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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, [sarnews @ sarci2.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

BEE ATTACK INFORMATION

by Sgt George Economidis, [George.Economidis @ sheriff.pima.gov](mailto:George.Economidis@sheriff.pima.gov)

What to do if Attacked by Africanized Honey Bees (from U.S. Department of Agriculture)

Remember these important steps:

- RUN away quickly. Do not stop to help others. However, small children and the disabled may need some assistance.
- As you are running, pull your shirt up over your head to protect your face, but make sure it does not slow your progress. This will help keep the bees from targeting the sensitive areas around your head and eyes.
- Continue to RUN. Do not stop running until you reach shelter, such as a vehicle or building. A few bees may follow you indoors. However, if you run to a well-lit area, the bees will tend to become confused and fly to windows. Do not jump into water! The bees will wait for you to come up for air. If you are trapped for some reason, cover up with blankets, sleeping bags, clothes, or whatever else is immediately available.
- Do not swat at the bees or flail your arms. Bees are attracted to movement and crushed bees emit a smell that will attract more bees.
- Once you have reached shelter or have outrun the bees, remove all stingers. When a honey bees stings, it leaves its stinger in the skin. This kills the honey bee so it can't sting again, but it also means that venom continues to enter into the wound for a short time.
- Do not pull stingers out with tweezers or your fingers. This will only squeeze more venom into the wound. Instead, scrape the stinger out sideways using your fingernail, the edge of a credit card, a dull knife blade or other straight-edged object.
- If you see someone being attacked by bees, encourage them to run away or seek shelter. Do not attempt to rescue them yourself. Call 911 to report a serious stinging attack. The emergency response personnel in your area have probably been trained to handle bee attacks.
- If you have been stung more than 15 times, or are feeling ill, or if you have any reason to believe you may be allergic to bee stings, seek medical attention immediately. The average person can safely tolerate 10 stings per pound of body weight. This means that although 500 stings can kill a child, the average adult could withstand more than 1100 stings.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, [gummhodge1 @ msn.com](mailto:gummhodge1@msn.com)

POSSE CALENDAR

Jun 8	16:00 Sat	Gymkhana	Vail Arena. Books at 16:00. Events at 17:00
Jun 27	18:00 Thur	General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

Good turnout at the Gymkhanas with everybody having a good time and returning! Congratulations to Audrey Aldrige for her record time in Flags. You have a horse or not come and join us!

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap@sarci2.org

CAP CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Northwest Fire Station #38

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PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

Jun 09 07:30 Sun Peña Blanca Lake

Meet: Kunzes

For those who live on the eastside of Tucson, we will rendezvous at Kunzes to load gear and carpool. This will be our orientation to the lake and intro for new divers to shallow black water. We will continue training on rigging and setting patterns and perform sweeps in water with limited (under ten feet) visibility going to black. Also, there will be more training on sonar. Second rendezvous will be at 09:00 at the boat launch area. Please advise if you will be attending or if you will be responding directly to the lake because of where you live.

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, srleon@aol.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Jerry Simmons who lost both his father-in-law and father within two weeks of each other.

We had a guest speaker at our monthly meeting. Mr. Jim Grasky shared with us his expertise on tracking and sign cutting. He has a real passion towards tracking which he established as a Green Beret Scout and is offering this class to us at no charge.

We have two new members who have completed Haul Lessons! Congrats to Kay Cagle and Bill Moore, now they need some OJT! Speaking of new members ... SAMSAR now has admitted into membership Cliff Woods, John Bogers and Rick Corral. Now the real training starts! New roster on its way to Records!

We are soo happy to welcome our very own Deputy Brian Boll to SAMSAR! We did a "check out" ride on him and HE CAN RIDE! He said he wasn't sore ... but I think we know better ... wink, wink. We all voted and we decided he can stay!

