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SARCI BOARD MEETINGS

by SARNews, <u>sarcinewsletter@sarci.org</u>

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. These meetings are being held in-person and on-line. Ask if you are interested in attending.

SABINO CANYON PARKING

With the 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

EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGER HELP

by Brooke Fawcett, <u>Brooke.Fawcett@sarci.org</u>

Questions about how to use all these capabilities - and more - in ERM? Please don't hesitate to contact us!

(Just open your ERM app, click Contacts, and type in "Support.")

Do you know about Mission Data? It can be found by clicking "Responses" and then you'll see the "Mission Data" button near the top of the screen. To add your own information - coords, photos, team updates, etc - click "GPS" from the home screen, and then use the "+" button to the right of "Current Position."

Please enter your certifications in ERM. ERM will automatically send a notice to *Records@sarci.org*.

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SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Jamie Carpenter, jamie.carpenter@sarci.org

SRDI CALENDAR

June 05 18:30 Wed Monthly Meeting

OnLine Teams

Congratulations to our new blue shirt, Maliaca! Your dedication and hard work have paid off, and we're excited to see the contributions you'll make to the team. SRDI K9 handlers had a productive month advancing our skills, attending numerous training seminars. Karen, Mark, Tracy, Jackie, Jamie, and Maliaca attended AZ SARCON. The members engaged in Trailing, HR, and SAR training. Later in the month, Tracy and Jamie represented the group at the Jeff Schettler (GAK9) Trailing Seminar with Cochise SAR members. Martha trained in Colorado with Don Blair from the Canine Intelligence Academy.

SARCI members are welcome to join us for training at any time. If you are interested in attending, please email <u>K9@sarci.org</u>, or <u>Karen.Paquette@sarci.org</u>, or call Karen Paquette (520-275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month via Teams online meeting format.

UPCOMING SEMINARS:

FACTS Level 3 Oct 5-6, 2024 San Marcos, TX FACTS Level 1 Nov 1-3, 2024 San Marcos, TX So Cal K9 Nov 8-10, 2024 Idyllwild, CA

Trailing Workshop Jan 17-19, 2025 TBD

GK9 Jeff Schetter Trailing Clinic Mar 7-9, 2025 Cochise County, AZ

NSDA Certification and Workshop Mar 21-24, 2025 Tucson, AZ

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, divers@sarci.org

DIVERS CALENDAR

 June 09
 09:00 Sun
 TBD
 Lakeside

 July 14
 09:00 Sun
 TBD
 Lakeside

 Aug 11
 09:00 Sun
 TBD
 TBD

In May, we discussed and reviewed knot tying and lift bag usage.

June we will continue working with our new divers on their underwater skills: Knots and using lift bags at Lakeside in low viz conditions.

July is TBD. Plan for Lakeside depends on weather conditions, please keep posted.

SOUTHERN AZ MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, colleen.leon@sarci.org

SAMSAR CALENDAR

June 18 18:00 Tue Board and General Meeting

Forty Niner Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

Summer is coming ... summer birds have flown away to cooler temperatures. Skeleton crew once again. We continue to ride and expose our equine to all things new, stay safe and hydrated!

See ya on the trail!

NEOTOMA COMPOSITE SQUADRON, C.A.P.

by LtCol Robert McCord, cap@sarci.org

CAP SOUADRON CALENDAR

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

1175 W. Magee Road, Tucson, AZ 85704

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

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







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SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

SARA CALENDAR

<u>June 04</u>	18:30 Tue	New Member Orientation #1	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon
<u>June 07</u>	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, Hybrid
<u>June 08</u>	08:00 Sat	SARA Training: Trucks and Equipment	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon
<u>June 15</u>	06:00 Sat	Technical: MRA Recert Practice	Substation 106, Tanque Verde & Catalina Hwy
<u>June 20</u>	19:00 Thu	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>June 26</u>	18:00 Wed	Personal Rope Skills	Craycroft Pedestrian Bridge
<u>July 05</u>	19:30 Fri	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, Hybrid
July 11	18:30 Thu	New Member Orientation #2	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

by Jason Schlueter, SARApresident@sarci.org

The Board meets monthly on the third Thursday at 19:00, and meetings are open to all. A Teams link for remote participation is included in each month's published agenda.

