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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.

#### TUCSON MOUNTAINS REPEATER UPDATE

We have been given permission by Bill Hickey, AB7AA to use a repeater in the Tucson Mountains to replace the old Tucson Mountains Repeater that we used for many years before it was taken off the air. The Tucson Mountains Repeater is mainly used for west side callouts where we are in the shadow of the Mt Lemmon Repeater. The repeater is a "closed" repeater but it is not exclusively used for SAR work thus you may heard other traffic on the repeater. Please be courteous to other repeater users. You will need to program your radio with the new frequency and tone.

Repeater output: 442.150 MHz

Repeater input: 447.150 MHz, (+5MHz offset)

Tone: 110.9 Hz

Note: the repeater output is encoded with the 110.9 Hz tone if you want to use tone squelch.

If you have any questions please contact Andy Lamb, k0evc @ outlook.com

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

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci2.org

CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 Mountain View Fire Station #160 1175 W. Magee Road, Tucson, AZ 85704

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 70 members of the nationally recognized emergency services Arizona Wing Ground Team.

Membership: Edward Pound, ejjpound @ gmail.com

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

# PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

<u>Sep 10</u> <u>16:00 Sat</u> **Gymkhana (Books 16:00, Events 17:00)** Raven Ranch, 9525 E Graf Lane

<u>Sep 22</u> <u>18:30 Thur</u> **General Meeting** Tanque Verde Library, 8959 E Tanque Verde Rd

# SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, kpaquette1 @ comcast.net

SRDI CALENDAR

Sep 07 18:00 Wed SRDI Meeting Night SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Sep 09-11 SDONA K9 Handler Skills Workshop Flagstaff, AZ

If you are interested in attending one of our trainings, please email us at K9 @ sarci2.org, or call Karen Paquette (275-2074).

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

NAPWDA Certifications Oct 10-15, 2016 Tucson, AZ (pending) FACTS Fall Workshop Oct 28-30, 2016 San Marcos, TX

# PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

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

**DIVERS CALENDAR** 

Sep 11 08:30 Sun Monthly Training POPPKiDZ Pool, 5245 N Camino De Oeste

Oct 09 08:30 Sun Monthly Training TBA

Our August training was held at the Charles Ford – Lakeside Park. We continued working with new surface support members, to become familiar with set up and boat operations for a dive mission. Divers continued to work on search patterns, line tether and verbal communications with new line tenders.

In September, we will be working with new team members to refine our dive pattern procedures and surface skills with two divers.

# SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, sraleon @ aol.com

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Sep 20 18:00 Tue Board / General Meeting Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy

Interest in SAMSAR continuing... we are growing! Mike Massimi, newly field qualified Chris Massimi's better half, will be submitting his application for membership to SAMSAR! So very happy to have him ... Mike speaks "Mykle-ese"!!! Our own radio genius! Welcome Mike! Any other group having trouble with radios we will rent him out ... for a fee!

Recerts on OFC on-going thanks to Debi Mitchell. October horse desensitization in the works ... ready for a rodeo?

SAMSAR has been asked to do Trail Safety Talk for Emily Gray Junior High in November. Repeat performance for approximately five years. Always happy to educate young people how to stay safe on the trails ... so they can educate the parents!

Animals are a part of our family, and our hearts go out to a brand new member Donna Luter who lost her two horses recently. Prince was her "go to" SAR horse, and was just that ... a Prince and will be very hard to replace.

See you on the trails, always looking for good quality members and equine! Please refer to web site <a href="http://www.SAMSARaz.org">http://www.SAMSARaz.org</a> or contact anyone with a SAMSAR I.D.

### SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA @ sarci2.org

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Sep 02	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 03	08:00 Sat	Training: Trucks and Equipment	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 10	08:00 Sat	SALT begins	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Sep 17	08:00 Sat	OEC Refresher #2	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Oct 01	06:00 Sat	Tour of the White Mountains	Pinetop, AZ
Oct 07	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

#### SARA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by SARA BoD, SARABoard @ sarci2.org

The SARA BOD would like to remind all members of some important things required of all personnel:

- 1) Please consider all information we receive from the PCSD as confidential until it becomes public record. Do not share call information such as exact location (place name or GPS coordinates), identifying subject information, etc., with anyone other than SARCI component members and the PCSD.
- 2) To allow for easier identification of SARA members, SARA Policy, Section 3.e., "...all Members are required to wear an appropriate shirt with the SARA logo when responding to a mission." The PCSD has made it clear that they want all members responding to operations and the field to be in uniform. Please make all efforts to comply with policy and the PCSD request.
- 3) No member may go into the field alone without the approval of the IC. (ed: Sections 3.f,g,h)
- 4) Carpool whenever possible and check with operations before entering the field to ensure needed equipment is brought into the field in a timely and efficient manner.