Training, we had equipment haul training at Jerry's house Saturday, May 18. Thanks to Bill Florence who brought out a SARA Truck and provided the equipment used to practice hauling. What we discovered was we have some pretty darn good horses out there ... even Willie, George's horse, actually moved in a forward motion ... we all know Willie can go from 0 to 50 ... backwards! Nice job all members who attended! Following the equipment training George put together a couple of medical scenarios. Nice job to all participants and our guest who is a high school student writing a paper on SAR activities. You can never tell when you might need the training. Ask George about his encounter this past weekend when right in front of him at the Wild Horse Trail Head a rider found herself underneath her horse as he tried to roll over her. Her Question to George: "is anything broke?" George put his training into action ... nice job George!

Happy Trails!

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1@comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jun 01</u>	19:00 Sat	Mock Search / Night Work	Meet: Vail Steak House
<u>Jun 05</u>	18:00 Wed	Training Committee Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jun 05</u>	19:00 Sun	Board of Directors Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jun 12</u>	19:00 Wed	General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Jun 15-16</u>	10:00 Sat-Sun	First Annual Water Circle	Parker Canyon Lake
<u>Jun 19</u>	18:00 Wed	Urban Search	TBA

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 or changes.

Congratulations to Matilda on achieving NASAR certification in HRD Type III (human remains detection).

We always look forward to summer trainings – night times and lake sides, and June starts off with both. Remember to watch out for buzzworms! Keep yourself and your dog safe. A reminder that we will work on obedience at each training; come to each training prepared to state your training objective for your dog; and, no more "it was fun" statements during after training debriefs. SRDI is making great strides, let's keep working toward perfection.

SRDI recognizes the dedicated service of two retired K9s who passed away during May – Paul Cartter lost his K9 partner, Eikie, and Jennifer Arnold lost her K9 partner, Trouble. Our hearts and sympathies go out to each of you.

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

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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SARA CALENDAR

<u>Jun 07</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jun 07-09</u>	<u>Fri-Sun</u>	MRA Conference	Phoenix
<u>Jun 14</u>	<u>07:00 Sat</u>	Training: Cave Rescue - Classroom	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jun 15-16</u>	<u>TBA</u>	Training: Cave Rescue -Field	TBA
<u>Jun 20</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jul 04</u>	<u>11:00 Thu</u>	Summerhaven 4th of July Parade	John Perchorowicz' Cabin, 12530 Middle Sabino Rd
<u>Jul 05</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, [saraboard @ sarci2.org](mailto:saraboard@sarci2.org)

Congratulations to the graduates of this year's OEC class. They are now Field Qualified SARA Candidates:

Jordan Allen-Flowers	Adam Back	Paul Clifton	Tim Michel	Ryan Nelson
Matthew Reyes	Corey Steinbrecher	Eric Weterings	Allison Zeafla	David Zeafla

Following a callout to a bee attack, PCSD said they will be getting a dozen protective head nets for SARA. In the meantime, members responding to a bee attack callout need to have protection such as a hat, head net (a mosquito head net should do), gloves, long pants, and long sleeve shirt. In fact, a bee attack on a personal hike or SARA callout is always possible, so having at least a head net handy is recommended. (*four head nets are in each of the Rescue vehicles*)

Annual dues are fast approaching being past due. As of June 1st, dues are in default. Don't risk termination of your membership. We need you! Please bring in your \$35.00 or mail it to:

Southern Arizona Rescue Association
PO Box 12892
Tucson, AZ 85732-2892

SUMMERHAVEN 4TH OF JULY PARADE

by John Perchorowicz, [jmail @ perchorowicz.com](mailto:jmail@perchorowicz.com)

SARA will again this year be participating in the Summerhaven 4th of July Parade. All who are participating meet at John Perchorowicz' cabin, 12530 Middle Sabino, at 11:00.

SARA TRAINING

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

The Summer Survival Training scheduled for Saturday 08 June has been postponed until further notice due to conflicts with the MRA Conference that weekend.

SARA is hosting a joint Cave Rescue Training with CAMRA the weekend of 14-16 June. Several other agencies have also been invited to participate in this training, so we hope to have a good turnout of our own members. The training begins with a classroom session Friday 14 June, 19:00 at the SARA House. This classroom session will be an opportunity to learn about the specialized equipment used in cave rescue, and to become familiar with personal equipment needed to safely participate underground. It will also be a great chance to meet our guests from out of town (many of whom will be camping out at the SARA House that evening).

