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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.

FIELD OPERATIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

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

During a couple of recent search missions, SARCI Groups were requested and upon members' arrival, the members headed out into the field and began searching without being given a formal briefing or assignments by a SAR Deputy.

As a reminder, during search missions, the Sheriff's Department needs responding personnel to remain at Staging or other assigned location until a briefing is conducted and assignments are given. If immediate deployment is warranted, the SAR deputy running the mission will specify such and will provide pertinent briefing information by radio.

There are a number of reasons for holding personnel at Staging but primarily it provides for accountability of personnel, lessens the possibility of destruction of clues, and allows greater command and control over the operation. Remember, there may be vital facts that are not released for one reason or another and if SARCI personnel head into the field without authorization, the mission or perhaps a criminal investigation could be compromised.

We, the Sheriff and SAR deputies, understand that no one likes to sit around and wait and we all recognize and appreciate your motivation, your passion for SAR, your desire to do the right thing and your desire to get to work however the SAR deputies need your cooperation, understanding and patience on this matter.

Any questions can be directed to me. Thank you in advance for your cooperation AND for your service to the Sheriff and our clientele.

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. Most of the pieces are in place as we work through the process for including the data into the new system.

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.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by Robert McCord, cap@sarci2.org

CAP CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Northwest Fire District Training Facility 8165 N. Wade Rd, Marana, AZ

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1@comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Mar 02</u> 19:30 Wed	Board of Directors Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Mar 06</u> 09:00 Sun	Tracking / Air Scent	Meet: TBA
<u>Mar 09</u> 19:30 Wed	General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Apr 15-17</u> TBA Thu-Sat	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.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1@msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Mar 05</u>	<u>13:00 Sat</u>	Trail Trials	Tanque Verde Stables
<u>Mar 10</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	Posse Board/General Meeting	Java Edge, Tanque Verde & Bear Canyon
<u>Mar 13</u>	<u>11:00 Sun</u>	Posse Gymkhana	Vail Feed Store (Books at 11:00)

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

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

<u>Mar 13</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Oracle Heights Pool	2045 West Omar Drive
<u>Apr 10</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Oracle Heights Pool	2045 West Omar Drive

March and April training will be held at Oracle Heights Recreation Pool. Last month we covered ropes, knots, a swim test, black out swim, buddy breathing, and ditch & don. March's training will be an intro to setting and swimming search patterns. April's training will be a continuation of patterns and an introduction to the Mark II dive mask. Driving directions: From Foothills Mall, (the intersection of West Ina Road and La Cholla Blvd) go south on La Cholla two blocks. Turn left (eastward) onto Omar Drive. Proceed 400 feet then turn right (south) onto Amahl Drive. The Oracle Heights pool is on your right just south of the tennis courts. Pull into the gravel parking area. **This is a semi-heated pool.** Bring your appropriate wetsuit, gloves and hood.

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons,, jerry@simmonsautorepair.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

<u>Mar 03</u>	<u>18:00 Thu</u>	CPR Refresher	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
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After a huge amount of work in a relative short period of time, Southern Az. Mounted Search and Rescue (SAMSAR) is in full swing and proud to be the sixth member in the SARCI organization. We passed the Border Patrol horsemanship and equipment inspection. All signs for trailer and trucks are done. Uniform I.D. to follow shortly. You all probably know who we are anyway. The I.D. is for me to recognize our team members (senior moment possible).

Search and Rescue operations are moving without a hitch. SAMSAR has responded to a number of callouts lately with Douglas Springs on the last two occasions. Hauled equipment in to the site of the gentleman who was flown out by Ranger on the first of two. Local transportation for the lady by McPhedran and Bonnie on call number two at Douglas Springs Trail went just like it was supposed to. Good job, Dan. I only hope I have Dan's stamina at 77 yrs YOUNG. Or, 60 would be nice also. Colleen carried out the Medical bag for that call, and she also carried out the oxygen on the prior call. Boy, I sure am glad I don't have to walk in like the foot people do. And for the more senior foot people, horses can carry a lot of equipment and back packs. Don't be afraid to bring up the subject. First come, first served. We had Dan, Colleen, Kay and Jerry. Larry Cunningham was at command when we came out. Averaging 5 to 8 teams (rider and horses) per call. Good show as usual. Thanks to Mykle for letting me use a search radio.

