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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, [sarcinewsletter @ sarci.org](mailto:sarcinewsletter@sarci.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.

SABINO CANYON PARKING

The Overflow Parking Lot near the SARA House is now frequently open for public use. Expect two-way traffic, and pedestrians. PARKING ALONG THE ROAD IS NOT APPROPRIATE, DURING CALLS OR OTHERWISE. Park at the SARA House. If you cannot open the gate to the SARA House, or the gate into Sabino during calls, call a Records or Truck person for assistance.

SARA HOUSE LANDSCAPING

Please do not remove or relocate any of the desert landscape plants or cactus for whatever reason around the SARA House property. Any removal or relocating without permission is unlawful and requires investigation of same.

AZbasicSAR TRAINING REQUIREMENT

The "Introduction to Arizona SAR" (AZbasic) class has been required by the Arizona Division of Emergency Management (ADEM). This 16-hour requirement is not new, and was added to the SARCI minimum field qualifications in 2014. Since 2013 SARA has been including AZbasic as part of Basic Training and the SALT program and Candidates have been credited with completing AZbasic, as have volunteers who completed separate AZbasic classes and provided certificates to SARCI Records.

In 2014, SARCI grandfathered volunteers who were field-qualified. ADEM has stated that every volunteer must complete the AZbasic class: the grandfathering is not acceptable. SARCI field-qualifications will not change for the immediate future. Classes will be scheduled as needed to provide opportunities for volunteers to attend AZbasic. The first class will be Sundays, Sept 10 and 17.

The "Arizona Basic Search and Rescue" manual is a 200 page document used with the AZbasic class. It can be downloaded from the Documents section at <http://www.saraz.org/>. You may print or use this document with a tablet or e-reader.

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

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

POSSE CALENDAR

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|---------------|------------------|---|--|
| <u>Sep 23</u> | <u>16:00 Sat</u> | Gymkhana (Books 16:00, Events 17:00) | Pima County Fairgrounds |
| <u>Sep 28</u> | <u>18:30 Thu</u> | General Meeting | Tanque Verde Library, 8959 E Tanque Verde Rd |

Jim completely redid the wiring in a church soup kitchen pro bono for the Posse.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

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

CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

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| <u>Sundays</u> | <u>15:30-18:00</u> | Mountain View Fire Station #160 | 1175 W. Magee Road, Tucson, AZ 85704 |
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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](mailto:ejjpound@gmail.com)

Web site: <http://www.neotomasquadron.org>

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Jerry Simmons, jerry.simmons@sarci.org

SAMSAR CALENDAR

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|---------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| <u>Sep 10</u> | <u>08:00 Sun</u> | AZBasic-A | PRTC, 10001 S. Rita Rd |
| <u>Sep 17</u> | <u>08:00 Sun</u> | AZBasic-B | PRTC, 10001 S. Rita Rd |
| <u>Sep 19</u> | <u>18:00 Tue</u> | Board and General Meeting | 49'ers Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde |

SAMSAR has a new meeting place. Noted in the calendar. Thanks, 49'ers, for the help.

Training: Thanks to George Herget and Mike Massimi for representing SAMSAR and providing backup plan for the SARA Candidate hike on August 12. Thanks for the helo training for the horses. Went well, gave potential candidates a prospective of equine assistance while in the field. SAMSAR is making a training schedule. Will be out soon.

Public Relations: Work in progress.

General: Thanks to Mykle Raymond, SAMSAR was contacted to inform neighbors who border the Tanque Verde Wash, including the 49'ers CC and Mule Power Farms that water was coming. Not certain if that water would be 2 inches, 2 feet or a 12 foot wall, members of SAMSAR, Deb Mitchell (in her PJ's), Kendra Burdon, Carole Norris, Mike Massimi, Frank Leon and Colleen immediately went into action. They provided urban stream watch, moved barricades to protect motorists and communicated flow of water via phone as the radio communications were at max with the of rescue of 19 hikers in the Tanque Verde Falls canyon. Thanks you SAMSAR members for the great response, even in PJ's. Smile.

SAR volunteers and our PCSO SAR Deputies and Sheriff1; Tom Price and Milt Kennedy are heroes as they successfully rescued the 19 hikers caught by this Storm. TOP NOTCH teams!! So very proud of our Tucson Family of search and rescue volunteers serving the community selflessly. Thank you all. Submitted by Colleen Leon, SAMSAR S&R Coordinator.

Membership: For more information, please refer to web site <http://www.SAMSARaz.org> or contact anyone with a SAMSAR I.D.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, 990-4442, divers@sarci.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

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|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>Sep 10</u> | <u>09:00 Sun</u> | Monthly Training | Charles Ford-Lakeside Park Lake |
| <u>Oct 08</u> | <u>08:00 Sun</u> | Monthly Training | TBD |

Our August training session entailed working on diver deployment from the pontoon craft. Additionally, we worked on deploying our backup safety diver and pontoon craft anchor placement along our search pattern to eliminate diver entanglements.

