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## SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

<http://www.sarci.org>

### 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.

### SABINO CALLOUT PARKING AT THE SARA HOUSE GATE

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

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

by LtCol Robert McCord, [cap@sarci2.org](mailto:cap@sarci2.org)

### CAP CALENDAR

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

8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

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

### POSSE CALENDAR

Mar 07	11:30 Fri	Youth Seminar
Mar 08	08:00 Sat	Esmond Station Fundraiser
Mar 09	11:00 Sun	Gymkhana
Mar 27	18:30 Thu	General Meeting

Christ's Community Church, Pantano and Kenyon Esmond School on Mary Anne Cleveland Way Vail Arena. Books at 11:00. Events at 12:00 Tanque Verde Library

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by Fran Kunz, 886-2216, [divers8@sarci2.org](mailto:divers8@sarci2.org)

### DIVERS CALENDAR

Mar 09 07:30 Sun Patagonia Lake

Meet: Kunzes

Meet at Kunzes to load gear and carpool. We will be going to Patagonia Lake again to complete our sonar training of the drain. Last month Mike Vohland from Santa Cruz, brought his "Starfish" which was run alongside the Hummingbird. Please advise if you will NOT be attending.

### Additional Ongoing Training Update:

Lake Pleasant on the weekend of December 8 & 9 wasn't so pleasant. The water was 55°F. Nevertheless, hearty PCS&R DIVERS braved the chill. Joe Molnar completed his required dives for a PADI ALTITUDE DIVER certification. Baird Greene completed the four-dive syllabus for his PADI SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVER certification. Jeri Herr instructed both courses under the auspices of The Dive Shop in Tucson. John Longhofer and Rob Offerle assisted Jeri and the other divers.

In January, Jeri Herr conducted preliminary classroom work with a portion of the DIVERS to see how the PADI Public Safety Diver curriculum might transfer to our organization. Additionally, Jeri, Baird Greene, John Longhofer, John Sims, Tom Faulkner, and Rob Offerle journeyed back to Lake Pleasant for four test dives in the cold water the weekend of January 11 & 12. The lake had risen 9 feet and cooled off another degree or two.

## SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, [srleon@aol.com](mailto:srleon@aol.com)

### **SAMSAR CALENDAR**

<u>Mar 08</u>	<u>11:00 Sat</u>	<b>Music In The Canyon</b>	Main parking lot at SARA House
<u>Mar 18</u>	<u>18:00 Tue</u>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>Mar 18</u>	<u>19:00 Tue</u>	<b>General Meeting</b>	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Music in the Canyon sponsored by Friends of Sabino.

### **TRAINING**

Line Search coming in late March. location not yet nailed down.

The CPR class is on for 1st week in April. Anyone wanting to get in, call me (Simmons 400-1809 or text) with head count. And either new or recertify.

Outdoor First care finished on 2-3-14. Congrats to SAMSAR members Lacy Ambrose, Chris Massimi, Rick Corral and Cliff Woods. Recert's and helper's, Colleen Leon, Kay Cagle and Bill Moore. Instructors Dave Brown, George Herget and Jerry. A big thanks to all who helped. This isn't the entire class. SRDI had members in class also.

Also Chris Massimi was able to use her new O.F.C. training the following Sunday at her church. Way to go Chris.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

A warm welcome to our new member Chris Massimi. And in case I missed, Welcome to Lacey Ambrose, Cliff Wood, Rick Corral.

### **SEARCH AND RESCUE**

Seems like Colleen and Larry have been used to haul out patients. Colleen hauled out in Tucson Mountains and Larry hauled out of 7 Falls area. Thanks to the rest for starting out for the elder person that was found before we arrived. I am really surprised we do not have more rescues with this beautiful weather.

