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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

<u>Sundays</u> <u>15:30-18:00</u>

Northwest Fire Station #38

8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

Feb 20 TBD Thu Rodeo Parade Meet: TBA

Feb 27 18:30 Thu General Meeting Tanque Verde Library

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

Feb 0518:00 WedTraining MeetingSubstation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina HwyFeb 0519:00 WedBoard MeetingSubstation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina HwyFeb 1219:00 WedGeneral MeetingSubstation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

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. NASAR Conference, June 5-7, 2014 in Woodcliffe Lake, NJ

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

Feb 09 09:00 Sun Sonar and Camera Training Lakeside Lake

Please meet at Lakeside Lake for sonar & camera training. This will be a boat training only.

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, srleon @ aol.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Feb 1818:00 TueBoard MeetingSubstation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina HwyFeb 1819:00 TueGeneral MeetingSubstation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

For information on joining go to http://www.samsaraz.org

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Jan 29</u>	18:30 Wed	Winter Skills Classroom	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Feb 07	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Feb 08	TBA Sat	Winter Skills Training	Meet: TBA
Feb 14-1	6 Fri-Sun	24 Hours in the Old Pueblo	Willow Springs Ranch - Race Support
Feb 18	18:30 Tue	OEC Class starts	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Feb 20	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Mar 07	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Mar 08	08:00 Sat	TV Falls Training	Meet: Circle-K, T.V. & T.V.Loop

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, saraboard @ sarci2.org

Are you interested in running for the SARA Board of Directors? Know someone who is? If so, please contact Jim Holmes or Eric Davis, BOD Nominating Committee.

OEC 2014 by Lee Ryan, <u>ryant @ email.arizona.edu</u>

We're gearing up for OEC 2014 which will be held every Tuesday and Thursday evening from February 18 to May 22, 6:30pm to 10:00pm at SARA House. If you'd like to help as a class instructor or to assist with skills and scenario trainings, please contact an Instructor of Record, Lee Ryan <u>ryant @ email.arizona.edu</u> or Jody Blaylock <u>jmblaylock @ yahoo.com</u>. You can find out more details by looking at the class schedule and syllabus posted on the SARA OEC website. Please note that all SARCI members are welcome to attend the class. For information about enrollment and fees, please contact Lee or Jody.

TECHNICAL SKILLS QUALIFICATION

by Dale Mann, dale1947sailor @ gmail.com

There has been some confusion about the new training requirement for field qualification. SARA is in the process of changing our technical rope rescue systems to use the Multi-Purpose Device (MPD), modify our selection of knots, and update our operational procedures. To allow for a transition period, last November the SARA Board extended the expiration date of existing <u>field skills</u> qualifications to December 31, 2014. As of January 1, 2015, this requirement will change to the new <u>Technical Skills Qualification</u>.

The initial technical skills training consists of two parts: a four-hour class given on a Wednesday night, and a six-hour field exercise on the following Saturday. The class must be taken before the field exercise. After December 31, 2014, this training will be required by the Pima County Sheriff's Department before a SARA Member may respond to a callout.

The field exercise portion of the training must be repeated at least every twelve months in order to maintain a Technical Skills Qualification; the classroom session is required only once. This applies to both Full Members and Candidates.

In SARA, voting privileges are determined by field qualifications. Only field-qualified Full Members are allowed to vote on matters that come before the membership, such as election to the Board of Directors or changes to the By-Laws. As of January 1, 2015, the requirements for field qualification will be: a Technical Skills Qualification, a current medical qualification including CPR, and completion of the required national and local NIMS courses.

In other words, a Full Member will not be eligible to vote <u>after January 1, 2015</u>, unless he or she is current on the required Technical Skills Qualification.

For the remainder of 2014, Technical Skills Training is scheduled for the following Wednesday/Saturday dates: April 23 and 26, July 23 and 26, and October 22 and 25. Please mark these dates on your calendars, plan to attend one of the sessions, and be thinking about your next recertification. For further information or questions, contact Dale Mann at <u>date1947sailor @ gmail.com</u> or at 444-4651.

MINI-TRAININGS

by Dale Mann, dale1947sailor @ gmail.com

We will have mini-trainings before the start of the general meetings in February. They will begin at 6:30 pm in the meeting room and will conclude by 7:30 pm. These trainings will concentrate on the new knots that we have adopted for rope and webbing. We will also practice rigging MPDs for those who have had the Technical Skills Training.