In September we will meet at 09:00 at the boat ramp at Charles Ford – Lakeside Park Lake. We will be working with other search configurations.

Our training and location for October is still to be determined. Please keep posted for further information. We ask ALL divers to respond to Doodle invites each month, this helps us to plan our training sessions. ALL divers need to have a working Response App on their phones. Please contact Records if you are having trouble with this.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, karen.paquette@sarci.org

SRDI CALENDAR

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|---------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Aug 27</u> | <u>06:00 Sun</u> | Training | Ft. Lowell Park |
| <u>Sep 06</u> | <u>18:00 Wed</u> | SRDI BoD / Training Meetings | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Sep 17</u> | <u>05:00 Sun</u> | HR Training | Test Area |

SRDI is moving toward expecting national certifications from all HRD certified teams (NASAR, NAPWDA, NNDDA). SRDI will participate in an initial Operational Readiness Testing event for Wilderness Search (live + HR) certification with SDONA (Search Dogs of North America) during the weekend of Sep 8-10.

If you are interested in attending one of our trainings, please email us at Karen.Paquette@sarci.org, or call Karen Paquette (275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| SDONA ORT Testing | Sept 8-10 | Flagstaff, AZ |
| SDONA Water Workshop | Oct 6-8 | Flagstaff, AZ |
| FACTS Seminar | Oct 27-29 | San Marco, TX |
| Ann Christensen Workshop | February 2018 | Tucson, AZ |

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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

SARA CALENDAR

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| <u>Sep 01</u> | <u>19:30 Fri</u> | SARA General Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Sep 02</u> | <u>08:00 Sat</u> | Training: Leadership and Risk Assmt. | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Sep 21</u> | <u>19:00 Thu</u> | SARA Board Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Oct 06</u> | <u>19:30 Fri</u> | SARA General Meeting | SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd |
| <u>Oct 07</u> | <u>08:00 Sat</u> | Training: Joint Tech Training | Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy |

SARA MEMBER ADVOCATES

by SARA Board of Directors, sarabod@sarci.org

The SARA Member Advocates would like to remind all Members of the need to work with each other, discuss issues directly, and to work face to face whenever possible. If there are issues that you cannot resolve, please contact the Member Advocates at private-saraadvocates@sarci.org as your next stop.

The Board of Directors have many responsibilities and by working with the Member Advocates, we can take issues to the Board when necessary, but with enough information for the Board to be able to discuss it. The Board's role is intended for organizational oversight and direction and not for every operational process. Each Board member has a portfolio of responsibilities with committees to work out issues and make recommendations to the Board for discussion.

Also, remember that emails can be interpreted not as intended, but as written. Consider not "replying all" and not necessarily including the prior email chain on every email. Finally, the Board's President is the sole liaison between the PCSD and SARA. Any interaction with the PCSD must go through the President to ensure a consistent message in both directions. Please feel free to contact the SARA Advocates with any questions or concerns.

SARA TRAINING: September

by Jen Dempsey, jen.dempsey@sarci.org

Leadership and Risk Assessment training will be taking place starting at 08:00 at the SARA House on September 2nd. This training is an orange card sign off but all members are encouraged to attend. This will NOT be a Death-by-Powerpoint training.

Looking ahead to October's monthly training, this will be the joint training with other counties that was postponed in July due to the Burro Fire. We expect to have quite a few Cochise County SAR volunteers and a few from Santa Cruz and Graham Counties.

The training will be on using technical rope rescue systems for patient extrication in the mountains. We will use our MPD systems, and the other counties will use their standard setup. This will be a chance to see what the other county SAR units have, in case we're called on for mutual assistance. There will also be opportunities for task book sign-offs on both the Awareness and Operations pages.

The training will be on Saturday, October 7, probably up at the Lizard Rock area. More information and a Whoozin poll will be provided sometime in September.

MEDICAL MOMENT

by James Corbin, james.corbin@sarci.org

September's CE will be Lightning and Burns. 18:30-21:30 at the SARA House. CE for WFR/EMR/EMT-B/Paramedics will be provided.

SALT Wilderness First Aid: If you are interested in helping to teach a section to the new candidate class, be a scenario evaluator, or even a patient, please contact James Corbin at mountain.rescue.pa@gmail.com. We need lots of bodies to make this class successful, and teaching is one of the best ways to brush up on your medical knowledge and practical skills. You'll also get to work one-on-one with the new candidates and get to know them.

WFA dates are: 10/24 – evening, 10/26 – evening, 10/29 - all day

EMR: EMR books and resources are in the SARA Library for your use and review

Rescuer safety: Monsoon means the dew point is up, humidity is high, and risk of heat injury is actually higher than during the hotter but dryer times of the summer. Make sure you are not only staying hydrated but being cognizant of your performance status; shedding heat is much more difficult as evaporation cooling is less effective in higher humidity. Stay safe out there.

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, john.gorski@sarci.org

Our OEC refreshers were well attended. If you forgot to mark your calendar and you did not read your newsletter in a timely manner, your chance to take an OEC refresher in Tucson has passed.

