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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. During COVID-19, these meetings are being held on-line. Ask if you are interested in "attending".

#### SABINO CANYON PARKING

With the new electric trams in Sabino, we will NOT be able to leave unattended vehicles at Tram Stop 9. During hours of Canyon Crawler operation, everyone will need to park at TS-8 and be shuttled to TS-9. The ONLY vehicles at TS-9 will be IC and Ops vehicles attended with drivers so they can move as the tram passes through. SPEED LIMIT 15 MPH

## **SARCI ROSTERS DURING COVID-19**

by SARCI Records, records@sarci.org

Rosters are appropriate and requested for on-line activities, including meetings and training sessions. A simple list of names and in/out times are sufficient (send the lists to Records). Bonus points are available for anyone who adds that information to a copy of the file "SARCI\_Mission\_Response\_Log\_Data\_Entry" (use normal login):

http://www.sarci2.org/data/SARCI\_Mission\_Response\_Log\_Data\_Entry\_201810.xlsx

#### SARCI MEDICAL TRAINING

by Cory Szach, cory.szach@sarci.org

Medical classes are available to members of all SARCI component groups. A listing of classes is included in the SARA section below. Additional listings may be listed in the Divers section.

#### EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGER HELP

by Brooke Fawcett, Brooke.Fawcett@sarci.org

Questions about how to use all these capabilities - and more - in ERM? Please don't hesitate to contact Brooke Fawcett! (Just open your ERM app, click Contacts, and type in her name.)

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# 2022 ARIZONA SAR CONFERENCE, Heber Arizona

by Jeremy Ramirez, PCSD

Cancellation and close dates will be 10 days before the start of the K9 conference.

#### **K9** Conference

Wednesday April 20 - Friday April 22. Check in starts Tuesday April 19 at 15:00. Fee is TBD.

This years K9 conference is on Pima, so details will change as they are determined.

#### **SARCON**

Friday April 22 – Sunday April 24 at noon. Check in starts Thursday April 21 at 13:00.

The SARCON registration fee is the same at \$65 plus the pass-thru RSVPBook and PayPal fees. Camp fees for food and lodging may be the same: \$7/day for walk in, tent, dry camp, RV. \$11 or \$16 per night depending on the dorm area. Breakfast \$5.50, lunch \$6.50, dinner \$8.00, and steak dinner \$17.50.

We have an outline of required classes to fulfill the task books and a list of wanted classes. SARA will again be asked to present low-angle 4-hour classes. I believe we will waive, at the minimum, registration for 2 instructors per course.

# SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, karen.paquette@sarci.org

#### SRDI CALENDAR

Apr 06 18:00 Wed Monthly Meetings On-line TEAMS

SRDI is honored to be the organizing team for the K9 track of the AZ SARCON in April, 2022 (AZK9 SARCON April 20-22, 2022; AZ SARCON April 22-24, 2022). Stacey Thomas, SRDI Member and UA Veterinary School Cohort 1, will be presenting a K9 First Aid class for the benefit of all AZ dog handlers.

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 @ sarci.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**

AZK9 SARCON April 2022 Heber, AZ

## PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, divers@sarci.org

#### **DIVERS CALENDAR**

Apr 10 09:00 Sun Second Pool Training Rob Offerle Pool

 May 08
 09:00 Sun
 UW and Surface Skills
 TBD

 Jun 12
 09:00 Sun
 TBD
 TBD

In March, We started our pool training and review. We also checked our team gear performance.

In April, we will be continuing and finishing checking our team gear performance. For location of training please check your doodle invite and email.

May, training and location to be announced.

Note: We are NOT diving BMR on Mother's Day.

## SOUTHERN AZ MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, colleen.leon@sarci.org

## SAMSAR CALENDAR

Apr 19 18:00 Tue Board and General Meeting Forty Niner Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

A HUGE congrats to Deb Mitchell and Mike and Chris Massimi for completing a major clinic in Law Enforcement Training and Desensitizing clinic. Emma, the mare had already been through and passed with flying colors years ago. This time it was Branch's turn and Chris went through it six months ago and this time Mike was Branch's partner. Invaluable work on trust and understating your horse!