RESPECT FOR SUBJECTS

by Jason Schlueter, SARApresident@sarci.org

We must remember to respect the public who we serve on callouts. This is especially true when they can hear us talking, including during the monthly meetings. I would like everyone to take a step back and remove your opinions when describing missions. Things happen, mistakes are made, but we are usually seeing someone at a very challenging time. The night we see them might be the scariest night of their life. I'm sure we have all done embarrassing things and wouldn't want a room full of people making light of the situation. Do not speak poorly of our subjects. I will reiterate this at this monthly meeting.

SARA DUES for 2024

by Mykle Raymond, mykle.raymond @ sarci.org

SARA annual dues are "considered to have been paid" for those members that have been "active" during the previous year. Dues notices list the status of each member; they were emailed near the end of May. Please let me know if you did not receive your notice. During the August meeting of the Board of Directors, the list of those that have not paid will be reviewed, and their memberships are usually dropped.

MEMBERSHIP

by Amy DiMiceli, amy.dimiceli@sarci.org

Congratulations to Parker Larson, Trevor Dickerson, and Phillip Stevens are earning their orange shirts!

Congratulations to Court McCullough and Kay Senz on completing their yellow cards and earning their yellow shirts!

New member orientations are coming up!

Orientation 1: Tues, June 4, 18:30 Orientation 2: Thurs, July 11, 18:30

All are welcome to attend!

IT STATUS

by Jason Schlueter, jason.schlueter@sarci.org

Many email services are hardening how they handle spam, which means that SARCI cannot guarantee that forwarded email will be delivered outside of the SARCI.org tenant. If you currently forward SARCI.org email to another personal address, an email being sent to your SARCI.org address may or may not be delivered to the personal address. You may miss important SARCI / SARA related emails if you do not check your SARCI.org account. If you would like to stop forwarding your email and don't know how, contact Records and we can make the change for you.

As a side note; please be careful when sending emails to all members or large numbers of recipients (25+) at once. If you are in doubt, ask someone whether it should be sent. Remember, the email list to reach ALL SARA members is *ALLSARAMEMBERS@sarci.org*.

OEC CORNER

by Mona Johnson, mona.johnson@sarci.org

The dates for the SARCI 2024 OEC Refresher Cycle B will be:

Saturday, October 19, 2024 Sunday, October 20, 2024

More information to come as we get closer to the refresher dates.

WHISKEY OFF-ROAD RECAP

by Cathy Wasmann, cathy.wasmann@sarci.org

SARA treated 23 riders at this year's Whiskey Off-Road mountain bike race in Prescott. While the number of riders treated was down a bit, two instances of serious injuries in different locations with access issues, an arterial bleed, and a missing junior rider in a cold rainstorm added to the interest. As usual, abrasions and shoulder / clavicle injuries were prominent among the injuries. Two riders were transported by ambulance. One rider was transferred to Lifeline Ambulance but refused transport. One rider was transported by SARA to Yavapai Regional Medical Center (YRMC) for treatment. Nine members were involved in SARA's support of the 2024 Whiskey Off-Road.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

by John Perchorowicz, john.perchorowicz@sarci.org

Mike Dieckhaus invited SARA to participate in Roche Diagnostic's Wellness Fair on May 2. Mike, Larry Wilken, Joe Barr and John Pechorowicz are pictured.





SARA participated in the Sabino Canyon Hiking and Heat Safety Event on May 19. Participation was arranged by Melissa Anderson (a SARA member who represented St Joes at the event). Pictured are Granny Grant, Scott Flint and John Perchorowicz.



