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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.

SARCI MINIMUM FIELD QUALIFICATION

by Joe Barr, joe15@barrtrust.com

SARCI has expanded the minimum field qualification requirements for all groups to include PCSD-NIMS (formerly known as NIMS-138) and Arizona Basic Search and Rescue training. These requirements became effective at the end of 2014. Please refer to the SARCI Field Qual Report (available on-line or from Records) to see who needs to complete these classes.

The SARCI Field Qualification minimum requirements shall include all of the following:

- SARCI Orientation
- Wilderness First Aid as certified by ASHL, or equivalent
- CPR for the Professional Rescuer as certified by ARC or AHA, or equivalent
- National Incident Management System (NIMS) IS-100 and IS-700, or equivalent
- *Effective 12/31/2014:* Pima County Sheriff's Department local protocols, commonly referred to as PCSD-NIMS (aka NIMS-138)
- *Effective 12/31/2014:* Arizona Basic Search and Rescue as defined by the Arizona Search and Rescue Coordinators Association, or equivalent, commonly referred to as AZ-Basic

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, 990-4442, divers8@sarci2.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

| | | | |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Jan 11</u> | <u>08:30 Sun</u> | Monthly Training | Saguaro Aquatics Pool |
| <u>Feb 15</u> | <u>08:30 Sun</u> | Monthly Training | Saguaro Aquatics Pool |

In January, we will be doing swim qualifications for new team members and anyone not current, familiarization on set up and use of new equipment; underwater knot tying; practicing and refining the Jackstay & Arc patterns with seeded objects; line tender operations; distressed diver scenario.

In February, we are planning to practice and refine the Arc & Pier Walk patterns with seeded objects; employ underwater metal detector; life bag exercises; continue line tender operations and distressed diver scenario.

In December, we performed altitude dive computations and instructed all members in supplying Emergency Oxygen for Scuba Diving Injuries.

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 |
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PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1@msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

| | | | |
|---------------|------------------|------------------------|--|
| <u>Jan 11</u> | <u>11:00 Sun</u> | Gymkhana | Rocking K Ranch. Books at 11:00. Events at 12:00 |
| <u>Jan 22</u> | <u>18:30 Thu</u> | General Meeting | Tanque Verde Library, 8959 E Tanque Verde Rd |

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1@comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

| | | | |
|------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| <u>Dec 27</u> | <u>10:00 Sat</u> | Joint Training, Pinal K9 SAR | Owl Head Butte |
| <u>Jan 03-04</u> | <u>11:00 Sat-Sun</u> | Joint Training, Coconino K9 SAR | I-10 and SR 83 |
| <u>Jan 07</u> | <u>18:00 Wed</u> | Training Committee | Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |
| <u>Jan 07</u> | <u>19:00 Wed</u> | Board of Directors Meeting | Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |
| <u>Jan 10</u> | <u>09:00 Sat</u> | Joint Training, Pinal K9 SAR | Pinal County |
| <u>Jan 14</u> | <u>19:00 Wed</u> | General Membership Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Jan 24</u> | <u>09:00 Sat</u> | Joint Training, Pinal K9 SAR | Pinal County |
| <u>Jan 28</u> | <u>18:00 Wed</u> | Urban Training | TBD |

SRDI members appreciate the recent invitation to participate in PCSO's Sheriff-1 training on 12/9/14. It was informative and always entertaining when TJ is the presenter. Very cool to get an up-close look at the helicopter.

If anyone is interested in pursuing or challenging NASAR's SARTech II, please contact us (email & phone number below). SRDI members are planning with Coconino County SAR and Pinal County SAR folks to get this organized. A few more participants would help the NASAR Evaluator form a FUNSAR class.

Maricopa County is planning a NASAR course, "URBAN SEARCH MANAGEMENT - Managing Missing Persons Searches In The Urban Environment" February 27, 2015 (Friday) at the Maricopa County Sheriff's Training Auditorium. The training announcement and registration form will be distributed shortly.

All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website (www.sarci.org/SRDI.htm), email us K9@sarci2.org or call Karen Paquette (275-2074) for training updates or changes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AZ SAR Conference: May 1-3, 2015 in Heber, AZ

Medical Refresher: Aug 15, 2015, Sept 13, 2015

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry@simmonsautorepair.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

| | | | |
|---------------|------------------|------------------------|---|
| <u>Jan 15</u> | <u>19:00 Thu</u> | General Meeting | Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |
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Always looking for good committed people with good horse or mule for mounted search and rescue. Please refer to web site <http://www.SAMSARaz.org> or contact anyone with a SAMSAR I.D.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA@sarci2.org

SARA CALENDAR

| | | | |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <u>Jan 02</u> | <u>19:30 Fri</u> | SARA Monthly Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Jan 07</u> | <u>18:30 Wed</u> | Winter Skills Classroom | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Jan 10</u> | <u>08:00 Sat</u> | Winter Skills Field Activity | Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |
| <u>Jan 15</u> | <u>19:00 Thu</u> | SARA Board Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Jan 31</u> | <u>08:00 Sat</u> | Tech Skills Field Training | Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |
| <u>Feb 06</u> | <u>19:30 Fri</u> | SARA Monthly Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

by SARA BoD, SARABoard@sarci2.org

The Board has determined that there were no substantive changes that needed to be made in the new policies based on the conversation at the general meeting, and intends to pass the new policies at the January meeting, per the process defined in the policies. Minor changes, including the language changes suggested by the members at the meeting are underway. A clean draft of the new policies will be posted to the data section of the SARA website once those changes are complete.

