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# **SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL**

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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

by Mykle, 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.

# NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

# CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

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

**Northwest Fire Station #38** 

8475 N. Stargrass Drive, Marana, AZ 85742

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.

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Web site: <a href="http://www.neotomasquadron.org">http://www.neotomasquadron.org</a>

# SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

#### SRDI CALENDAR

Jan 03	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Area/HRD/Tracking	SR-83 Test Area
<u>Jan 06</u>	18:00 Wed	Training/BoD/General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Jan 13	18:00 Wed	Urban/Building Search	Parks Building
Jan 16	09:00 Sat	Area/HRD/Tracking	Oak Tree
Jan 20	19:30 Wed	SARCI Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canvon Rd

SRDI is hosting a multi-county training Dec 26 near the Picacho Peak State Park Area. Canines and handlers from TEXSAR, Pima, Pinal, Maricopa, and Coconino counties will be meeting to train and exchange ideas.

The SRDI Training Committee is very busy updating and improving our canine discipline certification tests in addition to other documentation. SRDI hopes to reveal its new Facebook page by January 2016 and close down the outdated webpage. SRDI has quite a list of New Year's resolutions and a lot of work ahead.

Congrats to Team Archie/Karen for achieving NASAR certification in HRD\_Other. SRDI Members, please make note of the spring K9CON2016 listed below.

All SARCI members are welcome to attend any of our trainings. Please check the Event Calendar on our website <a href="http://sarci.org/srdi">http://sarci.org/srdi</a> page/, email us K9 @ sarci2.org or call Karen Paquette (275-2074) for training updates or changes.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

K9CON2016 Pre-Conference, Apr 27-28, 2016, Flagstaff, AZ K9CON2016, Apr 29-May01, 2016, Flagstaff, AZ

# PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

**DIVERS CALENDAR** 

<u>Jan 10</u> <u>09:00 Sun</u> **Monthly Training** SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Feb 14 09:00 Sun Monthly Training Pool Session, Location TBA

During our December meeting we held our annual elections. The group reelected the current board for the next year. The group met with possible new members and feasted on the potluck goodies brought by the members. The topic of the meeting was the physiological effects of and calculations for diving at altitude with both pre-tests and final exams. The group completely emptied and cleaned all the Pelican cases. We inventoried the contents then repacked our GO boxes.

January, will be Dry Training session.

# PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

No input for January

# SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, sraleon @ aol.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

<u>Jan 19</u> <u>18:00 Tue</u> **Board and General Meeting** Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

May 15 TBA Sun SAMSAR Golf Tournament 49<sup>ers</sup> Country Club

Training: Will start up again in January. Looking for GPS & Maps class. Time and place TBA

<u>Public Relations</u>: Work in progress. Have additional Show and Tell equipment coming soon. More information to come. Working on a two hour Search and Rescue show hopefully on 1210 AM radio station. John C. Scott show for Jan 21, 2016, 3p.m. to 5 p.m.

<u>2016 Slate of Officers:</u> Jerry Simmons: President, Frank Leon: Vice President, Colleen Leon: Secretary, Debi Mitchell: Treasurer, George Herget: Sgt of Arms, Board Members at Large: Larry Caugh and Kaye Cagle.

Membership: New member to be sworn in January 2016. Also new enquires in process.

Always looking for good, committed people with a good horse or mule for mounted search and rescue. Please refer to web site <a href="http://www.SAMSARaz.org">http://www.SAMSARaz.org</a> or contact anyone with a SAMSAR I.D.

By the time you get this newsletter; on behalf of SAMSAR, we hope you had a Safe and Happy holiday season.

Thanks to all of the Search and Rescue people for what you do for the community. This includes the Editors of SARCI News.



#### SARA CALENDAR

Jan 01	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Jan 21	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Jan 30	08:00 Sat	Technical Skills Refresher (Awareness)	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
Feb 05	19:30 Fri	SARA Monthly Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

#### SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, SARABoard @ sarci2.org

The Board has been discussing the possibilities of looking into developing an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) program. Many members are aware of the research that has been going on over the past year, and the program has been brought up at monthly meetings. The Board has voted to move forward with the next stage of planning this program this month, so we thought we would share the plans so far with the group as a whole -we are excited to move forward to pilot this program (pun intended).

The proposal was posted on SARA-Announce. If you have questions about the program, Eric Davis is happy to answer them. Obviously, this is a program in its infancy and we are still working on developing operating procedures and how it will be deployed, and we will need people who are interested in being involved as the program develops!

OEC CORNER by John Gorski, rescue161 @ att.net

If your three-year cycle ended in December 2015, please contact NSP after December 15th IF you have not received your new three-year OEC cycle card.

#### SARA TECHNICAL SKILLS (AWARENESS) REFRESHER

by Matthew Knatz, mcknatz @ gmail.com

Our 1st field skills recert of 2016 will be held January 30th, 2016. To attend the recert, you must RSVP via Whoozin at (<a href="http://whoozin.com/DTV-FQH-7MRM">http://whoozin.com/DTV-FQH-7MRM</a>). Please come prepared with the knowledge and skills to successfully demonstrate use of our systems (anchors, knots, and inspection, rigging, and use of the MPD). If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly at Matthew Knatz, <a href="mailto:mcknatz">mcknatz</a> @ <a href="mailto:gmail.com">gmail.com</a>





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Date

Vol/Hrs/ Problem

Location

Resources

#### Thu Oct 29 20/ 92/ 58yf hiker missing

#### Cactus Forest, Rincons

Sheriff1

20:15 – 01:15 A sister walked ahead of her slow-moving brother, and was last seen at a trail junction near Speedway. Lots of teams covered all of the trails north of the Broadway alignment, plus a few more. Teams were hearing a voice response off to the west of the main search area, but extensive coverage by most of the teams found nothing. She had become separated on a previous hike and had walked home. She appears to have done that again, all the way to Grant and Alvernon.

