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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.

<u>PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE</u>

by Jerry Simmons, posse6 @ sarci2.org

POSSE CALENDAR

Apr 10	19:00 Thur	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
Apr 18	TBA Fri	S&R Annual Training	Heber, AZ
Apr 20	12:00 Sun	Posse Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store: Meet: 1130
Apr 25	19:00 Thur	Posse General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
May 04	07:30 Sun	Posse Golf Tournament	The Pines, Marana, AZ

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Dan, Karen and I helped with the Posse Search and Rescue Booth at the Pantano Church off Houghton Road on 1 March. Dan and Karen took the mules and Dan's trailer. We set up a table and put up a cone barrier. The cone barrier and Karen kept people away from the mules. It went very well. Dan and I had a bunch of pictures which were displayed on a table with other stuff for Search and Rescue. We had a lot of questions. Other agencies there were TPD, Fire Dept, Red Cross, Sheriff Bomb Robot, Shawn Degan (S&R Sheriffs Dept) with his quad and a nice setup for show and tell. TPD showed with motorcycles and a squad car. The Sheriff's Dept. showed also with Auxiliary and motorcycles. Ranger landed and did tours. Even the National Guard with a Humvee. There were a lot of other booths inside the building complex. Nice show.

TRAINING

The Critical Spacing exercise was held on Saturday 15 March 08 off Elephant Head Road in Green Valley. Eleven different agencies combined for this exercise, and it was hosted by our own Sheriffs Dept. Sgt Joe, Eric, Shawn, SARA, SRDI, other counties, Navy Reserve, Sheriff's Aux. and Posse all were in attendance. It seemed to go pretty well after they got the UDA's out of the area! George H. and Dave G. were on one team, with Colleen L. and Don S. on another. Simmons was stuck in camp with a horse who had other plans, rather than going out. Oops; more training needed for the young horse. See stuff happens, that's why we plan and train. It was exciting and all Posse members in the field did a good job.

On behalf of George Herget, we'd like to thank Capt. Dave Gibeault, Kristi Keller, Don Smith, Tanya Trubee, and Ellie Senior. A special thanks goes to Tonya Gutknecht for showing up and bringing her young daughter Page and son Hayden who were also patients for SARA training on March 11th. This is special because normally we don't have younger patients to practice on. Thank you, Posse members, for you help in training and learning at a SARA class. Instructor of record, Frances Walker, extends her big thank you also. It takes a lot of help to put on a scenario class.

Patrolling in Tucson Mountain Park, Davidson Canyon, and Colossal Cave (Arizona Trail) has picked up. Colleen, and really everyone, seems to have picked up the pace. It's easier than having Colleen call every ten minutes. Just kidding, not by much, harassment works! Colleen is doing a good job filling time slots and organizing these patrols.

The Posse is still looking for members. Keep us in mind if someone has a horse and wants to work with S&R.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Pamela Johnson, jkay21 @ yahoo.com

SRDI CALENDAR

April 06	09:00 Sun	Molino Basin	Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
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April 09 19:00 Wed General Meeting SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

April 16 18:00 Wed Michael Perry Park Michael Perry Park

Congratulation to Kari Simpson on getting her blue shirt.

HRD dogs were called to assist TPD 2/19/08 in looking for a missing 62-yr old female. Dog teams searched several areas of interest, but with no results.

HRD dogs were called to assist TPD 2/29/08 to search an area of interest near Diamond Road. Dog teams searched a corridor and encountered numerous interesting situations, but no alerts or areas of interest were indicated by the dogs.

Remember to check website for training updates. www.sarci.org/SRDI

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, divers8 @ sarci2.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

Apr 13 09:00 Sun Search Patterns-Black Mtn Reservoir Meet: Midvale Park (I-10 and Valencia)

May 18 09:00 Sun Kennedy Lake Meet. Ajo and Mission (Note change in date!!)

April's training will be at Black Mountain Reservoir for a continuation of patterns in more limited visibility and an intro to the underwater metal detectors. We'll rendezvous at Midvale (I-19 & Valencia) at 09:00, and caravan from there. May 18 - note change in date due to Mother's Day - we'll be at Kennedy Lake to assist Tucson Parks & Rec in locating a valve that has been silted over. We'll set up search patterns and utilize the underwater metal detectors.

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

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Apr 04</u>	<u>18:30 Fri</u>	SARA Annual Meeting and Potluck	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Apr 05	TBA Sat	Training: Cave Rescue	Meet: TBA
Apr 17	19:00 Wed	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Apr 26	TBA Sat	Field Skills Recert	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
May 02	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd

SARA ANNUAL MEETING

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci.org

The SARA Annual Meeting will be held at the SARA House on Friday, 4 April 2008. As always, the potluck dinner will start at 18:30, followed at 20:00 by the meeting and Board of Directors elections. See you there!