Saturday morning the training will move underground. Meet at 07:15 at the SARA House (for those living east who can then help see our guests on their way) or 08:00 at Tangerine and Oracle (Walmart parking lot). We will spend a majority of the day in Peppersauce Cave, starting off with practice moving around in the cave environment, and eventually moving into patient movement and cave search scenarios. Saturday evening everyone is encouraged to join us camping out near the cave so we can get an early start Sunday morning.

On Sunday we will run a mock cave search and rescue incident in Scroll Cave. This scenario will involve setting up technical systems to negotiate the vertical drop at the entrance. Those who are not interested in entering the cave are encouraged to come, as most of this technical work is topside and we will need people to set up and run these systems. The scenario should be complete by early afternoon allowing everyone to get home to enjoy the rest of Father's Day with their families.

MRA SUMMER CONFERENCE

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

This year's summer conference will be held in Phoenix. There is also a pre-conference. (Weekend of June 7-9 with business meeting on Sunday 6/9). A schedule of events is available at: <http://mountainrescue.org/mracon/>

If you have not been to an MRA conference, here is your chance as it is just up the road in Phoenix. Please consider attending and supporting CAMRA who is hosting the conference. CAMRA could always use some assistance with this event. If you are interested in helping out, send me an e-mail. As the conference draws closer, CAMRA will be in touch with me regarding assistance from SARA.

OEC CORNER

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

It is never too early to make your plans to attend our yearly refresher(s). The first one will be on Saturday August 17th, and the second one will be on Sunday September 15th. All refreshers start at 08:00, with instructors to arrive at 07:00 to set up their stations.

Everyone who holds a current OEC card is required to attend a yearly refresher, and all OEC card holders will need to have a current CPR card to attend a refresher. The class of 2013 is reminded that they will need to attend a Cycle C refresher.

A group snack to share is always welcome.

Check the NSP website at <http://www.nsp.org> starting June 1st to download this year's OEC Cycle "C" refresher study guide.

SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 27 .MEMORIAL DAY	May 28	May 29	May 30 POSSE Meeting	May 31	Jun 01 SRDI Training	Jun 02
Jun 03	Jun 04 MRA Pre-Conference	Jun 05 SRDI Board MRA Pre-Conference	Jun 06 MRA Conference	Jun 07 SARA Meeting MRA Conference	Jun 08 Posse Gymkhana MRA Conference	Jun 09 Divers Training MRA Conference
Jun 10	Jun 11	Jun 12 SRDI Meeting	Jun 13 PR: Monsoon Awareness	Jun 14 SARA Training "Cave Classroom"	Jun 15 SRDI Training SARA Training "Cave Rescue"	Jun 16 SRDI Training SARA Training "Cave Rescue"
Jun 17	Jun 18	Jun 19 SRDI Training	Jun 20 SARA Board	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23
Jun 24	Jun 25	Jun 26	Jun 27 POSSE Meeting	Jun 28	Jun 29	Jun 30
Jul 01	Jul 02	Jul 03 SRDI Board	Jul 04 INDEPENDENCE DAY	Jul 05 SARA Meeting	Jul 06 SARA Training "Summer Ops"	Jul 07
Jul 08	Jul 09 SARA Candidate Orientation	Jul 10 SRDI Meeting	Jul 11	Jul 12	Jul 13	Jul 14 Divers Training
Jul 15	Jul 16	Jul 17 SARCI Board	Jul 18 SARA Board	Jul 19	Jul 20	Jul 21
Jul 22	Jul 23	Jul 24	Jul 25	Jul 26	Jul 27 SARA Field Skills	Jul 28
Jul 29	Jul 30	Jul 31	Aug 01	Aug 02 SARA Meeting	Aug 03 SARA Training "TBD"	Aug 04

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CALLOUT REVIEWSby Mykle Raymond, SARnews@sarci.org