## Sun Nov 01 $\frac{4}{}$ 62ym hiker missing

#### Romero Pools, Catalinas

17:55-18:35 A hiker left his group to hike up trail a bit further, then missed the first stream crossing and headed down canyon. The stream was running nicely, so he was very wet and cold by the time he attracted the attention of walkers on the Canyon Loop. He was met and accompanied out, slowly.

#### Thu Nov 05 $\frac{4}{}$ 65ym hiker chest pains

#### Blackett's Ridge, Catalinas

Sheriff1 RMFD

10:20 – 11:30 A hiker reported severe chest pains while almost to the top of Blackett's Ridge, and he had a history of MI. Sheriff1 responded quickly and a SAR Officer down-hoisted. The subject also had PTSD and was initially unwilling to be hoisted, but didn't really want to wait for a stokes ride on that trail.

## Wed Nov 11 <u>6/</u> ??y? fall injury

## Windy Point, Catalinas

LL4 MLFD RMFD

14:30 – 15:05 A male fell at Windy Point and was treated and carried a short distance to the road and transported by helicopter. SAR resources were requested, then cancelled before arriving in the area.

#### Sun Nov 22 16/88/23yf ankle injury

#### Agua Caliente Canyon, Catalinas

**TucsonRanger** 

13:50 – 19:30 A female injured her ankle while walking down the canyon. Her companion climbed until he had cell coverage and asked for help. As commonly happens, La Milagrosa and Agua Caliente Canyons are frequently confused. Teams packaged the patient, and Tucson Ranger short-hauled her to the trailhead.

Thu Nov 26 13/ 21/ 19yf hiker difficulty breathing

Douglas Springs Trail, Rincons

NPS RMFD

10:55 – 13:00 A female was having difficulty breathing about a mile up trail. She was carried to the trailhead by stokes.

# Fri Nov 27 <u>10/</u> <u>10/</u> 38ym leg injury

#### Marshall Gulch, Catalinas

MLFD PCSD

15:35 – 16:05 A male fell about 30 feet, sustaining serious leg injuries. Mt.LemmonFire was able to get him up to a point where he could be carried to the parking lot, so volunteers were cancelled.

#### Sun Nov 29 10/ 24/ Hikers exhausted

#### Box Camp Trail, Catalinas

TucsonRanger Survey2

17:10 – 19:35 Two hikers intended to turn back after a couple of hours, but one stated that he would not be able to hike uphill, so both continued down. Low on the Box Camp Trail the trail becomes hard to follow in the grass, and they got off trail and one became too tired to continue. His companion thought he was reporting a leg injury, and left to find his way out or get cell service. He wound up going east to Sycamore Saddle, then down Bear Canyon, calling for help at the top of the upper switchbacks. It initially sounded like we had two separate calls. Tucson Ranger located and delivered him to the Overlook LZ. Using his description of where he left his companion, we started field teams from the trailhead in Sabino while Tucson Ranger prepared to respond. As teams arrived at the trailhead, the subject had been found and helped out by a separate hiking group.

#### Fri Dec 04 5/ 5/ 22ym hiker exhausted

#### Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas

19:25 – 19:40 A hiker ran out of water before reaching Mt. Kimball. When he became exhausted, he called for help from near the Overlook, but continued down trail. He was met near the trailhead.

### Sun Dec 20 8/ 8/ 51ym, 20ym climbers overdue

Coyote Domes, Coyote Mtns

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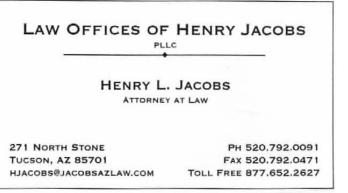
03:30 – 04:30 Two climbers were returning to their vehicle and became disoriented. A Border Patrol unit was in the area and located them, so we were cancelled.

2015 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last12Mos
Missions	117	1177	4083	3.5	120
Trainings	134	1457	7245	5.0	135
Meetings	58	456	1114	2.4	58
<b>Public Relation</b>	<b>s</b> 11	34	159	4.7	11
<b>Special Events</b>	25	160	1505	9.4	25
Activities	114	419	2235	5.3	116
TOTALS	456	3703	16341	4.4	465

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# **SARCI Calendar - 2015 - 2016**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23	Dec 24	<b>DEC 25</b>	Dec 26	Dec 27
			CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTMAS		
Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31	JAN 01	Jan 02	Jan 03
			NEW YEARS EVE	NEW YEARS DAY		SRDI Training
Jan 04	Jan 05	Jan 06	Jan 07	Jan 08	Jan 09	Jan 10
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)		SARA Meeting (19:30)		DIVERS Meeting (09:00)
Jan 11	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14	Jan 15	Jan 16	Jan 17
		SRDI Training			SRDI Training	
Jan 18	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 21	Jan 22	Jan 23	Jan 24
	SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	SARCI Board (19:30)	SARA Board (19:00)			
Jan 25	Jan 26	Jan 27	Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31
					SARA Tech Skills	
Feb 01	Feb 02	Feb 03	Feb 04	Feb 05	Feb 06	Feb 07
		SRDI Meeting (18:00)		SARA Meeting (19:30)		
Feb 08	Feb 09	Feb 10	Feb 11	Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14
						DIVERS Training



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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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 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  $4^{\rm th}$  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 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 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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