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## SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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### SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

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

SARCI Board meetings are held at the SARA House at 19:30 (7:30 pm) on the third Wednesday of January, April, July, and October.

### TRAINING ACTIVITIES ARE RESTRICTED

Training activities are limited to members of that group, and others who have registered and/or been approved by the group.

### ACTIVITY DOCUMENTATION

by Mykle, [mykle@sarci2.org](mailto:mykle@sarci2.org)

All groups are encouraged to complete a Roster for all activities, including Missions, Training, Public Relations, Meetings, Special Events and other Activities (forms are available on-line). 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 pairs of times for each person are important, but can be approximate. Access to the database is available to an authorized representative from each group.

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, 990-4442, [divers8@sarci2.org](mailto:divers8@sarci2.org)

### DIVERS CALENDAR

<u>Jun 07</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	<b>Monthly Training</b>	Offerle's House – Pool
<u>Jul 12</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	<b>Monthly Training</b>	Lakeside Lake
<u>Aug 09</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	<b>Monthly Training</b>	Parker Canyon Lake

May's training was a dry session at which we bench tested a half dozen of our Interspiro full face masks. They all passed.

At June's training we will familiarize ourselves with the ScubaPro BCDs issued to us by PCSD and test various BCD locations for mounting the air transfer blocks. We will inventory, inspect and fit the all the new equipment. We will conduct June's training at Rob Offerle's pool, who will provide a continental breakfast. Directions will be sent out to divers.

In July, we planning to search Lakeside for the tow chain lost during December's recovery.

## SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, [kpaquette1@comcast.net](mailto:kpaquette1@comcast.net)

### SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Jun 03</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	<b>Training / BoD / General Meetings</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jun 06</u>	<u>18:00 Sat</u>	<b>Mock Search</b>	Meet: SR 83
<u>Jun 17</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	<b>Paperwork Night/Training</b>	Mark's
<u>Jun 20</u>	<u>09:00 Sat</u>	<b>Water Circle</b>	Patagonia Lake
<u>Jun 21</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	<b>Water Work</b>	Patagonia Lake
<u>Jul 01</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	<b>Training / BoD / General Meetings</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jul 08</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	<b>Paperwork Night/Training</b>	Patti's

SRDI combined the Training Committee / Board of Directors / General Meetings. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, 18:00, at the SARA House. SARCI meeting is July 15; SRDI training is scheduled for July 22.

Several SRDI members attended this year's AZ SAR Conference in Heber, AZ. It was very nice to see SARA and SAMSAR members there as well. SRDI has been invited to attend the first Arizona seminar conducted by Search Dog Organization of North America (SDONA) in November. We are very pleased and honored by this invitation.

All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website [http://sarci.org/srdi\\_page/](http://sarci.org/srdi_page/), email us [K9@sarci2.org](mailto:K9@sarci2.org) or call Karen Paquette (275-2074) for training updates or changes.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- OEC Refresher, Aug 15, 2015
- OEC Refresher, Sep 13, 2015
- FACTS Seminar, Oct 30-Nov 01 near Wimberly, TX
- SDONA Seminar, Nov 06-08, Glendale, AZ

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

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

### **CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR**

<u>Sundays</u>	<u>15:30-18:00</u>	<b>Northwest Fire Station #38</b>	8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742
<u>Jun 4-5</u>	<u>Thur, Fri</u>	<b>Angel Thunder International SAREX</b>	Cochise County
<u>Jun 20</u>	<u>07:00 Sun</u>	<b>Arizona Wing OPEX</b>	Location TBA
<u>Jun 27-28</u>	<u>Sat, Sun</u>	<b>Annual Arizona Wing Conference</b>	Desert Diamond Casino

The Neotoma Composite Squadron in preparing for participation in the U.S. Air Force “Angel Thunder” again this year, the nation's largest and most realistic joint service, multinational, interagency search and rescue exercise using a variety of scenarios to simulate deployment conditions and contingencies. The squadron will provide ground team and K-9 team resources to the exercise.

The Squadron is honored to receive a \$10,000 donation, and \$10,000 pledge from former Neotoma Composite Squadron cadet Troy Olhausen and his wife Kelly, to aid in medical training, equipment and general expenses over the next five years. The generous donation includes sponsorships for first aid and CPR training, as well as five years of scholarships for cadets enrolling in the EMT program at Pima Community College. The Olhausen donation also matches 2015 general squadron fundraising up to \$5,000.

Once again, the Arizona Wing received the highest possible “outstanding” rating from the U.S. Air Force during the air and ground evaluated operations exercise April 25. The ground team received an “outstanding” as well for the third consecutive year. The SAR exercise operated from Falcon Field in Mesa, with bases also set up in Deer Valley and Tucson. The exercise tested air and ground teams assigned multiple scenarios in various locations throughout the state. USAF evaluators from as far away as Nevada and New Mexico gathered to test the SAR capabilities of the Arizona Wing's ICS management teams as well as air and ground operations.

