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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.

HELICOPTERS AND NIGHT OPERATIONS

by Sgt. George Economidis, george.economidis@sheriff.pima.gov

During one of the recent rescue missions, a SAR member took a photograph at night in close proximity to a helicopter that was assisting on the call. Had the crew's night vision been compromised, the results could have been disastrous.

For obvious safety reasons we must adhere to the following directive, nighttime photography is not allowed when an aircraft is assisting with the mission. This includes groups such as the media or bystanders as well. If you note someone from outside the SAR community with a camera, please notify a deputy who will address the individual.

(Cameras can emit light from more than one source, not just a flash. Non-visible lights, like infrared, can also be a problem. Any light can distract users of night-vision-equipment. ed)

SARCI MISSION RECORDS – HELP NEEDED!

by Mykle, mykle@sarci2.org

SARCI Mission Records have been moved to a new system that provides for including all activities, not just missions. We would like to start including new activities, as well as work our way back through previous activities. If you are willing to work on this project for a short while (a month or three, multiple “tours” welcome, whatever works), please contact Mykle. We need to better organize the pile of paper, then scan and enter the records, one page at a time.

SABINO CALLOUT PARKING AT THE NORTH END OF SABINO CANYON ROAD

by SARNews, sarnews@sarci2.org

People are continuing to park outside of the SARA gate. 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.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1@comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jan 05</u>	<u>19:30 Wed</u>	Board of Directors Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jan 09</u>	<u>11:00 Sun</u>	Urban Tracking / Air Scent	Paquette's House
<u>Jan 12</u>	<u>19:30 Wed</u>	General Meeting / BoD Election	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jan 16</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Oak Tree Tracking / Air Scent	Meet: I-10 and SR-83
<u>Jan 19</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	Urban Tracking / Air Scent	Kari's House
<u>Feb 06</u>	<u>10:00 Sun</u>	Property Search	Vi's House
<u>Apr 28-30</u>	<u>TBA Thu-Sat</u>	Arizona SAR Conference 2011	Heber, AZ

All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website (<http://www.sarci.org/SRDI.htm>) or call Vi Brown (762-0165) for training updates.

All SARCI members are invited and encouraged to attend the Alzheimer's Association presentation on January 12, 2011 @ 19:30 at Sheriff's Substation 106. January's General Meeting is also election of 2011 Board of Directors. SRDI has a PR scheduled with Community and Concern on January 5th, 12:00 – 1:00. SRDI has scheduled a fundraising yard sale for February 25th.

Congratulations to Kari Simpson – this is her 5th year with SRDI. Most of our candidates are at their 10th training and can now bring their K9s to our Wednesday night trainings for socialization and obedience. This is a good time for all members and candidates to review the SRDI Policy Manual to ensure that SRDI expectations are upheld – 6 ft. leash, no dog-to-dog contact, kennels at all trainings, etc.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry@simmonsautorepair.com

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Jan 09</u>	<u>11:00 Sun</u>	Posse Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store (Books at 11:00)
<u>Jan 13</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	Posse Board Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jan 27</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	Posse General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

Come join us at our Gymkhana. It's fun to participate and fun to watch with the best \$2.50 hamburgers around.

Remember the Posse web site: <http://www.pimacountysheriffsposse.org>

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

<u>Jan 09</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Training: Patterns	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
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January's training will again be at the SARA House on North Sabino Canyon Road. We use this "dry" session to cover DAN O₂ and practice tying knots and setting up search patterns. We do have the use of a pool for February and March training which will be at Saguaro Aquatics. We will provide directions at the next meeting. Hope to see you all there.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, cap@sarci2.org

CAP CALENDAR

<u>Sundays</u>	<u>15:30-18:00</u>	Northwest Fire District Training Facility	8165 N. Wade Rd, Marana, AZ
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SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA@sarci2.org

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Jan 07</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jan 08</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Training: Map and Compass	Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jan 15</u>	<u>TBA Sat</u>	Basic 4	Meet: TBA
<u>Jan 20</u>	<u>19:00 Thur</u>	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jan 29</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Field Skills Recert	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Feb 04</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

24 HOURS IN THE OLD PUEBLO

by Brian Duffy, bduffy@as.arizona.edu

You're invited to join the fun under the sun February 19-20, 2011. For the fourth year, SARA volunteers will provide medical assistance at the 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo mountain bike event, north of Oracle. If you are interested in practicing your medical skills, please contact event coordinators Brian Duffy (bduffy@as.arizona.edu) or Cathy Wasmann (cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu).

