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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.

#### SABINO CALLOUT PARKING AT THE NORTH END OF SABINO CANYON ROAD

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci.org

Please park after the gate to the SARA House (on the WEST side of the road, or in one of the parking areas). If you are going to drive into the canyon, please be sensitive to people who may need rides from the parking area.

#### STATE MISSION NUMBERS FOR TRAINING

by Sgt George Economidas, George. Economidis@sheriff.pima.gov

As a reminder, for the State to cover any of the SARCI group members in the event of damage or injury during training, there must be a "Mission Number" and it must be obtained before the training. Use your judgment. If the training is simply classroom, I suggest that no mission number is needed (although I will get clarification at next week's State SAR Coordinator's Meeting). If the training is in the field or there is any risk of injury or damage, make sure you get a number. If you are unsure, call one of us or simply ask for the number.

You may contact me or any of the SAR Deputies to obtain the number. To get the number, we will need the date and times (beginning and end) of the training, the lat/long and elevation, an approximate number of persons to receive the training and a synopsis of the training.

A SARCI member was injured recently during training. The injury required a number of surgeries. There was no mission number and the State would not touch it. Please help avoid any similar occurrences by calling us for the mission number. It's for your protection and coverage.

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

#### SRDI CALENDAR

May 01 17:00 Sat	Annual Circle / Field Skills Recert	SR 83 @ Power Line Road_
May 12 19:00 Wed	SRDI Board/General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
May 15-1609:00 Sat	Annual Water Circle	Parker Canyon Lake
May 19 18:00 Wed	Training	TBA

Please make plans to be at the Annual Circle and Field Skills Recertification on Saturday evening, 01 May, 2010. It is a lot of fun as we work on map and compass skills, GPS, line searching, and other field skills. This is a requirement for field readiness. Make sure your pack contains all of the required items (pack list can be found on our website). Packs must be worn throughout the exercise. Also, attendance at the annual water circle is required for those SRDI personnel wanting to qualify for any water calls. It's time to get our dogs reintroduced to water search – the dogs really enjoy playing in the water, and people enjoy the kayaking and boating skills. Be sure to bring a PFD, a dog PFD, closed-toe water shoes, sun block, and water. Water requirements can also be found on our website.

SRDI Voting Membership approved the proposed change to SRDI Bylaws concerning Article II, Section 1(a), to accept Outdoor First Care as a minimum medical standard for SRDI members. Our first members have completed this year's OFC course – Paul Cartter and Riley Pike. David Perl will soon complete the OEC program. Congratulations!!

NASAR SARTech II training and/or testing is available for those who are interested - contact Karen. The Colorado Search & Rescue Board has scheduled SARCON 2010 (bi-annual Search and Rescue Conference) for 15 -18 July 10 at Western State College in Gunnison, CO. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.sarcon.org">www.sarcon.org</a>. Some SRDI folks will be attending the K9 Water Search Clinic May 21-23, sponsored by Sandia Search Dogs (New Mexico).

SRDI Mission certified dogs: Snoopy (Air Scent, Cadaver, Evidence, Water), Mati (Air Scent, Cadaver, Evidence, Water), Trouble (Tracking, Cadaver), Kelly (Air Scent, Evidence)

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

#### **DIVERS CALENDAR**

May 09 0830 Sun Divers Training – Black Mtn Reservoir RDV: Valencia & Midvale Park

Happy Mother's Day - May's training will be a "limited visibility" dive (better than Lakeside) and will cover safety protocols, communications, basic patterns and grid searches (you can never get enough training), rigging, ropes & knots and underwater signals. Time permitting we may go over operation of the side scan sonar and "plant" some items for location by sonar.

Please inform the Board (<u>diversboard @ SARCI2.org</u>) if you will or will not be attending this monthly training as we must provide a list of attendees to CAP beforehand. Also, for those living on the eastside, please meet at Kunz's at 0800 am to load gear so we can meet the others at Midvale Park shopping center at 0830. We will then caravan to Black Mtn.