WINTER SKILLS TRAINING

by Jason Bowman, jrbowman @ email.arizona.edu

The Winter Skills Training is upcoming. Many of the details are still to be settled, as we await the arrival of "winter" ... hopefully before summer gets here. The classroom session (which is mandatory) is on Wednesday 29 January at the SARA House, starting at 18:30. Please bring your rescue pack and outdoor clothes as there may be a field activity. The field session is on Saturday 08 February. Rendezvous details are TBA, watch for an info page as the date gets closer. Remember this is an orange card sign-off, and an important practice for anyone who may respond to a call in the snow.

2014 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

by John Perchorowicz, jmail @ perchorowicz.com

Jim Click has provided a 2014 Jeep Cherokee as a raffle prize. Charities across Tucson are selling tickets (up to 50,000 total). SARA keeps 100% of its ticket sales. Tickets are \$25 or 4 for \$100 and are for sale until 30 October.

If each SARA member would buy one (or more) and sell one (or more) we could easily raise several thousand dollars. Please see John Perchorowicz or Bill Florence for tickets. Thanks for all you do for SARA!



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SARCI Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jan 27 OFC Class	Jan 28	Jan 29 OFC Class SARA Classroom "Winter Skills"	Jan 30	Jan 31 OFC Class	Feb 01 OFC Class	Feb 02
Feb 03 : :	Feb 04	Feb 05 SRDI Board	Feb 06	Feb 07 SARA Meeting	Feb 08 SARA Training "Winter Skills"	Feb 09 Posse Gymkhana Divers Training
Feb 10 : :	Feb 11 NSP Meeting	Feb 12 SRDI Meeting	Feb 13	Feb 14 EGI Meeting SARA Race Support "24 HOP"	Feb 15 SARA Race Support "24 HOP"	Feb 16 SARA Race Support "24 HOP"
Feb 17	Feb 18 SAMSAR Meeting OEC Class	Feb 19	Feb 20 Posse Rodeo SARA Board OEC Class	Feb 21	Feb 22 · OEC CPR Class	Feb 23
Feb 24	Feb 25 · OEC Class	Feb 26	Feb 27 Posse Meeting OEC Class	Feb 28	Mar 01	Mar 02
Mar 03 :	Mar 04 · OEC Class	Mar 05 SRDI Board	Mar 06 · OEC Class	Mar 07 SARA Meeting	Mar 08 Music in the Canyon SARA Training "TV Falls+Tech"	Mar 09 Divers Training
Mar 10	Mar 11 NSP Meeting OEC Class	Mar 12 SRDI Meeting	Mar 13 · OEC Class	Mar 14 EGI Meeting	Mar 15	Mar 16
Mar 17	Mar 18 · OEC Class	Mar 19	Mar 20 SARA Board OEC Class	Mar 21	Mar 22	Mar 23 . SARA Training "Swiftwater Pool Session"
Mar 24	Mar 25 · OEC Class	Mar 26	Mar 27 · OEC Class	Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30
Mar 31	Apr 01 OEC Class	Apr 02 SRDI Board	Apr 03 OEC Class	Apr 04 SARA Meeting	Apr 05 SARA Training "Swiftwater Training"	Apr 06
COLOR KEY (on-line version is best)	GENERAL MEETING	BOARD MEETING	TRAINING	ACTIVITY	HOLIDAY	

CALLOUT	<u>REVIEWS</u>		by Mykle Raymond, <u>SARnews @ sarci.org</u>
Date	<u>Vol/Hrs/ Problem</u>	Location	Resources
Sat Nov 30	0/ 0/ 72vf missing	Pinal/Pima County	

Pinal/Pima County

Sat Nov 30 <u>0/</u> 72yf missing 11:00 -No roster received

Mon Dec 02 0/ 72yf missing 13:00 -No roster received

Thu Dec 26 8/ 88/ 3 mtn bikers lost Samaniego Ridge Trail, Catalinas Survey2 Customs DMAFB

Three mountain-bike riders were riding from Mt.Lemmon to Catalina, and lost the trail near Walnut Spring. They 07:10 continued downhill away from the trail after calling for help, then dropped their bikes and continued downhill. They were lightly dressed with minimal supplies for a very chilly night. A couple of teams started down trail while a Customs helo located the bikes, then the boys. Teams were approaching the area as a DMAFB helo arrived and extracted the boys by hoist, and delivered them to University Hospital for treatment of hypothermia. The teams returned to the top at dawn.

