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# SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci2.org

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

#### **ACTIVITY DOCUMENTATION**

by Mykle, mykle @ sarci2.org

The SARCI activity database has been expanded to include all types of activities. All groups are encouraged to complete a Roster for all activities, including Missions, Training, Public Relations, Meetings, Special Events and other Activities. The Rosters can be scanned and sent to Records, or sent to the SARCI mailbox, or placed on the Records desk at the SARA House. Remember that times are important, but can be approximate. Access to the database is available to an authorized representative from each group.

**SABINO CALLOUT PARKING AT THE NORTH END OF SABINO CANYON ROAD** by SARNews, <u>sarnews @ sarci2.org</u> 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.

#### SARA HOUSE SCHEDULING

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci2.org

To prevent scheduling conflicts, the SARA Board of Directors has established the position of Master Scheduler. For the time being this position is being filled by Jason Bowman. Anyone planning an official SARA event (trainings, committee meetings, work parties, PR events, bike race support, etc.) or any event to be held at the SARA House (such as trainings or meetings of other SARCI groups) must go through the Master Scheduler. The Master Scheduler will confirm if that date is available and put the event on the calendar. Eventually the Master Calendar will be published on the SARCI website, but for now it is only viewable to committee heads who request the link until all the bugs are worked out.

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

Nov 11 09:00 Sun

**Annual Elections and Potluck** 

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

November's meeting will be at the SARA house. This is our annual meeting which includes elections of the new Board and a potluck breakfast. There are no new changes for this election. Please bring your favorite breakfast/brunch dish to share. Last month we scanned Lakeside with both boats providing some excellent training for the newer members and refresher for the others.

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

Nov 29 18:30 Thur General Meeting Location TBA

Meeting with BLM went very well and we will soon be able to patrol in Cienega, Empire and San Pedro.

## 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

# SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry @ simmonsautorepair.com

#### SAMSAR CALENDAR

Nov 13	18:00 Tue	Night Haul Training – 7 Falls	Bear Canyon, 7 Falls
Nov 20	19:00 Tue	SAMSAR General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Dec 08	TBA Sat	Merit Badge Training (S&R/First Aid)	Boy Scout Troop 122

Training: Sept 22 had Haul training in Sabino Canyon in the dark. All went well. Bill, Kay, Colleen and George attended. This was the first night haul qualification. The Second will be Nov 13. SAMSAR members will be hauled out as patients just to get the real feeling. It is different than riding out while DRIVING.

OFC training scheduled for Nov 5 start date. Having a couple issues with the printed materials from National Ski Patrol. New book being printed. Darci at NSP is helping with the details. The class will happen.

We have a friend of SAMSAR who has completed the first stage of scent training for her horse. Looking to her for a demo. The horse is already trained as a bird horse (Bird Dog). She has agreed to assist us.

NIMS 138 was attended by Jennifer, Colleen and Jerry. Jennifer also has her 100 and 700 NIMS: good job. Waiting for the next NIMS 138 for Tara and Stefan.

Public relations: SAMSAR will work with Boy Scout Troop 122 to help them get the S&R and First Aid Merit Badges. We do not certify; we help with training. A review of their curriculum is impressive. This will be on Dec 8. Location TBA. Hopefully with approval, the SARA House. Also there is a Girl Scout Troop that needs the same assistance; we should be able to help also.

Trail Scouting in Saguaro East report from S&R coordinator Colleen Leon: Object of this ride was to determine if SAMSAR could ride this trail and be used as a resource for Search and Rescue. This trail is a foot trail. This was not your Sunday conditioning ride as reported by Colleen, Larry Caugh and Bill Moore. The trail had it all: overgrown, tree roots, shell rock, narrow trail at points, slick overhang rocks, steep up and down. Colleen, Larry and Bill entered the field at Javelina Trailhead approximately 07:15 for their 20 mile, 10 hour trail check. They exited at end of Speedway. They recommend that anyone attempting this ride, animal and rider, be in top physical condition! Horses and mules had to stop and rest several times. This trail is do-able for selected SAMSAR members only as a last resort. Thanks to Colleen, Larry and Bill for the super ride. Mykle, Simmons, and Herget sat on the radio in case something went wrong. That was the only easy thing about this ride. Thank goodness we had the "A" team in the field. Thanks Mykle for your help. Big thanks to Joe at Mule Power Farm for the trailer transport to the pickup location on Speedway.