Date	Vol/Hrs/ Problem	Location	Resources
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<i>Sat Mar 16</i>	<u>0/</u> <u>0/</u> <i>Cadaver search</i>	<i>San Simon, Cochise Co.</i>	
09:00 – xx:xx	NO REPORT		

<i>Sat Apr 27</i>	<u>9/</u> <u>55/</u> <i>39yf hiker fall injury</i>	<i>Finger Rock Canyon, Catalinas</i>	<i>Sheriff1 PhxRanger</i>
11:52 – 19:44	A female with little experience hiking left her residence and walked a mile and a half to the Finger Rock Trailhead, then continued up trail with the intent of reaching The Finger. She had spoken to others and knew that there was no trail, and that the approach was steep. She climbed high but was still a ways from The Finger, and she was tired. During her return she fell, then called her husband who told her to call 911. During that call, she fell again, leaving her phone and pack behind, so efforts to recontact her were fruitless. Cellphone coordinates were high, near Prominent Point. Attempts to glean additional location information from Verizon resulted in distance and rough azimuth from cell towers, and the points were spread from Rosewood Point to Pontatoc Canyon below Linda Vista Saddle. Teams searched both areas while two helicopters covered the large area without any success. Phoenix Ranger was switching from one search area to another when the patient was spotted, high on the west side of the canyon, below the high cliff. A medic was dropped off, and approached the patient who indicated that she was fine. His assessment resulted in another rescuer being flown in to assist packaging the patient with full C-Spine precautions, and then short-hauled to the road.		

<i>Sun Apr 28</i>	<u>10/</u> <u>19/</u> <i>18yf hiker</i>	<i>Bear Canyon, Catalinas</i>	
14:35 – 16:01	One of a group of hikers became exhausted near crossing seven. After resting, the group started to return but the patient was still having problems. Teams carried her by litter to the old trailhead.		

<i>Sun May 05</i>	<u>17/</u> <u>65/</u> <i>30yf hiker ankle injury</i>	<i>Bear Canyon, Catalinas</i>	
12:51 – 16:09	A hiker injured her ankle above the switchbacks. She was carried by litter to the horses, and rode out from there.		

<i>Sun May 05</i>	<u>0/</u> <u>0/</u> <i>??ym hiker exhausted</i>	<i>Starr Pass, Tucson Mtns</i>	
14:03 – 14:34	A hiker was reported exhausted in Starr Pass. While a team was enroute from the on-going rescue in Bear Canyon, Drexel Heights Fire walked up the trail to treat and evacuate the patient.		

<i>Sun May 12</i>	<u>14/</u> <u>14/</u> <i>6 hikers bee swarm</i>	<i>Calle Concordia, Catalinas</i>	
10:35 – 11:25	A group exploring the low slopes above Calle Concordia disturbed a bee hive. Fire Rescue personnel grabbed the six-year-old and fled to the road. The others were assisted down the slope to the road. A Meds helicopter hovered over the group to blow the bees away.		

<i>Sun May 12</i>	<u>9/</u> <u>53/</u> <i>22ym hiker lost</i>	<i>Red Ridge Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>Customs O04P</i>
16:00 – 22:15	A hiker intended to hike down Red Ridge then towards Oracle. He was not able to sort out cattle trails from foot trails, and wandered into the canyon west of Red Ridge. Teams headed down the trail, and a Customs helicopter spotted him about halfway down the canyon. A team dropped in, replenished the hiker, and all hiked back to the road at the top.		

<i>Mon May 20</i>	<u>8/</u> <u>19/</u> <i>18ym hiker stranded off trail</i>	<i>Finger Rock Canyon, Catalinas</i>	<i>Tucson Ranger</i>
17:40 – 20:10	A hiker got off trail and headed down the canyon bottom. He was unable to descend the waterfall below the Overlook and called for help. Teams reached him quickly from the Overlook and were shortly back on trail.		

2013 Totals: People: 395 Hours: 1203 Hours per person: 3.1 Total calls: 41 Last12Mos: 94
Additional Rosters Received: Training: 96 Meeting: 4 Public Relations: 6 Special Events: 9

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