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry @ simmonsautorepair.com

#### POSSE CALENDAR

May 08	12:00 Sat	Posse Gymkhana	Tanque Verde Stables, 11000 E Glenn
May 13	19:00 Thu	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy
May 27	19:00 Thu	<b>Posse General Meeting</b>	Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

#### **TRAINING**

Work in process for field training. Outdoor First Care class was completed on 4-17-10. I want to thank my instructors. Dr. Dave Gibeault Medical presenter, George Herget, Rich Giachetti, Dale Mann, Dave Brown, John Gorski, hands on instructors. Special thanks to Gorski who also graded the exams. Cathy Wasmann did an excellent job with the dangerous critters of the desert. And Deputy Sean Degan came, who helped with the Final field Exam evaluation. Also my patients who helped for the field finals: Jim Sherman, Jody Blaylock, Betsy and Mrs Blaylock (Jody's Mom), Larry Caugh, Colleen Leon, Mike, Debi Mitchell, Larry Cunningham, Kay Cagle and I'm sure I may have missed one. It takes a lot of people working behind the scenes in order to put a single class on and turn out good students. Thanks to all of you that made it possible. Congratulations to all the students. Now you can get busy with the rest of your qualifying for the field and join us out there.

## SEARCH AND RESCUE

It has been busy. Enough calls to keep everyone in S& R Tuned-up. Watch out for the Gila Monsters and Rattlesnakes, the weeds and tall grass provides lots of hiding places. For the posse responding, please be sure to call Larry 343-1451, put it in your phone. Need to know who the people are that are coming in order to manage staging and traffic. Thanks.

#### PARK PATROLS

Dennis said with the addition of Parks we are requested to patrol, we need all qualified people to help. Brandi Fenton is a large area of concern. Lots of people, activity and potential for problems. This is only one of the four larger park areas we are to zero in on. Still have Tucson Mountain Park and Davidson Canyon areas. Need info? Call Dennis Cole 907-2283.

#### **GYMKHANA**

This horse event keeps getting bigger as we go. This is a fund raising event and a big P/R event. Tell a friend, it's fun to ride in or just to watch. Next one is May 8th. at Tanque Verde Stables 11000 block E. Glenn (BelAir Ranch Estates.) For Additional Info, call Pat Gallagher 760-8281.

For more information on the Sheriff's Posse, go to www.PimaCountySheriffsPosse.org

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

### SARA CALENDAR

May 05	18:30 Wed	SARA Field Skills Recert	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
May 07	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Annual Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
May 08	07:30 Sat	Training: Water Rescue	Rdv: SE Corner of Oracle & Magee
May 20	19:00 Thur	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>May 07</u>	19:30 Fri	<b>SARA General Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

by SARA Board, saraboard @ sarci2.org

#### SAFETY REMINDER

Reminder: it is SARA Policy that when responding to a callout, all members (and candidates) enter the field with the appropriate clothing, supplies and equipment to operate and sustain themselves in the expected operating conditions for the next 24 hours.

OEC CORNER by John Gorski, <u>rescue161 @ att.net</u>

It is never too early to make your plans to attend our yearly refresher(s). The first one will be on Sunday August 22, 2010 and the second one will be on Saturday September 18, 2010. Look for updates in upcoming newsletters.

SARA FUNDRAISING

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci2.org

Here are a couple of other ways you can help us.

Earning money for SARA can be as easy as choosing and using a search engine. Go to http://www.goodsearch.com/ and select the Southern Arizona Rescue Association - SARA as the organization and every time you do a search SARA will get a penny. Doesn't sound like much, however if you do several searches per day it could be several dollars per month. Please give it some thought.

To help raise money for SARA when you shop at Bashas go to http://www.bashasshopandgive.com/cardno.php and enter your Thank You Card number. When asked for the organization code on the next screen, enter 29416 and your card will be linked to SARA which will receive 1% of what you spend through April 2010. You may also connect your card to SARA at the checkout lane. You should reconnect your card with the SARA number after the first of the year.

