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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.

#### SABINO CALLOUT PARKING AT THE SARA HOUSE GATE

by SARNews, sarnews @ sarci2.org

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.

#### **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.

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

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

**CAP CALENDAR** 

Sundays 15:30-18:00

**Northwest Fire Station #38** 

8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

#### SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, sraleon @ aol.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

<u>Sep 17</u> <u>19:00 Tue</u>

**General Meeting** 

Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

Membership: Anyone looking for information on SAMSAR contact <u>info @ SAMSARaz.org</u>.

SAMSAR gave a talk to the Boy Scout leaders for Tucson and surrounding areas. Thanks to George and Bill for filling in for a sick Colleen who was busy "hacking a lung". Awesome job and good to know when one falls ... the team is there to pick up the slack!

Call outs been very quiet ... until the 26th of August. 7 Falls ... where Colleen took a swim and Larry took a slide ... on his back down the prickly pear slide! Mission very successful, thanks to the team of SARA members, SAR deputies and SAMSAR. When you see Larry, ask him how it feels to be a "pin cushion"!

#### PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

**DIVERS CALENDAR** 

<u>Sep 08</u> <u>09:00 Sun</u>

Patagonia Lake – Swim Beach

Meet: Kunzes at 07:20 or Swim Beach at 09:00

We will continue August's training at the swim beach where we met last month. We will also use sonar to locate a sunken boat across the lake. We will continue to set and dive patterns in this low- to no-visibility area.

Some of those taking part in this dive last month, expressed a desire to camp out overnight on the Saturday before. Please coordinate that on your own. As usual during the monsoon season, we will need to keep an eye on the weather. Also, please let a Board member know if you will be attending.

#### PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

Sep 1416:00 SatGymkhanaSep 2618:00 ThurGeneral Meeting

Vail Arena. Books at 16:00. Events at 17:00 Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

Rillito Riders 4H group has joined us and is learning how to set up and run a Gymkhana. Great turnout again.

Everybody was happy to see Dr. Dave who came for a visit!

# SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

#### SRDI CALENDAR

SARA CALENDAR

Oct 05

Aug 31	19:00 Sat	Air Scent and Tracking	Meet: I-10 and Hwy 83
Sep 04	18:00 Wed	Training Committee Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Sep 04	19:00 Wed	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Sep 11	19:00 Wed	General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Sep 18	18:00 Wed	Urban Search/Building Search	Chuy's on Houghton
Oct 06	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Air Scent and Tracking (Evals)	Oak Tree Canyon

CONGRATULATIONS! to Debee Henschen for completing her Blue Card requirements and attaining Mission Ready Status! SRDI had good success running each member dog through a SAR Evaluation tool to determine the types of dog qualities essential to SAR work. We still have 3 dogs to complete the process. We continue to update our instruction documentation, Policy Manual, and test protocols. It's been a long process, but many needed updates are getting taken care of.

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.

All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website (<u>www.sarci.org/SRDI.htm</u>), email <u>K9 @ sarci2.org</u> or call Vi Brown (762-0165) for training updates or changes.

UPCOMING EVENTS: AZSAR K9 Conference, May 1-4, 2014 in Flagstaff, AZ.

# SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

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Sep 06	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 07	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Training: Personal Rope Skills	Craycroft House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Sep 15	08:00 Sat	OEC Refresher	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 19	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 21	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	SARA Basic 1a	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 22	<u>08:00 Sun</u>	SARA Basic 1a	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Sep 28</u>	08:00 Sat	SARA Basic 1b	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Oct 04	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

#### SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All Day

by SARA BoD, saraboard @ sarci2.org

A new Stokes and Carrier provided by Pima County Sherriff's Office are in Rescue 3. There are few differences.

#### **SARA September Monthly Training: Introduction to Personal Rope Skills**

**SARA Race Support** 

by Brian Duffy, bduffy @ email.arizona.edu

Tour of the White Mountains, ShowLow

Who: Any Field Qualified SARA member, Candidate or otherwise who would like an introduction to personal rope skills.

What: An introduction to personal rope skills. Skills will include Risk Assessment, how to use a prusik loop as a personal safety device, descending a rope on a steep angle slope, lock off – tie off the device, changeover to ascending system.

When: 08:00 Saturday, September 7, 2013

Where: Old SARA House, Craycroft and the Rillito River. (not River Rd.)

What to bring: PPE; Helmet, Harness, Gloves, Glasses, Carabiners, Purcell prusiks, Sturdy footwear.