Congratulations to 2Lt Nancy Smith and K9 Juliette on receiving their Cadaver Detection Certification from the North American Search Dog Network.

The Civil Air Patrol's Neotoma Squadron actively participates in ongoing search and rescue missions and training exercises at the state and local levels. We welcome new members to join 32,000 trained emergency services members nationwide.

## SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, [jerry@simmonsautorepair.com](mailto:jerry@simmonsautorepair.com)

### **SAMSAR CALENDAR**

<u>Jun 02</u>	<u>TBA Tue</u>	<b>Kinder Care</b>	Safety Presentation – Colleen and Company
<u>Jun 06</u>	<u>18:00 Sat</u>	<b>Night Training/Medical Scenarios</b>	Tanque Verde Wash, Mule Power Ranch
<u>Jun 09</u>	<u>TBA Tue</u>	<b>Gyle School</b>	Safety Presentation – Colleen and Company
<u>Jun 16</u>	<u>18:00 Tue</u>	<b>Board and General Meeting</b>	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

### **TRAINING**

SAR conference in Heber Az., May 01-03. SAMSAR Team: Colleen, Jerry, Frank, Kay and our Deputy Brian Boll went to Heber to train other equine Search and Rescue teams: Hauling Equipment, Hauling Patients/subjects, Line search procedures and how foot people/non equine personnel work on-trail with the horses and mules during callouts.

The SAMSAR Instructors were led by Colleen. We found out really quick why these classes were requested. Way too lengthy to explain. All students were good people with good attitudes. We recommended additional training also. In the equipment hauling class, attempted to hand the riders back packs, and intro back pack to horses. A lot learned in a four hour period. Two pretty good rodeos. Students learned not all horses are S&R ready. No injuries in this class. The hauling/loading patients/subjects went well. Rough at first, got a lot better as we went on. No rodeos. Used Chapo and Kay as patient to illustrate. Kay had the hard job! Excellent feedback from Kay to students. Then we used Coy's horse from northern AZ area. All trainees were able to do hands on. Stressed slow down, communications and patience.

The line search went well in the open field after repetitive walk through. Colleen said the woods are quite different than the Desert! Her heart rate was elevated to say the least. Was interesting watching all the horses and mule working together, especially since only a few knew each other. We had 21 in class. Working with equine while on a search or rescue for foot people, Non equine. Was very interesting. We had dog exposure to horses. Approaching the horses, do's and don'ts. Ask the rider/owner before approaching. And what may happen if you don't THINK around animals. Not an ATV, you don't just turn the key off and they stop working.

Helo fly by and hover: After Colleen told all riders they may want to get off their mounts, we still had a horse going up and over. There is a method SAMSAR people use to keep the horse under saddle and under control. I think and hope that all students learned what NOT to do. Brian and Colleen attended to the down rider. No broken bones. Left a mark though. Meanwhile, Frank and I were instructing line search formation. Getting them ready for the wooded line search Colleen loved so well.

A big thanks to Aaron Dick of Coconino county for overseeing the SAR event. What a great group of people attending. And thanks Deputy Boll for helping us all the way. Yes we did use our Deputy during classes.

Congratulations to SARA for their award. Pima County Search and Rescue was well represented.

### **SEARCH AND RESCUE**

Activity for SAMSAR's Haul team Larry and Colleen has picked up. Backup teams are responding and stand by in case needed.

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.

## PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

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

### **POSSE CALENDAR**

<u>Jun 13</u>	<u>16:00 Sat</u>	<b>Gymkhana</b>	Rocking K Arena. Books at 16:00. Events at 17:00
<u>Jun 25</u>	<u>18:30 Thu</u>	<b>General Meeting</b>	Tanque Verde Library, 8959 E Tanque Verde Rd

## SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

[SARA @ sarci2.org](http://SARA@sarci2.org)

### **SARA CALENDAR**

<u>Jun 05</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA Monthly Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jun 11</u>	<u>18:30 Thu</u>	<b>Cave Rescue Classroom</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jun 13</u>	<u>TBA Sat</u>	<b>Cave Rescue Training</b>	TBA
<u>Jun 17</u>	<u>19:00 Wed !!</u>	<b>SARA Board Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jul 03</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA Monthly Meeting</b>	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

### **SARA DUES**

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

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 - you pay \$35. If dues are received by the Treasurer after May 1 and before June 1, there will be a \$20 discount - 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. A letter to the Board will be required for reinstatement - plus \$75. If mailed, the postmark will determine the discount, if any.

### **SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

The June Board meeting has been moved from Thurs June 18 to Wed June 17, at the SARA House at 7 pm, preceded at 6:30 pm with a board training. All members are welcome to attend, and the agenda is now posted on SARA-Announce prior to each meeting.