MONTHLY TRAINING

by Trevor Dickerson, trevor.dickerson@sarci.org

June's monthly training topic is Truck & Equipment and will be held at the SARA House on Saturday, June 8 beginning at 08:00. The training will include a hands-on takedown and rebuild of the gear compartments to familiarize everyone with the location of equipment and supplies. It will also include an inspection and inventory of the technical and medical equipment onboard.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the layout of the trucks, the different types in the fleet, and familiarize yourself with all of the equipment and supplies we carry to support our missions.

Candidates: this is a required orange card sign-off and is typically offered twice per year; the other opportunity being SALT which tends to fill up very quickly.

July Saturday, 7/13 - Summer Skills @ SARA House

Candidates: this will count as an "Other" training sign-off

August Wednesday, 7/31 - Cave Training Pre-Session @ SARA House

Saturday, 8/3 - Cave Training @ TBA

Candidates: this counts as an "Other" training sign-off, IF you attend the pre-session AND field day.

September Wednesday, 9/4 - Land Nav Pre-Session @ SARA House

Saturday, 9/7 - Land Navigation & Orienteering @ TBA

Candidates: this is a specific Orange Card sign-off, IF you attend the pre-session AND field day.

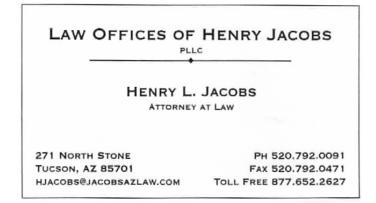
There are some other exciting potential topics in the works for later in the fall. Stay tuned for another one of these updates once those plans are finalized. In the meantime, feel free to direct any questions about monthly trainings my way, but also let me know if there's something that can be done to make them better or more accessible. Feedback is always welcome and appreciated.

TECHNICAL SKILLS: CLUTCH TASK BOOK SUPPLEMENT by Richard Hounshell, richard.hounshell@sarci.org

The Board has approved a Clutch Task Book Supplement that will be used to bridge the gap between the retirement of the MPD and implementation of the Clutch. The supplement can be completed without needing to complete a new task book. As with our existent task book, you can complete the supplement as either Awareness, Operations, or Technician as appropriate for your current level (or lower if desired). It is important to note that to remain Field Qualified, all members must complete this Clutch task book supplement by July 1, 2024. If you complete a Clutch supplement at a lower level than your current task book, on 7/1/2024 you will revert to that lower level of task book. Signoffs for the supplement will be available at all applicable technical trainings just as they are with MPD signoffs. We hope that you will work towards completing this expeditiously, so that we can begin the transition away from the MPD as soon as possible.

- CMC 11mm CLUTCH Inspection & Function Test (YouTube video)
- CMC 11mm CLUTCH Lowering & Hauling (YouTube video)
- <u>Technical Skills Task Book</u> and <u>Clutch Task Book Supplement</u> are included in ERM, under Links > My Stuff > My Task Books





TECHNICAL SKILLS CALENDAR

by Sarah Truebe, sarah.truebe@sarci.org

All trainings are tentative until they appear on the Master Calendar and are announced via email.

All Level signoffs are available at all trainings; field signoffs are available at Personal Rope Skills, Field Trainings, Tower Trainings, and quarterly major Technician Trainings. No signoffs are available at Technician Team Meetings.

This year we are due for our MRA Technical recertification, so stay tuned for prep dates for that recertification.

Clutch Supplements and Taskbooks can now be found under "My Stuff" in ERM. If you prefer paper to be able to view it all in one place, those materials can still be found on the SARA Documents page, but all taskbooks will now be managed through ERM.

The Clutch Supplement is due on 7/1/2024 or you will lose FQ status. Your overall rope skills taskbook will revert to whatever level Clutch supplement you've completed on 7/1/2024.

Any questions on the schedule or taskbooks, please contact Sarah Truebe (<u>sarah.truebe@sarci.org</u>) or Richard Hounshell (<u>richard.hounshell@sarci.org</u>).