If you do not have personally sized Purcell prusiks bring 10 meters of 6 mm accessory cord to the SARA House, at 6:30 pm Friday, September 6th (before the SARA Meeting) and we will teach you how to tie them for your height.

OEC CORNER by John Gorski, tucmj @ att.net

The second OEC Refresher for this year will be on Sunday September 15. All refreshers start at 08:00, with instructors to arrive at 07:00 to set up their stations.

A payment of \$10.00 will be due at the time of your refresher. Make your check out to SARA.

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, preferably on file with SARCI Records. The class of 2013 is reminded that they will need to attend a Cycle C refresher.

Remember to have the study guide filled out before attending your refresher.

A group snack to share is always welcome.

Download this year's OEC Cycle "C" refresher study guide from:

http://www.nsp.org or

http://www.nsp.org/about/nsp\_programs/oecrefresher.aspx

A revised ICS-100 course will be held on September 17, sponsored by the State of Arizona Training and Exercise Office. It will be held at the Pima County Office of Emergency Management, 3434 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St., from 08:00 to 17:00. For registration and more information, go to <a href="https://www.erma.az.gov">www.erma.az.gov</a> (ed: this info is primarily for candidates who have not completed this certificate but who may prefer a classroom setting. NIMS 700 is NOT included)

#### **COCONINO SAR**

Coconino SAR and American Canyoneering Association is holding a fundraising/film screening. Details are available at this link: <a href="http://www.americancanyoneers.org/coconino-sar-fund-raiser/">http://www.americancanyoneers.org/coconino-sar-fund-raiser/</a>

The films sound interesting and the \$10.00 admission goes to support our fellow MRA team in Coconino County.



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# **SARCI Calendar**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Aug 26	Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31 SRDI Training	Sept 01
Sept 02  Labor Day	Sept 03	Sept 04 SRDI Board	Sept 05	Sept 06 SARA Meeting	Sept 07 SARA Training "Personal Rope Skills"	Sept 08 . Divers Training
Sept 09 : :	Sept 10 ·	Sept 11 . SRDI Meeting	Sept 12 ·	Sept 13	Sept 14 Posse Gymkhana	Sept 15 OEC Refresher
Sept 16 : :	Sept 17 . SAMSAR Meeting	Sept 18 . SRDI Training	Sept 19 SARA Board	Sept 20 ·	Sept 21 SARA Candidate Training "Az SAR Basic"	Sept 22  SARA Candidate Training "Az SAR Basic"
Sept 23	Sept 24	Sept 25	Sept 26 Posse Meeting	Sept 27	Sept 28 .Grand Canyon Cleanup SARA Candidate Training "Basic 1"	Sept 29 ·
Sept 30	Oct 01	Oct 02 SRDI Board	Oct 03	Oct 04 SARA Meeting	Oct 05  SARA Race Support "Tour of the White Mtns"	Oct 06 SRDI Training
Oct 07	Oct 08	Oct 09 SRDI Meeting	Oct 10	Oct 11	Oct 12  SARA Candidate Training "Basic II"	Oct 13  Divers Training
Oct 14	Oct 15 SAMSAR Meeting	Oct 16  SARCI Board SRDI Training	Oct 17 SARA Board	Oct 18	Oct 19 Posse Gymkhana	Oct 20
Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24 Posse Meeting	Oct 25	Oct 26 SARA Field Skills	Oct 27
Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31	Nov 01 SARA MEETING	Nov 02 SARA Training "TBD"	Nov 03
COLOR KEY (on-line version is best)	GENERAL MEETING	BOARD MEETING	TRAINING	ACTIVITY	HOLIDAY	



<u>CALLOUT REVIEWS</u>

Date Vol/Hrs/ Problem Location by Mykle Raymond, <u>SARnews @ sarci.org</u>

Resources

Sat Mar 16 0/ 0/ Cadaver search San Simon, Cochise Co.

09:00 – xx:xx NO REPORT

Wed July 24 15/ 15/ 78yf missing NW Tucson Sheriff1 SAV

19:00-20:16 A woman recently moved to Tucson and went for a walk with her dog and did not return. Search teams were covering the neighborhood when she was found in good condition over five miles to the east.

Fri July 26 18/158/54ym hiker missing Green Mountain Trails, Catalinas Sheriff1 Survey2

11:50 – 22:30 A hiker from out-of-town went for a hike from Hitchcock in Bear Canyon to Brush Corral in Buehman Canyon. Several ill-used trails on the east side of the Catalinas became not followable after the Bullock Fire in 2002. The Brush Corral Trail deteriorates when it drops into Buehman Canyon as it follows a ridge to the east. The hiker lost the trail, cellphone coverage is poor, and his battery was soon dead. Teams shouted from overlooks up high and a couple of teams continued down the trail and were picked up at Brush Corral for a long drive down to the San Pedro River and then back to town.