SUPPORT SARA

by John Percorowicz, jtp@perchorowicz.com

Supporting SARA can be easy if you shop at Bashas and have one of their Thank You cards. Go to <http://www.bashasshopandgive.com/cardno.php> and enter the card number. For those of you that have done so in the past, you'll need to do so again as the "season" has begun again and runs through April of 2011. Thank you for your participation.

Attention **Summit Hut** shoppers. SARA is now one of the preferred charities for their bagless program. Each time you shop and chose NOT to take a bag for your purchase you'll be given a token to place in one of two boxes. We hope you and your friends will choose to go bagless and contribute to SARA. This program runs through March of 2011. Thank you for your participation.

MONTHLY TRAINING

by Brian Duffy, bduffy@as.arizona.edu

Here is the training schedule for the first three months of 2011. All of these events are Orange Card sign off trainings.:

<u>Jan 08</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Map and Compass	Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Feb 05</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Winter Skills	Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Mar 05</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Tanque Verde Falls Orientation	Meet: Circle K, Tanque Verde, East of T.V. Loop Rd

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, [SARnews @ sarci.org](mailto:SARnews@sarci.org)

Call	Date	Vol/ Hrs/ Problem	Location	Resources
10.120	Sat 13 Nov	<u>15/ 25/</u> Alzheimer's patient missing	Northwest Tucson	SAV
19:55 – 21:29 80ym was missing from his residence. Teams covered a small residential area, door to door. Next door neighbors returned home to find the subject just inside their front door. He was in good condition.				
10.121	Sun 14 Nov	<u>2/ 20/</u> Cadaver Search	Three Points	
08:00 – 16:00 Search for human remains after a skull found by hunters; no indications from dogs.				
10.122	Sat 20 Nov	<u>11/ 37/</u> 20yf hiker ankle injuries	Phoneline Trail, Catalinas	RMFD
12:37 – 15:45 Two female hikers were coming down the Phoneline Trail. They were off-trail a bit while taking pictures, and one dislodged a large rock that hit her companion. She was carried by litter down the Phoneline Link Trail to the road.				
10.123	Sat 20 Nov	<u>11/ 86/</u> ??ym hiker lost	Mt.Kimball, Catalinas	C&BP, Survey2, DPS
14:19 – 03:30 A hiker returning from the top of Mt.Kimball reported himself lost. Cellphone coordinates were between Pontatoc and Ventana Canyon. A team headed that way, supported by a Customs helicopter, with nothing found. Suspecting the usual problem at the junction near the top of Kimball, one team started up. Above Linda Vista Saddle after dark, the team reported flashing lights from the area of Finger Rock. Survey2 located the source of light, and suggested that it looked like a camper who was not in need of help. A short time later, a voice response was heard, more towards the top of Kimball. While TucsonRanger looked around the top of cliffs, Survey2 spotted a subject without lights and directed Ranger to him, and reported that he matched the description. The team continued to the top, then down the ridge towards Finger Rock, found our lost hiker. All hiked down the trail without further problems.				
10.124	Tue 23 Nov	<u>11/ 39/</u> 53ym hiker lost	Esperero Trail, Catalinas	
18:09 – 22:15 A hiker visiting from Florida hiked up Ventana, intending to come down Sabino Canyon. After dark he got off trail and called for help. Cellphone coordinates were low in Esperero Canyon. The hasty team reached Cardiac Gap, then worked their way out the ridge towards Mt.Miguel, finding the hiker on the opposite side of the first rocky knob. All hiked down trail without problems.				
10.125	Thu 25 Nov	<u>9/ 27/</u> ??yf hiker ankle injury	Old Baldy Trail, Santa Ritas	GVFD
14:54 – 18:15 A hiker injured her ankle about 1.2mi up Old Baldy Trail. She was splinted and rode a mule down to the trailhead.				
10.126	Wed 02 Dec	<u>4/ 76/</u> Cadaver Search	Hannigan Meadow, Greenlee Co.	
05:00 – 18:34 A dog team responded to Hannigan Meadow for a cadaver search. Nothing was found.				
10.127	Sat 04 Dec	<u>15/ 15/</u> 57yf hiker arm injury	Romero Canyon Trail, Catalinas	GRFD, TucsonRanger
15:43 – 17:06 A hiker injured her arm on the Romero Trail, less than a mile up trail from the old trailhead. Golder Ranch teams treated her, then assisted her to a helispot and flown to the helipad.				
10.128	Mon 13 Dec	<u>8/ 40/</u> Two hikers stranded	Safford Peak, Tucson Mtns	Survey2
00:43 – 04:30 A 20ym and 18yf became disoriented on top of Safford (Sombrero) Peak after dark. They were close to the top, and were easily retrieved and accompanied the teams down without problems.				
10.129	Tue 14 Dec	<u>6/ 28/</u> Two hikers ill	Sutherland Trail, Catalinas	TucsonRanger, Mlfd, Grfd
11:07 – 15:03 20ym and 17ym hiking up Sutherland Trail on a two-day trip became ill. A team from the top found them near trail just below where the Phoneline dives off the mountain. A helispot was nearby, and both were flown to Catalina State Park.				
10.130	Sun 19 Dec	<u>13/ 32/</u> 37ym climber ankle injury	Hairpin, Soldier's Canyon, Catalinas	RMFD
12:13 – 13:54 A climber fell about 10' before being able to clip into protection. He was carried to the road.				
10.131	Mon 21 Dec	<u>12/ 58/</u> 18ym hiker fall injury	7 Falls, Bear Canyon, Catalinas	TucsonRanger, RMFD
15:08 – 19:25 A hiker tripped and fell, striking his head. He was carried to crossing 7, then flown to helipad.				
10.132	Mon 21 Dec	<u>12/ 121/</u> 17ym hiker back injury	Romero Canyon, Catalinas	PhxR, Customs, Nwfd, Grfd
17:01 – 12:57 A group of four were backpacking in Romero Canyon. About 1.5 miles above the pools, two decided to explore a narrow section of canyon. One fell down a waterfall, injuring his back. Fire and SAR teams were able to reach the top of the fall and talk to the patient and companion, determining they were safe until morning. One team continued working on a rappel through brush and down a cliff, and reached the patient at 03:40. At dawn, a medic rappelled from Phoenix Ranger to the scene, packaged the patient, then short-hauled to the helipad. The companion was short-hauled, followed by a cargo net with 600# of equipment. All fire and rescue people hiked out.				
10.133	Wed 22 Dec	<u>19/ 152/</u> 22yf hiker back injury	Pusch Peak, Catalinas	TucR, 305Arrs, Grfd
16:28 – 02:20 Two hikers returning from Pusch Peak were still pretty high when one stumbled and fell off trail, injuring her back. Tucson Ranger was returning from maintenance in Phoenix without a full crew or equipment. They located the patient, then ferried three teams of two rescue people and equipment to the scene as night fell and the storms brewed. The night crew returned later, but the winds did not permit them to pick up the patient. 305Arrs hoisted the patient just before the rain started.				
10.134	Sun 26 Dec	<u>0/ 0/</u> Evidence Search, Divers	Parker Canyon Lake, Huachucas	Cochise County
08:00 – 18:00 A body was found near a boat, and a second person was thought to have been in the boat. Nothing was found.				
2010 Totals:	People: 1498	Hours: 5988	Hours per person: 4.0	Total calls: 134, and we're not done yet!
2009 Totals:	People: 1340	Hours: 4491	Hours per person: 3.4	Total calls: 133, just for reference.

