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SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, 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.

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, divers @ sarci.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

 Feb 11
 09:00 Sun
 Monthly Training
 Poppkidz pool

 Mar 11
 09:00 Sun
 Monthly Training
 TBA

In January, we were dry and reviewed our DAN Neurological Assessment and dive emergency procedures. We inventoried our first-aid kit replacing batteries and out-of-date items.

We will hold our February training at the Poppkidz pool practicing underwater skills and line tender communications.

March training to be announced.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci.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: http://www.neotomasquadron.org

PIMA CO. SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

by Alex Hodge, gummhodge1 @ msn.com

POSSE CALENDAR

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

Feb 25 11:00 Sun Gymkhana (Books 11:00, Events 12:00) Pima County Fairgrounds

Great turn out for the Holiday Brunch and it included Austin and Martha Boosted!

Happy New Year everybody!

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

SRDI CALENDAR

Feb 07 18:00 Wed	Monthly Meetings	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Feb 16-18 Fri-Sun	Ann Christensen Workshop	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Feb 23-25 Fri-Sun	Ann Christensen Workshop	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Mar 07 18:00 Wed	Monthly Meetings	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Our condolences to Vi Brown as Snoopy has "passed over the Rainbow Bridge". Thanks to them both for many years of service to K9 SAR.

SRDI currently holds three certified dogs (air scent, and HRD), and three dogs in-training. We will update at least two certification protocols, and we're talking with neighboring counties about supporting each other for in-team certifications. SRDI currently has one dog that is nationally certified in Area Search (air scent) and HRD.

SRDI members will be immersed in this year's workshop hosting Ann Christensen. We are very happy to have fellow AZ K9SAR members joining us this year – Cochise, Pinal, Maricopa, and Coconino counties. We will have several handlers from Utah, Oklahoma, Texas, and Virginia.

SRDI is dedicated to providing highly qualified, highly trained dogs and handlers. Hundreds of hours (and \$\$) are spent each year attending workshops and seminars to ensure we are using the most current, scientific based training. SRDI's team goal this year is 100% compliance with Scientific Working Group on Dog and Orthogonal Detector Guidelines (SWGDOG), the current national guidelines for Scent Detection Dogs. These guidelines are undergoing revision and update through NIST, FBI, and the 20 member OSAC Dogs and Sensors Subcommittee. SRDI intends to be well prepared to step into the new standard guidelines once they become released.

Toward this purpose – to provide highly qualified and trained dogs and handlers – SRDI is pleased to announce that Karen Paquette is a graduate and Certified Training Partner with Karen Pryor Academy, a certified professional dog trainer, and a member of The Pet Professional Guild.

SARCI members are invited to join us for training at any time. If you are interested in attending one of our trainings, please email us at <u>K9 @ sarci2.org</u>, or <u>Karen.Paquette @ sarci.org</u>, or call Karen Paquette (275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month at the SARA House.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FACTS Spring Workshop	March 2018	TX
DStaal Detection	May 2018	CO
AZ K9SAR	May 2018	AZ
FIRS Workshop	June 2018	CO



SAMSAR CALENDAR

Feb 20 18:00 Tue

Board and General Meeting

49^{ers} Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

Slow end of the year for SAMSAR. GPS training always welcome and fun, thanks to Deb Mitchell and Kathryn Wade for setting this up. Course still set up out at the Empire Ranch for anyone who wants to practice. Contact Deb Mitchell for GPS locations.

SAMSAR was contacted by the woman who owns Medella Vina Ranch (old Pantano Stables). She has been following SAMSAR on FB and is interested in SAMSAR doing clinics and lectures to her guests on trail safety and preparedness on the trail!

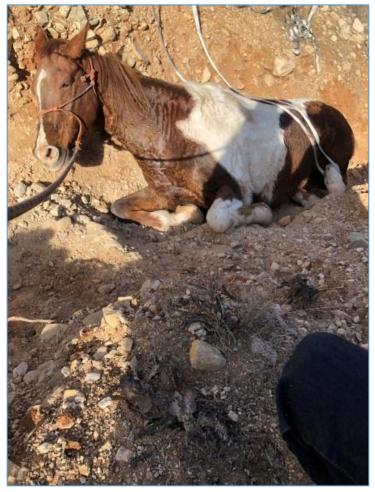
As far as call outs...well, you never know who is gonna come and carry out the injured ... could be Rudolph ... or Lucky Charm ... anything to make our subjects laugh and feel at ease.

George Herget is working on getting a large animal rescue class to certify members of SAMSAR. Currently George and Jerry are the only two who are certified. This decision has come after a call from a rider whose horse collapsed in a ravine on Loma Verde Trail. SAMSAR members Deb Mitchell, Colleen Leon and Jerry Simmons along with SAR deputies West, Boll and Raterink, 3 Park Rangers (including chief park ranger) and 5 Tanque Verde Guest Ranch wranglers and Veterinarian Anne Pierson-Wagner and Vet Tech Earl worked 6 1/2 hours on successfully getting this 24yr mare AND her injured rider out of the field. Park Service, and various veterinarians have expressed interest in being certified as well. SAMSAR was called out again to assist this mare a second time at her own property but sadly the mare had to be euthanized this time.