Sat July 27 13/139/54ym hiker missing Green Mountain Trails, Catalinas Sheriff1 TucsonRanger
05:30 – 19:55 The hiker later said that he started walking as soon as it was light, and stopped only when it got dark. Several teams drove around and into Brush Corral and searched the lower part of the canyon, on and off trail. Another team covered the canyon downstream to the Piety Hill Road.

Sat July 27 9/ 35/ 71ym hiker exhausted Red Ridge Trail, Catalinas Sheriff1

15:00 – 19:30 A group of hikers had gone down Canada del Oro and were coming up Red Ridge when one became exhausted and the group (including two former SARA members) called for help. He was escorted part way up, and rode the rest of the way.

Sun July 28 19/106/54ym hiker missing Green Mountain Trails, Catalinas Sheriff1 TucsonRanger
05:45 – 12:30 Teams were preparing for deployment by helicopter to search several canyons south of Buehman Canyon. A cowboy from a ranch in Davis Canyon (next major canyon north of Buehman) reported finding a subject. Sheriff1 responded to the area of Davis Spring, hoisted the subject and delivered him to the other teams at Prison Camp. He was in good condition.

Sun July 28 12/25/29ym fall injury Tanque Verde Falls, Rincons TucsonRanger

17:30 – 19:45 One of a group of people in Tanque Verde Canyon fell into a pool and did not come up. Companions retrieved and started to work on him, but he was pronounced deceased when medical people arrived. He was short-hauled to the road.

Sat Aug 03 13/20yf climber fall injury Munchkin Land, Sycamore Can, Catalinas Sheriff1 PhxRanger LL1 14:40 – 19:15 One member of several groups of climbers fell, caught her feet in the rope, flipped head-down and struck her head hard on the rock, and was briefly unresponsive. This was the first time she had worn a helmet, and several companions immediately

purchased one of their own. She was short-hauled to Sollers Point and transferred to a medical helicopter. This climbing area is in Sycamore Canyon, just upstream from the confluence with Rose Canyon.

Sat Aug 03 5/7/19yf hiker exhausted Romero Trail, Catalinas GRFD

15:00 – 16:45 Two girls were returning from Romero Pools when one became exhausted by the heat. They were treated and escorted to the trailhead without problems.

Sun Aug 04 15/ 56/ 25ym hiker fall injury 7 Falls, Catalinas Sheriff1

13:00 – 17:10 A male went over several falls, striking his head, and companions called for help. He was packaged and hoisted by Sheriff1.

Sun Aug 11 6/33/4 hikers lost Romero Canyon, Catalinas Survey2

22:15-03:35 A large group of hikers were returning from Romero Pools, and four decided to head downstream and reach the trail later. The trail went one way, and the stream took the four in another direction. Below the waterfall is a tight section of canyon with pools, and the group decided to head up to the trail that wasn't there, and they called for help. A team found them in a familiar spot that isn't easy to get to. All hiked downstream and out on the social trail to the Sutherland Trail.

Mon Aug 19 9/ 18/ 50yf hiker exhausted Hidden Canyon Tr, Tucson Mtns Sheriff1 TFD

16:50 – 18:55 The Hidden Canyon Trail starts at Starr Pass Hotel, up a canyon north of the complex, then circling and climbing to the west, crossing the ridge and dropping to meet the Bowen Trail that runs west from the hotel to the Yetman Trail. She was at the high point on the trail, but the location was not made clear until teams were on scene. Some came in from the trailhead on Camino de Oeste, and some from the hotel. She walked part way and rode a stokes basket the rest of the way.

Tue Aug 20 $\underline{0}'$  $\underline{0}'$ 8ym missingNW Tucson10:45-10:50No response, call quickly cancelled.

Fri Aug 23 0/ 0/ Cadaver Search San Carlos Reservation

13:45 – 00:00 NO REPORT

Sat Aug 24 <u>0/</u> Cadaver Search San Carlos Reservation

00:00 – 16:15 NO REPORT

2013 Totals: People: 628 Hours: 2301 Hours per person: 3.7 Total calls: 61 Last12Mos: 90 Additional Rosters Received: Training: 110 Meeting: 9 Public Relations: 7 Special Events: 14

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

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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  $4^{\rm th}$  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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