**MAY TRAINING** 

by Brian Janezic, bsjanezic @ gmail.com

This month's SARA training will be Water Rescue Training.

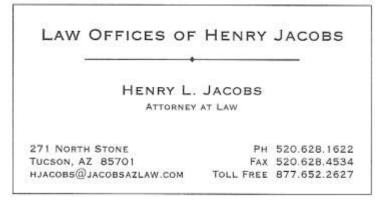
Instructor: Wren Keller

Rendezvous: SE corner of Magee and Oracle

When: 07:30, April 3, 2010

Who: All SARA members and candidates are welcome.

This month's training is Swift Water Rescue this training. It will consist of both a classroom session and a river session. The classroom session will start at 1830 at the SARA house on May 5th, 2010. The river training will rendezvous at the SE corner of Magee and Oracle on May 8th at 0730 to carpool to the Gila River in Winkelman. For the river session you will need a lifejacket, whistle, knife, helmet and wetsuit. Wetsuits can be rented at most local dive shops for the weekend. This training is an orange card signoff.







Call Date Vol/ Hrs/ Problem Location Resources

10.022 Sun 21 Mar 5/ 55/ Evidence Search, Divers Lakes in Prescott 08:00 - 18:30Divers searched several bodies of water for criminal evidence.

10.023 Mon 22 Mar 5/111/ Evidence Search, Divers Lakes in Prescott

08:00 - 22:30Divers searched several bodies of water for criminal evidence.

10.024 Mon 29 Mar12/ 12/80vf hiker injured Sabino Canyon, Catalinas **RMFD** 

An elderly female hiker was reported injured near crossing 6, but nobody was found. 15:11 – 16:43

10.025 Thu 01 Apr <u>17/</u> <u>51/</u> Vehicle rollover Helvetia, Santa Ritas RMFD, LifeLine

A jeep rolled (same place as a year ago) with three injured. Two carried out by vehicle, one by helicopter. 15:22 - 18:45

10.026 Sat 03 Apr 22/22/43ym exhausted Cactus Forest, Rincons NPS. RMFD A male with medical issues was carried by litter about a half-mile to the Wildhorse Trailhead. 18:49 - 20:10

10.027 Sat 03 Apr 16/25/ Hikers stranded by dark Catalina State Park, Catalinas Survev1

21:37 - 00:05A group of hikers were stranded by dark after coming down the bottom of Romero. Voice contact was made from the top of the Canyon Loop, a second team reached them from the Sutherland Trail and all hiked out without problems.

10.028 Sun 04 Apr 12/ 14/ ??ym hiker chest pains Wasson Peak, TucsonMtns Lifeline, PRFD, NPS

A hiker reported chest pains near the top of Wasson Peak. A medical helicopter landed nearby. 13:43 - 15:05

10.029 Sun 04 Apr 19/ 56/ 27ym hiker injured Tanque Verde Canyon, Rincons

A hiker fell, injuring his leg. He was carried downstream (mostly in the water), then up the SARA Trail. 16:17 - 19:20

10.030 Fri 09 Apr 10/20/80yf hiker injured Historic Tr, Sabino Canyon, Catalinas **RMFD** 

A hiker fell on trail a short distance from the road, and was carried down by litter. 15:20 - 17:10

10.031 Sat 10 Apr 20/105/60vf hiker exhausted 7 Falls, Bear Canyon, Catalinas **RMFD** 

A woman made it to the falls with her family, then was too exhausted to return. She was carried all the way out. 14:32 - 19:55

Bear Canyon, Catalinas 10.032 Sun 11 Apr 20/100/ 38yf hiker ankle injury

A female hiker injured her ankle upstream from crossing 7. She was carried down to the Posse, and rode out. 18:03 - 22:55

10.033 Sun 11 Apr 6/88/57ym hiker missing Romero Pools, Catalinas Survey1, TucsonRanger 23:08 - 08:00Voice contact was made with a missing hiker, then the team spent three hours getting to him on the other side of the

canyon. After daylight, TucsonRanger delivered him to the helipad, then retrieved one team while the other hiked down the trail.

