





# FEBRUARY 2008

**TUCSON, ARIZONA** 

## SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

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

### **UPDATED: CRAYCROFT CONSTRUCTION**

Craycroft construction is almost complete. The speed limit is 35mph, except where work is being done. The final (second) layer of pavement has been laid over the north half, but will not be extended south until warmer weather, so there is a bump at the transition. WATCH OUT! There is no longer an entrance off of River Road. The Cravcroft entrance is wide and level, but not lighted and minimally marked. Lanes are marked with a turn lane, so the entrance is as good as it's going to get. This will be the last update on this project!

# SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

### SRDI CALENDAR

Feb 03	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Qtly Evidence (MR)/all dogs	Gilbert Ray Campground
Feb 16	09:00 Sat	Animal Fair	Reid Park
Feb 20	18:00 Wed	ТВА	TBA
Mar 02	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	<b>Qtly Water - All Dogs</b>	Arivaca Lake

Congratulations to the following newly elected board members for 2008: President; Scott Moore, Vice President: Jason Merrill, Secretary; Pam Johnson, Treasurer; Karen Paquette, Member at large; Tonya Moore

Check our website for rendezvous locations, training updates, etc.: www.sarci.org/SRDI

SARCI members visit our booth at the Animal Fair on Feb. 16, 10am-4pm at Reid Park.

A hound dogs "welcome" to Crystal Turner as a new SRDI candidate. Please be kind to her in OEC.

Congratulations to Jerry Johnston on getting his blue shirt.

Sgt. DeCormis presented a plaque to Vi in recognition of the 12 years of service she and Patches have given to search and rescue.

All SARCI members are invited to come to trainings and learn how to work with handler and dogs. Just remember to check with someone as locations and times can and will change.

Bugs' Banter: But baby, it's cold outside! Extreme cold will hurt those babies so bring in your dogs when the weather gets too cold! When a dog's internal temperature drops below 96 degrees F (by being exposed to cold weather for long periods, or getting both wet and cold), there is a serious risk to the dog's safety. Small and short-haired dogs should wear sweaters when taken for walks during cold winter weather. Any sign that a dog is very cold -- such as shivering -- should signal the owner to bring the dog indoors immediately. http://www.inch.com/~dogs/coldweather.html

# PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

#### **DIVERS CALENDAR**

Feb 10	<u>09:00 Sat</u>	Search Patterns
<u>Mar 09</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Line Searches

Ft. Lowell Pool

February's training will cover basic search patterns and grid searches. We will learn how to set them up and execute them. We will also introduce hand and rope signals and knots. If time permits we will have a basic introduction to the Mark IV dive mask. March's training will be continued work on setting up and executing search patterns for various conditions.

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

### **CAP CALENDAR**

Sundays 15:30-18:00

**Location: Oro Valley Library** 

### PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

### POSSE CALENDAR

Feb 02	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Horse Parade Training	Dr. Gibeault's – 13881 E Speedway
Feb 14	19:00 Thurs	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Feb 16	12:00 Sat	Posse Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store
Feb 21	06:30 Thurs	Rodeo Parade	Tucson Rodeo Grounds
Feb 28	<u>19:00 Sun</u>	Posse General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
<u>May 04</u>	<u>07:30 Sun</u>	Posse Golf Tournament	The Pines, Marana, AZ

There will be a special event for the Posse in Phoenix from 29 February -1 March.

The Posse patrols have increased thanks to Colleen Leon. All but six members have all the basics to enter the field as either Park Patrol or Search and Rescue. Park Patrol gives a lot of O-J-T (training) for Search and Rescue. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

There is a lot more training to do prior to being field qualified in Search and Rescue. Due to the locations and severity of most call outs, Park Patrol is a good training and conditioning place to start.

All members of the Posse are welcome to take the Outdoor Emergency Course offered by SARA.. It's offered once per year, and is well worth the effort. Approx. 4 1/2 months of "I CAN DO THIS!"