SARA dues for fiscal year 2015-2016 will be \$75 and are due and payable on May 1, 2015. If your dues are received by the Treasurer on or before May 1, there will be a \$40 discount to you pay only \$35. If dues are received by the Treasurer after May 1, but before June 1, there will be a \$20 discount to you pay \$55. After May 30, the full amount of \$75 will be due. If dues are not received by the Treasurer by the date of the July Board meeting, you will be dropped from membership in SARA as of that date for non-payment.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

by John Gorski, rescue161@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). 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 Dale Mann, Rich Kunz, or John Gorski with your nominations. Nominations will be closed after the March Monthly Meeting.

SARA TRAINING

by Jason Bowman, jrbowman@email.arizona.edu

The Winter Skills/Alpine Rescue training is upcoming. Many of the details have to be considered a bit tentative, as we still await the arrival of winter (hopefully before summer comes back).

This training will be presented in two parts. First we will have a classroom session on Wednesday 07 January, 18:30 at the SARA House. This classroom session is a mandatory component of the training. This requirement is waived for those who attended last year, but attendance is still strongly encouraged. We expect the classroom session will last around 3 hours and will be an introduction to equipment and other considerations that facilitate safe operations in winter conditions. Please bring your rescue pack and outdoor clothes as there may be a field activity.

The field portion of the training will be on Saturday 10 January (note this is a week later than normal, to avoid the holiday weekend). Preliminary rendezvous will be 08:00 at PCSO Substation 106, Catalina Hwy and Tanque Verde. This could change depending on conditions on the mountain and we will let you know if a change occurs. The field session will consist of hands-on practice moving over snow and ice with snowshoes/crampons, making shelter/fire on snow, snow anchors, and methods to evacuate a patient over snow and ice. We are planning to include a steep angle exercise utilizing the MPD systems on snow at the end of the training. Please plan for a full day on the mountain. The training should be a lot of fun, even if you have participated in previous years we encourage you to attend again.

Remember this may be a sign-off for candidates if you don't already have it, and it is an important practice for anyone who may respond to a call in the snow.

FIELD QUALIFICATION TRAINING

by Dale Mann, dale1947sailor@gmail.com

Everyone is required to participate in a Technical Skills field exercise annually in order to remain field-qualified. This means you have to do it within one year of the last time you attended. There will be only four opportunities to do this in 2015: January 31, April 25, July 25, and October 31. Each date is the last Saturday of the first month of a quarter. You might want to plan for a refresher that is one cycle ahead of the date your qualification expires. Otherwise, you might be non-field-qualified until the following session in three months.

The first Technical Skills field exercise of 2015 will be on Saturday, January 31, and you must register for the exercise before attending. Contact Dale Mann at dale1947sailor@gmail.com to register. Rendezvous will be at 106 at 08:00. If you have NOT seen the Awareness PowerPoint presentation at least once, you must do that prior to the field exercise. If you need to see it, make sure you say that in your email. There are 29 people who need to attend the refresher in January, so register early.

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, rescue161@att.net

Please mark your calendar for this year's OEC Cycle "B" refresher dates which are: Saturday August 15 and Sunday September 13.

Now that we are paying for an associate membership fee to NSP, this would be a good time to verify your home address with NSP to make sure you receive your ski patrol magazine and your associate card and a new OEC card if your three-year cycle ends December 31, 2014. The contact information for NSP is 1-303-988-1111. Ask for the education department.

NSP did upgrade their system this year and they are working out the bugs. If you have a problem with your NSP records please forward any questions to John Gorski.



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SARCI Calendar – 2014 - 2015

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|------------------|--------------|--|---|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Dec 29 .. | Dec 30 .. | Dec 31 New Year's Eve | Jan 01, 2015 New Year's Day | Jan 02 SARA Meeting | Jan 03 SRDI Training | Jan 04 SRDI Training |
| Jan 05 .. | Jan 06 .. | Jan 07 . SRDI Board SARA Classroom ōWinter Skillsö | Jan 08 .. | Jan 09 .. | Jan 10 . SRDI Training SARA Training "Winter Skills" | Jan 11 . Divers Training Posse Gymkhana |
| Jan 12 .. | Jan 13 .. | Jan 14 . SRDI Meeting | Jan 15 . SAMSAR Meeting SARA Board | Jan 16 .. | Jan 17 .. | Jan 18 .. |
| Jan 19 . > | Jan 20 .. | Jan 21 . SARCI Board | Jan 22 . Posse Meeting | Jan 23 .. | Jan 24 . SRDI Training | Jan 25 .. |
| Jan 26 .. | Jan 27 .. | Jan 28 . SRDI Training | Jan 29 .. | Jan 30 .. | Jan 31 . SARA Training ōTech Skills Fieldö | Feb 01 .. |
| Feb 02 .. | Feb 03 .. | Feb 04 .. | Feb 05 .. | Feb 06 . SARA Meeting | Feb 07 .. | Feb 08 .. |