For the ones who don't know, Larry Caugh is in the hospital having some repairs done. Wishing Larry the best and hoping for a speedy return to action with SAMSAR. We miss his smiling face. Like to welcome aboard Joe Beckman and Charlotte K. as the newest SAMSAR members and we are working with a couple more candidates.

Public Relations: Colleen went to Ft. Lowell School to do a "Horse Talk" to 4th and 5th graders who had a lot of questions. At the end they had a "pop quiz". Colleen said they did well and lots of fun. Good job Colleen.

I will be doing an OFC class soon. Right now I have only four new students. Need about 8 to 10 new students for a class. SAMSAR members will be taking the class also as a brush-up on skills. Field scenarios for SAMSAR will start happening around the later part of March or April.

For all divisions: looking to get people in OFC class. Send info to jerry@simmonsautorepair.com or call Jerry Simmons at 400-1809. Looking for a class mid-March or first half of April. Need students! Cost is about \$30, or maybe \$35, depending on kit and supplies. I will keep you posted.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

[SARA @ sarci2.org](mailto:SARA@sarci2.org)

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Mar 04</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Mar 05</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Training: Tanque Verde Falls	Rdv: Circle K, Tanque Verde & Tanque Verde Loop
<u>Mar 17</u>	<u>19:00 Thur</u>	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Apr 01</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

MARCH TRAINING

by Jason Bowman, [jrbowman @ email.arizona.edu](mailto:jrbowman@email.arizona.edu)

Subject: Tanque Verde Falls Orientation

Date/Time: Saturday 05 March 2011, 08:00 at Circle K, Tanque Verde and Tanque Verde Loop

Lead Instructor: Mykle

Target Audience: SARA Candidates (this is an Orange Card sign-off) and other members who desire a better understanding of the area around Tanque Verde Falls and implications on SAR operations in the area.

This training will be a familiarization hike to Tanque Verde Falls area trails, overlooks, anchor points and LZ's. Bring your rescue pack and helmet. If time and resources permit, a low angle technical exercise may follow the orientation hike.

24 HOURS IN THE OLD PUEBLO RECAP

by Jason Bowman, [jrbowman @ email.arizona.edu](mailto:jrbowman@email.arizona.edu)

SARA once again provided support for the 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo mountain bike race over President's Day weekend. At least 54 patients were treated, with care being transferred to Golder Ranch Fire on three occasions (two of those following stokes evacuations). This year there were no apparent shoulder or clavicle injuries, a first since we have been providing support at this event. Eighteen SARA members assisted with the medical mission at the event, six members rode in the race; communications involved another four members; and last, but not least, the official Timekeeper and Results person was a SARA member. Several additional SARCI volunteers assisted at the race in various capacities. Finally, in its spare time, SARA managed to perform a stokes evacuation of one person with an isolated ankle/foot injury from the fairly nasty slope of a hill overlooking 24-Hour Town.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

by John Gorski, [tucmj @ att.net](mailto:tucmj@att.net)

The awards committee is now accepting nominations for SAR Person of the Year (for excellence in the field) and Support Person of the Year (for outstanding help behind the scenes). Also in need of any gag awards for that memorable outing during a rescue or training that put a smile on your face. You can contact Manny Montano, Dale Mann, Rich Kunz, or John Gorski with your nominations. Nominations will be closed after the March monthly meeting.

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, [tucmj @ att.net](mailto:tucmj@att.net)

We have a small class this year, so fewer patients will be needed on our skills nights. Remember this is an orange card sign-off so check the SARCI website under the OEC link for a skills night you are able to attend. Contact John Gorski or Rich Kunz regarding your availability and date.