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

#### SARA CALENDAR

Feb 01	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Feb 02	08:00 Sat	Training: Winter Skills Orientation	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Feb 09	TBA Sat	MRA Winter Skills Re-accreditation	Rdv: TBA on Audix
Feb 14	TBA Thurs	SARA Open House	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Feb 15-1'	7 TBA Fri-Sun	24 Hours in the Old Pueblo – Medical	Willow Springs Ranch area
Feb 21	19:00 Wed	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

#### MRA RECERTIFICATION

MRA Winter Skills Recertification will be conducted on Mt Lemmon on Saturday February 9th. There will be a presentation at the monthly meeting on the details of this event.

#### **PROBABILITY OF DETECTION EXPERIMENT**

Longtime SARA members will remember the experiments on probability of detection (POD) that SARA was involved with in the early 1980's.

On Saturday March 15th members of SARA have a rare opportunity to assist Professor David Lovelock in an experiment that will build on that experiment. This is an excellent opportunity to improve our search methods and our ability to calculate probability of detection in the Sonoran Desert environment. Professor Lovelock's colleagues from England will be in Tucson for this experiment. We will have an open house for them at the SARA house on Friday, February 14. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn about SAR in Great Britain. Details TBA.

### **OEC CORNER**

OEC class will start January 29, 2008 and run through June 26, 2008. "Patients" are needed to assist in each class. This is a chance to have your orange card signed off. Dress for fun. The classes begin at 6:30 pm.

OEC Refresher dates for 2008 are Saturday September 13th, and Sunday November 2nd. The study guide will be posted on the NSP web site in August.

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#### SARA TRAINING

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

### February Monthly Training

Subject: Cold Weather Search and Rescue Missions

Date: Saturday, February 2

Rendezvous: 08:00, Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy. Training will take place in the Mt. Lemmon area

Description: This training exercise will be a cold weather SAR mission. It should be excellent practice for the MRA Winter Recertification on February 9th.

MRA Winter Recertification

Date: February 9 Subject: Cold Weather Search and Rescue Mission Location: Mt Lemmon area Rendezvous: TBA <u>March Monthly Training</u> Subject: Tanque Verde Falls Orientation and Technical Rescue Scenario Date: March 8 Rendezvous: 08:00, Circle K parking lot at Tanque Verde Road and Tanque Verde Loop Instructor(s): Mykle Raymond and others

### An Experiment on Probability of Detection and Critical Spacing

Date: March 15 Location: TBA Description: Come on out and help Professor Lovelock collect data on calculating critical spacing in the Sonoran Desert. Rendezvous: TBA Instructor: Professor David Lovelock

Quality Gear... for when it counts.





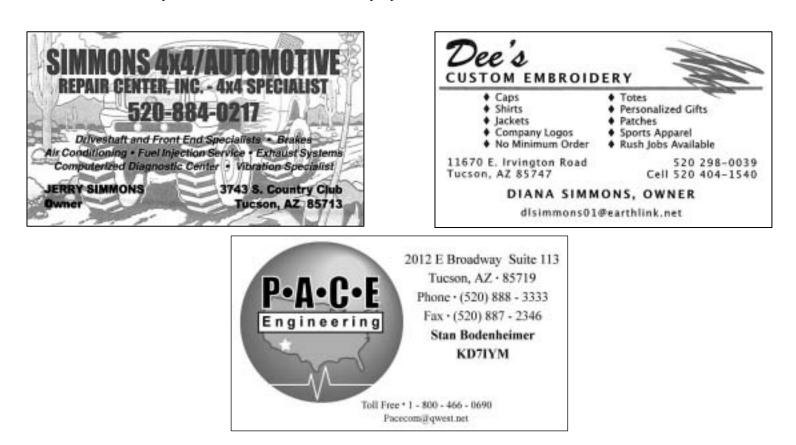
CALLOUT REVIEWS	<u>S</u>		by Mykle Raymond, SARnews @ sarci.org
Call Date Vol/H	rs Problem	Location	Resources
19:15 – 20:46 Eight hike			<i>TucsonRanger</i> teams headed into the field, they called by anger provided light until teams arrived.
the injured rider to the grou	orse rider was kicked by his mou	d equipment at the scene abo	loose bag flopping around, and then bucked out 0.5 miles up the trail. The patient was
<b>2007 Totals:</b> People: 12	18 Hours: 4365 Hours	per person: 3.6	
8.001 Sun, 06 Jan 14 74	Stranded hikers	Sabino and Bear Canyons,	Catalinas TucsonRanger, USFS

15:10-23:15 An initial report from four people stranded by floodwaters at Stop 4 in Sabino turned into 61 people ferried by TucsonRanger to the helispot. Many were at Stop 4, many were at the old Group Picnic area in Lower Sabino, others were scattered in Sabino and Bear Canyons. None were injured, just stuck. We need to find a high water vehicle (that will fit over the bridges).

