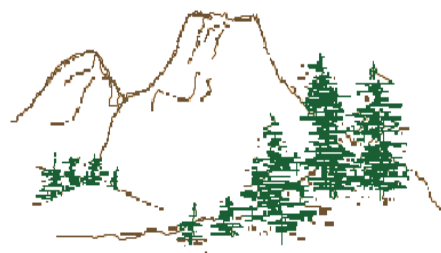




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## SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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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.

### **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.

### **SAR RADIO CHANNEL NAME CHANGE**

by Andy Lamb, [Andy.Lamb @ sarci.org](mailto:Andy.Lamb@sarci.org)

The names of our SAR channels have changed to better reflect SAR usage around Arizona.

Frequency: 155.160 MHz Tone: 127.3 Hz

New Name: **STATE SAR** Suggested mnemonic for radio programming: ST SAR

Old Name: MRA

Frequency: 155.220 MHz Tone: 110.9 Hz

New Name: **PIMA SAR**

Old Name: RESCUE

### **SARCI MEDICAL TRAINING**

by Josh Nelson, [josh.nelson @ sarci.org](mailto:josh.nelson@sarci.org)

Medical classes are available to members of all SARCI component groups. A listing of classes is included in the SARA section below.

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

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

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

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, [divers @ sarci.org](mailto:divers@sarci.org)

### **DIVERS CALENDAR**

Oct 13 08:00 Sun

**Training Meeting**

Lakeside Lake

Nov 10 09:00 Sun

**Training and Annual Meeting**

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

Dec 08 09:00 Sun

**Altitude and O<sub>2</sub>**

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

In September with thunderstorms fast approaching overhead and through the morning, we declared it a dry session. We discussed the importance of maintaining OEC for the safety of our teammates in remote locations and performed maintenance on the sonar transducers.

For October, we are discussing to return to Lakeside to test the modification to our sonar transducers. We are also planning on diving on a few identified targets found by our side scan sonar in August.

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.

In December, we will be doing our annual review of Altitude Diving Tables and O<sub>2</sub> Provider refresher training at the SARA House.

## **SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.**

by Karen Paquette, [karen.paquette@sarci.org](mailto:karen.paquette@sarci.org)

### **SRDI CALENDAR**

Oct 02    18:00 Wed                      **Monthly Meetings**

SARA 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 [K9@sarci2.org](mailto:K9@sarci2.org), or [Karen.Paquette@sarci.org](mailto:Karen.Paquette@sarci.org), or call Karen Paquette (275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month at the SARA House.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

FACTS	October 2019	Texas
Ann Christensen Workshop	February 2020	Tucson, AZ
AZK9 SARCON	May 2020	TBD

## **SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE**

by Colleen Leon, [colleen.leon@sarci.org](mailto:colleen.leon@sarci.org)

### **SAMSAR CALENDAR**

Oct 15    18:00 Tue                      **Board and General Meeting**

Forty Niner Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

Weather's been hot ... rescues slow. Guess that is a good thing. Waiting for our "summer birds" to return. Really appreciating SARA and the WFA training we are able to send members to. CPR Awareness training for Corpus Christi Catholic youth group postponed till October 27th. Everyone stay safe!

## **SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION**

[SARA@sarci.org](mailto:SARA@sarci.org)

### **SARA CALENDAR**

<u>Oct 04</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA General Meeting</b>
<u>Oct 04-05</u>	<u>Fri-Sat</u>	<b>Tour of the White Mountains</b>
<u>Oct 06</u>	<u>07:30 Sun</u>	<b>MRA Recert Preparation III</b>
<u>Oct 17</u>	<u>19:00 Thur</u>	<b>SARA Board Meeting</b>
<u>Oct 19</u>	<u>07:30 Sat</u>	<b>MRA Recertification</b>
<u>Nov 01</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	<b>SARA General Meeting</b>
<u>Nov 02</u>	<u>TBA</u>	<b>SARA Training</b>

SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd  
Pinetop, AZ  
Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy  
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Meet: Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy  
SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd  
TBA

### **OEC MEDICAL CERTIFICATION**

by Chris Yamanaka, [chris.yamanaka@sarci.org](mailto:chris.yamanaka@sarci.org)

A representative cross section of SARA, including Board members, EMTs and other medical professionals, NR EMRs, OEC holders, and the co-chairs of the Medical Training and Standards Committee, met with Doug Crunk from the Arizona Department of Health Services on September 11, 2019 to clarify roles, responsibilities and state statutory requirements with respect to medical certifications for SARA field-active Rescuers and Candidates. The notes from this discussion and a roster of those participating were disseminated to the SARA membership on September 16 via email.