SARA BOD members will be making a concerted effort to ensure Policies are being followed and to deal with any issues immediately in the field. Please contact any BOD member with any questions. Thanks to all members for their time and dedication to the organization and the community. For your convenience, SARA Policies can be found at (password required): <a href="http://www.sarci2.org/saradocs/images/POLICIES/150115%20SARA%20Policies.pdf">http://www.sarci2.org/saradocs/images/POLICIES/150115%20SARA%20Policies.pdf</a>

#### **SARA TRAINING**

by Dale Mann, dale1947sailor @ gmail.com

1) The monthly training for September will be for truck and equipment; it will be held on Saturday, September 3 (yes, that's during the Labor Day weekend), at the SARA House. All three rescue trucks will be there for inventory and cleaning; they will be checked one at a time so that we will have response vehicles available. All of the gear bags and ropes will be examined for damage and/or missing equipment. This is an opportunity for all Members to become or to remain familiar with the location and types of gear that we carry. Much help will be needed for this activity.

- 2) We will also have training on leadership and risk management on the evenings of Tuesday, September 6, and Thursday, September 8, from 1900 to 2100 at the SARA House. This is a four-hour training, presented in two sessions. It is a sign-off for orange cards, but it is important for all of our Members to understand how these topics work in search and rescue. Leadership skills do not come automatically with tenure or seniority -- or an orange shirt. They are part of an active and ever-challenging process. Please plan to attend this vital training.
- 3) SAR Awareness Level Training (SALT) for our newest Members begins on the weekend of September 10-11, 0800-1630 each day at the SARA House. If you are available to help with any of the SALT training from September through November, please contact Jen Dempsey (*dempsejc* @ *gmail.com*).

#### TOUR OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

by Cathy Wasmann, cwasmann @ ag.arizona.edu

SARA will be providing medical support for the 2016 Tour of the White Mountains (TOW) mountain bike ride/race. This year's TOW will be held Saturday, October 1, 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 field-skills certifications. Qualified candidates are welcome.

If you would like to participate, or need more information to decide about participating, please email Cathy Wasmann at <u>cwasmann @ ag.arizona.edu</u>. Epic Rides will provide us with two hotel rooms for Friday night. The rooms will be shared occupancy. Please let me know if you are interested in sharing one of the rooms. One of the 'to dos' for Epic Rides this year is to arrange for earlier breakfasts at the participating hotels.

Want to know more about the event? Checkout the TOW section of the Epic Rides website (http://epicrides.com).

Hope to see you up there.

# **OEC CORNER**

by John Gorski, rescue161 @ att.net

Our second OEC Cycle "C" refresher date is Saturday September 17th. Instructors arrive at 07:00; the refresher will start promptly at 08:00

You should have received your NSP/OEC "C" refresher study guide with the SKI Patrol magazine in May. If not, you can find the NSP Cycle "C" refresher study guide posted on the SARCI Members Only Data Page (password required).

http://www.sarci2.org/data/2016%200EC%20Cvcle%20C%20Refresher%20Workbook.pdf

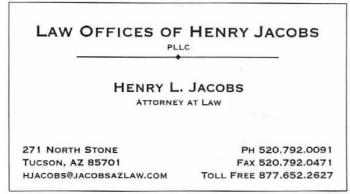
Everyone who holds a current OEC card is required to attend a yearly refresher. To attend a refresher, all OEC card holders need to have a current CPR card, and a completed study guide. Be warned: several people were turned away last year.

A payment of \$65.00 will be due at the time of your refresher. Make your check payable to SARA. (\$60.00 for NSP associate membership and \$5.00 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.





04/17

Date Vol/Hrs/ Problem

Location

Resources

Tue Aug 02  $\underline{0}$ / SRDI HR search

Pinal City

05:40-05:55 A canine search was postponed shortly after being requested.

Tue Aug 02 14/ 42/ 28yf hiker missing

Palisades, Catalinas

SWAT DOCK9

14:25 – 19:00 A hiker was reported missing, and her car was found at the Butterfly Trailhead near Palisades. Due to her reported mental condition, law enforcement and SAR were on each team. One K9 team got out after dark. A PCSD team was out the next day, then all search efforts were suspended.

Sat Aug 06 15/ 38/ 52ym 400# exhausted

SARA Trail, TV Canyon, Rincons

Ranger54 RMFD

15:10 – 17:35 A group hiked down the SARA Trail, leaving one at their vehicle who later decided to hike down to cool off in the water. He weighs over 400 lbs with a significant medical history, and made it about half-way down before becoming exhausted. He was short-hauled to the pavement.