See ya on the trail!

## **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 Web site: http://www.neotomasquadron.org

# SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

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Apr 01	18:30 Fri	SARA Annual Meeting	SARA House, Hybrid (see below)
Apr 13	18:00 Wed	Task Book Sign-off Session	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Apr 16</u>	08:00 Sat	Technical Field Exercise	TBA
<u>Apr 21</u>	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, Hybrid (see below)
<u>May 06</u>	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, Hybrid (see below)

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS Recent (from 2021) BOD MINUTES (login required) by SARA BoD, SARABoD@sarci.org

Everyone, I'm thrilled to announce that for the first time since 2019 we can have our traditional SARA Annual Members and Board Meetings, and a BBQ, at the SARA House, barring major COVID status changes.

Board member voting will be available at the meeting on April 1, and online from March 28 to March 31. This year's slate:

Eric Davis	John DiM	iceli	Mona Joh	nson	Jason Schlueter
Bill F	lorence	Cory Sz	ach	Chris Yan	nanaka

Keep an eye on your email over the next few days for details on upcoming award nominations, board elections and membership, and be thinking about who might deserve some extra roasting this year!

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS – COVID-19 DIRECTIVES**

by Joe Barr, SARAsecretary@sarci.org

Please be advised that the SARA Board has elected to remove SARA COVID restrictions and follow CDC guidelines.

The current CDC guidelines are at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html

Craycroft Bridge

## SARA TECHNICAL TRAINING

by Galen Smith, galen.smith@sarci.org

Personal Rope Skills, passing a knot

# 2022 Technical Training schedule as follows (details TBA): April 09 08:00 – 12:00

Saturday

April 13	18:00 - 21:00	Wednesday	SARA House	Task Book signoff
April 16	Time TBA	Saturday	<b>Location TBA</b>	Tech field exercise, Task Book signoff.
May 18	Time TBA	Wednesday	PCSD tower	Task Book signoff
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June	none			
July 13		Wednesday	SARA House	Task Book signoff
July 16		Saturday		Tech field exercise.
Aug 17	evening	Wednesday	PCSD tower	
Sept	none			
Oct 12	evening	Wednesday	SARA House	Task Book signoff
Oct 15	-	Saturday		Tech field exercise.
Nov 09	evening	Wednesday	PCSD tower	

As always, stay tuned to emails for updated information about these trainings and feel free to reach out with any questions.

#### **SARA BUDGET COMMITTEE**

by John Perchorowicz, john.perchorowicz@sarci.org

After a number of years of service, three members of the SARA Budget Committee have decided that it is time to pass the torch to a new crew. This will be their last year. The SARA Board/Treasurer will be looking for individuals to join the committee. This activity is important to SARA's long term financial health. As you'll see below, the committee doesn't set the budget as that's a strategic SARA Board decision.

For those interested, the committee's role is to gather the information necessary for the SARA Board to set the budget for the following year. As SARA's fiscal year begins on 1 April the budget must be adopted prior to that date. The current committee typically meets in January and assigns categories to various members who in turn contact committee chairs for their wish lists for the coming year. This information is put into a spreadsheet which is provided to the board at the February meeting. This gives the board two meetings to discuss, refine and adopt the following year's budget at the March board meeting. The budget committee has on occasion begun the process earlier however the adoption deadline remains.

The committee is currently gathering the data from SARA committees. Individuals interested in joining the committee are encouraged to participate/observe the process for the current cycle. Please feel free to reach out to John Perchorowicz, current chair with questions or offers to join. COVID-19 precautions will be followed and changing conditions may impact our ability to offer these sessions in person. At this time a hybrid Teams option is NOT being offered.