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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Dec 27 .	Dec 28 .	Dec 29 .	Dec 30 .	Dec 31 .	Jan 01 New Years Day	Jan 02 .
Jan 03 .	Jan 04 .	Jan 05 SRDI Board Mtg	Jan 06 .	Jan 07 SARA General Mtg	Jan 08 SARA Training "Map & Compass"	Jan 09 Posse Gymkhana SRDI Training Divers Training
Jan 10 .	Jan 11 .	Jan 12 SRDI General Mtg	Jan 13 Posse Board Mtg	Jan 14 .	Jan 15 SARA Basic 4	Jan 16 SRDI Training
Jan 17 .	Jan 18 .	Jan 19 SRDI Training SARCI Meeting	Jan 20 SARA Board Mtg	Jan 21 .	Jan 22 .	Jan 23 .
Jan 24 .	Jan 25 .	Jan 26 .	Jan 27 Posse General Mtg	Jan 28 .	Jan 29 SARA Field Skills	Jan 30 .
Jan 31 .	Feb 01 .	Feb 02 SRDI Board Mtg	Feb 03 .	Feb 04 SARA General Mtg	Feb 05 SARA Training "Winter Skills"	Feb 06 SRDI Training
Feb 07 .	Feb 08 .	Feb 09 SRDI General Mtg	Feb 10 .	Feb 11 .	Feb 12 .	Feb 13 Divers Training
Feb 14 .	Feb 15 .	Feb 16 .	Feb 17 SARA Board Mtg	Feb 18 .	Feb 19 24HOP Race Support	Feb 20 24HOP Race Support SRDI Training
Feb 21 .	Feb 22 .	Feb 23 .	Feb 24 .	Feb 25 SRDI Fundraising.	Feb 26 .	Feb 27 .
Feb 28 .	Mar 01 .	Mar 02 SRDI Board Mtg	Mar 03 .	Mar 04 SARA General Mtg	Mar 05 SARA Training "TV Falls"	Mar 06 SRDI Training

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