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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.

#### 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.

#### **NIMS 138**

by Dale Mann, dale1947sailor @ gmail.com

Many SARCI members have not taken the class that we refer to as "NIMS 138". This is an orientation to the PCSD SAR function and to the Incident Command System as it is used by PCSD during missions. This class is required by the Sheriff's Department for all SARCI members before they are allowed to respond to a mission.

To see if you need this class, please check the "SARCI Field Qualification Status" report on the SARCI Data web site. If you do not have a date entered under "138" then you need to take this class. For updates to your record or assistance in finding this report contact records @ sarci2.org.

I will organize a class for sometime in March or April on a Monday or Wednesday evening, starting around 18:30. It is contingent on enough people signing up for the class. The next opportunity for this will not be until the fall.

If you are interested -- meaning YES, you will attend the class -- send an email to Dale Mann (<u>dale1947sailor @ gmail.com</u>) or call me at 444-4651. People will be notified of the exact date and time once I have enough to request PCSD to hold the class.

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

**DIVERS CALENDAR** 

No input for March

## NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

CAP CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Northwest Fire Station #38 8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

POSSE CALENDAR

Vail Arena. Books at 11:00. Events at 12:00 Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

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## SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry @ simmonsautorepair.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Mar 19 19:00 Tue

**SAMSAR General Meeting** 

Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

#### Search and Rescue:

Nothing much to report. My pages are coming about 50%. This past Saturday, 16th of Feb. I received the cancellation page and the call out page the same time. However the call out was at 6:43 a.m. and the cancellation was at 9:43 a.m. unless my memory failed me. I don't get it, I get cancellations for calls I did not get. My smart phone has issues I guess. Oh well, work in process. However my team members think I've lost it. I'll keep trying. Colleen's page even missed me. She did get it corrected.

#### **Training:**

If the weather would just help a little bit, drop the freezing temp's and stay with the normal we could get more done. Still doing check out rides with new prospects. These rides are for the horses/mules as well as the new members. Safety first, not all animals have the patience for search and rescue. However with additional training most will qualify.

Colleen took Stephan and Tarah up Seven Falls to see how many trees needed to be trimmed to get our new 6'9" Stephan riding his 18.1 horse. I guess Colleen and Tarah laughed most of the ride.

Cathy Wasmann put on an excellent presentation on Venomous Critters in the Desert. Had 21 people attend the class at SubStation106 on Tanque Verde. This program is what I like to include in my OFC class. Protocol is always changing on Rattle Snake bites, and Rattlers are not the only thing we deal with out there. This is still my favorite class. I ride animals in the Az. desert and surprises, I like to keep limited! Thank you Cathy. I still recommend this class for all of Search and Rescue people.

#### **Public Relations:**

Still working up programs that we can do with the Boy Scouts. Have two requests on the table. One for another First Aid class and one for the Scout-O-Rama.

#### **Horse Scent Tracking:**

I filmed a demonstration that was put on by Jana Echols (trainer) for SAMSAR on scent tracking for horses, amazing. Now I have to burn a DVD for SAMSAR to view. When I get the DVD ready I will contact SRDI.

#### Membership:

Web site is working well. If you run across anyone interested in SAMSAR please refer to <a href="http://www.SAMSARaz.org">http://www.SAMSARaz.org</a> Thanks. Respectfully Submitted Jerry Simmons

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

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

#### **Upcoming Events:**

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



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## **SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION**

SARA @ sarci2.org

SARA CALENDAR

Mar 01	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Mar 02	08:00 Sat	Training: Tanque Verde Falls Orientation	Circle-K, Tanque Verde east of Tanque Verde Loop
<u>Mar 21</u>	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Apr 05	20:00 Fri	SARA Annual Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Apr 06	TBA Sat	Training: Swift Water Rescue	TBA

#### SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, saraboard @ sarci2.org

At the February SARA General Meeting, the SARA Nominating Committee presented the slate of SARA members nominated to replace five expiring Board Member positions. Terms end for Bill Florence, Brian Duffy, Jay Salo, Tom O'Neil, and Scott Clemans. The nominations they presented are as follows:

Bill Florence (Incumbent)

Mike DeYoung (New)

Brooke Fawcett (New)

Brian Duffy (Incumbent)

Jody Blaylock (New)

Motion/Second – Tom Faulkner/Joe Barr, to accept the nomination slate presented by the SARA Nominating Committee were accepted unanimously.

Nominations were opened to the floor and the following were nominated:

Brian Janezic Mike Jennings

Per SARA policy, elections will be held at the April Annual Meeting. The floor will be opened again at the March General SARA Meeting for additional nominees. Nominations can be made by voting members after the consent of qualified nominees.

#### MARCH MONTHLY TRAINING

by Jason Bowman, jrbowman @ email.arizona.edu

The March monthly training is the Tanque Verde Falls Orientation. Rendezvous is Saturday, Mar 02 at 08:00 at the Circle K, Tanque Verde east of Tanque Verde Loop. The training consists of a familiarization hike of the TV Falls area, highlighting many of the prominent features and trails in the area. The area provides us with numerous calls each year, and knowing the area well (including the various names for certain features) can greatly enhance your ability to be effective on a mission. For our new candidates, did you know SARA has several permanently installed artificial anchors in the area? Come find out where they are, and get an orange card training checked off. For all our other members, can you find all of the anchors and the route from the LZ down to the main falls in the dark without a GPS? If not you should come out for a good morning hike as well. Finally, if time and resources allow we will set up a technical system off one of the anchors after the hike.