8.002 Sun, 06 Jan9 33 Missing trail runnerSabino Canyon, CatalinasTucson, Phoenix Ranger(22:17) - (07:33) - 10:43 While we were dealing with the stranded hikers, a trail runner was reported missing. He was not one of the<br/>masses retrieved by helicopter, and none of them had seen the runner. Ranger had covered most of the trails in the area, with detailed<br/>coverage in areas that were more suspect. Two teams were dropped off on Blackett's Ridge (and by the time they got down to the<br/>trailhead, the water level was low enough to retrieve them by vehicle). In the morning teams started up Sabino and in from Gordon's<br/>Place (Prison Camp), and Ranger spend another hour looking in the daylight. They found a tent in Sycamore Basin, but nobody<br/>around. Posse arrived an hour later. The runner had found the tent, supplied with clothing and sleeping bags (but no Room Service),<br/>so he was doing just fine. But he had covered his white T-shirt with a brown coat when Ranger flew over. Phoenix Ranger was<br/>inbound to help the search, and deposited the runner at the helispot.

8.003 Wed, 09 Jan9 44 Hikers stranded by darkRomero Spring, CatalinasTucsonRanger21:16 - 03:00An adult and two boys hiked down from the top of the mountain, choosing to come out Romero rather than Sabinoas they got more behind schedule. Ranger spotted them at Romero Spring and dropped a team nearby. The hikers were pretty tired,especially after cooling off for several hours after dark. All were ferried to the trailhead. Ground teams got to the second crossing,and worked on the Romero Pools helispot in case it would be needed.

2008 Totals: People: 32 Hours: 151 Hours per person: 4.7



SARCI Calendar						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 01 SARA General Mtg	Feb 02 Posse Parade Training SARA Training "Winter Rescue Practice"	Feb 03 SRDI Training
Feb 04	Feb 05 OEC Class Starts	Feb 06 SRDI Board	Feb 07	Feb 08	Feb 09 SARA Training "MRA Winter Recert"	Feb 10 Divers Training SARA Training "MRA Winter Recert"
Feb 11	Feb 12	Feb 13 SRDI General Mtg	Feb 14 Posse Board Mtg	Feb 15 24 Hour Race	<i>Feb 16</i> 24 Hour Race SRDI Animal Fair Gymkhana	Feb 17 24 Hour Race
Feb 18	Feb 19	Feb 20 SRDI Training	Feb 21 SARA Board Mtg Posse Rodeo Parade	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24
Feb 25	Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28 Posse General Mtg	<i>Feb 29</i> Posse Phx Event	<i>Mar 01</i> Posse Phx Event	<i>Mar 02</i> Posse Phx Event SRDI Training
Mar 03	Mar 04	Mar 05 SRDI Board Mtg	Mar 06	Mar 07 SARA General Mtg	Mar 08 SARA Training "TV Falls Training"	<i>Mar 09</i> Divers Training
Mar 10	Mar 11	Mar 12 SRDI General Mtg	Mar 13 Posse Board Mtg	Mar 14 SARA POD Open House	Mar 15 SARA POD Experiement	<i>Mar 16</i> SRDI Training Posse Gymkhana
Mar 17	Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20 SARA Board Mtg	Mar 21	Mar 22	Mar 23
Mar 24	Mar 25	Mar 26 SARA Training "Cave Rescue Class"	Mar 27 Posse General Mtg	Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30
Mar 31	Apr 01	Apr 02 SRDI Board	Apr 03	Apr 04 SARA General Mtg	Apr 05 SARA Training "Cave Resce Training"	Apr 06 SRDI Training



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P.O.Box 44231, Tucson AZ 85733 Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed 19:30 (Jan,Apr,Jul,Oct), details inside.

#### **PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE**

8987-309 E.Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749 Meet 4<sup>th</sup> 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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