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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 and River continue to be limited to one narrow lane in each direction. First and second layers of paving are being laid, disrupting traffic more than usual. Keep your eyes open.

The Craycroft entrance is now wide and level, but not well marked. The River Rd entrance appears to NOT be available, and will have a drainage ditch crossing this entrance.

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 AHEAD and BE SAFE!

SARCI WEB PAGE

by SARNews, sarnews@sarci.org

Have you checked out the SARCI Members Only web page lately? If not, here's what you've been missing:

- [SARCI Calendar of Events](#), with meeting and event information for all member groups.
- [Field Qualification Status](#), with expiration dates listed for each required certification.
- [Phone and Ham Call Sign](#), lists for all member groups.
- [OEC class information](#), (when it becomes available)
- [CPR class information](#), for CPR recertification.
- Links to the [NIMS online IS0100 and IS0700 certification courses](#).
- Links to Dr. Iserson's "[The Ethics of Scarce Resource Allocation During Disasters](#)" online course.
- [Member Pro Deals](#) which is a GREAT resource from NINE national vendors for all the gear you need.

If you don't know or don't remember how to access the SARCI Members Only page, please email debh@sarci2.org for instructions.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Maryanne Mott, njmott12@msn.com

K9 member Patches, the oldest member of our team, has gone to the rainbow bridge. She was a much requested team member from Tucson Police, Pima County Sheriff, FBI, and numerous other county and state law enforcement agencies. Her passing leaves a great hole in our hearts as well as a void in our team.

Please check the on-line calendar for training dates, times, and locations.

Congratulations to Pyro and Mattie on recertifying in the discipline of air scent.

Bugs banter: The cold is forcing the rattlesnakes to seek warm areas. Look out for them as you open your doors to go out at night. They seek the warmth around your home.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, [divers @ sarci2.org](mailto:divers@sarci2.org)

DIVERS CALENDAR

<u>Dec 09</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Altitude Tables & O₂	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>Jan 13</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Ft. Lowell Pool	Ft. Lowell Pool
<u>Feb 10</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Ft. Lowell Pool	Ft. Lowell Pool

November's annual meeting & potluck was held at the SARA House. The board of directors remains the same: President: Richard Kunz, Vice President: Rob Offerle, Secretary: Fran Kunz, Treasurer: Joe Barr, Members-at-Large: Ray Gundy and John Millard. December's training will be Altitude Tables and oxygen administration and will also be held at the SARA House. January and February's training will be held at Ft. Lowell Pool.

DIVERS responded to a Marana PD request to search an irrigation canal along Tangerine Road on November 15. Workers found an off-road motorbike submerged at the entrance to a culvert and Marana PD wanted to make sure there were no victims associated with the bike. The flow in the canal was reduced so it could be searched safely. Two divers donned SCUBA equipment and searched inside the entire 125-foot long pipe as it ran beneath Tangerine Road. Other divers and support personnel stood by should a dive emergency occur. The pipe was clear.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, [cap @ sarci2.org](mailto: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 @ rci2.org](mailto:posse6@rci2.org)

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Dec 01</u>	<u>TBA Sat</u>	Posse Christmas Party	El Corral
<u>Dec 07</u>	<u>17:30 Fri</u>	Sheriff's Banquet	Doubletree
<u>Dec 13</u>	<u>19:00 Thurs</u>	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

Public Relations:

Big thanks to Colleen Leon and her assistant Dan McPhedran for their presentation at Collier Elementary School. Dan said Colleen is really good with children.

Thanks to Dan, Larry, Dennis and Karen for the demo presentation to the New SARA class students at the corrals on Reddington Pass.

Training:

A training ride was conducted in Madera Canyon by Dan, Larry, Colleen, Jean, Karen, and Dennis. They rode up Old Baldy to Josephine Saddle and then down the Super Trail. They did have to cut a fallen tree out of the way on Old Baldy. The tree was forcing people to create a new trail around it. Now the existing trail is re-opened. Word has it since Colleen rode Old Baldy she hasn't been seen since she returned. I thought it was her favorite trail! Must be a "Jerry Trail", as Dan would say!

CPR recertification was held on the 15th of November. Well attended, even by the Feds.

Sgt. Joe Decormis held a Radio training class for the Posse. Talk about whipping a dead horse! Poor Sgt. Too many numbers, too little time. Practice, practice and more practice. Oh yeah; students need to study also. The Man is patient!

Nothing more to say except, have a safe Holiday and do not Drink and Drive!



SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Dec 07</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>Dec 08</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Training: Tech & Med Gear	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>Dec 20</u>	<u>19:00 Wed</u>	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
<u>Jan 04</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, [jgorski1 @ us.ibm.com](mailto:jgorski1@us.ibm.com)

As another year comes to an end I would like to thank everyone who has spent their time putting together a successful year in our OEC class as well as the refreshers. A special thank you to all the instructors.

In January, we will be starting the OEC class of 2008. The calendar is undergoing any last minute changes. Check the January newsletter for definite times and dates for the upcoming OEC class.

Also watch the newsletter for the next dates for the SARA refreshers in 2008.

Happy Holidays from the OEC crew.

SARA TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, [bduffy @ email.arizona.edu](mailto:bduffy@email.arizona.edu)

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

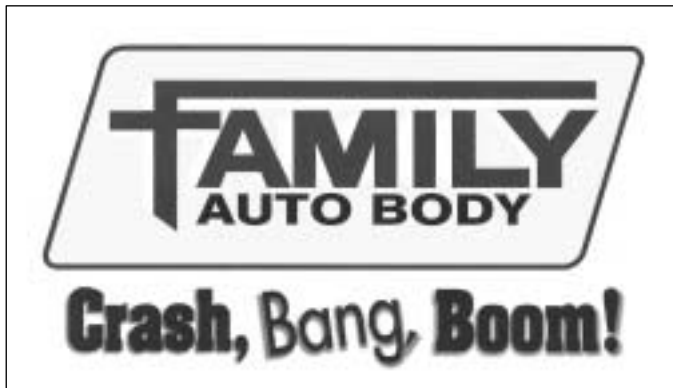
December Monthly Training

Subject: Medical Equipment/Technical Equipment Practice

Purpose: The purpose of this month's training is to give all members and candidates the opportunity to practice with our medical and technical equipment. Do you know where the thermometer is kept in the med bag? Where is the Yates rescue harness stored?

Date: Saturday December 8th.