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

by SARA BoD, SARAboard @ sarci2.org

Elections will be held for the Board of Directors at the SARA Annual Meeting on 4 April 08. Voting will be for four positions. The candidates are:

Richard Kunz (I) Frances Walker (I) Cathy Wasmann (I) Henry Schneiker Eric Davis Clyde Pretti

Those candidates marked with (I) are current members of the Board.

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.

SARA STORE

by John Gorski, tucmj @ att.net

The SARA store will be placing an order for the white Micro Fibre long sleeve shirt. The store does not stock this item. If you wish to purchase a shirt, there will be an order sheet at the SARA house starting in March. Price will be \$20.00 for S, M, L. XL and \$22.50 for XXL, XXXL. Please make the check out to SARA at the time you place the order. I will set up an envelope in the OEC mail box for you to leave your check, or mail them to the SARA P.O. Box. We need a minimum of twelve shirts to be ordered. Shirts will not be ordered without payment.

SARA TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, bduffy @ email.arizona.edu

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





Vol/ Hrs Date Problem Location Resources

9 29 Evidence Search 8.014 Fri, 29 Feb

NW Tucson

TPD

11:04 - 19:23Cadaver search, nothing found.

8.015 Sun, 02 Mar 10 11 Horse rider injured

Cactus Forest, Rincons RMFD NPS

12:10 - 12:33An injured horse rider was located in Bajada Wash near the Wildhorse Trail and was transported to the trailhead on an ATV as SAR people were arriving.

8.016 Sun, 02 Mar 0 0 Exhausted hikers

Palisades Trail, Catalinas

18:54 - 19:07Two hikers were exhausted and their companions continued ahead to request help. The hikers rested, then continued up trail, reaching the trailhead as SAR people were arriving at rendezvous.

8.0xx Tue, 04 Mar 0 0 Overdue hiker

Catalina State Park, Catalinas

20:06 - 20:21A woman was reported overdue from a hike on The Ruins Trail, one of the short nature loops off the main road. While an initial investigation was in progress, SAR pages were set up in anticipation of a request for our assistance, as we frequently do to minimize delays. The pages were inadvertently sent, and no assistance was needed (she was elsewhere dancing!).

8.0xx Tue, 11 Mar 0 0 Missing boys

Josephine Saddle, Santa Ritas

13:23 - 13:27Two kids were reported missing, but they were ahead of their party and found in the parking lot.

8.017 Tue, 11 Mar 6 6 30yf hiker lost

Box Camp Trail, Catalinas

A female hiker lost the trail and spending the next day getting further off trail before calling for help. TucsonRanger 17:24 - 18:10spotted her east of Palisades Canyon, not far from the Palisades Trail. She was delivered to the Sabino Helispot in good shape...

8.018 Sat. 22 Mar 19 126 22vf missing

Coyote Mtns

A female UDA was unable to continue with her group, which was picked up by Border Patrol. Her relative reported 08:15 - 16:52her missing, and searches were made on the east side of the Coyote Mtns between 3-Points and Kitt Peak. SAR teams spent a day covering the area where she was believed to have been left. No further information has been received.

2008 Totals: People: 177 Hours: 721 Hours per person: 4.1





SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mar 31	Apr 01	Apr 02	Apr 03	Apr 04	Apr 05	Apr 06
	OEC Class	SRDI Board		SARA General Mtg	SARA Training "Cave Resce Training"	SRDI Training
Apr 07	Apr 08	Apr 09	Apr 10	Apr 11	Apr 12	Apr 13
	OEC Class	SRDI General Mtg	OEC Class Posse Board Mtg			Divers Training
Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17	Apr 18. .SAR Conf. Heber	Apr 19	Apr 20
	OEC Class	SRDI Training SARCI Board Mtg	SARA Board Mtg	.SAR Coll. Heber	SAR Conf. Heber SARA 50th Mtn Party	SAR Conf. Heber SRDI Training Posse Gymkhanna
Apr 21	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25	Apr 26	Apr 27
·	OEC Class		OEC Class	Posse General Mtg	SARA Field Skills Recert Bike Race Medical Support	SARA Training "Pool Session"
Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 01	May 02	May 03	May 04
·	OEC Class			SARA General Mtg	SARA Training "Swift Water Training"	SRDI Training
May 05	May 06	May 07	May 08	May 09	May 10	May 11
	OEC Class	SRDI Board Mtg	OEC Class Posse Board Mtg			
May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17	May 18
	OEC Class	SRDI General Mtg	SARA Board Mtg	·	Basic 4 Scenario SRDI Training Posse Gymkhanna	SRDI Training Posse Gymkhanna Divers Training
May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25
÷	OEC Class		OEC Class Posse General Mtg			·
May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 01
	OEC Class				OEC in the Field	OEC in the Field 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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