## 24 HOURS IN THE OLD PUEBLO RECAP

by Cathy Wasmann, cathy.wasmann@sarci.org

As it has since 2008, SARA provided medical support for the 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo mountain bike race. This year, 59 patients were treated. There were no ground ambulance or helicopter evacuations during the race, but one patient was evacuated by ground ambulance on Friday. This was the year of shoulder/clavicle injuries with six such injuries. As usual, there was much road rash and cactus in abundance. Fifteen SARA members assisted with the medical mission at the event. In addition, several members were involved in race communications and the official timekeeper and results person was a SARA member. Due to the relatively minor nature of the injuries, we did not need the assistance of the Paramedic and EMT from American Medical Response, who were on scene for the duration of the event. The next race is the Whiskey Off-Road mountain bike race in Prescott on April 29-May 1. Contact Cathy Wasmann for more information, or checkout the Epic Rides website.

#### **OEC CORNER**

by Mona Johnson, mona.johnson@sarci.org

We are currently planning on providing an Outdoor Emergency Care Course, open to members of all SARCI groups, in the Spring of 2023. If you are interested in taking, or have questions about this course, please let me know.

The dates for the 2022 OEC Cycle C Refresher are:

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Saturday, October 15, 2022

We will provide more information on the refresher closer to the dates.

## **RESPONSES DURING COVID TIMES**

by Sean Fawcett, sean.fawcett@sarci.org

During this time of COVID-19 and social distancing, there is a modification to the standard response to a request for a mission. While typically when a request for a mission is put out, we allow all members who respond to attend the mission, some items will change now that we are in COVID time.

For missions that do not require a large number of responders, the deputy requesting the alert will work with the SARA member putting out the page to come to a number that is reasonable for the mission. For example the search at Pima Canyon the other night would probably been limited to 3 field people and an Ops vehicle. It is understood that not all missions have the required info up front to determine the number of responders needed.

In the case where additional resources are needed, a page requesting additional assistance will be put out. If the request is for 3 people, the desire is not to have the first 3 people that are responding, but that the responses be the first 3 that are in close location to the rendezvous.

If no number is specified in the alert, it is assumed to be a normal call for any available resources.

Before responding, you can check the list of responders to see how many people are already responding.

#### INDOOR TRAINING SAFETY GUIDELINES (01/14/2022)

by Amy McPherson, amy.mcpherson@sarci.org

This document presents the safety guidelines that shall be implemented for indoor training during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **Before Class Health Screening:**

If you have any of the following conditions please consider not attending the event:

Fever (Temperature of 100.4 or greater) plus cough and shortness of breath/ difficulty breathing

- Chills - New loss of taste or smell

Congestion or runny nose
 Diarrhea

Muscle pain
 Nausea or vomiting

Sore throatFatigue

# **During Class Precautions:**

The following precautions will be used during time in the classroom:

- Maintain social distancing of 6 feet or more when possible
- Genuine N95 or KN95 masks shall be worn
- Reminders will be given to wash or sanitize hands

# Mask Care:

- Replace when soiled, wet, or damaged
- When not in use, store/dry in paper bag

## **Hands on Scenario Precautions:**

- Masks and eye protection will be required
- Nitrile gloves will be used and changed in between patient contacts

# **Classroom Hygiene:**

- All equipment and indoor surfaces used will be cleaned and sanitized after/between use
- Tables, chairs, equipment will be sprayed down with disinfectant before/after training
- All unneeded equipment and furniture will be kept separate and clean
- Medical equipment will be disinfected between patient contacts
- Instructors will thoroughly wipe down and disinfect surfaces after class
- During indoor meetings or trainings air vent fans will be set to "On" throughout the building.