Rendezvous: 0800, SARA House



CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, SARnews @ sarci.org

Call	Date	Vol/ Hrs	Problem	Location	Resources
7.092	Mon, 15 Oct	8 20	Evidence search	Dove Mtn. & Tangerine	MPD
14:51 – 18:28 Cadaver dogs were requested to assist with the investigation of human remains found in the area.					
7.093	Mon, 15 Oct	6 7	Hikers stranded by dark	Bog Spring Trail, Santa Ritas	
20:19 – 22:15 Two out-of-town hikers asked for help after losing the trail after dark. Cellphone coordinates had a small error reported, plotting near the trailhead. Their fire could be seen near the road to the campground. They were retrieved without problems.					
7.094	Sat, 20 Oct	10 27	63yf hiker ankle injury	Pontatoc Trail, Catalinas	RMFD
11:23 – 13:59 A hiker injured her ankle on the switchbacks below the trail junction. She was treated and carried by litter down trail and out into the residential community, and out to the road.					
7.095	Sat, 20 Oct	9 14	2 20y hikers stranded by dark	Ventana Trail, Catalinas	
19:40 – 21:25 Two hikers lost the trail after dark, on their return from high in the canyon. They were quickly retrieved.					
7.096	Sun, 21 Oct	8 79	2 hikers lost	Box Camp Trail, Catalinas	
21:48 – 07:30 Two military hikers camped on the Box Camp Trail, continuing down trail in the morning, but lost it near the Box Camp Spring junction. They called for help after dark, with coordinates plotting near the confluence of Palisades and Spencer Canyons. Teams hiked down trail from the Girl Scout Camp, dropped into Palisades Canyon, walked downstream, then down the north ridge until they could see the hikers below. It took awhile to work through the cliffs, but all were out of the field at dawn.					
7.097	Tue, 23 Oct	12 68	42yf diabetic hiker lost	Josephine Canyon, Santa Ritas	SCSAR USBP Omaha010 Ranger
21:05 – 04:05 A hiker in Josephine Saddle intended to return to Madera, but chose the wrong trail. The few tidbits by cellphone to her companion suggested Josephine Canyon, but several trails and trailheads were checked. High winds turned TucsonRanger back. A Border Patrol Blackhawk arrived later, spotting the hiker in Josephine. A team from Josephine Saddle met her, then hiked down trail to meet Santa Cruz vehicles, rode to the Blackhawk at a forest service helispot, and all were flown to the old missile base helipad.					
7.098	Sun, 28 Oct	12 34	21ym climber fell	RUINS, Molino Canyon	TucsonRanger
16:13 – 18:41 A climber fell while bouldering. Teams hiked in from Molino Overlook. Tucson Ranger short-hauled the patient.					
7.099	Sat, 03 Nov	10 10	10ym hiker missing	E end Speedway, Cactus Forest	TucsonRanger, NPS
18:29 – 19:04 A boy became separated from his group near the trailhead. While the search continued from the air and ground, people approaching basecamp were alerted to watch for the boy in case he headed west and got on the road. He did.					
7.100	Sun, 04 Nov	16 25	ATV accident	West of Avra Valley	AVFD
14:26 – 15:26 An ATV rollover was reported as several miles west of the end of Manville. Fire and Sheriff were not finding much access, then requested SAR. A MEDS Helo found the scene, and the first SAR team arrived before takeoff.					
7.101	Sun, 04 Nov	11 11	Exhausted hikers	Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas	RMFD
17:16 – 18:02 Hikers requested help after running out of water. One had minor ankle injury. RMFD met them and were directed to Mehl's residence and met by ambulance with SAR arriving shortly afterwards.					
7.102	Sun, 11 Nov	8 8	68yf hiker injured	Phoneline Trail, Catalinas	
15:00 – 15:23 A hiker reported an injured companion, after hiking off trail to road below. The injured hiker walked out down trail.					
7.103	Thu, 15 Nov	11 33	??yf hiker injured	Douglas Spring Trail, Rincons	RMFD NPS TucsonRanger
10:56 – 13:54 A hiker injured her hip on trail. Many resources helped treat and carry her to the nearby TucsonRanger.					
7.104	Thu, 15 Nov	11 17	Evidence search	Tangerine & I-10	FWFD MPD
16:32 – 18:50 Workers cleaning irrigation canals retrieved a dirt bike. Divers searched a siphon without finding any remains.					
7.105	Sat, 17 Nov	14 55	63yf missing	Incinerator Ridge, Catalinas	TPD MLFD
18:46 – 00:30 Search around an abandoned vehicle for the missing driver. Nothing found.					
7.106	Sun, 18 Nov	14 101	63yf missing	Incinerator Ridge, Catalinas	TPD
(21:39) – 07:00 – 14:05 Continuation of search, expanded area. Nothing found.					
7.107	Sun, 18 Nov	12 55	65yf hiker lost	Mt. Lemmon Trail, Catalinas	TucsonRanger
16:03 – 20:42 A hiker requested help after losing the trail, thinking she was on the Sutherland. She was found in good condition off the Mt. Lemmon Trail.					
7.108	Mon, 19 Nov	1 0	Recovery	Presumido Peak, Baboquivaris	TOPD USBP
(no pages) A deceased person was reported, with coordinates plotting on Tohono O'Odham land. They insisted it was Pima Co. After several days of discussion, everyone went to the scene. A fence line along the ridge was thought to be the boundary. NOT!					
7.109	Tue, 20 Nov	8 66	63yf missing	Incinerator Ridge, Catalinas	TPD
(18:01) – 08:00 – 16:43 Continuation of search, more coverage. Nothing found.					
2007 Totals:	People: 1149		Hours: 4129	Hours per person: 3.6	

SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02 SRDI Training
Dec 03	Dec 04	Dec 05 SRDI Board Mtg	Dec 06	Dec 07 SARA General Mtg PCSO Thank You Dinner	Dec 08 SARA Training "Tech & Med Gear"	Dec 09 Divers Training
Dec 10	Dec 11	Dec 12 SRDI General Mtg	Dec 13 Posse Board Mtg	Dec 14	Dec 15	Dec 16 SRDI Training Posse Gymkana
Dec 17	Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20 SARA Board Mtg	Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23
Dec 24	Dec 25 Merry Christmas	Dec 26	Dec 27 Posse General Mtg	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30
Dec 31	Jan 01 Happy New Year	Jan 02 SRDI Board Mtg	Jan 03	Jan 04 SARA General Mtg	Jan 05 SARA Training "Winter Skills Orientation"	Jan 06 SRDI Training
Jan 07	Jan 08	Jan 09 SRDI General Mtg	Jan 10 Posse Board Mtg	Jan 11	Jan 12	Jan 13 Divers Training
Jan 14	Jan 15	Jan 16 SARCI Meeting	Jan 17 SARA Board Mtg	Jan 18	Jan 19	Jan 20 SRDI Training Posse Gymkana
Jan 21	Jan 22	Jan 23	Jan 24 Posse General Mtg	Jan 25	Jan 26 SARA Basic IV Field Skills Recert	Jan 27
Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 01 SARA General Mtg	Feb 02 SARA Training "Winter Rescue Practice"	Feb 03 SRDI Training



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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

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P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732
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