The SARA Store has a new standard operating procedure to track inventory more effectively, posted on the store door and on the website. We have a new procedure for requesting reimbursement checks from the treasurer. The forms are available on the website.

### **2014 ARIZONA SEARCH AND RESCUE UNIT OF THE YEAR**

by Shelly Littin, [shellylittin @ gmail.com](mailto:shellylittin@gmail.com)

The Southern Arizona Rescue Association has been honored with the 2014 Al Schoenstene Search and Rescue Unit of the Year award of the Arizona Search and Rescue Coordinators Association. The award was presented to the SARA "in appreciation for your contribution and dedication toward the search and rescue efforts for the state of Arizona, its sheriffs and coordinators."

"SARA volunteers are excited and appreciative of the nomination and ultimate award as rescue unit of the year in Arizona," said Eric Davis, president of SARA. This is the first year the organization has received the award, which is considered for all foot, canine, and mounted SAR units in Arizona.

SARA was nominated, and subsequently received, the 2014 Unit of the Year award for the initiative and resourcefulness shown in the successful implementation of several organizational changes during the past year to improve training and rescue efforts. Such changes include implementation of the SAR Awareness Level Training (SALT) program, which integrates the Arizona SAR Basic training with technical rescue awareness and additional trainings into a cohesive instructional program for candidate members. SARA's Technical Rescue Group (TRG) achieved certification by the Pima County Sheriff's Department (PCSD), providing individual technician-level rope rescue certification to TRG members. Additionally, PCSD-certified awareness-level standards for technical ropescue have been implemented for all SARA membership. Finally, Wilderness First Responder (WFR) has been adopted as SARA's minimum standard for medical training replacing Outdoor Emergency Care, with Lee Ryan organizing and leading instruction of the new WFR curriculum. The program was implemented this year for the first time for the newest candidate class.

All was accomplished while SARA volunteers contributed 13,707 hours to 208 trainings and 3,068 hours to 100 SAR missions, and provided medical support for events statewide including the 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo, Tour of the White Mountains, and Whiskey Off Road mountain bike races.

"The members of SARA dedicate countless hours and hard work for training and mission preparation to provide the highest level of mountain rescue readiness for the residents and visitors of Pima County," Davis noted.

The Al Schoenstene award is one of three, including the Don Hornecker Coordinator of the Year and Joe Young Volunteer of the Year awards, given every year by the Arizona Search and Rescue Coordinators Association (ASARCA) to eligible SAR organizations. The award honors late Arizona Search and Rescue Coordinator Al Schoenstene, a Maricopa County SAR coordinator during the advent of ASARCA. ASARCA promotes land SAR professionalism and education by facilitating information exchange among state SAR organizations.

### **RETIRED AND INACTIVE ORANGE SHIRTS**

by Joanne Alegria, [jmalegria @ cs.comt](mailto:jmalegria@cs.comt)

Search and Rescue has been your passion over the years to help others and save lives. SARA needs volunteers, especially during weekday events to help out at SARA presentations such as information booths, talking to classrooms, etc. By giving information you will be helping to educate the public about outdoor safety and prevent accidents. If you have a few spare hours to donate your time, expertise, and experiences please email [jmalegria @ cs.com](mailto:jmalegria@cs.com). Thank you for your time and years of experience!

**2015 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MUSTANG RAFFLE**by John Perchorowicz, [jmail@perchorowicz.com](mailto:jmail@perchorowicz.com)

Our Mustang ticket sales are strong, thanks in large part to Dave Brown. We're above \$1600! I encourage each member to buy one and take one to sell to a SARA supporter. I'll have tickets at monthly meetings and will deliver in Tucson to anyone buying 5 (\$100).

**OEC CORNER**by John Gorski, [rescue161@att.net](mailto: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 each OEC card-holder is 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 ended December 31, 2014. The contact information for NSP is 1-303-988-1111. Ask for the education department.

If you have a problem with your NSP records please forward any questions to John Gorski.