Contact John Gorski and or Richard Kunz for more information on how to attend an OEC refresher at another location. Sunrise will be using the hybrid format for their refresher, which includes 1) OEC workbook, 2) online portion, 3) hands-on portion on November 4th.

Thank you to Joe Barr for printing of the visualization for this year's OEC refresher classes.

The group snack table was filled with the healthy and of course the not so healthy junk food items. Thank you to everyone who provided the group snacks to help make the time pass and provided some needed energy.

Work has already begun on our OEC Cycle "B" refresher for 2018.

CALLOUT REVIEWS

by Mykle Raymond, [SARCnewsletter @ sarci.org](mailto:SARCnewsletter@sarci.org)

| Date | Vol/Hrs/ Problem | Location | Resources |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Tue Aug 01 16/ 32/ | 3 hikers stranded | Main Trail, TV Canyon, Rincons | TucsonRanger |

20:15 – 22:15 Three hikers were stranded by floodwaters on the south slope across from the Main Trail. They requested help when the water level did not drop and sunset arrived. Tucson Ranger ferried them across the canyon.

Mission Hrs will now show total portal-to-portal times (not Rdvs). Mission times will now show Field IN/OUT times (not Rdvs).

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| Sun Aug 06 20/ 53/ | 48yf leg injury | TV Falls, Rincons | Sheriff1 E72 B72 R72 |
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15:40 – 16:45 A woman jumping into a pool had a leg injury, downstream from the Main Trail. RMFD, PCSD, and SARA personnel packaged her for a Sheriff1 hoist and she was delivered to the road.

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| Sat Aug 12 12/ 48/ | 70ym hiker exhausted | Butterfly Trail, Catalinas | MFLD |
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16:20 – 18:30 A male became exhausted while hiking the Butterfly Trail, partly due to effects of medications. Teams met him at the Butterfly Peak trail junction and saddle. O₂ was provided at low flow, and he hiked to the trailhead without further problems.

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| Wed Aug 16 14/ 58/ | 3 hikers lost | Sabino Basin, Catalinas | Survey1 |
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17:30 – 19:10 A group returning from Hutch's Pool became separated, with three missing the trail at Pine Creek Crossing and continuing up East Fork beyond the junction with the Palisades Trail. They found cellphone coverage and asked for help. The rest of their group was waiting at the end of the road, except for one that hiked back up trail to assist. The lost group had no other problems, so were directed back down trail, and were met by the Hasty Team a short distance beyond the Dam Site.

| 2017 Totals | Activities | People | Hours | Hrs/Per | Last 12 Mos |
|------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| Missions | 84 | 897 | 3122 | 3.5 | 129 |
| Trainings | 100 | 1204 | 5432 | 4.5 | 173 |
| Meetings | 38 | 355 | 792 | 2.2 | 63 |
| Public Relations | 12 | 30 | 102 | 3.4 | 16 |
| Special Events | 15 | 120 | 1144 | 9.5 | 18 |
| Activities | 76 | 270 | 1384 | 5.1 | 115 |
| TOTALS | 325 | 2876 | 11975 | 4.2 | 514 |

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SARCI Calendar – 2017

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| Aug 21 | Aug 22 | Aug 23 | Aug 24 Posse Meeting (18:30) | Aug 25 | Aug 26 AZbasicA Posse Gymkhana | Aug 27 AZbasicB SRDI Training |
| Aug 28 | Aug 29 SALT: AZbasic | Aug 30 | Aug 31 SALT: AZbasic | Sep 01 SARA Meeting (19:30) | Sep 02 SARA Training <i>Leadership</i> | Sep 03 |
| Sep 04 LABOR DAY | Sep 05 | Sep 06 SRDI Meetings (18:00) | Sep 07 | Sep 08 | Sep 09 SALT: AZbasic | Sep 10 AZbasicA SALT: AZbasic Divers Training <i>Lakeside Park Lake</i> |
| Sep 11 | Sep 12 SALT: Tech1 | Sep 13 | Sep 14 | Sep 15 | Sep 16 AZbasicA | Sep 17 AZbasicB SRDI Training |
| Sep 18 | Sep 19 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00) | Sep 20 | Sep 21 SARA Board (19:00) | Sep 22 | Sep 23 AZbasicB Posse Gymkhana | Sep 24 AZbasicA |
| Sep 25 | Sep 26 SALT: Tech2 | Sep 27 | Sep 28 SALT: Tech3 Posse Meeting (18:30) | Sep 29 | Sep 30 SALT: Tech4 | Oct 01 AZbasicB |
| Oct 02 | Oct 03 | Oct 04 SRDI Meetings (18:00) | Oct 05 | Oct 06 SARA Meeting (19:30) Tour White Mtns | Oct 07 SARA Training <i>Joint Training</i> Tour White Mtns | Oct 08 Divers Training |
| Oct 09 | Oct 10 | Oct 11 | Oct 12 | Oct 13 | Oct 14 SALT: NIMS, Truck & Equipment | Oct 15 |



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