Tentatively the April monthly training is scheduled to be Swift Water Rescue. Be looking out for an information page in a few weeks with information on classroom and pool session dates for that training.

## **OEC CLASSES**

by Jody Blaylock, jmblaylock @ yahoo.com

The 2013 OEC class will run from February 12 through May 23. People will be needed to act as "patients" for a good number of the classes. Anyone interested in being a patient can contact Jody Blaylock at <a href="mailto:jmblaylock@yahoo.com">jmblaylock@yahoo.com</a>. She will provide you with additional details, including the nights when help will be needed. Remember, this is a great opportunity for Candidates to get one of their three Orange Card signoffs.

#### AWARDS COMMITTEE

by John Gorski, <u>tucmj @ att.net</u>

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, and elections will be at the Annual Meeting in April.

## 2013 SAR CONFERENCE

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci2.org

The 2013 Arizona State SAR Conference will be held 19-21 April, 2013 at the Salvation Army Camp in Heber, AZ. Deputy Degan spoke of this conference at the February SARA meeting, stating that there has been no SARA presence at this event in the past. For more information and to obtain a registration form, go to <a href="http://saraz.org/index.html">http://saraz.org/index.html</a> and look for "Conferences/Training" on the left side of the page.

## **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Feb 25 :	Feb 26 <mark>OEC Class</mark>	Feb 27	Feb 28 POSSE Meeting OEC Class	Mar 01 SARA Meeting	Mar 02 SARA Training "Tanque Verde Falls"	Mar 03  SRDI Training
Mar 04	Mar 05  OEC Class	Mar 06 SRDI Board	Mar 07  OEC Class	Mar 08  EGI Meeting	Mar 09	Mar 10 Divers Training
Mar 11	Mar 12  OEC Class	Mar 13 SRDI Meeting	Mar 14  OEC Class	Mar 15	Mar 16	Mar 17 SRDI Training
Mar 18	Mar 19 SAMSAR Meeting OEC Class	Mar 20	Mar 21 SARA Board OEC Class	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24
Mar 25	Mar 26  OEC Class	Mar 27	Mar 28 POSSE Meeting OEC Class	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31
Apr 01	Apr 02 <mark>OEC Class</mark>	Apr 03 SRDI Board	Apr 04  OEC Class	Apr 05  SARA Annual  Meeting	Apr 06  SARA Training "Swift Water Rescue"	Apr 07  SRDI Training
Apr 08	Apr 09  OEC Class	Apr 10	Apr 11  OEC Class	Apr 12 EGI Meeting	Apr 13	Apr 14 Divers Training
Apr 15	Apr 16 SAMSAR Meeting OEC Class	Apr 17 SARCI Board	Apr 18 SARA Board OEC Class	Apr 19 AZ SAR Conference	Apr 20 AZ SAR Conference	Apr 21  AZ SAR  Conference
Apr 22	Apr 23  OEC Class	Apr 24	Apr 25 POSSE Meeting OEC Class	Apr 26	Apr 27	Apr 28
Apr 29	Apr 30 OEC Class	May 01 SRDI Board	May 02  OEC Class	May 03  SARA Meeting	May 04 SARA Training "TBA"	May 05  SRDI Training



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Sat Jan 26 23/ 58/ Hikers stranded by high water Sabino Canyon, Catalinas

TucsonRanger

17:13 – 21:30 Sabino and Bear Canyon rose with runoff, stranding hikers. SAR officers waded across Bear x0, retrieved a large group at Sabino x0, then escorted them to the Bear Canyon Road trailhead where a SunTran bus was waiting to return them to the Visitors Center. TucsonRanger found several groups of hikers further up the Bear Canyon Trail and ferried a couple groups out. Reports were received of stranded and/or injured hikers, so volunteers were requested for additional help. Further investigation determined that all people had been already evacuated.

Thu Jan 31 3/ 4/ 49ym missing

Ft Bowie, Chiricahuas

08:29 – 12:00 A vehicle parked at a trailhead for several days was linked to a missing person from California. As teams were preparing to leave town for the search, the subject was located by helicopter and was deceased.

Sun Feb 03 9/ 23yf hiker overdue

Sabino Canyon, Catalinas

Survey2

01:35-03:00 An overdue hiker was somewhere in the Sabino Canyon area. As teams prepared to deploy on standard trails, she arrived at home, having lost the Esperero Trail and continued downstream (not easy) to residences around the golf courses, and she took a cab from there since her cellphone was dead.

Sun Feb 03 <u>14/</u> <u>42/</u> ??ym hiker ankle injury

Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas

17:59 – 21:20 A family was returning from up canyon when one twisted his ankle and was carried by stokes downtrail and out through the Mehl's driveway.

Fri Feb 08 8/ 8/ 80yf dementia missing

Tanque Verde & TV Loop, Tucson

Survey2

10:23 – 11:50 A woman missing from early that morning was found nearby and unresponsive by an officer patrolling the area.

Sat Feb 16 5/ 10/ 78yf dementia missing

Wetmore & Romero, Tucson

O02Y

06:51-09:30 A woman was missing from the previous evening. Passers-by reported a disoriented elderly woman, well out of the search area, and found to be our missing person. She was missing from her residence near Wetmore and Romero, and she was found on Orange Grove at La Canada.

2013 Totals: People: 92 Hours: 235 Hours per person: 2.6 Total calls: 9 Last12Mos: 103

Additional Rosters Received: Training: 19 Meeting: 0 Public Relations: 1 Special Events: 0



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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.

## NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

8540 N. Wanda Road, Tucson AZ 85704 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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