As a result of new information gleaned from the September 11 discussion, the Board of Directors is proposing an interim six-month delay in the retirement date for the OEC certification, previously enacted as a SARA policy change in early 2018. The OEC retirement date would be changed from January 1, 2020 to July 1, 2020 under this proposed new policy. This delay will afford the Medical Training and Standards Committee and the Board of Directors the opportunity to process the new information obtained from the state, evaluate our current certifications and requirements, and devise a path forward that will best meet the needs of SARA and the community while satisfying all statutory and other established requirements.

Since this proposal constitutes a change to SARA's Membership policies, the proposal will be presented for member comment at the next two SARA monthly meetings per our policies, to be followed by a Board vote on the proposed policy change.

The specific policy amendment is as follows:

From the SARA Policies:

I. Membership

F. Qualifications

5. Outdoor Emergency Care (OEC) will be accepted as a medical training for field qualification for Candidates and Rescuers until January 1, 2020.

shall be amended to:

I. Membership

F. Qualifications

5. Outdoor Emergency Care (OEC) will be accepted as a medical training for field qualification for Candidates and Rescuers until July 1, 2020.

## SARA TRAINING

by Dale Mann, [dale.mann@sarci.org](mailto:dale.mann@sarci.org)

In preparation for the MRA technical rope rescue recertification in October, we will have several trainings (The first of these was the monthly training for August and the second in September). The third MRA training will also be the October monthly training. Some members will be attending the bike race in Pinetop on Saturday, October 5, so the training will be held on Sunday, October 6. Meet at 106, NLT 07:30; bring your full rescue pack and your seat and chest harnesses.

The MRA recertification is on Saturday, October 19. Meet at 106, NLT 07:30, and travel to the Box Camp Trailhead. If you want to participate in this event, you must have attended one or more of the above rehearsals so that you'll be able to fit in where needed.

## OEC CORNER

by John Gorski, [john.gorski@sarci.org](mailto:john.gorski@sarci.org)

If you missed either of the OEC refreshers, you have one last chance to take an OEC refresher in Tucson, on Saturday, October 26, 2019. Contact John Gorski and/or Richard Kunz for more information on how to attend this OEC refresher.

If you miss the last chance in Tucson, the next opportunity for an OEC refresher will be November 2, 2019 at Sunrise, White Mountains. Sunrise will be using the hybrid format for their refresher, which includes 1) OEC workbook; 2) on-line portion; and 3) hands-on portion. Please contact Kristin at [klgunckel@gmail.com](mailto:klgunckel@gmail.com) if you plan on attending the sunrise OEC refresher. F060190008 is the course number for the Sunrise refresher.

To pay your dues, wait for an e-mail notification that you have been billed for 2020. Your 2019 dues are only good through 12/31/19.

To obtain an emailed copy of your membership or OEC card, send an email with your name and ID to [memberservices@nsp.org](mailto:memberservices@nsp.org).

## SARA MEDICAL TRAINING

by Josh Nelson, [josh.nelson@sarci.org](mailto:josh.nelson@sarci.org)

Below are the medical training currently being offered by the SARA Medical Committee. These training are open to members of all SARCI component groups plus the Caver SME's. Advanced registration via Whoozin is required for all classes to ensure sufficient instructors / materials. If sufficient registrations are not received by one week prior to the class, the class may be cancelled. All training will be held at the SARA House.

**Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR):** AHA Basic Life Support for the Healthcare Professionals with QCPR Biofeedback Manikins. A minimum of 4 participants is necessary to host the class. Participants are required to bring their own face masks / face shields. \$5 fee to cover AHA fees for issuing CPR card. Payment by check only, made out to Southern Arizona Rescue Association.

October 15, 2019 (Tues, 18:00 - 21:00)

<https://whoozin.com/JY3-CJJ-PVPW-DK7F/>

**Wilderness First Aid (WFA):** For those needing WFA, the following sessions are scheduled. Minimum 4 students needed to host the class. There are no fees or required materials for this course. Weekday sessions will be held from 18:00 - 22:00 and Weekend sessions from 08:00 - 17:00.

