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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.

NEW TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

by SARCI Records, records @ sarci.org

This is a reminder of some training requirements:

Bloodborne Pathogens Awareness training - needs to be done annually. Check your status on the SARCI Field Qual Report (available on the SARCI Data page) in the "BBP" column. It shows the year and month (YYMM) that your training expires.

If you need this training, contact your team leadership.

AZBasicSAR – must have been done after 2012. Check your status on the SARCI Field Qual Report in the "AZ Basic" Column. If this field is shaded yellow you must take a current version of this training.

If you need this 16-hour training, advise Records of your availability so we can schedule at appropriate times.

Sometime over the next few months these will formally become SARCI Field Qualification requirements. Don't delay!

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, divers @ sarci.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

Nov 11 09:00 Sun O9:00 Sun SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd Dec 09 09:00 Sun Training Meeting SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

On August 27th, Divers were requested to search for evidence at a local lake. This was a shallow water search. October's training was to be held at Kennedy Lake and because of weather and other issues we opted to go dry. We discussed SAR Open House, the upcoming vote for the SARCI Board meeting, future team needs, training locations and topics.

We will meet in November at the SARA House for our Annual Meeting, elections of officers and pot luck. We will inspect and perform needed maintenance on all our dive equipment and help clean up the SARA House for the Open House as time permits.

In December, we will be doing our annual Altitude Diving Tables and O₂ Provider refresher training at the SARA House.

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap @ sarci.org

CAP SQUADRON CALENDAR

Sundays 15:30-18:00 **Golder Ranch Fire Station #380**

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: Robert McCord, <u>cap @ sarci.org</u> Web site: <u>http://www.neotomasquadron.org</u>

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Nov 20 18:00 Tue

Board and General Meeting

Forty Niner Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

Seems business of SAR is picking up some. Big ones, overnighters ...

SAMSAR, SARA and RMFD getting ready for training. New SARA candidates and RMFD members will train at Mule Power Farms in December. Will have parking attendants and asking everyone to "buddy up" as parking is very limited. SARA will stage at 106 and buddy on over. Thanks SUPAH Jen for that great suggestion!

We have two new interested parties and check outs and training starting!

For public relations we have Collier School November 7th.

Happy Trails!!

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

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, karen.paquette @ sarci.org

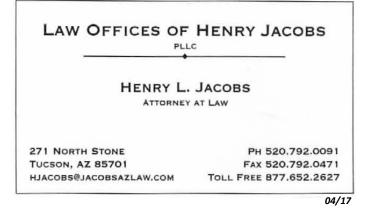
SRDI CALENDAR

Nov 0718:00 WedMonthly MeetingsSARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon RdDec 0518:00 WedMonthly MeetingsSARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

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

Ann Christensen Workshops Feb 2019 Tucson
AZ State SAR Conference May 2019 Heber





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SARA CALENDAR

Nov 02	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Nov 03	08:00 Sat	Training: Wide Area Search Management	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Nov 15	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Nov 17	08:00 Sat	Mt. Baldy 60th Anniversary Hike	Madera Canyon Trailhead
Nov 18	13:00-17:00 Sun	SAR Open House	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
Dec 07	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

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SARA TRAINING

by Jen Dempsey, jen.dempsey @ sarci.org

Training

November's monthly training will be the basics of wide area search management and clue awareness. It will be held Saturday November 3rd at the SARA House starting at 08:00. There will be an outdoor exercise so make sure you are prepared to go outside.

This training is open to ALL SARA members including those in the current SALT class. You are required to RSVP with this whoozin link: http://whoozin.com/9KM-W6G-RA7T by 10/31. Contact Super Jen at jen.dempsey@sarci.org with any questions.

SALT

The final SALT exercise will be on Saturday November 10th from 8am until about noon. Any individuals able to help would this can register with this whoozin link: http://whoozin.com/EMN-J43-FNDW or email Jen Dempsey at jen.dempsey@sarci.org.

The SALT class will be celebrating the completion of the program on Sunday November 11th with a pot luck starting at noon. All SARA members are invited to attend with their families. Please bring a dish to pass.

MRA RECERTIFICATION

by John Bechman, john.bechman @ sarci.org

We all should know that SARA is a Mountain Rescue Association (MRA) member. As such, we are required to maintain our certification. To do so, we periodically demonstrate our competence in rescue techniques, processes and methods.