Seven years in the making to provide a professional equine rescue group and we finally were recognized for our hard work. Two conferences now: we have been asked to teach at the SAR Conference in Heber, AZ. Working with our SARA heros on all things SAR Equine, working and training with the National Park Service in Saguaro park on all things equine and setting up working with Rural Metro / AMR.

Thanks to Sgt. Maldonado and our SAR deputies for supporting us and guiding us ... and Thank You Sheriff Napier for recognizing our hard work with the Sheriff Commendation we received!

Membership: http://www.SAMSARaz.org for any and all information for membership.





SARA CALENDAR

19:30 Fri Feb 02 **SARA General Meeting** SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd Feb 03 08:00 Sat **Tanque Verde Falls Orientation** Circle K, Tanque Verde and Tanque Verde Loop Feb 15 **SARA Board Meeting** SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd 19:00 Thu Willow Springs Ranch 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo Feb 16-18 Fri-Sun Mar 02 19:30 Fri **SARA General Meeting** SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

SARA POLICY AMENDMENTS

by SARA Board of Directors, sarabod @ sarci.org

Several amendments to Section I. (Membership) of the SARA Policies have been provisionally approved by the SARA Board. The Policies, as amended, may be found on the SARA Documents page of the SARCI website (ask Records if you forget). These will be discussed at the January and February general meetings. Please attend at least one of those meetings, and questions will be answered.

SARA TRAINING: Tech Skills

by Jen Dempsey, jen.dempsey @ sarci.org

Evaluations for the Technical Skills Task Book may be done at the monthly general meeting or at any meeting, training, activity, or event to which the entire membership has been invited. This includes missions, although opportunities for sign-offs may be limited. A roster must be provided to Records with the names of all evaluators and of the Members being evaluated.

SARA TRAINING: January

by Jen Dempsey, <u>jen.dempsey</u> @ <u>sarci.org</u>

The February monthly training will be the Tanque Verde Falls Orientation and technical evolution. We will be meeting at the Circle K near the intersection of Tanque Verde and Tanque Verde Loop no later than 08:00 on Saturday February 3. We will cover overlooks in the area, the location of anchors, LZs and some lesser known ways to move around the area. In addition we will run through an evolution on a technical system as an alternative option for bringing patients out of the canyon when the helicopter is not an option.

For this training you will need a full rescue pack. In addition bring a seat/chest harness if you have one.

This is an orange card sign off, and there may be some opportunities for technical sign offs as well.

Please RSVP via the whoozin link if you plan to attend: http://whoozin.com/JTN-R6D-NEJV.

If you have any questions please email Super Jen at dempsejc@gmail.com.

24 HOURS IN THE OLD PUEBLO

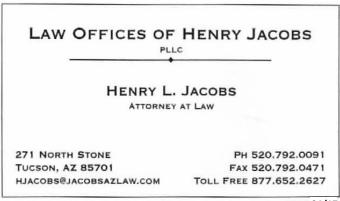
by Cathy Wasmann, cathy.wasmann @ sarci.org

This year, the 24 HOP will be held on February 16-18. SARA's primary obligation is to provide medical support during the race, February 17-18. A small crew is needed the afternoon of Friday the 16th to provide care for those pre-riding the course. In addition, we will need six to eight people to erect the medical tent mid to late afternoon on Thursday February 15.

This is a great event and provides terrific hands-on practice for your medical skills. We typically treat >75 patients (the record is 135) so there is plenty for everyone to do. To participate, you must be a fully field-qualified member of SARA at the time of the event. This includes both current medical (WFR-Pro, or higher, and CPR) and field-skills certifications. Qualified candidates are welcome and encouraged to participate.

The Pinal County Permit for this race has some stipulations regarding staffing. Therefore, it is crucial that you let me know if you would like to participate and the hours you would like to work, so that I can make a schedule addressing Pinal County's, Epic Rides', and our (SARA's) requirements. While we can accommodate most personal schedules, a shift of four hours is the useful minimum length. Round trip travel time to the venue is 2.5-3 hours.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I will send informational emails as we near the time of the event. Also, the Epic Rides website has much useful information about the 24 HOP.



A former member has donated a Navajo rug to SARA to be sold for the benefit of our organization. I have had various individuals opine as to its value, however only recently has a business offered to buy it. The price is \$325.00.

As I'm sure the donor would wish to maximize the value to SARA, I am holding an auction. Any interested party should submit their bid to me via email before Thursday, 15 February. High bid over \$325.00 takes it. Should a tie occur, the parties with the identical bids will have an opportunity to raise their offer.

Bids outside the Tucson area are welcome, however shipping and insurance are not included.

The rug was purchased in 1959 from the Don Watson Trading Post, Cortez, CO and measures 34 x 67 inches. It has been wall hung but never walked on. The rug will be on display in the boardroom at the SARA House during the monthly meeting on 2 February.



Date Vol/Hrs/ Problem Location Resources

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

Fri Jan 05 3/ 4/ 80ym hiker exhausted Bear Canyon Rd, Catalinas RMFD

No field times A hiker was having problems on the trail parallel to the road. A small team was requested in case a stokes ride was needed. He was able to walk over to the road with help.