**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>
<i>Sat Apr 18</i>	<i><u>11/ 37/ 18yf hiker fall injury</u></i>	<i>Main TV Falls, Rincons</i>	<i>Ranger54 RMFD</i>
17:10 – 20:40	A group of people were coming down TV Canyon and downclimbing the main waterfall. One fell about 30', with head and distal leg injuries. He was treated and packaged, then Tucson Ranger short-hauled the patient to the LZ at sunset.		
<i>Sun Apr 19</i>	<i><u>16/ 38/ 25yf hiker exhausted</u></i>	<i>Phoneline Trail, Catalinas</i>	
13:35 – 16:00	A group was hiking up the Phoneline Trail when one was unable to continue. Companions cooled her and provided fluids, so she was doing much better upon arrival of the Hasty Team. She was able to continue, and all came out the Historic Trail.		
<i>Sun Apr 19</i>	<i><u>14/ 64/ 27yf hiker ankle injury</u></i>	<i>7 Falls, Catalinas</i>	
16:55 – 21:30	A hiker twisted her ankle at 7 Falls. She was carried by stokes to the horse turn-around just below X7, and she rode the rest of the way out without problems.		
<i>Sat Apr 25</i>	<i><u>11/ 33/ 30yf fall injury</u></i>	<i>Ventana Canyon, Catalinas</i>	<i>Sheriff1 RMFD</i>
17:40 – 21:00	A trail runner was spreading ashes near the trail, about halfway between Maiden Pools and the trail junction higher up. She jumped across a break in the rock face, but fell down the slope. A pair of hikers heard her calling for help, then called 911 and helped as they could. A SAR Officer was down-hoisted to the scene and handled the evacuation by hoist. The hikers continued down trail to meet the teams coming up with equipment, and all returned without problems.		
<i>Sun May 03</i>	<i><u>15/ 31/ 28yf fall injury</u></i>	<i>Tanque Verde Canyon, Catalinas</i>	<i>RMFD</i>
17:15 – 19:20	A hiker was injured while walking down canyon, just upstream from the Main Trail. She was carried up a side drainage to the Main Trail.		
<i>Sat May 09</i>	<i><u>0/ 0/ 16yf hiker knee injury</u></i>	<i>Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>RMFD</i>
12:15 – 12:40	A hiker was reported to have a knee injury at X3. Companions had carried her to the road by the time deputies arrived at the trailhead.		
<i>Sat May 09</i>	<i><u>14/ 29/ 52ym hiker fall injury</u></i>	<i>Bear Canyon x7, Catalinas</i>	<i>RMFD</i>
14:00 – 16:15	A hiker tripped and cut his head. He was evaluated and walked out.		
<i>Sun May 17</i>	<i><u>9/ 27/ 23yf hiker ankle injury</u></i>	<i>7 Falls, Catalinas</i>	
13:20 – 16:40	A hiker injured her ankle at 7 Falls. Companions assisted her to X7 and met the hasty team. She was carried to horses and rode out.		
<i>Mon May 25</i>	<i><u>13/ 48/ 32ym climber fall injuries</u></i>	<i>North Fin, Windy Point, Catalinas</i>	<i>R52 LN MLFD RMFD</i>
10:30 – 14:00	A climber fell and pulled his protection, landing on the ground 45' below with several breaks and internal injuries. He was treated and packaged for a short-haul to LifeNet at Geology Vista.		
<i>Tue May 26</i>	<i><u>9/ 35/ 71ym hiker lost</u></i>	<i>Green Mtn Trail, Catalinas</i>	<i>Survey2 Sheriff1</i>
14:45 – 18:55	A hiker with sore knees turned back towards San Pedro Vista before his group reached their turnaround at Bear Saddle. Upon their return, the hiker was not found. The Hasty Team made voice contact from the Brush Corral Trail, where they could see the upper end of the Brush Corral Link Trail. The Second Team reached the hiker as Sheriff1 flew above. All walked out fine.		

<b>2015 Totals</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>People</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Hrs/Per</b>	<b>Last12Mos</b>
<b>Missions</b>	52	572	1825	3.2	110
<b>Trainings</b>	71	647	3008	4.6	182
<b>Meetings</b>	30	232	516	2.2	73
<b>Public Relations</b>	7	20	104	5.2	18
<b>Special Events</b>	16	109	1045	9.6	24
<b>Activities</b>	43	113	465	4.1	70
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>1693</b>	<b>6963</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>475</b>

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## SARCI Calendar – 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28 <b>POSSE Meeting (18:30)</b>	May 29	May 30 <i>Water Rescue Rendezvous</i>	May 31
June 01	June 02	June 03 <b>SRDI Meetings (18:00)</b>	June 04	June 05 <b>SARA Meeting (19:30)</b>	June 06 SARA Training SRDI Training SAMSAR Training	June 07 Divers Training
June 08	June 09	June 10	June 11 Cave Rescue Class	June 12	June 13 Posse Gymkhana	June 14 Cave Rescue Field
June 15	June 16 <b>SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)</b>	June 17 SARA Board !! (19:00) SRDI Training	June 18	June 19	June 20 SRDI Training	June 21 SRDI Training
June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25 <b>POSSE Meeting (18:30)</b>	June 26	June 27	June 28
June 29	June 30	July 01 <b>SRDI Meetings (18:00)</b>	July 02	July 03 <b>HOLIDAY SARA Meeting (19:30)</b>	July 04 <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>	July 05
July 06	July 07	July 08 SRDI Training	July 09	July 10	July 11	July 12 Divers Training

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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  
Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed 19:00  
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