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

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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### **SARA CALENDAR**

<u>Mar 07</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA Monthly Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Mar 08</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	<b>TV Falls Training</b>	Meet: Circle-K, T.V. & T.V. Loop
<u>Mar 20</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	<b>SARA Board Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Apr 04</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA Monthly Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

### **SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS RETREAT**

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

On January 10-11, 2014 the Board of Directors and several members of SARA attended a Board Retreat facilitated by Beth Walkup. This retreat was authorized by the SARA Board of Directors who sought to tackle the issues and goals as listed:

Goals:

- Build bridges/strengthen relationships
- Establish support for any desired outcomes
- Engage future board members
- Board development: education and running of a not-for-profit volunteer group
- Increase positive energy about the future
- Build on the satisfaction of being on rescues

Outcomes (as approved at the January 16, 2014 SARA Board Meeting):

- The Mission and Vision of Southern Arizona Rescue Association were revised
- The Values of Southern Arizona Rescue Association were established
- Key critical needs were established for the Strategic Plan 2014-2017

Based on the Critical Needs Analysis, we strongly suggest that the SARA Board and general membership move forward in creating the policies and activities needed in order to meet the goals established for the Strategic Plan 2014-2017. The summary of the Board retreat is published on the SARCI website under SARA Docs, please take a few moments to review what was covered. As a result of the Board Retreat we have established several Critical Needs Task Forces intended to address and provide recommendations to the Board on ways to improve SARA. These Task Forces are: Membership, Training, Communication, Planning, and Board & Organizational Development. We encourage all members wishing to get involved to please contact the Board or the appropriate Task Force. To that end the Board feels it is very important that members attend the March 7 meeting to hear from Beth Walkup about non-profit board development, and why this is so important to SARA at this time.

### **AWARDS COMMITTEE**

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

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). We also need 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 March 20th after the monthly board meeting.

## 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 Sunday August 17, 2014 and the second one will be on Saturday September 13, 2014.

Changes to the NSP program affect every OEC member as of the first of this year. SARA is an affiliate member in the NSP program. As part of the program if you hold a current OEC card you will now have to become an Associate member with a cost of \$55.00 a year. Associate members receive: (Taken from NSP website): Ski Patrol Magazine, able to purchase all catalog items except those that would identify the individual as an active member of the NSP, participate and be credentialed in an NSP training or education program, comprehensive support services, online resources and annual updates. Look for updates in upcoming newsletters on the OEC program.

## MINI-TRAININGS

by Dale Mann, [dale1947sailor@gmail.com](mailto:dale1947sailor@gmail.com)

We will have a mini-training before the start of the general meeting in March, beginning 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.

## MARCH TRAINING

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

The monthly training for March is the Tanque Verde Falls Orientation. This training consists of a guided hike around the TV Falls area, introducing (or refreshing) everybody on the various features (and their names), trails/routes, and permanent rescue anchors. Meet 08:00 at the Circle K just east of Tanque Verde and Tanque Verde Loop. Please bring your full rescue pack, sturdy boots, and plenty of water. This training is an Orange Card sign off for candidates, and is also a good refresher for existing members. The hike itself will conclude around 11:00 but will be followed by a technical exercise.

A technical exercise using one of the permanent anchors at TV Falls will follow the orientation. This portion of the training will be good practice at using the new MPD based systems in a steep angle environment. All field qualified members and candidates are encouraged to participate, particularly those who have already completed the Awareness level training and members of the Technical Rescue Team. Candidates who participate can get the "Technical Systems Operations" monthly training sign off on their orange card (a chance to get two trainings signed off in one day!).

## 24 HOURS IN THE OLD PUEBLO – RECAP

by Cathy Wasmann, [cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu](mailto:cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu)

As it has since 2008, SARA provided medical support for the "24 Hours in the Old Pueblo" mountain bike race. This year, 136 patients were treated including two helicopter and four ambulance transports. The theme this year was road rash and cactus as the course was hardpack overlain with sand and pebbles. Twenty-three SARA members assisted with the medical mission at the event; race communications involved another six; finally, the official Timekeeper and Results person is a SARA member. This was the second year that a paramedic and an EMT from Golder Ranch Fire Department were stationed next to the Medical Tent. The interaction with GRFD could not have been better with everyone working as a team.

## 2014 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

by John Perchorowicz, [jmail@perchorowicz.com](mailto: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 2014.

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!

For anyone wishing to buy 5 tickets and are unable to attend a SARA event, John Perchorowicz will pick up your donation (within Tucson) and deliver your tickets. So far we have raised \$400.

