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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.

SARCI ELECTIONS by SARNews, <u>sarnews @ sarci.org</u>

The Board of Directors was elected for a new term at the July meeting:

President: Bob McCord Vice President: Scott Moore

Secretary: Joe Barr

Treasurer: Cathy Wasmann

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. Paving south of River is scheduled by the time of the SARA Meeting, so please anticipate changes in traffic markings.

River Road has been shifted south to cross the new culverts, and the roadway is very narrow. The back entrance has been shifted and the hill is rough. 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 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

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No input for September

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

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No input for September

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

POSSE CALENDAR

18:00 Wed	Outdoor First Care Training	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>18:00 Fri</u>	Outdoor First Care Training	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
18:00 Mon	Outdoor First Care Training	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
18:00 Wed	Outdoor First Care Training	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
19:00 Thurs	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
16:00 Sat	Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store, Vail, AZ
19:00 Thurs	Posse General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
TBA Fri	Not-so-Extreme Trail Trials	Belaire Stables
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Patrol in Tucson Mountain Park is moving well. Dan has put it in his schedule to explore. However the Tucson HEAT seems to be taking its toll on riders. Have to leave before daylight in order to patrol with the hikers and bikers! We are seeing a lot of people out there. The park is very pretty since the rain has come. I understand a new map is on its way for the park. Maybe signs will follow?

Public Relations: Thanks to Colleen, Jean, Kristi and Kelly for taking horses over to Pantano Christian Church. There was a big transportation display. It included T.E.P., T.P.D., Fire Dept., Sheriff's Dept., and Posse with horses. Cool Huh?

One other little thing: My daughter works at UMC in the heart section. One of her patient is young. This patient loves horses and is confined pretty much to the indoors. After finding out she loves horses, my daughter decided she would take one of my horses on a field trip. After getting clearance from security at UMC, she, my wife, and grandkids transported the horse to the loading docks for this young lady to visit with. Yes, the horse was spic and span clean and the look on this young lady's face was worth a million. The horse loves people and the meeting was perfect. I'm very proud of this little deed. Like Search and Rescue, people can make a difference! Huh?

On a sad note, Pat Gallagher lost Dolly, his horse. She was 19 years old. We love our horses and mules. These things hurt, and she will be missed.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA CALENDAR

Sept 7	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Sept 8	08:00 Sat	Training: Personal Rope Skills	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>Sept 16</u>	08:00 Sat	OEC Refresher	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Oct 5	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

OEC CORNER by John Gorski, jgorski1 @ us.ibm.com

NSP has posted the OEC Cycle "C" refresher on the website at www.nsp.org. 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: Sunday September 16, 2007 and Saturday October 20, 2007.

SARA TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, bduffy @ email.arizona.edu

Training Committee meets the Tuesday after the monthly training at the SARA House at 6:30 pm

September Monthly Training

Personal Rope Skills

Date: Saturday, September 8

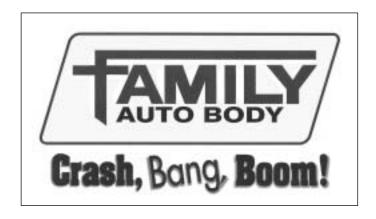
Rendezvous: SARA House, 08:00

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.







Resources

Call Date #Hrs Problem Location

7.057 Sun, 22 Jul 4 38 22ym hiker lost

Catalina St Pk, Catalinas

TucsonRanger

23:21 – 00.00 A hiker reported himself lost, but thinking he was near his vehicle in Catalina State Park. Teams were unable to reestablish contact to obtain more information, so many trails were covered (south of Golder Ranch Road). The search was suspended when nobody was found. Soon afterwards, he was reported at a convenience marked in Saddlebrooke (somewhat out of the area!).