Sun Aug 07 9/ 50/ 75ym walkaway

Green Valley

Ranger54 Sheriff1 USBP

11:40-17:30 A male was missing from a care facility. Many resources searched around the facility and moved north as citizen reports were received. Nothing was found and the ground search was suspended. He was found later in the evening a couple of miles to the south, in good condition.

Sun Aug 07 13/ 42/ 35ym fall injury

The Crack, Sabino Canyon, Catalinas Sheriff1

13:55-18:00 A male injured his shoulder and was hoisted from the water to the SARA House (the water supported the injury, and the cool water temp also helped). Teams were leaving the canyon when a report was received about a human deceased near the stream, so several volunteers stayed to assist with the body recovery after the law enforcement investigation was complete.

Wed Aug 10 11/ 43/ 5 hikers without lights

Marshall Saddle, Catalinas

20:50 – 01:00 Hikers stranded by dark were helped by a group of climbers until SAR teams joined them and all walked out.

Sun Aug 14 11/ 37/ Hikers stranded by dark

Pima Canyon, Catalinas

20:55-00:20 Two hikers without lights were off trail about 1.5 miles up canyon. They were helped by a passing hiker until SAR teams arrived. One of the hikers was having problems with asthma. She was able to walk slowly down trail with help.

Tue Aug 16 8/ 23/ ??ym hiker lost

Box Camp Spring, Catalinas

Sheriff 1

11:35 – 14:30 A male hiker reported not being able to find the trail near Box Camp Spring. After requesting help he was able to find the trail and head out. A Mt.Lemmon deputy met him, and SAR teams met the group on their way out.

Tue Aug 16 10/ 53/ ??ym deaf hiker lost

Butterfly Trail, Catalinas

20:30-02:50 A group of deaf hikers reported one of them missing. A son of the missing hiker started looking for him. As teams arrived, the father was found, but the son (also deaf) was missing. A team found and retrieved an interesting light on Barnum Rock that appeared have been left by others. Other teams covered the Butterfly Trail, finding the son just above the Davis Spring Trail junction.

Wed Aug 17 6/ 6/ 16ym hiker missing

Pusch Peak, Catalinas

14:10 – 15:20 An out-of-town hiker was exploring Pusch Peak and was reported missing. As teams arrived, the hiker was contacted by phone as he was moving down the mountain. Teams met him just above the Linda Vista trail system and all walked out.

Sun Aug 21 14/59/39ym hiker injured hamstring

Pima Canyon, Catalinas

Sheriff1

13:45 – 18:20 A hiker was returning from Pima Saddle when he slipped and did some deep splits, injuring his hamstring. He called his wife for help, but his battery was low. The Hasty Team was followed by a couple of support teams, not sure where the hiker was. Sheriff1 spotted him moving slowly at the base of the switchbacks at "Dam#2". A Rescue Deputy was lowered, and the hiker was hoisted and delivered to the road.

*Tue Aug 23 6/ 6/ 92ym walkaway* 

Summerhaven, Catalinas

18:00 – 17:25 Teams were heading up the mountain when the missing subject was located.

2016 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last12Mos
Missions	101	1185	5092	4.3	132
Trainings	101	1020	4596	4.5	158
Meetings	46	364	882	2.4	66
Public Relations	6	31	139	4.5	8
Special Events	10	84	860	10.2	19
Activities	62	223	1224	5.5	102
TOTALS	326	2907	12793	4.4	486

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# SARCI Calendar – 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25 POSSE Meeting	Aug 26	Aug 27 SRDI Training	Aug 28
			(18:30)		SILDI Trummig	
Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	Sep 01	Sep 02	Sep 03	Sep 04
				SARA Meeting (19:30)	SARA Training Trucks / Equipment	
Sep 05	Sep 06	Sep 07	Sep 08	Sep 09	Sep 10 Posse Gymkhana	Sep 11 Divers Training
LABOR DAY	SARA Training Leadership	SRDI Meetings (18:00)	SARA Training Leadership		SARA SALT	SARA SALT
Sep 12	Sep 13	Sep 14	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18
	SARA SALT		SARA Board (19:00)		OEC Refresher	
Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21	Sep 22	Sep 23	Sep 24	Sep 25
	SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)		POSSE Meeting (18:30)			
Sep 26	Sep 27	Sep 28	Sep 29	Sep 30	Oct 01 SARA SALT	Oct 02
	SARA SALT		SARA SALT		TOUR of WHITE MTNS	
Oct 03	Oct 04	Oct 05	Oct 06	Oct 07	Oct 08	Oct 09
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)	SARA SALT	SARA Meeting (19:30)	Posse Gymkhana	Divers Training





04/16

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. Search and Rescue 1750 E. Benson Hwy Tucson, Arizona 85714-1758

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#### SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL, INC.

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<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, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd. **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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