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CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, SARnews@sarci.org

| Date | Vol/ Hrs/ Problem | Location | Resources |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sat Nov 15 13:20 ó 15:00 | <u>5/ 10/</u> 16ym dirt bike crash A bike rider crashed. Customs & Border Patrol and Sonoita Fire located and treated the patient. A route was found for an ambulance to reach the scene, so additional resources were not required. His condition deteriorated, so he was transferred to a medical helicopter at the Border Patrol check station. | Empire Ranch, Sonoita | Sheriff1 C&BP SonoitaFire |
| Sat Nov 15 18:45 ó 21:05 | <u>7/ 16/</u> Hikers separated Three hikers in Bear Canyon became separated. The one farthest up canyon called for help. His companions returned separately to their vehicle shortly after the call was received. The hasty team rounded up the third from just upstream from crossing seven. | Bear Canyon, Catalinas | |
| Sun Nov 16 15:30 17:55 | <u>10/ 23/</u> 21yf hiker ankle injury A hiker rolled her ankle a short distance from Romero Pools and a stokes ride was planned. Due to sunset getting close and in consideration of patient comfort, Sheriff 1 was requested and landed at the LZ next to the trail at the pools. As teams returned to the original scene, the next call was received. | Romero Canyon, Catalinas | Sheriff1 |
| Sun Nov 16 17:55 ó 20:50 | <u>19/ 46/</u> Hikers lost Two hikers dropped a vehicle at Catalina State Park, then drove to Pima Canyon. They intended to hike up Pima and down Alamo, but were unable to find that canyon (it's not easy) and continued down Montrose. After dark they were not close to being out, and weren't sure of their location and called for help (a helicopter flying by may have had an effect). SAR teams were just returning to the previous scene, and lights were visible up Montrose Canyon. A team dropped into the canyon bottom and met the pair a short distance upstream. All walked back to the trail and down to the trailhead without problems. Our new yellow shirts got to play! | Montrose Canyon, Catalinas | Survey1 |
| Mon Nov 17 15:50 ó 18:15 | <u>11/ 25/</u> 63ym hiker lost A hiker was unable to follow the trail (probably at the exposed rock at the first dam) and called for help. Other hikers passing by pointed out the trail and accompanied him down to meet the hasty team and all walked out without problems. | Pima Canyon, Catalinas | |
| Sat Nov 29 12:30 ó 13:35 | <u>9/ 14/</u> ??yf hiker ankle injury A hiker injured her ankle a short distance up trail. Rural Medics splinted her injury and were carrying her down-trail until SAR personnel arrived. | Historic Trail, Catalinas | RMFD |
| Mon Dec 01 16:25 ó 16:45 | <u>0/ 0/</u> 65ym hiker overdue A backpacker was overdue on a hike from Mt.Lemmon to Sabino. When he had cell coverage he called his wife, and we were quickly cancelled. (poor cell coverage from Romero Pass to the top of the switchbacks above the end of the road) | Sabino Canyon, Catalinas | |
| Sun Dec 21 11:30 ó 14:45 | <u>16/ 41/</u> 67ym hiker hip injury A male slipped and fell on the wet rock at 7 Falls, and was unable to bear any weight on one hip. While the Hasty Team was heading up-trail, Sheriff-1 responded and lowered Dep. Raterink to the ground, then hoisted the patient and flew him to an ambulance waiting at the Overlook Helispot. The deputy hiked out with the ground teams. | 7 Falls, Catalinas | Sheriff-1 |

| 2014 Totals | Activities | People | Hours | Hrs/Per | Last12Mos |
|------------------|------------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|
| Missions | 97 | 897 | 3007 | 3.4 | 99 |
| Trainings | 199 | 2638 | 13467 | 5.1 | 199 |
| Meetings | 70 | 671 | 1727 | 2.6 | 70 |
| Public Relations | 12 | 56 | 285 | 5.1 | 12 |
| Special Events | 19 | 197 | 1805 | 9.2 | 19 |
| Activities | 38 | 140 | 678 | 4.8 | 38 |

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8540 N. Wanda Road, Tucson AZ 85704
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Meet 2nd Sun 09:00, details inside.

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

8987-309 E.Tanque Verde, Box 232, Tucson AZ 85749
Meet 4th Thu 19:00, details inside.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

Details inside.

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