## CAMRA FUNDRAISER

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

The Phoenix Rock Gym is hosting a fund raiser for Central Arizona Mountain Rescue Association (CAMRA), our sister team in Maricopa County. On Saturday 22 March from 19:00-22:00 you can climb at PRG for a \$10 donation to CAMRA (plus \$5 if you need to rent any gear). All of this money goes directly to CAMRA. SARA Members are encouraged to help support our fellow mountain rescuers. If anyone has any questions feel free to contact Jason Bowman for more information.



**PINE PIG  
RESCUE**

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# SARCI Calendar

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

**CALLOUT REVIEWS**by Mykle Raymond, [SARnews @ sarci.org](mailto:SARnews@sarci.org)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Vol/Hrs/ Problem</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Resources</b>
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<i>Sat Nov 30</i> 11:00 –	<u>0/</u> <u>0/</u> 72yf missing No roster received	<i>Pinal/Pima County</i>	
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<i>Mon Dec 02</i> 13:00 –	<u>0/</u> <u>0/</u> 72yf missing No roster received	<i>Pinal/Pima County</i>	
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<i>Sun Feb 09</i> 17:05 – 19:30	<u>14/</u> <u>35/</u> 59yf hiker lost A woman requested help after becoming lost in the Tucson Mtns, but would not provide information to help teams locate her. Volunteers were paged to the parking lot at the base of the west side of Gates Pass. One team started there, one from Gates Pass, and others personnel were directed to the north end of Tucson Estates where numerous trails connect with the Yetman Trail. The first team headed for the cellphone coordinates, finding the hiker above steep terrain. The second team was approaching from the other side of the ridge, and provided guidance for the first team and hiker to descend to their trail. Additional teams met the group and all returned to Tucson Estates.	<i>Tucson Mtns</i>	<i>Survey1</i>
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<i>Tue Feb 11</i> 15:50 – 18:20	<u>12/</u> <u>26/</u> 75ym hiker fall injury A hiker stumbled off trail a short distance above the spring, falling several feet and tumbling further down. His condition was unknown and potentially serious, so one deputy was lowered to the scene while teams carried a lot of equipment up the trail. Other than scrapes on his forehead he was in good condition. He was guided back to the trail and walked out without problems.	<i>Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>Sheriff1 RMFD</i>
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<i>Sat Feb 15</i> 11:55 – 14:40	<u>9/</u> <u>21/</u> 49yf hiker ankle injury A woman slid into the water and injured her ankle. She was of small stature, so companions and bystanders piggy-backed her down trail. The hasty team met the group at Crossing 7. She was carried to Crossing 6, then rode out on Peaches.	<i>7 Falls, Catalinas</i>	
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<i>Mon Feb 17</i> 20:00 – 01:30	<u>11/</u> <u>53/</u> 84ym missing A male was overdue from his regular walk around his neighborhood. He was known as talking easily to people he would meet, but on this day he was reported as being distant. He was last seen at a ranch house away from his normal route. Teams followed his tracks to a dry pond, then upstream until they climbed out of the wash and were lost. Canine teams were circling nearby as foot teams were looking for sign along a two-track road to the south of the initial search area. The subject was found deceased along the road.	<i>Mescal, J6 Ranch Rd</i>	<i>Survey2 TucsonRanger</i>
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<i>Fri Feb 21</i> 15:00 16:20	<u>13/</u> <u>17/</u> 84ym hiker exhausted A hiker was returning from Romero Pools when another group encountered him and chatted briefly before he continued. The group followed shortly afterwards and found the hiker lying in the trail, without pulse. They started CPR and were assisted by another group until LifeLine1 landed on the “Saddle-3” LZ nearby. The hiker was transported to Oro Valley Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.	<i>Romero Canyon Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>LifeLine1 GRFD</i>
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2014 Totals: People: 142 Hours: 448 Hours per person: 3.2 Total calls: 12 Last12Mos: 93  
 Additional Rosters Received: Training: 23 Meeting: 6 Public Relations: 0 Special Events: 6

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**PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.**  
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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  
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