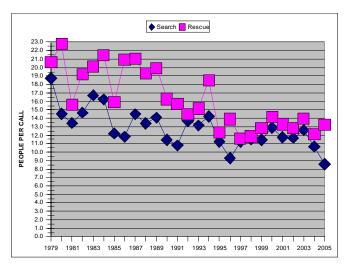
6.014 060213 Mon 7 7 Report of stranded climber Molino Canyon, Catalinas

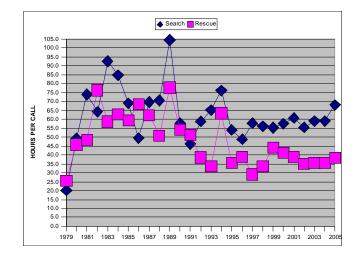
14:25 – 15:10 Two hikers started in Bear Canyon, intending to hike down Soldier's Trail (now erroneously called the Bug Spring Trail) a short distance, then over the ridge, across Hollin Basin, then down Molino Canyon to the roadway. Companions thought that one of the hikers was stranded and the other was missing. Everyone was reunited after the hikers stumbled down to the highway at various spots, without any help from us.

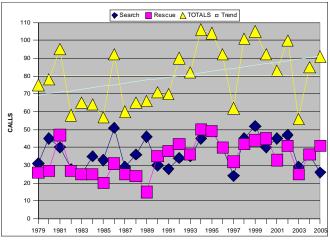
2006 Totals: People: 140 Hours: 478 Hours per person: 3.4

CALLOUT STATISTICS, 1979-2005

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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Feb 27	Feb 28 SARA Basic 4 Practice SARA Fundraising	Mar 01 SRDI Board Mtg	Mar 02	Mar 03 SARA General Mtg	Mar 04 SARA Training TV Falls Tech	Mar 05 SRDI Training
Mar 06 :	Mar 07 SARA Basic 4 Practice SARA Fundraising	Mar 08 SRDI General Mtg	Mar 09 Posse Board Mtg	Mar 10	Mar 11 SARA Basic 4	Mar 12 Divers Training
Mar 13 :	Mar 14 OEC Class	Mar 15 SARA Fundraising Mtg	Mar 16 SARA Board Mtg	Mar 17	Mar 18	Mar 19 SRDI Training Posse Gymkanna
Mar 20	Mar 21 OEC Class	Mar 22 SRDI Training	Mar 23 OEC Class Posse General Mtg	Mar 24	Mar 25	Mar 26
Mar 27	Mar 28. OEC Class	Mar 29	Mar 30 OEC Class	Mar 31	Apr 01 OEC CPR Class	Apr 02 SRDI Training
Apr 03	Apr 04 OEC Class	Apr 05 SRDI Board Mtg	Apr 06	Apr 07 SARA General Mtg	Apr 08 SARA Training Cave Rescue	Apr 09 Divers Training
Apr 10	Apr 11 OEC Class	Apr 12 SRDI General Mtg	Apr 13 OEC Class Posse Board Mtg	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16 SRDI Training Posse Gymkanna
Apr 17	Apr 18 OEC Class	Apr 19 SARCI Gen Mtg	Apr 20 SARA Board Mtg	Apr 21	Apr 22 OEC Field Day	Apr 23
Apr 24	Apr 25 SARA OEC Class	Apr 26 SRDI Training Comm	Apr 27 Posse Gen Mtg	Apr 28	Apr 29 SARA Field Skills	Apr 30
May 1 :	May 2 OEC Class	May 3 SRDI Board Mtg	May 4 OEC Class	May 5 SARA Gen Mtg	May 6 SARA Training Swift Water	May 7 SRDI Training





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Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

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