October 7, 9, 14, 16 (Mon, Wed, Mon, Wed):

November 23, 24 (Sat, Sun):

December 14, 15 (Sat, Sun):

<https://whoozin.com/WJU-AWA-GTE3-ORDW/>

<https://whoozin.com/6GY-CF9-XUNC-C4JJ/>

<https://whoozin.com/RHP-79Q-D46F-6Y9M/>

**Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP):** It is an AZ state requirement that all search and rescue volunteers take an OSHA BBP class once per year. Eventually members will be able to take this online on the SARA website, but until this system is available we will continue offering in-person classes.

October 22 (Tues, 18:30 - 20:30):

December 02 (Mon, 18:30 - 20:30): (BBP and Nalaxone)

<https://whoozin.com/MAX-WC6-36DJ-UYAP>

<https://whoozin.com/7DK-VKM-3GU3-TKV9>

**Nalaxone Administration:** Due to the nation-wide opioid crisis, the State of Arizona recommends all first responders be trained in the administration of Naloxone. SARA offers this optional training to all SARCI members free of charge. To remain current it is recommended rescuers re-take this training once every two years.

December 02 (Mon, 18:30 - 20:30): (BBP and Nalaxone)

<https://whoozin.com/7DK-VKM-3GU3-TKV9>

**Wilderness Emergency Medical Responder (WEMR):** Preliminary dates for the Fall 2020 WEMR class are from August 11, 2020 to October 17, 2020. Classes will be on Tuesday / Thursday evenings from 18:00 - 22:00 every week with two all-day Saturday classes (dates TBD). Registration will be open once the dates are finalized.

The cost of the class will be identical to the 2019 WEMR class at \$275 per person, with \$75 being returned to the student upon successfully passing the NREMT EMR exam. Registration fees include the course book and course specific materials.

## TOUR OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

by Cathy Wasmann, [cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu](mailto:cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu)

SARA will provide medical support for the 2019 Tour of the White Mountains (TOWM) mountain bike event. This year's ToWM will be held Sat, October 5, in Pinetop-Lakeside. This is a one-day event with most people returning to Tucson after dinner on Saturday.

To participate, you must be a fully field-qualified member of SARA at the time of the event. This includes both current medical (WFR + Blue Card, WFR-Pro, OEC, EMT) and field-skills certifications. Qualified candidates are welcome.

No one need pay for their housing, unless they wish separate accommodations. Epic Rides will provide two rooms for Friday night. The rooms will be shared occupancy.

Additional information about this event can be found on the Epic Rides website ([epicrides.com](http://epicrides.com)).

If you would like to participate, or have questions, please email Cathy Wasmann at [cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu](mailto:cwasmann@ag.arizona.edu) or call her at 784-1784. In order to receive future informational emails about this event, you must let Cathy know that you are interested.

## RETIRED HARDWARE SALE

by SARA BoD, [saraboard@sarci.org](mailto:saraboard@sarci.org)

The Board has authorized the sale of some of our retired hardware. There are two models of locking carabiners (\$3 each), several Rescuenders (\$10 each), a few rappel racks (\$20 each), and a very few pulleys (\$3 each). In order to give everyone an opportunity to buy this gear, there will be a limit of five carabiners per Member for the time being, and no more than two Rescuenders per Member.

In addition, we've recently changed out all of our nylon 1" tubular webbing, and we have hundreds of feet available for free.

IMPORTANT: All of the hardware and webbing has been previously used and may not be suitable for life safety applications. If you purchase any of the hardware or take any of the webbing, you will be using it at your own risk.

Contact Dale Mann to purchase the hardware.

## CALLOUT REVIEWS

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

Date	Vol/Hrs/ Problem	Location	Resources
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**Mission Hrs now show total portal-to-portal times (not Rdvs). Mission times now show Field IN/OUT times (not Rdvs).**

**Mon Sep 02 11/ 22/ 26ym hiker ankle injury SARA Trail, TV Canyon, Rincons RMFD**

13:30 – 13:50 A hiker injured his ankle near the base of the SARA Trail. His companions carried him most of the way up trail and were met by fire and SAR teams. The hiker was carried to the road.

**Tue Sep 10 8/ 19/ 21yf hiker exhausted Bear Canyon, Catalinas**

17:50 – 18:45 A hiker continued up canyon from crossing 7, looking for the trail. She was low on supplies and it was getting late, so called for help. Her father met her, and they met the Hasty Team at crossing 3.

**Wed Sep 11 10/ 16/ 50yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas**

17:20 – 17:35 A hiker was overdue while hiking in the park. She was assisted by other hikers, and was met by the first SAR person on trail, and all were out shortly.

