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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci.org

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

UPDATED: CRAYCROFT CONSTRUCTION

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci.org

Craycroft traffic has been shifted to the east side of the roadway. The SARA House entrance is now wide and level, but not well marked, and lots of construction material is in the area. The curbs are about to be poured, and guardrails are being constructed.

The River Road entrance has been changed while the roadway is being widened to the south. The entrance is now more of a "T" intersection instead of a "Y", and it is slightly shifted west, so it curves as it drops down the hill. The entrance is not marked, so it is not easy to see at night. It is not clear whether this entrance will continue to be available.

We strongly recommend NO LEFT TURNS either into or out of either the River Road or Craycroft entrances, due to limited visibility, congestion at the traffic light, and the usual traffic. If traffic is light, fine, but more caution than usual will be needed.

Plan your route so that you approach the River Road entrance from EASTBOUND River Road (Swan Rd). There are no safe places to stop on westbound River while waiting for a break in traffic. Traffic behind you could be blocked back into the intersection. Continue to the top of the hill where you can turn around safely going eastbound. When leaving, you can easily turn east on River, then north or south on Craycroft. Again, turning west on River is not recommended unless traffic is light.

BE SAFE!

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVER'S CALENDAR

<u>Aug 12</u> <u>09:00 Sun</u> **Search Patterns – Patagonia Lake** Rdv: Kunz's at 07:30

If the weather cooperates, we plan to train at Patagonia Lake where we will use the pontoon craft to orient new people and dive the coves. That underwater grove in Hangman's Cove always makes for an interesting training. Plan to meet at Kunz's to load gear and equipment and head down to Patagonia so we can start at 9:00 am.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Maryanne Mott, mjmott12 @ msn.com

SRDI CALENDAR

Aug 4 19:00 Sat **Night Search** Rdv: Catalina State Park, Leaders: Pam and Janelle

Aug 1518:00 WedSRDI IRdv: Substation 106; Leader: KarenAug 18-19 07:00 Sat-SunWater - Parker Canyon LakeRdv: I-10 and 83, Leaders: TBD

We wish our president Jennifer Johnson a speedy recovery.

TID-BITS: Remember to keep your dog hydrated when hiking. When you stop to take a drink make sure your furry friend has one too! Did you know that dogs can get sunburned? So make sure they have access to shade.

Visitors are welcome to observe our trainings. Please call the instructor to make sure there have not been any location changes.



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

was on vacation!

Aug 9	19:00 Thurs	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Aug 18	16:00 Sat	Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store, Vail, AZ
Aug 23	19:00 Thurs	Posse General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

My hat is off to all Search and Rescue personnel for June and 1st week of July. Had to be hot as an Arizona Desert in the Summer. I

Thanks to Dan McPhedran for putting my cell phone on the page system. I received all pages. Some in North Carolina, some in Virginia, and South Carolina. Even in areas where no call signals were! Nice system. Recommend all S&R people switch over to their cells for pages.

The Posse is in the process of a new summer uniform shirt. Looks like it will have to be white or mineral red. Thanks to McPhedran for the research on the mineral red one. I should have all the information in for the committee to review prior to this letter reaching the members. In the interim, we are recommending the use of a long sleeve white shirt with patches in place. This is because the red shirt we have will fry you in this weather! The Red shirt will still be the official Uniform shirt. For Parades and funerals as Dan would put it. Red shirt-cool weather! There is a UV wash in chemical available also. Rit Sun Guard Laundry Treatment UV Protectant. Or, Sun Guard Laundry Aid. Found it on Amazon.com. Check it out.

Have a safe August.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA CALENDAR

Aug 3	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Aug 4	08:00 Sat	Training: Basic Rock	Rdv: Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Aug 16	19:00 Thur	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Aug 18	TBA Sat	SARA Candidate Hike	Rdv: TBA
Sept 7	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

AUGUST MEETING PROGRAM

Dr. Kandra Yee will make a presentation on her experiences as a member of YOSAR, The Yosemite Search and Rescue Team.

Additionally, since its monsoon season, George Simmons will present a medical lecture on lightning related injuries

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by Brian Duffy, bduffy @ email.arizona.edu

The SARA BOD would like to congratulate Clyde Pretti on his advancement to "Orange Shirt" Status. Congratulations Clyde, and well done!

OEC CORNER by John Gorski, jgorskil @ us.ibm.com

NSP has posted the OEC Cycle "C" refresher on the website at <u>www.nsp.org</u>. Starting time for each refresher dates: Instructors – 7 AM, Patients/Helper – 7:15 AM, Students – 8 AM(or as students arrive).

You will need your personal first aid equipment for the refresher. Bring yourself a snack to help you make it through the refresher. A group snack to share is always welcome.

OEC refresher dates for 2007 are:

Sunday September 16, 2007

and

Saturday October 20, 2007.



SARA TRAINING

August Monthly Training

Basic Rock

Date: Saturday, August 4

Rendezvous: Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway, 07:00

Instructors: Jim Holmes and Jane Larkindale

Target Audience: Orange Card sign off for candidates.

September Monthly Training

Personal Rope Skills

Date: Saturday, September 8 Rendezvous: SARA House, 08:00

Instructors: Cathy Wassmann and Lee Ryan

Target Audience: Classroom session. All members and candidates who think they might want to improve their personal rope skills. This class will build on skills taught in Basic Rock (see August training). Topics will include: Purcell Prusiks, how to tie, how to use them.

Note: If you need a set of personal Purcells, please bring 10m of 6mm cord to the class. Additional field session scheduled for Saturday, September 22. Details TBA on audix.









