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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, 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

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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. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

 Sep 12
 16:00 Sat
 Gymkhana

 Sep 24
 18:30 Thu
 General Meeting

Rocking K Arena. Books at 16:00. Events at 17:00 Tanque Verde Library, 8959 E Tanque Verde Rd

Huge August Gymkhana on Aug 8th. Everybody else got rained out!!!

October Gymkhana will be daytime schedule on Sundays.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

Sep 19 Sat TBA OPEX

Sep 19-20 Sat-Sun AFRCC Inland Search and Rescue Course

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Northwest Fire Station #38 8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

The Neotoma Composite Squadron joined the Arizona Wing Ground Team in responding to the massive search for a Colorado City five-year-old who went missing August 6 from his family's campsite south of Jacob Lake on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. The body of Jerold Williams was found August 10 after an exhaustive search by more than 500 volunteers who combed the dense forest for four days. The search was marked by cold, rainy weather and thick vegetation. Nine members of the Arizona Wing Ground Team, including 2Lt. Nancy Smith and canine Juliette from the Neotoma Composite Squadron, were transported by military helicopter to the North Rim ICP and searched for two days, while other CAP members aided in air operations through the night. A second CAP Ground Team was dispatched August 10 and aided in recovery efforts. The large-scale operation was directed by Coconino County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Coordinator Sgt. Aaron Dick, a former cadet with the Neotoma Composite Squadron.

August was also marked by multiple missions to locate Emergency Locator Beacons (ELTs) throughout the greater Tucson area. Lt. Cols. Robert McCord and Laura Markiewicz were part of two ground teams that joined an aircraft to locate an ELT on August 8; Col. McCord lead a ground team August 15 to locate two ELTs. Fortunately, none were associated with actual plane crashes. Two ground teams and six aircraft were launched in an Operations Exercise August 15 to locate a mock aircrash. Col. McCord, Col. Markiewicz, Lt. Col. Andrea Mullen, Maj. Shaun Adams, Capt. Sylvia Scotti, Lt. Smith and Cadet M.Sgt. Josh Schneider participated.

The Neotoma Composite Squadron is ramping up training with other Arizona Wing Ground Team members who will be taking a NASAR SARTECH II challenge in October

The Civil Air Patrol's Neotoma Squadron actively participates in ongoing search and rescue missions and training exercises at the state, local and national levels. We welcome new members to join the more than 700 members of the nationally recognized emergency services Arizona Wing Ground Team. For additional information contact membership officer Edward Pound <u>ejipound @ gmail.com</u> or visit http://www.neotomasquadron.org.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

DIVERS CALENDAR

Sep 13	09:00 Sun	Monthly Training	Parker Canvon Lake, Huachucas

Oct 11 09:00 Sun Monthly Training TBA

Nov 08 09:00 Sun Annual Meeting SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Aug. 9th training session the team practice pier walk search pattern with a five foot magnetic bar as a possible tool when search for ferromagnetic materials at Lakeside Lake. The team was searching for a chain lost during December's vehicle recovery.

In September, we plan diving in weeds, working different entanglements and diver rescues at Parker Canyon Lake. October's training location remains indefinite. In November, we will hold our annual meeting at SARA House.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Sep 02</u>	18:00 Wed	Training / BoD / General Meetings	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 16	18:00 Wed	Urban Search Tactics	Craycroft House, 3455 N. Craycroft Rd
Sep 19	06:00 Sat	Semi-Urban Search	Patti's House
<u>Sep 20</u>	08:00 Sun	Area, Tr/Tr, HR, Article	Sollers Point, Catalinas
Oct 07	18:00 Wed	Training / BoD / General Meetings	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Congratulations to Team Odin (Patti Klawans/K9 Odin) on achieving Area Search certification on 6/27/15! SRDI has four live-find certified K9 teams, and two certified Human Remains K9 teams. We are going to be busy with recertifications this fall. Handlers, please check your certification due dates, K9 vaccination dates, your medical/CPR dates.