Last winter, SARA was scheduled to perform our winter recertification. Because of the lack of snow, MRA granted us a delay to the upcoming winter. The recertification consists, as a minimum, of a snow beacon search, rescue of the victim, medical treatment and sled transport of the person. Recertification may also include an avalanche probe line and snow anchor construction.

This year is complicated by the fact that CAMRA (Phoenix SAR) was also given a bye by MRA. As a result, we are coordinating our re-certification with CAMRA.

Coconino County Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue is coordinating the evaluators.

SARA plans to do this recertification January 19th and 20th with travel on January 18th. Saturday will have one team re-cert and the other on Sunday. Teams will return home on Sunday. SARA's December 8th training class will consist of winter skills training to prepare us for the re-cert.

The location is tentatively set for Flagstaff's Snow Bowl Ski Resort. We are in the process of finding accommodations. We are evaluating Fort Tuthill's facilities. That site has a hotel, cabins and YURTS.

To successfully pass this critical exercise, SARA is need of 25 members to commit to the upcoming training and re-cert exercise. The commitment will result in fun days playing in the snow using snowshoes, crampons and snow beacons.

Each member must have adequate personal clothing and the standard rescue pack. SARA does have the bulk of needed winter gear snowshoes etc. Personal equipment capabilities are welcome. Any issues will be sorted out prior.

Contact John Bechman if you are interested. We are sending out this invite now because the holidays always are a scheduling issue for most of us.

JIM CLICK RAFFLE

by John Perchorowicz, john.perchorowicz @ sarci.org

Jim Click (one of our building sponsors) has once again initiated the Millions for Tucson raffle. Prizes include a 1st prize platinum edition Jeep Cherokee, 2nd prize of \$5,000 and 3rd prize two round trip air tickets anywhere (restrictions apply) in the world. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Best of all, SARA retains 100% of the ticket price. Tickets can be obtained from the SARA Store. John Perchorowicz will hand deliver tickets in Tucson to anyone purchasing five or more in a single transaction. The raffle runs until early December. Please think about at least one ticket for yourself and one for a friend.

OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, john.gorski @ sarci.org

Your next opportunity for an OEC refresher will be November 4th, 2018 at Sunrise, White Mountains. Sunrise will be using the hybrid format for their refresher, which includes 1) OEC workbook; 2) on-line portion; 3) hands-on portion on November 4th.

Thanks to all the OEC instructors for your continuing support of the OEC program.

Watch the newsletter for updates on the OEC Cycle "C" refresher for 2019.

Date

Resources

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

Fri Oct 05 11/86/ 26ym missing Butterfly Trailhead area, Catalinas TPD

09:30-13:55 The vehicle belonging to a male missing for a month was found at the Butterfly Trailhead, and additional evidence suggested he was still in the area. TPD provided ten people for search teams. Teams searched steep slopes in nearby areas without finding the subject.

Sun Oct 07 14/27/47yf hiker ankle injury x5 Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas

13:45 – 14:45 A hiker injured her ankle on the Bear Canyon Trail and requested help. Other hikers helped her down-trail until meeting the hasty team. She was splinted and rode the litter to the vehicles.

Mon Oct 08 11/34/26ym bike rider missing Mt.Lemmon Trail, Catalinas

No field times A bike rider was overdue from the top of Mt Lemmon. As teams were ready to start into the field, contact was made with the rider: he was doing fine and almost back to the top.

Sun Oct 14 15/40/50yf swiftwater rescue x3 Sabino Canyon, Catalinas Sheriff1 RMFD

10:10 – 11:10 A woman was washed by floodwater off of bridge 3 and wound up perched on a rock with injuries. Teams reached her and found that she would not be able to wade to shore. Sheriff1 hoisted her to the Overlook.

Mon Oct 15 9/ 79/ 75ym hiker injured back Linda Vista Saddle, Catalinas Sheriff1 RMFD

20:45-08:00 A hiker started early and was returning from Mt.Kimball when his back became very painful. As rain moved in, a team hiked to meet him at Linda Vista Saddle. In the morning the rain had passed and the hiker was able to move down trail to the Corner where Sheriff1 picked him up, and then the rest of the team.

Sat Oct 20 13/106/ 52ym hiker missing Sabino Canyon area, Catalinas

23:05 – 05:50 A hiker was overdue and his vehicle was found at the Vistors Center. He had not left any plans with family or friends. Teams covered the lower trails, from Hutchs' Pool and Sycamore Basin and down.