**Sat Sep 21 17/ 45/ 2f hikers exhausted Pima Canyon, Catalinas**

15:00 – 16:40 Two hikers were having problems while hiking down Pima Canyon. They were assisted by other hikers, and were met by SAR teams near The Cottonwoods about 1.5 miles up trail. Refreshments were served, then all walked out without problems.

**Sun Sep 22 7/ 7/ ??ym arm injury MP13 Catalina Hwy, Catalinas MLFD RMFD**

No field times A male reported to a friend on cellphone that he had injured an arm. SAR was requested, but the subject was not interested in being found by sheriff or fire personnel, and had got to the road on his own. SAR responded to the next call.

**Sun Sep 22 14/ 46/ 2m 18+19y hikers lost Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas**

17:25 – 19:40 Two hikers were returning from Mt.Kimball and were having problems following the trail. After several hours of guidance from SAR Officers, SAR volunteers were requested to retrieve them. The hikers were met above the Upper Overlook, well below The Corner, and refreshments were served before all walked out without problems.

**Fri Sep 27 11/ 57/ Vehicle Recovery Sahuarita Lake Sahuarita PD**

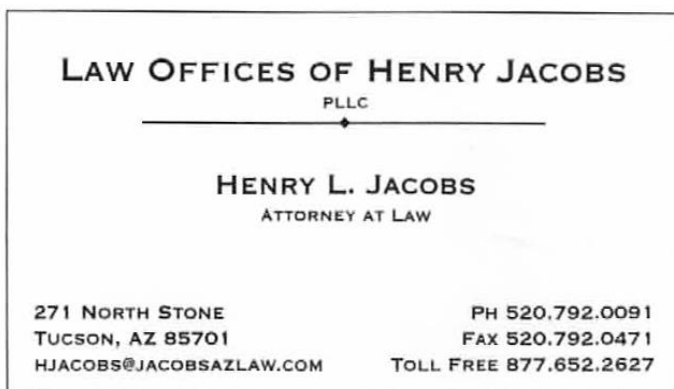
No field times Divers were asked to help recover a vehicle in Sahuarita Lake. Done.

**Sun Sep 29 13/ 26/ 65ym hiker exhausted Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas RMFD**

16:50 – 17:10 Two hikers were returning from 7 Falls when one stopped at X7 complaining of abdominal pain. After resting, he was able to continue, and met Fire and SAR teams at X2. All continued out without problems.

2019 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	86	928	4401	4.7	116
Trainings	153	1565	7072	4.5	195
Meetings	48	440	1095	2.5	65
Public Relations	13	47	199	4.2	13
Special Events	8	73	829	11.4	11
Activities	91	390	1980	5.1	122
TOTALS	399	3443	15576	4.5	522

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## SARCI Calendar–2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sep 30	Oct 01	Oct 02 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Oct 03	Oct 04 SARA Meeting (19:30) ToWM Race	Oct 05 ToWM Race	Oct 06 SARA Training MRA Practice III
Oct 07 WFA Class	Oct 08	Oct 09 WFA Class	Oct 10	Oct 11	Oct 12	Oct 13 Diver's Training Lakeside Lake
Oct 14 WFA Class	Oct 15 CPR Class SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Oct 16 WFA Class SARCI Board (19:30)	Oct 17 SARA Board (19:00)	Oct 18	Oct 19 SARA MRA Recert	Oct 20
Oct 21	Oct 22 BBP Class	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25	Oct 26 SARA OEC Refresher III	Oct 27
Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31 HALLOWEEN	Nov 01 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Nov 02 SARA Training TBA Sunrise OEC Refresher	Nov 03
Nov 04	Nov 05	Nov 06 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Nov 07	Nov 08	Nov 09	Nov 10 Diver's Training Annual Meeting
Nov 11 Veteran's Day	Nov 12	Nov 13	Nov 14	Nov 15	Nov 16	Nov 17
Nov 18	Nov 19 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Nov 20	Nov 21 SARA Board (19:00)	Nov 22	Nov 23 WFA Class	Nov 24 WFA Class
Nov 25	Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28 THANKSGIVING	Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 01
Dec 02 BBP/Nalaxone class	Dec 03	Dec 04 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Dec 05	Dec 06 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Dec 07 SARA Training TBA	Dec 08 Diver's Training Altitude and O <sub>2</sub>



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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.

**SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE**

Details inside.

**SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION**

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Meet 1<sup>st</sup> Fri 19:30, SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd.

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