10.034 Mon 12 Apr <u>15/</u> <u>38/</u> 17yf ankle injury Tanque Verde Canyon, Rincons 18:19 - 21:00A female injured her ankle downstream from the base of the Main Trail, and was carried out.

10.035 Tue 13 Apr 8/ 12/81ym hiker fall injury Blackett's Ridge, Catalinas **RMFD** 

A hiker stumbled into cactus and slowly walked out with companions. Rescue people pulled needles for awhile. 09:20 - 10:55

10.036 Wed 14 Apr 0/ 0/ Cadaver search, dog teams 3-Points area

15:01 – ??:?? no info or roster received

10.037 Fri 16 Apr 0/ 0/7ym missing PaloVerde & Benson, Tucson

TPD found a missing boy on Valencia. Displeased at not being able to go shopping, he split while family napped. 16:50 - 17:04

C&BP, TucsonRanger 10.038 Sat 17 Apr 8/ 47/ Body Recovery Arivaca

Body recovery from remote area west of Arivaca. Poor trails, lots of brush, Ranger got it done. 10:21 - 18:55

10.039 Sat 17 Apr 8/ 33/ 55ym crashed dirt bike Redington Pass, Rincons TucsonRanger, medsbird

A bike rider injured his leg. Ranger transported him to a medical helicopter at the corrals. 11:10 - 15:45

10.040 Sat 17 Apr 11/39/17ym hiker knee injury Romero Canyon Trail, Catalinas GRFD, FWFD

11:43 - 15:40A hiker jumped from a rock and injured his knee. He was carried down by litter.

10.041 Wed 21 Apr 24/129/ 29ym autistic missing Kolb/Sunrise, Tucson TucsonRanger SAV

07:24 - 15:00Deputies searched all night along the Rillito. Then, teams covered many washes before TPD found him downtown.

10.042 Wed 21 Apr 8/ 14/2 female hikers lost Bear Canyon, Catalinas **TucsonRanger** 16:00 - 17:35Two female hikers were poorly equipped and could not follow the trail above 7 Falls. Ranger retrieved them.

10.043 Wed 21 Apr <u>13/100/</u> 41yf hiker ankle injury Ventana Canyon, Catalinas TucsonRanger 18:36 - 04:00A female hiker injured her ankle a mile up trail from Maiden Pools. Teams reached her late in the evening, and some

stayed with her while those that needed to get out escorted her companion.

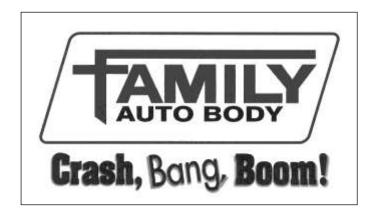
10.044 Thu 22 Apr 10/ 66/ 41yf hiker ankle injury Ventana Canyon, Catalinas **TucsonRanger** 04:00 - 11:50Continuation of rescue. Ranger short-hauled her in the morning, then retrieved the team from below the pools.

**2010 Totals:** People: 547 Hours: 2307 Hours per person: 4.2

# **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Apr 26	Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 01	May 02 SRDI Training
May 03	May 04	May 05	May 06 Classroom "River Rescue"	May 07 SARA General Mtg	May 08 SARA Training "River Rescue"	May 09 Divers Training
May 10	May 11	May 12 SRDI Gen/Board Mtg	May 13 Posse Board Mtg	May 14	May 15	May 16 . SRDI Training Posse Gymkanna
May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20 SARA Bldg Mtg SARA Board Mtg	May 21	May 22	May 23
May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27 Posse General Mtg	May 28	May 29	May 30
May 31	June 01	June 02	June 03	June 04 SARA General Mtg	June 05 SARA Training "Summer Training"	June 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, 5990 N Sabino Cyn Rd.

#### 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.

11665 N. Derringer Rd., Marana, AZ 85653 Meet each Sunday 15:30-18:00, details inside

#### SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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