JUNE

- 6/07/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 6/15/24 @ 0600 Minimal Gear Day / Counterweight Systems / Traveling Hauls / etc. all TBD (NO SIGNOFFS)
- 6/26/24 @ 1800 Personal Rope Skills OR Operations Field Training

(CLUTCH SIGNOFF DEADLINE)

JULY

- 7/05/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 7/10/24 @ 1800 Technician Team Meeting SARA House
- 7/13/24 @ TBD SET FOR REAL for new technicians (tentative)
- 7/17/24 @ 1800 Pre-session for Litter Scoops or Pickoffs SARA House
- 7/20/24 @ time TBD Field Tech Training location TBD
- 7/24/24 @ 1800 Personal Rope Skills OR Operations Field Training
- 7/31/24 @ 1800 Cave pre-session SARA House (NO SIGNOFFS)

AUGUST

- 8/02/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 8/03/24 @ Time TBD Cave Training Location TBD
- 8/21/24 @ 1800 Personal Rope Skills OR Operations Field Training

SEPTEMBER

- 9/04/24 @ 1800 Technician Meeting (SALT prep) SARA House
- 9/06/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House

Due to the extensive demands of SALT, there are no other signoff opportunities in September

OCTOBER

- 10/04/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 10/23/24 @ 1800 Pre-session for Litter Scoops or Pickoffs SARA House
- 10/26/24 @ time TBD Field Tech Training location TBD
- 10/29/24 @ 1800 Personal Rope Skills OR Operations Field Training

NOVEMBER

- 11/01/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 11/6/24 @ 1800 Technician Meeting (if needed) SARA House
- 11/20/24 @ 1800 Tower Training 10001 S. Rita Road

DECEMBER

- 12/02/24 @ 1800 Operations Level Skills Classroom session (tentative) SARA House
- 12/06/24 @ 1830 Pre-meeting signoffs SARA House
- 12/11/24 @ 1800 Pre-session for steep angle training (tentative)
- 12/14/24 @ time TBD TV Falls Steep Angle Training (tentative)
- 12/18/24 @ 1800 Personal Rope Skills OR Operations Field Training

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).

Tue Apr 09 10/56/49yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas M3T

21:50 - 02:35 The vehicle of a missing hiker was found at the Romero Trailhead. She had indicated an interest in Romero Pools. Teams hiked up to the pools and covered many social trails. No relevant clues were found.

Wed Apr 10 13/79/49yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas M30T

07:10 – 13:05 Continuation of search. Teams covered many trails in the daylight. No relevant clues were found.

Thu Apr 11 8/ 50/ 49yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas M30T

07:00 – 20:20 Dog teams had an indication of interest in the Green Rock area. Drone covered the area around Green Rock.

Fri Apr 12 6/33/49yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas

06:00 – 09:30 More dog team coverage. No relevant clues were found.

Sun Apr 14 12/30/58ym hiker ankle injury TV Canyon, Rincons RMFD

12:20 – 13:10 An injured hiker was carried up the SARA Trail.

Sun Apr 14 11/ 22/ Mom, son stranded by dark x6 Bear Canyon, Catalinas

21:10 – 22:00 Two people were stranded by dark and were retrieved from x6 without problems.

Mon Apr 15 23/124/49yf hiker missing Catalina State Park, Catalinas Survey Ranger2

13:40 – 18:05 A local hiker reported boots found on rock next to Alamo Canyon, above the trail crossing. Many teams covered Alamo Canyon and trails, extending well upstream of the trail crossing. Ranger2 spotted the hiker on the hilltop west of Alamo Canyon, 1000' above the canyon bottom, and she was moving. She was flown direct to hospital.

Wed Apr 17 12/17/37yf fall injury Windy Point, Catalinas MLFD

No field times Two people were walking on the retaining wall adjacent to the road. One fell and was not responding. A deputy located and walked her up to the road, while teams were enroute.

Fri Apr 19 11/25/ Hikers exhausted Finger Rock Trail, Catalinas Survey RMFD

17:55 – 18:45 Hikers were exhausted on Finger Rock Trail, just above the spring. As afternoon shade began to cover the trail, they were able to continue down trail. The hasty team and Rural team met them and walked them to vehicles.