Along with K9 certifications, SRDI members will be busy preparing for NASAR SARTech II test. Several trainings are scheduled for specific skill practice. Please make sure to read the manual in preparation for the written exam which precedes the field skills tests. We welcome any SARCI or other county SAR members who might be interested in pursuing NASAR SARTech II certification. SRDI plans to schedule an exam in the Tucson area in early Winter.

We have several PRs and workshops coming up very soon. 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. Check the schedule below. All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website http://sarci.org/srdi page/, email us K9 @ sarci2.org or call Karen Paquette (275-2074) for training updates or changes.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry @ simmonsautorepair.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Sep 15	18:00 Tue	Board and General Meeting	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Sep 28	TBA Mon	Public Relations Show	Corpus Christi Church

<u>Training:</u> Trail ride, physical training and trail familiarization led by George Herget went well on Saguaro East. Debi's ride was canceled due to heavy rain. She has rescheduled for Aug 26. More training rides coming after the break in weather.

Search and Rescue: Been a little busy. Successful haul out by Larry Caugh Sunday the 2nd of August in Sabino Canyon. Neat pics. Loved the Mohave. Really like the new paging system that Sean put together. Thanks Sean and whoever helped you. Weather is really hot and humid. I even had to treat my neighbor for a heat related issue.

See you on the big one.

Always looking for good committed people with a 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.

SARA CALENDAR

Sep 04	19:30 Sat	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 13	08:00 Sun	OEC Refresher #2	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 17	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Oct 02	19:30 Sat	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, SARABoard @ sarci2.org

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.

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, rescue161 @ att.net

This is not a refresher for SARA members with WFR certifications. Information regarding WFA/WFR recertification will be available in the next month.

Our last OEC Cycle "B" refresher date is Sunday, September 13, 2015. The refresher will start at 08:00 am, with instructors arriving at 07:00 am to setup the stations.

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 to attend a refresher.

Check the SARCI Members Only Data Page / look for the orange arrow under the Medical Training Information 2015 section to download the OEC Cycle "B" refresher study guide. Study guides will be checked at the door for completion, failure to have the study guide completed will result in loss of the opportunity to take the fresher that day.

A payment of \$65.00 will be due at the time of your refresher. Make your check out to SARA. (\$55.00 for NSP associate membership and \$10.00 for administrative paper work).

A group snack to share is always welcome.

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

2015 50TH ANNIVERSARY MUSTANG RAFFLE

by John Perchorowicz, 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).

SARA ANNOUNCE by Sean Fawcett, sean @ fawcetts.us

Some late spring cleaning was done at the SARA House. Most of what you see here (sorry, boat not included) is going to be first-come-first-served at the September monthly meeting. There is a wide variety of items like old snow shoes, crampons, webbing, PFD's etc. After the monthly meeting, items will be donated or disposed of.

SPECIAL EVENT: TOUR OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

by Cathy Wasmann, cwasmann @ ag.arizona.edu

SARA will again be providing medical support for the Tour of the White Mountains (TOW) mountain bike ride/race on Saturday, October 3 in Pinetop-Lakeside.

To participate, you must be a fully field-qualified member of SARA at the time of the event. This includes both current medical (WFR or higher) and tech-skills certifications. Qualified candidates are welcome.

If you would like to participate, please email or call me at 784-1784. If you are not sure about participating, or need more information, contact Cathy. Want to know more about the event? Checkout the TOW section of the Epic Rides website: (http://epicrides.com).





Sat Aug 08 6/84/5ym missing Jacob I

Jacob Lake, N Arizona

15:35 – 06:00 Drive to Jacob Lake, off duty (Activity)

Sat Aug 08 12/ 38/ ??yf hiker exhausted 7 Falls Trail, Catalinas

15:45 – 19:20 A female hiker became exhausted. Teams met her above x7, walked her to x5, and rode horse to trailhead.

Sun Aug 09 6/ 78/ 5ym missing Jacob Lake, N Arizona

06:00 – 17:00 Multi-agency search for camper missing since Thursday.

Sun Aug 09 6/ 66/ 5ym missing Jacob Lake, N Arizona

17:00 – 06:00 Off duty, Jacob Lake (Activity)

Sun Aug 09 6/ 13/ 15ym hiker exhausted Mt.Lemmon Trail, Catalinas

16:15 – 18:30 A hiker became separated from his group. A SARA member with another hiking group met and assisted him to the end of the road.