Membership: Moving along in the right direction. All inquiries for membership or other information about SAMSAR, <a href="http://www.SAMSARAZ.org">http://www.SAMSARAZ.org</a>.



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## **SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.**

#### SRDI CALENDAR

Nov 03	<u>19:00 Sat</u>	Mock Search	I-10 / SR83
Nov 07	18:00 Wed	Training Committee Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Nov 07	19:00 Wed	Board of Directors Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Nov 14	19:00 Wed	General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Nov 18	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Tracking / Air Scent	I-10 / SR83
Nov 28	18:00 Wed	Urban Tracking / Air Scent	Oracle / Orange Grove

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

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SRDI is proud to announce our newest Mission Ready Blue Shirts: Gabrielle Koschorke and Tim Rollins! We also welcome several new candidates: Gina Cox, Chris Cox, Jen Haskin, Mike Wilke, and Debee Henschen. Kari/Peeps will complete their endurance the first part of November with intentions of testing in air scent in December. Just a reminder, if you are interested in attempting NASAR SARTech 2, you should already be reading the material (the event will take place at the AZ SAR conference in April). We will be scheduling trainings to practice the field exercises. OFC is scheduled for 11/5, 11/7, 11/9, 11/12, 11/14, and 11/16 6PM-10PM, and 11/17 8AM until finished.

SRDI is offering raffle tickets for a chance to win a 3-night Valentine's stay at the Wyndham Flagstaff, or a 3-night Valentine's stay at Wyndham Sedona (thanks to the generosity of Gabrielle Koschorke). Each ticket costs \$5.00 and only 200 tickets will be sold for each location. Make sure you get your chance to win. Contact a SRDI member for tickets! The drawing will be on November 3<sup>rd</sup> when Jerry Simmons draws and announces the winners on his Saturday radio show (thank you, Jerry).

When training informally, please ensure you work on established public lands/parks, follow all leash laws, clean up after your dog, and that "IN TRAINING" patches are attached to your dog and very visible. Stay mindful that you are representing SRDI and PCSD even when training on your own time.

# **Upcoming Events:**

AZ SAR Conference, April 19-21, 2013, in Heber, AZ

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

#### SARA CALENDAR

Nov 02	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Nov 03	08:30 Sat	Training: High Angle Rescue	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Nov 15	19:00 Thur	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Dec 07	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

#### SEPTEMBER TRAINING

by Jason Bowman, jrbowman @ email.arizona.edu

The topic for the November monthly training is High-Angle Rescue, and will be held on Saturday 03 November. We will be running several evolutions of technical systems to move the stokes litter and an attendant over a vertical face, using a couple different techniques. We will meet Catalina & Tanque Verde, "106" and briefing to start at 08:30. Participants will need their full rescue pack, as well as appropriate PPE as discussed at the previous trainings. The target audience for this training is those members and candidates who have been participating in the technical trainings over the last few months. Others are welcome to attend, but may be limited in their participation.



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# **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31 Halloween	Nov 01	Nov 02 SARA Meeting	Nov 03 SARA Training "High Angle Rescue"	Nov 04  SRDI Training  SARA Basic 3a
Nov 05 OFC Class	Nov 06 Election Day	Nov 07 SRDI Board OFC Class .	Nov 08	Nov 09 OFC Class	Nov 10	Nov 11  Divers Training  Posse Gymkhana
Nov 12 OFC Class .	Nov 13 SAMSAR Haul Training	Nov 14 SRDI Meeting OFC Class .	Nov 15 SARA Board	Nov 16 OFC Class	Nov 17 OFC Class	Nov 18 SRDI Training
Nov 19 :	Nov 20 SAMSAR Meeting	Nov 21	Nov 22 Thanksgiving	Nov 23	Nov 24	Nov 25
Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29 . Posse Meeting	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02 SRDI Training
Dec 03	Dec 04	Dec 05 SRDI Board	Dec 06	Dec 07 . SARA Meeting	Dec 08  SAMSAR Scout Assist  SARA Training "Winter Skills?"	Dec 09  Divers Training  Posse Gymkhana
Dec 10	Dec 11 ·	Dec 12 . SRDI Meeting	Dec 13	Dec 14	Dec 15	Dec 16 SRDI Training
Dec 17	Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20 SARA Board	Dec 21 Winter Solstice	Dec 22	Dec 23
Dec 24 :	Dec 25 Christmas	Dec 26	Dec 27 . Posse Meeting	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30
Dec 31 :	Jan 01, 2013 . New Year's Day	Jan 02, 2013 SRDI Board	Jan 03, 2013	Jan 04, 2013 SARA Meeting	Jan 05, 2013 . SARA Training "TBD"	Jan 06, 2013 SRDI Training

Date Vol/ Hrs/ Problem Location Resources

Sun 30 Sep 16/ 44/ 50yf hiker exhausted

Romero Canyon Tr, Catalinas

Omaha95U GRFD

14:25-17:30 A hiker who had been feeling ill the previous day was hiking high in Romero. She spilled her drinking water, then was unable to continue. She was located by air at her cellphone coordinates, less than a mile above Romero Pools. The helicopter crew landed at the pools, hiked up to her with supplies, and the hasty team met the group almost back at the helo.