Sun Oct 21 29/236/ 52ym hiker missing Sabino Canyon area, Catalinas Sheriff1 RMFD

08:25 – 19:10 The search continued with a couple of teams inserted high and other teams covering stream bottoms and other trails. In the afternoon a report was received about a group seeing another person below them in a canyon bottom. Once the location was sorted out, this report was not related to our search. The hiker had gone up Esperero and lost the trail near Window Peak, then worked his way down the ridge until reaching a road. Others gave him a ride to the Visitors Center, where he was checked out and transported to a hospital.

Sun Oct 28 11/18/70yf hiker exhausted Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas RMFD

No field times A hiker was reported exhausted half-way to 7 Falls. While a hasty team started up trail, other reports were being checked that she was on the trail to Lower Sabino. She was found near the Visitors Center. The hasty team didn't get far.

2018 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	84	1019	3802	3.7	99
Trainings	141	1627	7428	4.6	164
Meetings	62	489	1044	2.1	68
Public Relations	31	100	353	3.5	31
Special Events	13	117	1109	9.5	15
Activities	92	326	1700	5.2	109
TOTALS	423	3678	15436	4.2	486

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SARCI Calendar – 2018 - 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31 Halloween	Nov 01	Nov 02 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Nov 03 SARA Training Search Operations	Nov 04 OEC Refresher Sunrise
Nov 05	Nov 06 Election Day SARA SALT Exercises	Nov 07 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Nov 08 Medical CME SARA SALT Exercises	Nov 09	Nov 10 SARA SALT Evaluations	Nov 11 Divers Training Annual Meeting SARA SALT Graduation!!
Nov 12 Veteran's Day (observed)	Nov 13	Nov 14	Nov 15 SARA Board (19:00)	Nov 16	Nov 17 El Tour de Tucson Mt.Baldy 60 th Anniversary Memorial Hike	Nov 18 SAR Open House
Nov 19	Nov 20 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Nov 21	Nov 22 Thanksgiving	Nov 23	Nov 24	Nov 25
Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01	Dec 02
Dec 03	Dec 04	Dec 05 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Dec 06	Dec 07 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Dec 08 SARA Training Winter Skills	Dec 09 Divers Training
Dec 10	Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13 Medical CME	Dec 14	Dec 15 WFA Class	Dec 16 WFA Class
Dec 17	Dec 18 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Dec 19	Dec 20 SARA Board (19:00)	Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23
Dec 24 Christmas Eve	Dec 25 Christmas	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30
Dec 31 New Years Eve	Jan 01, 2019 New Years Day	Jan 02 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Jan 03	Jan 04 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Jan 05 SARA Training TBA	Jan 06



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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.

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, 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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Mt. Baldy 60th Anniversary Memorial Hike

On November 15th 1958 a tragedy unfolded in the Santa Rita Mountains South of Tucson when six Boy Scouts embarked on a hike with the goal of reaching the summit of Mt. Wrightson known at the time as "Old Baldy". Only three of the boys survived the night when an unexpected and unprecedented snow storm overtook the area dropping seven feet of snow in the mountains and a blanket of snow in Tucson.









A hike will be held on November 17th 2018 to mark the 60th anniversary of these events.

Ralph Coltrin, one of the boys who survived that night and now a man in his 70's, will be present. Representatives of the Southern Arizona Rescue Association, founded as a result of the tragedy, will participate. Organizations that participated in the rescue efforts that will also be invited to participate in the hike are the Pima County Sheriff Department, Santa Cruz County Sheriff Department, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, and US Army Fort Huachuca.

The goal is to have as many Boy Scout Troops and Cub Scout Packs participate in the hike as possible. Each Troop and Pack that would like to participate will be required to have at least two properly trained and registered adult leaders present for each segment of the hike their Scouts will be completing and be in compliance with all Youth Protection policies. The Troop and Pack leadership will be responsible for their own Scouts during the hike, must be aware and confident of the abilities of the participating Scouts, and bring their Scout's BSA Health Forms.







The Special Addition Council Patch shown above is available for purchase for \$10 while supplies last.

There will be four levels of participation for Scouts to choose from.