Wed Apr 24 12/41/66yf ankle injury Historic Trail, Catalinas RMFD

14:35 – 16:20 A hiker was treated and carried down trail to an ambulance on the road.

Thu Apr 25 8/ 16/ 33yf missing Orange Grove / Mona Lisa Survey M3T M30T

No field times IMT, drones, and SRDI responded to search for a mentally impaired woman. She was quickly found in a nearby car.

Fri May 10 17/131/2 hikers lost Wilderness of Rocks, Catalinas

22:10 – 04:00 Hikers started at Visitors Center intending to meet their hotel reservation in Summerhaven. They lost the Wilderness of Rocks Trail, east of Lemmon Pools. Teams retrieved them and hiked out to Marshall Gulch without problems.

Tue May 14 11/24/48ym hiker knee injury TV Canyon, Rincons Ranger2 RMFD

09:35 – 10:50 A hiker injured his knee in the first technical area upstream of the SARA Trail. He was hoisted to the Overlook LZ.

Sun May 19 20/ 59/ 32ym hiker ankle injury Pontatoc Canyon Trail, Catalinas Ranger2 RMFD

12:20-14:10 A hiker injured his knee on the Pontatoc Canyon Trail, near to the top of the second set of switchbacks. He was hoisted to the Overlook LZ.

Fri May 24 12/48/2 hikers low on supplies Aspen Trail, Catalinas MLFD

17:30 – 19:20 Hikers climbing Black Dog Ridge (Aspen Trail above Marshall Saddle) became exhausted. Teams provided refreshments and all hiked out to Marshall Gulch.

2024 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	39	568	2328	4.1	91
Trainings	80	1414	5875	4.2	185
Meetings	35	393	811	2.1	94
Public Relations	10	27	98	3.6	24
Special Events	6	71	928	13.1	8
Activities	44	148	730	4.9	102
TOTALS	214	2621	10770	4.1	504

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SARCI Calendar – 2024

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 27 MEMORIAL DAY	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	Jun 01	Jun 02
Jun 03	Jun 04 SARA New Member Orientation I	Jun 05 Tech Tower (18:00) SRDI Meetings (On-line: 18:30)	Jun 06	Jun 07 SARA Meeting (Hybrid: 19:30)	Jun 08 SARA Training Truck / Equipment (08:00)	Jun 09 Divers Training (09:00)
Jun 10 Teams: CME (19:00)	Jun 11	Jun 12	Jun 13	Jun 14	Jun 15 Tech Training (06:00)	Jun 16
Jun 17	Jun 18 SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	Jun 19	Jun 20 SARA Board (19:00)	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23
Jun 24	Jun 25	Jun 26 Tech Skills (18:00)	Jun 27	Jun 28	Jun 29	Jun 30
Jul 01 DEADLINE Clutch Taskbook	Jul 02	Jul 03 SRDI Meetings (On-line: 18:30)	Jul 04 INDEPENDENCE DAY	Jul 05 SARA Meeting (Hybrid: 19:30)	Jul 06	Jul 07
Jul 08	Jul 09	Jul 10	Jul 11 SARA New Member Orientation II	Jul 12	Jul 13 SARA Training Summer Skills (08:00)	Jul 14 Divers Training (09:00)
Jul 15 Teams: CME (19:00)	Jul 16 SAMSAR Meeting (18:00)	Jul 17 Tech Class (18:00) SARCI Board (19:30)	Jul 18 SARA Board (19:00)	Jul 19	Jul 20 Tech Training (07:00)	Jul 21
Jul 22	Jul 23	Jul 24 Tech Skills (18:00)	Jul 25	Jul 26	Jul 27	Jul 28
Jul 29	Jul 30	Jul 31 Cave Classroom (18:00)	Aug 01	Aug 02 SARA Meeting (Hybrid: 19:30)	Aug 03 SARA Training Cave Rescue (07:00)	Aug 04

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.

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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