Mon Aug 10 6/84/5ym missing Jacob Lake, N Arizona

06:00 – 19:40 Multi-agency search for camper missing since Thursday. Found out of the search area, deceased.

Mon Aug 10 6/ 66/ 5ym missing Jacob Lake, N Arizona

19:40 – 06:00 Drive to Flagstaff, off duty (Activity)

Tue Aug 11 6/ 36/ 5ym missing Jacob Lake, N Arizona

06:00 – 12:05 Drive to Tucson (Activity)

Tue Aug 11 12/ 50/ 21ym swimmer missing Turkey Falls, TV Canyon, Rincons Sheriff1

16:50 – 22:10 A male was reported to have jumped into the pool at the base of the third Turkey Falls, also known as the Washing Machine. It has an undercut that can trap a person. Teams searched downstream from the pools with water flow at about 400 cfs, while an upstream gauge was reporting significantly higher flow. Thunderstorms moved in and teams evacuated to avoid the storm and expected increase in flow. The TV Guest Ranch gauge peaked at 6400 cfs. Plans were made to continue the search when flow dropped to about 400 cfs (didn't happen for two days). Later in the evening, a resident in 49ers was checking his yard and reported a body that was later identified as the missing swimmer. Teams were delayed driving back down the road due to floodwater.

Thu Aug 13 4/2?yf knee injury Main Trail, TV Canyon, Rincons

14:45-15:45 A female was unable to continue hiking up the Main Trail with a leg injury. By the time an initial team arrived, she had managed to work her way up the trail with help from officers.

Sat Aug 22 13/ 52/ 45yf hiker ankle injury Sabino Canyon upstream from end of road, Catalinas

16:00-20:25 A hiker injured her ankle while scrambling along the stream about a quarter mile upstream from the trail that drops from the end of the road. A SARA member who was part of her party splinted her ankle. Teams hiked to the scene during a heavy rainstorm, with helmets required while hail was falling. The canyon was rough, so she was able to move better by scooting downstream in the water, then rode the stokes the rest of the way. The water rose during the rainstorm, but dropped quickly.

Mon Aug 24 <u>10/</u> <u>49/</u> Canine with paw injury TV Canyon above SARA Trail, Rincons

18:10-23:10 Three guys and a couple of large dogs hiked up TV Canyon. One dog (100 lbs +) tore pads on a paw and was unable to continue. He was muzzled (potential for biting) and moved into a large cage and fastened to the stokes carrier, then carried downstream (semi-technical) and up the SARA Trail. The cage worked pretty well on the carrier.

2015 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last12Mos
Missions	87	894	3097	3.5	118
Trainings	94	929	4674	5.0	170
Meetings	44	365	893	2.4	64
Public Relation	s 10	29	128	4.4	16
Special Events	16	109	1045	9.6	24
Activities	82	302	1575	5.2	94
TOTALS	333	2628	11412	4.3	486

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SARCI Calendar – 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Aug 31	Sept 01	Sept 02	Sept 03	Sept 04	Sept 05	Sept 06
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)		SARA Meeting (19:30)		
Sept 07	Sept 08	Sept 09	Sept 10	Sept 11	Sept 12	Sept 13
LABOR DAY					Posse Gymkhana	OEC Refresher #2 Divers Training
Sept 14	Sept 15	Sept 16	Sept 17	Sept 18	Sept 19	Sept 20
	SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	SRDI Training	SARA Board (19:00)		SRDI Training	SRDI Training
Sept 21	Sept 22	Sept 23	Sept 24	Sept 25	Sept 26	Sept 27
			POSSE Meeting (18:30)			
Sept 28	Sept 29	Sept 30	Oct 01	Oct 02	Oct 03	Oct 04
SAMSAR Public Relations Event				SARA Meeting (19:30)	SARA Special Event Tour of the White Mtns	
Oct 05	Oct 06	Oct 07	Oct 08	Oct 09	Oct 10	Oct 11
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)				Divers Training

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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 4th 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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