- 1. The Send Off and group photo. Meet with the group at the Old Baldy Trail Head in Madera Canyon to wish the group safe travels and see them off. The trail head is located at the extreme end of the road into Madera Canyon and is approximately a 1 hour 15 minute drive from Tucson. The group photo will be taken at 7:45 sharp. Please plan your drive time appropriately to arrive no later than 7:30 at the trail head. Class A uniform shirts are required of Scouts and Leaders for the photo. The hike will commence promptly ay 8:00 am.
- 2. Josephine Saddle. Hike to the Josephine Saddle to view the Memorial that has been erected there. This is a five mile round trip hike with a 1640' elevation gain and is rated on All Trails as "Moderate". The trail head is at an elevation of 5440' and the trail is well shaded. A good strong pace will have the group arriving at the Josephine Saddle at 9:30. This group should remain in the area so they may hear the playing of taps from the Wreath Laying Ceremony at 10:00 before taking their return hike to the parking lot.

- 3. Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony. Nearly One mile beyond the Josephine Saddle and down a steep slope there are three crosses that mark the location where each of the departed boys came to a rest and were discovered over two weeks after the storm and following the largest man hunt in Arizona history. Due to the terrain in this area, the risk of injury on the steep slope, the sensitive environment, and out of respect for the location: only four scouts will be allowed to complete this segment. Please contact me to discuss a Scout you wish to nominate to lay a wreath. Three scouts will be pre-selected from nominations made by their Scout Masters to lay a wreath at one of the crosses while taps is played on the bugle from the slope above. If a Troop has a Scout interested and qualified to play Taps on the Bugle, please make me aware. The sound of the bugle should be audible from the Josephine Saddle. Class A uniform shirts will be required on the Scouts participating in the Ceremony, which should take place at 10:00. This group may then make the return hike to the Josephine Saddle where they may elect to continue on to the Summit or return to the parking lot.
- 4. Hike to the Summit of Mount Wrightson. This segment should only be attempted by those who have trained and are prepared for an all day excursion of nearly a 4000 foot elevation gain and a 10 mile round trip that is rated on All Trails as "Difficult". The summit is 9456 feet above sea level, the air is thin and the trail is steep. Troops that participate in the full hike should have a representative Scout bring their troop flag to be unfurled at the summit where taps will be played again in honor of the Scouts who lost their lives. The views from the peak are spectacular as you look from a summit 300 feet higher than Mount Lemmon, Tucson sits 7000 feet below, and all the high peaks of Southern Arizona are visible on a clear day. Class A uniforms are required for the summit photo with all participating Troop flags. In the interest of time, groups may elect to press on from the Jospehine Saddle and not wait for the playing of taps at that location. All groups participating in this segment should attempt to make the summit by 12:00 noon. The group photo with the Troop and Pack flags will be taken at 1:00. The groups may elect to stay on the summit as long or briefly as they choose before making the decent to the parking lot.

Class A uniform shirts may be worn over hiking clothes for the photos and ceremonies and may be removed and carried in packs during hiking portions for comfort.

Everyone participating must each have the ten essenentials.

Non-Scout Family members are welcome, but must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Getting There: The Old Baldy Trail Head is located in Madera Canyon, which is approximately a 1 hour and 15 minute drive south of Tucson. Head south on I-19 from I-10 to Exit 63 at Continental Road, then drive east 1.2 miles to Whitehouse Canyon Road and follow for 7.3 miles, then turn south on Madera Canyon Road and follow 4.8 miles to the parking area at the very end. Carpooling is strongly encouraged as Parking is limited and drivers must bring \$5 in cash for the self-pay parking permit.

Please contact me for more details and with all your questions, and especially if you plan to attend and participate.

Tim Harris

Eagle Scout, Troop 100, 1985

Assistant Scout Master, Troop 007

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SEARCH AND RESCUE

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18,2018 1:00 - 5:00pm

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION (SARA)
HEADQUARTERS AND TRAINING FACILITY
5990 N SABINO CANYON ROAD
TUCSON, ARIZONA

"Open House held on permitted Coronado National Forest, Catalina District Land"





- Learn about SARA's history
- View tribute to the November 1958 Tragedy on Mt. Baldy
- · Browse through SARA's Scrap Books
- · View displays of SAR equipment used throughout SARA's history
- Meet former and current SARA members
- Attend Outdoor Safety Presentation
- Attend Children's Outdoor Safety Presentation