Call Date # Hrs Problem

Location

Resources

7.049 Sun, 24 Jun 14 43 ??yf hiker exhausted

Gates Pass, Tucson Mtns

TucsonRanger FWFD

15:00 – 18:19 Two people were hiking north of Gates Pass on a hot afternoon. One became exhausted, and was briefly unresponsive. TucsonRanger located the pair in the canyon below Bushmaster Peak and directed rescue teams to them. Shade and fluids were provided, then she was carried to the parking lot by litter.

7.050 Sat, 30 Jun 21 143 9 hikers exhausted

Pine Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger

12:17 – 19:53 A church group headed down Palisades Trail on an overnight trip, and kept going down canyon after losing the trail. The second day, some were moving slowly. Five started ahead, intending to bring more water. When they found a place with cellphone coverage, they called for help. TucsonRanger spotted the first group of three moving up hill towards Upper Sycamore Saddle, and encouraged them to wait in shade for teams to arrive. The second group of two was just below Lower Sycamore Saddle, and they were able to continue up and meet teams in the saddle. The third group of four was a half-mile up Pine Creek. Ranger flew one rescuer to them, and then flew the group to the Prison Camp while the other groups were accompanied to the trailhead.

7.051 Wed, 4 Jul 13 42 ??ym hiker exhausted

Ventana Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger RMFD

16:20-19:11 A hiker intended to reach the Window on a hot day. He was running low on water while still heading up, but chose to keep going. He ran out soon after starting down canyon, and asked for help from the base of the switchbacks. Rescue teams found him in the evening shade and provided fluids, then an escort to the trailhead.

7.052 Sat, 07 Jul 0 0 ??yf hiker exhausted

Cactus Forest, Rincons

RMFD NPS

09:08 – 09:26 A hiker coming down Three Tanks Trail was not familiar with the trail and was running low on water. She was uncomfortable when she could not see the pink buildings at Tanque Verde Guest Ranch, so called for help from the "Steel" Tank. Horse riders came by and provided water and she followed them back to the trailhead without further assistance.

7.053 Sun, 8 Jul 16 43 ??yf ankle injury

7 Falls Trail, Catalinas

18:54-21:28 A brother and sister were hiking down the Palisades Trail, finding the trail after losing it in places. She injured her ankle and knee, but was able to continue slowly. They made it to Crossing 7 before her injuries stopped them shortly before sunset. Her ankle was supported, and she enjoyed a ride out on mule back.

7.054 Mon, 9 Jul 11 41 ??yf hiker exhausted

Box Camp Trail, Catalinas

MLFD

15:06 – 18:33 A couple were hiking near the junction with the Box Camp Spring Trail when one became exhausted. It was initially thought to be a diabetic problem, but after rest, food and attention, she was able to walk back to the trailhead.

7.055 Wed, 11 Jul 0 0 USFS person missing

Carr Canyon, Huachucas

CCSAR

06:24 – 07:07 Cochise County SAR was searching for a missing Forest Service person. They did not have enough teams to cover a relatively large search area, so asked for more teams from Pima County. Several teams were preparing to depart when they were cancelled after the missing person had been located.

7.056 Sat, 14 Jul 14 17 ATV accident

Redington Pass, Rincons

RMFD TucsonRanger

11:54 – 12:54 An ATV accident was reported in the Chivo Falls area, injuring the rider. TucsonRanger located the group, treated the patient, then flew him to University Hospital. More resources were waiting along Redington Road to assist if needed.

2007 Totals: People: 553 Hours: 2098 Hours per person: 3.8







SARCI Calendar

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jul 30	Jul 31	Aug 01 SRDI Board Mtg	Aug 02	Aug 03 SARA General Mtg	Aug 04 SRDI Training SARA Training Basic Rock	Aug 05
Aug 06 :	Aug 07	Aug 08 SRDI General Mtg	Aug 09 Posse Board Mtg	Aug 10	Aug 11	Aug 12 . Divers Training
Aug 13	Aug 14	Aug 15 . SRDI Training	Aug 16 SARA Fundraising Mtg SARA Board Mtg	Aug 17	Aug 18 Posse Gymkanna SRDI Training SARA Candidate Hike	Aug 19 · SRDI Training
Aug 20 :	Aug 21	Aug 22	Aug 23 Posse General Mtg	Aug 24	Aug 25	Aug 26
Aug 27 :	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	Sep 01	Sep 02 SRDI Training
Sep 03	Sep 04	Sep 05 SRDI Board Mtg	Sep 06	Sep 07 SARA General Mtg	Sep 08 SARA Training Personal Rope Skills	Sep 09 Divers Training
Sep 10 :	Sep 11	Sep 12 SRDI General Mtg	Sep 13 Posse Board Mtg	Sep 14	Sep 15	Sep 16 . OEC Refresher Posse Gymkanna
Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20 SARA Fundraising Mtg SARA Board Mtg	Sep 21	Sep 22	Sep 23
Sep 24 :	Sep 25	Sep 26	Sep 27 Posse General Mtg	Sep 28	Sep 29	Sep 30
Oct 01	Oct 02	Oct 03 SRDI Board Mtg	Oct 04	Oct 05 SARA General Mtg	Oct 06 SARA Training Technical Systems	Oct 07 SRDI Training



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PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E.Tangue Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749 Meet 4th Thu 19:00 Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

P.O.Box 12892, Tucson AZ 85732-2892 Meet 1st Fri 19:30, SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft

PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732 Meet 2nd 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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