Mon 01 Oct 16/ 41/ 30yf hiker ankle injury

Butterfly Tr, Catalinas

MLFD RMFD

14:45 – 17:50 A hiker broke her ankle about 20 minutes from the Bear Wallow Trailhead. Mt.Lemmon Fire handled the medical, and we provided transportation to the ambulance at the trailhead.

Fri 05 Oct  $\frac{4}{2}$  22yf hiker lost

Turkey Creek Tr, Rincons

NPS USFS TucsonRanger

16:45 – 17:30 A hiker had been high in the Rincons and lost the trail on the way back, apparently not too far from the trailhead. We met at rendezvous before being cancelled.

Sun 07 Oct 10/35/3 Hikers stranded above waterfall Finger Rock Canyon, Catalinas

13:40 – 17:15 A group intended to climb to the Finger, leaving the trail at the spring and climbing high. When that was taking too long, they descended into the canyon above the drainage below the Finger, then were unable to get around the large chockstone. Tucson Ranger dropped a medic nearby, and the Hasty Team joined the group after they had been rounded up and were returning to the LZ for pickup.

Sun 07 Oct 6/ 11/ Two hikers exhausted

Box Camp Tr, Catalinas

20:00 – 21:30 A pair of hikers got off trail low on the Box Camp, and may have come down the bottom of Sabino. They were found just above "The Crack", between stop 8 and 9 in Sabino, and retrieved without problems.

Sun 07 Oct 7/ 19/ Climbers stranded by dark

Rappel Rock, Catalinas

20:30 – 23:55 Two climbers were scrambling up the slope next to Rappel Rock when it got too dark to continue. A team quickly rounded them up and continued up without problems.

Wed 10 Oct 13/ 61/ Hikers off trail

Sabino West Fork, Catalinas

Omaha PhoenixRanger

22:20 – 03:20 Two hikers intended to hike up Sabino and down Romero to Catalina State Park. They wandered around low on the Cathedral Trail where they were found from the air. A team was dropped off at Romero Pass, the hikers were retrieved and headed down trail, and were picked up above Hutchs' Pool by Phoenix Ranger.

Thu 11 Oct 12/ 92/ 24ym hiker lost

Finger Rock, Catalinas

Omaha04P TucsonRanger

20:35 – 06:00 A hiker had visited the Finger before, but was unable to find the route down before it got dark. One team hiked up trail and over on the crossover trail, meeting a second team that had been dropped off on Kimball. The hiker was found at the Finger, and all hiked back to the Corner LZ on the main trail, and were retrieved by air.

Sun 21 Oct 18/ 48/ 09ym injured by boulder

Golden Gate Mtn, Tucson Mtns

TucsonRanger DHFD

13:40 – 16:30 A grandmother was hiking with her grandson on the slopes of Golden Gate Mtn. As they were admiring a desert tortoise, the boy rolled a boulder over his lower leg. Cellphone coverage is poor, so it took awhile to figure out where the problem was, and what it was. Teams hiked from the Yetman Trailhead on the west side of Gates Pass, off trail and up slope about a third of the way to the peak. The patient was short-hauled to a pullout further down the road. Plan B was to evacuate by ground, down steep loose slopes full of cactus. At University Hospital the patient was found to not have a fracture, just bruising and lacerations.

2012 Totals: People: 1069 Hours: 3862 Hours per person: 3.6 Total calls: 99 Last12Mos: 109

Additional Rosters Received: Training: 116 Meeting: 20 Public Relations: 5 Special Events: 34

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. Search and Rescue 1750 E. Benson Hwy Tucson, Arizona 85714-1758

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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL, INC.

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

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# NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun 09:00, 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, details inside.

# **SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE** Details inside.

#### 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 Canyon Rd.

#### **SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS**

P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed 19:00 Sheriff Substation 106, Tanque Verde and Catalina Hwy **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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