One of the boys and his father hiked to the area the next weekend, retrieving a backpack (with car keys) and two of the bikes.

A SAR team hiked to the area a couple of weeks later, retrieved the last bike, and were picked up in Charouleau Gap.

8/ 19/ 46ym climber injured Sat Dec 28

Coyote Domes

Sheriff1 3PFD

A climber lost his footing and pendulumed across the slope. Another anchor pulled, and he hit his leg on a sharp rock. Companions lowered him to the base. Sheriff1 lowered a SAR Officer, then hoisted the patient and flew him to a 3-Points Fire Station for transfer to an ambulance. They returned to retrieve the officer.

Wed Jan 01 13/ 25/ 65ym hiker ankle injury

Hugh Norris Trail, Tucson Mtns

NPS

14:30 17:35 A hiker injured his ankle about a mile up the Hugh Norris Trail in Saguaro West. Teams found him in the first saddle, and carried him down trail by litter, then transferred him to a horse for the rest of the ride down.

9/ 62/ 21yf 21ym hikers lost

Finger Rock Canyon, Catalinas

Survey2 Omaha

21:30 04:40 Two ill-equipped people hiked to Finger Rock (or in that area). On their return, they got off the social trail in the bottom of the canyon, then continued down canyon until it got too dark. Voice contact was made from the Overlook (3/4 mile down canyon!). Survey2 spotted them in the bottom, and a team made their way down to the subjects with help from the Customs helo. All returned to the trailhead without problems.

Sat Jan 04 20/ 85/ 50ym hunter missing

Redington Pass, Rincons

Sheriff1

16:40 A hunter drove to the staging area at milepost 11 on the Redington Road, then headed off in an ATV to scout an area. His family reported him overdue, and SAR Officers looked for the ATV. Sheriff1 found the vehicle on the east side of Mica Mtn, but it was dawn by the time an officer arrived. SAR teams were driving to that area when they found the subject in a vehicle coming out. That was three miles from his ATV and 2 miles from Redington Road.

<u>7/</u> <u>45/</u> 43ym missing

Green Mtn Trail, Catalinas

Survey2

22:40 05:20 A male was reported missing after not showing up for work. The next day his vehicle was found at the Green Mtn Trailhead. A team hiked down the Green Mtn Trail to Hitchcock, finding some footprints that may or may not have been his (nope).

Thu Jan 09 10/ 39/ 43ym missing

Green Mtn Trail, Catalinas

14:30 Continuation of search. Officers searched around his vehicle as teams were heading up the mountain. They found the subject about 200' away, on a steep slope of boulders. SAR people assisted the recovery.

13/ 13/ 50ym injured Sat Jan 11

Ventana Tank, Alder Canyon, Catalinas Sheriff1 LifeLine1

14:00 15:10 A male injured his back, shoulder, arm, and leg near Ventana Tank in Alder Canyon on the northeast side of the Catalinas. SAR people were heading around the mountain as Sheriff1 lowered a SAR Officer, hoisted the patient, and transferred him to LifeLine1.

Thu Jan 23 11/ 27/ 60yf hiker wrist injury

Blackett's Ridge, Catalinas

Two hikers were approaching the top of the trail when one stumbled and injured her wrist. With the help of another hiker, a sling was improvised, then the other hiker returned to his phone at the parking lot to request assistance. The hikers were able to work their way down the trail, and were met by the hasty team on the switchbacks relatively low on the trail. The injury was checked and splinted, and she was able to continue walking to the trailhead.

2013 Totals: People: 922 Additional Rosters Received: Training: 159

Hours: 3348

Hours per person: 3.6 Meeting: 20

Total calls: 93 Public Relations: 7

Last12Mos: 93 Special Events: 17

2014 Totals: People: 83 Additional Rosters Received:

Hours: 296

Meeting: 0

Hours per person: 3.6 Total calls: 7 Public Relations: 0

Last12Mos: 97

Training: 4

Special Events: 0

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 3rd 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 2nd 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 1st Fri 19:30, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

P.O.Box 64120, Tucson AZ 85728-4120 Meet 2nd 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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