# Post-Training COVID-19 Exposure or Diagnosis

- Should a student develop symptoms or receive positive COVID-19 test results within 14 days after attending training, it is recommended that they notify the Medical Chairs (<u>SARAMedicalChairs@sarci.org</u>) and advise of their current symptoms and/or positive test.
- Should the Medical Chairs become aware of a student with symptoms/positive test, the Medical Chairs will work with that student and/or Records to determine what trainings or calls that person attended in the previous 14 days.
- The Medical Chairs will contact persons who attended the same trainings as a person reporting positive symptoms/test results in the past 14 days and advise that they may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 and should contact their doctor should they develop symptoms or have any questions. Persons will be advised of what symptoms to watch out for (above) and to get a COVID-19 test if necessary. The identity of the person reporting positive symptoms/test results will be kept confidential and will not be shared with training attendees.
- Persons who develop symptoms and/or receive a positive test should follow current isolation recommendations, as directed by ADHS. They will be permitted to attend trainings/calls once the recommended isolation period and time since last symptoms have been satisfied.

Below is the medical training currently being offered by the SARA Medical Committee. These trainings are open to members of all SARCI component groups. Where space is available, Caver SMEs are welcome. Members can register for the sessions by following the links provided or by emailing me directly. The sessions will be offered at the SARA House so long as current CDC, county, city, and SARA policies are able to be followed. We understand the situation is ever changing due to the COVID-19 pandemic and we will do our best to communicate cancellations or changes in the format in which the courses will be offered (limited class sizes, outdoors, online, etc). We want to do our best to make the most responsible decisions.

**Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation** (**CPR**): The sessions below will be offered for AHA Basic Life Support Provider certification. Participants are required to bring their own ventilation barrier device (mask or shield). The course is \$5.00 to cover the AHA fee for issuing your CPR card. This will be payable to the instructor via cash or check made out to "Southern Arizona Rescue Association".

No CPR classes are currently scheduled

**Wilderness First Aid (WFA)**: The following session is scheduled. There are no fees or required materials for this course. Weekday sessions will be held from 18:30 - 22:00 and Weekend sessions from 08:00 - 17:00.

No WFA classes are currently scheduled

**Blood Borne Pathogens (BBP)**: It is an AZ state requirement that all search and rescue volunteers take an OSHA BBP class once per year. Completion of the SARCI Bloodborne Pathogens class and its associated quiz will complete this requirement for all SARCI component groups. The self-paced presentation is available anytime 24/7 to SARCI members at *SARCI BBP Presentation*.

Log in to Microsoft 365 with your SARCI credentials (if requested), and click on the "Present" link in the upper-right corner to access the narrated presentation and the quiz. Simply click to advance through the slides. The presentation is about 40-45 minutes in length. When it is complete, the quiz will be available. Quiz results will be submitted to Records.

Questions about the course content can be directed to George Simons or the MTSC. For questions about the quiz, or if you need assistance logging in to Microsoft 365, contact *Records@sarci.org*.

There are several online classes offered by third parties that may be acceptable for fulfilling the requirement. Please check with the MTSC and Records in advance to verify that a given external class is satisfactory for this requirement.

**Naloxone 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.

No Naloxone classes are currently scheduled

# Wilderness Emergency Medical Responder (WEMR):

WEMR classes for the current candidate class are ongoing

## **ASHI Training**

SARA has been approved to be an ASHI Training Center. We are fishing up the details now, and will soon be able to issue Basic First Aid and Advanced First Aid cards from ASHI. We will make a full announcement with all the details once we are fully operational. We will continue to teach our WFA and WEMR courses like we have been. These new certs will be an optional supplement to those who need a certification card for SARTech and other qualifications. We are looking at using these classes for PR events in the future.

If you have any questions or concerns please send them to the Medical Committee at <u>saramedical@sarci.org</u>

Date

Vol/Hrs/ Problem

Location

Resources

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

12/ 40/??ym 300# sledding crash Whitetail, Catalinas

**RMFD** 

14:40 - 15:30One of a group sledding near Whitetail Group Area crashed and was hauled in a stokes to the top.

57/ 34yf hiker ankle injury Bear Canyon Trail, Catalinas Sun Feb 27

18:10 - 19:30A hiker with an ankle injury near x5 rode out on a horse.

Mon Feb 28 14/ 68/ 79yf hiker fall injuries Phoneline Trail, Catalinas

A hiker tripped and had several injuries. She was carried by stokes to Tram Stop 1.