7.xxx Sat, 28 Jul 0 0 47yf river rescue

Tucker Rd @ Brawley Wash, Avra ValleyAVFD

21:56 – 22:05 An occupied vehicle was reported in Brawley Wash. Avra Valley Fire and PCSD responded to the remote rural area, and requested SAR. Soon afterwards, the occupant was reported in the water, then rescued from a short distance downstream.

7.058 Sun, 29 Jul 17 49 Car in lake

Lakeside Park, Tucson

TPD

07:50 – 10:58 Fishermen at Lakeside Park (at 02:30) reported a vehicle doing donuts in the parking lot across the lake, and on the grass, then four people got out and pushed the car down the slope and into the lake, then running to a nearby intersection where they were picked up. TPD found vehicle registration on the grass, determined that it had been reported stolen from Green Valley, and that the owner and family were safe, and that no surprises were expected to be in the car. Divers were requested in the morning, the vehicle was located shortly, and a tow truck pulled it out.

7.059 Sun, 29 Jul 20 60 37ym fall victim

T.V.Falls, Rincons

TucsonRanger, RMFD

17:50 – 20:54 A male fell into the creek, just upstream of the Main Falls, with serious injuries. As usual the operation started with a search, initially down the SARA Trail, then down the Main Trail. Meanwhile, he was reported to be walking out. He wasn't. Fortunately, the rain soon stopped, the Turkey Chute was rigged, patient packaged. Ranger was rigged and performed a short-haul.

7.060 Sat, 04 Aug 23 157 Flash Flood

Bear Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger, USFS

14:20 – 21:56 Heavy rains in Rose and Willow Canyon created a flash flood in Bear Canyon. Thirty people were caught, most getting out of the water, but stranded between trail crossings. Ranger extracted a couple still in the stream on a rock, and counted those stranded between each crossing, then inserted rescue people to corral the groups and check for people reported missing. A few were escorted along the west bank to the first crossing. Most of the rest were ferried by helicopter. One was assisted across the creek after the level dropped enough. Two people remained missing, and one body was spotted on the east bank near the first crossing. Several hours later the water had not dropped enough to safely recover the body, so the operation was suspended until morning.

7.061 Sun, 05 Aug 26 166 Flash Flood

Bear Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger, USFS

(05:00) - 12:14 Continuation of recovery. The body was recovered without problems, and a search started for the remaining missing person, covering from crossing "zero" at the N end of Bear Canyon and upstream to 7 Falls. Ranger spotted the person near the trail, below the last crossing. Supplies were ferried in, and the remains documented, packaged, and short hauled to the helispot.

7.062 Sun, 05 Aug 0 0 ??ym hiker ankle injury

T.V.Falls, Rincons

TucsonRanger, RMFL

16:14 – 18:54 A hiker was reported having an ankle injury. Initial reports said he was on the south side at the top of the Upper Falls. Nothing was found. Companions were recruited and showed that he was further upstream, with access complicated by the stream flow and large boulders. An alternate route was used to access the canyon further upstream, then move downstream to the scene. Tucson Ranger delivered him to the road.

2007 Totals: People: 660 Hours: 2617 Hours per person: 4.0





SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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
Oct 08	Oct 09	Oct 10 SRDI General Mtg	Oct 11 Posse Board Mtg	Oct 12	Oct 13 SARA Basic 1	Oct 14 Divers Training
Oct 15	Oct 16	Oct 17 . SARCI Meeting	Oct 18 SARA Board Mtg	Oct 19	Oct 20 OEC Refresher	Oct 21 SRDI Training Posse Gymkhanna
Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25 Posse General Mtg	Oct 26	Oct 27 SARA Field Skills SARA Basic 2	oct 28
Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31	Nov 01	Nov 02 SARA General Mtg	Nov 03 SARA Training Tech Scenario	Nov 04 SRDI Training



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PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

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

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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P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2nd Wed 19:00 SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft **SARNEWS** Published monthly by Search and Rescue Council, Inc., a volunteer, non-profit organization. It is distributed free to members of SARCI affiliated groups and other qualified search and rescue organizations.

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