SUPPORT SARA

by John Percorowicz, [jtp @ perchorowicz.com](mailto:jtp@perchorowicz.com)

Supporting SARA can be easy if you shop at Bashas and have one of their Thank You cards. Enter the card number at <http://www.bashashopandgive.com/cardno.php>. 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.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

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

Call	Date	Vol/ Hrs/ Problem	Location	Resources
<i>Mon 31 Jan</i>	<i>12:02 – 16:30</i>	<i>21/ 65/ Helicopter down</i> A Sheriff's Department helicopter went down while scouting radio sites with four people aboard. USAF rescue teams extricated the occupants, with lots of support from many agencies, in the air and on the ground.	<i>Waterman Peak, Avra Valley</i>	<i>Everyone</i>
<i>Sun 06 Feb</i>	<i>11:30 – 14:41</i>	<i>17/ 61/ 50ym hiker not responsive</i> A hiker collapsed about two miles up trail. Teams arrived and ambulated the patient to Tucson Ranger.	<i>Douglas Spring Trail, Rincons</i>	<i>NPS, TucsonRanger</i>
<i>Fri 11 Feb</i>	<i>15:44 – 20:24</i>	<i>00/ 00/ Cadaver Search</i> No data, no info.	<i>Ajo & Country Club, Tucson</i>	
<i>Sat 19 Feb</i>	<i>11:21 – 13:15</i>	<i>11/ 18/ ??yf hiker ill</i> A hiker felt ill while hiking to Douglas Spring. She returned with a companion and almost made it down to the flats before becoming unable to continue. Bonnie gave her a ride to the trailhead.	<i>Douglas Spring Trail, Rincons</i>	<i>NPS, RMFD</i>
<i>Sat 19 Feb</i>	<i>19:14 – 02:00</i>	<i>6/ 39/ 2 hikers lost</i> Two hikers attempted to cover the Box Camp Trail to Sabino, but lost the trail, were unable to get around waterfalls, then turned uphill. They ran out of light between Spencer and Palisades Canyons on a night with very poor visibility and high winds. Finally, cellphone coordinates provided a goal, and the two were found and escorted out of the field.	<i>Box Camp Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>NPS, Omaha</i>
<i>Mon 21 Feb</i>	<i>13:05 – 16:24</i>	<i>13/ 41/ 58yf hiker ankle injury</i> A hiker rolled her ankle and was unable to bear weight. She was carried by litter down the Phoneline Link Trail to the roadway.	<i>Phoneline Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>RMFD</i>
2011 Totals:		People: 94 Hours: 363	Hours per person: 3.9	Total calls: 7

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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Feb 28 .	Mar 01 .	Mar 02 SRDI Board Mtg	Mar 03 .	Mar 04 SARA General Mtg	Mar 05 Posse Training SARA Training "TV Falls"	Mar 06 SRDI Training
Mar 07 .	Mar 08 .	Mar 09 SRDI General Mtg	Mar 10 Posse Meeting	Mar 11 .	Mar 12 .	Mar 13 Posse Gymkhana Divers Training
Mar 14 .	Mar 15 .	Mar 16 .	Mar 17 SARA Board Mtg	Mar 18 .	Mar 19 .	Mar 20 SRDI Training
Mar 21 .	Mar 22 .	Mar 23 .	Mar 24 .	Mar 25 .	Mar 26 .	Mar 27 .
Mar 28 .	Mar 29 .	Mar 30 .	Mar 31 .	Apr 01 SARA General Mtg	Apr 02 SARA Training "Mine Rescue"	Apr 03 SRDI Training
Apr 04 .	Apr 05 .	Apr 06 SRDI Board	Apr 07 .	Apr 08 .	Apr 09 .	Apr 10 Divers Training
Apr 11 .	Apr 12 .	Apr 13 SRDI General Mtg	Apr 14 .	Apr 15 AZ SAR Conference	Apr 16 AZ SAR Conference	Apr 17 SRDI Training AZ SAR Conference
Apr 18 .	Apr 19 .	Apr 20 SARCI Meeting	Apr 21 SARA Board Mtg	Apr 22 .	Apr 23 .	Apr 24 .
Apr 25 .	Apr 26 .	Apr 27 .	Apr 28 .	Apr 29 .	Apr 30 SARA Field Skills	May 01 SRDI Training

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

PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

P.O.Box 13961, Tucson AZ 85732-3961
Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E. Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749
Meet 4th Thu 19:00, details inside.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

Details inside.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

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Meet 2nd Wed 19:00
Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy

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