12:40 - 15:30Tue Mar 01

9/ 21/75ym hiker exhausted Bug Spring Trail, Catalinas A hiker coming down trail was exhausted. After resting and hydrating, he walked out on his own. 14:40 - 15:00

10/ 46/ 25ym hiker ill Pine Creek Crossing, Catalinas Fri Mar 04

Customs RMFD

A hiker became ill while hiking to Hutchs' Pool. In the morning he almost made it out to Pine Creek Crossing. A 12:00 - 15:00Customs Blackhawk hoisted him to the Overlook LZ.

Mon Mar 07 12/116/70ym hiker lost

Happy Valley Saddle, Rincons

TucsonRanger

A hiker had problems following the trail to Rincon Peak, then turned back. He got off trail and called for help, then 06:15 - 11:45spent a chilly night not far from Happy Valley Saddle. Teams made voice contact about half way up the Miller Creek Trail, and started to work their way in his direction through brush. Tucson Ranger ferried a couple of rescuers to a point above the subject. They retrieved him and were flown to the trailhead. Other teams hiked out.

7/ 25/ 66yf hiker knee injury Bug Spring Trail, Catalinas Thu Mar 10

**RMFD** 

14:20 - 16:30A hiker injured her knee above Cowboy Corner. She was carried by stokes to the trailhead.

8/ 32/4 hikers stranded by snow Butterfly Trail, Catalinas Sat Mar 12

Hikers were approaching the saddle below Mt.Bigelow and were unable to continue along trail over frozen snow. A 20:25 - 22:00rescue team provided microspikes and warmies and all made it out without problems.

Sat Mar 19 11/ 34/ 2 hikers exhausted Agua Caliente Canyon, Catalinas

Two hikers went up the Milagrosa Trail, then took the old road across Agua Caliente Canyon and were climbing to 14:15 - 15:40the Gnat Tank road. They ran out of supplies and one had an ankle injury and called for help. They were advised to work their way back the way they had come. The Hasty Team met them a short distance above the Milagrosa crossing, and all continued out without

Fri Mar 25 12/ 74/ 61yf hiker exhausted Manning Camp Trail, Rincons NPS

16:45 - 20:26One of a group hiking from Madrona to Manning Camp became exhausted almost 3 miles up trail. She rode back down on a horse.

2022 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	18	195	818	4.2	78
Trainings	51	578	2179	3.8	155
Meetings	34	287	568	2.0	123
<b>Public Relations</b>	0	0	0	0	4
Special Events	6	45	531	11.8	18
Activities	21	80	355	4.4	110
TOTALS	130	1185	4451	3.8	488

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# SARCI Calendar-2022

SARCI Calellual – 2022								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 01	Apr 02	Apr 03		
				SARA Annual Meet (Hybrid: 20:00)	SARA Training None			
Apr 04	Apr 05	Apr 06	Apr 07	Apr 08	Apr 09	Apr 10		
		SRDI Meetings (On-line: 18:00)			Tech Training (08:00)	Divers Training (09:00)		
Apr 11	Apr 12	Apr 13	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17		
		Tech Skills (18:00)			Tech Field (TBA)			
Apr 18	Apr 19	Apr 20	Apr 21	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24		
	SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	SARCI Board (Hybrid: 19:30)	SARA Board (Hybrid: 19:00)	SARCON	SARCON	SARCON		
Apr 25	Apr 26	Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 01		
May 02	May 03	May 04	May 05	May 06	May 07	May 08		
		SRDI Meetings (On-line: 18:00)		SARA Meeting (Hybrid: 19:30)	SARA Training TBA	Divers Training (09:00)		
May 09	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15		
May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22		
	SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	Tower Training (TBA)	SARA Board (On-line: 19:00)					
May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29		
May 30	May 31	Jun 01	Jun 02	Jun 03	Jun 04	Jun 05		
MEMORIAL DAY		SRDI Meetings (On-line: 18:00)		SARA Meeting (Hybrid: 19:30)	SARA Training TBA			



#### 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.

# 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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