Sat Jan 06 19/149/ 2 hikers lost West Fork Sabino, Catalinas Survey1

Survey1 TucRanger

20:10-08:40 Two female hikers were looking for Hutchs' Pool and wound up further up West Fork before calling for help. A hasty team was near Hutchs' and met three men hiking down the mountain who were low on supplies. The women were retrieved, the men were met near Hutchs' and escorted to Pine Creek. One of the men was exhausted, and a team camped with him at the Radio Relay while the rest hiked out. Tucson Ranger retrieved the rest in the morning.

Mon Jan 08 10/ 10/ 58yf fainting Canyon Loop, CatStPk, Catalinas GRFD CSP

No field times A hiker fainted on the Canyon Loop. Golder Fire hiked clockwise to the scene, thinking that was the best way out and requested help. She was assisted to the road end just above, where a ride waited. We were cancelled.

Sat Jan 13 21/ 71/ 30yf fall injury TV Canyon, Rincons Ranger1 RMFD

16:30 – 18:30 A hiker fell, hit her head, and was unable to walk. Ranger1 arrived from Phoenix, hoisted the patient and flew to the hospital. A technical system in the Main Chute was available as a backup plan.

Sun Jan 14 18/ 54/ 32yf climber fall Windy Point, Catalinas Ranger1 MLFD RMFD

14:00 – 14:30 A climber fell and pendulumed across the rock face. She was complaining of back spasms and her hand was lacerated. While Ranger1 was enroute from Phoenix, she was assisted up to the road.

Fri Jan 19 9/26/65yf hiker ill, C900 Sutherland Trail, Catalinas Ranger58 GRFD CSP

08:30 – 09:35 A hiker was noticed to have some facial drooping, then she collapsed. CPR was performed until medics arrived. After she was pronounced to have deceased, teams carried her to the trailhead.

Sun Jan 21 21/86/32yf climber fall injury Milagrosa Canyon, Catalinas TucsonRanger RMFD

14:55 – 17:30 A climber was injured at the waterfalls below the trail crossing. She was packaged and short-hauled to the road.

Sat Jan 27 14/54/63yf hiker ankle injury Pima Canyon, Catalinas RMFD

13:40 – 16:20 A hiker injured her ankle about 1.5 miles up canyon. She was packaged and carried out by stokes.

Sun Jan 28 17/ 66/ 34ym hiker ankle injury TV Main Falls, Rincons TucsonRanger RMFD

13:55 – 15:40 A hiker injured his ankle at the Main Falls on a windy day. Tucson Ranger landed on the beach and ferried the patient to the road.

Tue Jan 30 7/ 19/ Mtn bike crash 50 Year Trail area, Catalinas GRFD

No field times A mountain bike crashed. The rider complained of hip pain. Golder Ranch personnel used a UTV to get close to the North Boundary of Catalina State Park, then accessed the scene on one of the many trails near the 50 Year Trail. Assistance with carrying the patient was requested, however the patient was nearly back to the UTV by the time SAR people were in the area.

Final 2017 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	123	1281	4356	3.4	123
Trainings	173	2260	10686	4.7	173
Meetings	53	460	1014	2.2	53
Public Relations	15	40	141	3.5	15
Special Events	24	159	1425	9.0	24
Activities	110	381	1977	5.2	110
TOTALS	498	4581	19599	4.4	498

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2018 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	12	141	552	3.9	126
Trainings	10	109	406	3.7	172
Meetings	2	15	38	2.5	51
Public Relations	1	1	2	2.0	16
Special Events	2	6	17	2.8	26
Activities	8	34	165	4.9	111
TOTALS	35	306	1180	3.9	502

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SARCI Calendar - 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 01	Feb 02	Feb 03	Feb 04
HAM Class				SARA Meeting (19:30)	SARA Training Tanque Verde Falls	
Feb 05	Feb 06	Feb 07	Feb 08	Feb 09	Feb 10	Feb 11
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)				Divers Training
Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17	Feb 18
			SARA Board (19:00)	24 НОР	24 НОР	24 НОР
Feb 19	Feb 20	Feb 21	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25
	SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)		Posse Meeting (18:30)			Posse Gymkhana (11:00)
Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	Mar 01	Mar 02	Mar 03	Mar 04
				SARA Meeting (19:30)	SARA Training (TBD)	
Mar 05	Mar 06	Mar 07	Mar 08	Mar 09	Mar 10	Mar 11
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)				Divers Training
Mar 12	Mar 13	Mar 14	Mar 15 SARA Board (1900)	Mar 16	Mar 17	Mar 18
Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24	Mar 25
	SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)		Posse Meeting (18:30)			
Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 01
Apr 02	Apr 03	Apr 04	Apr 05	Apr 06	Apr 07	Apr 08
		SRDI Meetings (18:00)		SARA Meeting (20:00)	SARA Training (TBD)	Divers Training



SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL, INC.

P.O.Box 44231, Tucson AZ 85733 Meet 3rd 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 2nd 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 1st Fri 19:30, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd.

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS

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