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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.

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.

AZbasicSAR TRAINING REQUIREMENT

The "Introduction to Arizona SAR" (AZbasic) class has been required by the Arizona Division of Emergency Management (ADEM). This 16-hour requirement is not new, and was added to the SARCI minimum field qualifications in 2014. Since 2013 SARA has been including AZbasic as part of Basic Training and the SALT program and Candidates have been credited with completing AZbasic, as have volunteers who completed separate AZbasic classes and provided certificates to SARCI Records.

In 2014, SARCI grandfathered volunteers who were field-qualified. ADEM has stated that every volunteer must complete the AZbasic class: the grandfathering is not acceptable. SARCI field-qualifications will not change for the immediate future. Classes will be scheduled as needed to provide opportunities for volunteers to attend AZbasic.

HAM RADIO CLASS

A Ham Radio Class will be held on Monday nights from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at the SARA House. The dates are January 8, 15, 22 & 29. Andy Lamb will be sending some pre-study Q&A material before the first class. Any SARCI component group member may attend.

Please RSVP at <http://whoozin.com/KME-RPC-KKRC>

Required Course Book: **Technician Class 2014-2018 License Preparation** by Gordon West, WB6NOA (ISBN 978-0-945053-79-8).

If you wish to purchase the book from Amazon.com, here is a [link](#).

PIMA CO. SEARCH & RECOVERY DIVERS

by John Longhofer, 990-4442, [divers @ sarci.org](mailto:divers@sarci.org)

DIVERS CALENDAR

<u>Dec 10</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Monthly Meeting and Pot Luck	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jan 14</u>	<u>09:00 Sun</u>	Monthly Training	TBA

In November, we held our annual pot luck and meeting at the SARA House. During the meeting we held elections for 2018 officers and board members. All current officers and board members were re-elected. We discussed our monthly training and cleaned up our member roster and status.

Next month, we will review altitude tables, AED, and O₂ use. After that training, we plan to inspect and perform needed maintenance on our dive equipment.

Our January training is to be announced.

SOUTHERN AZ. MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

by Colleen Leon, colleen.leon@sarci.org

SAMSAR CALENDAR

Dec 19 18:00 Tue **Board and General Meeting** 49^{ERS} Country Club, 12000 E. Tanque Verde

Busy time of the season. Holidays and events in full swing! SAMSAR asked to attend Collier Safety Day. Colleen and Kendra Burdon attended. Kendra did an excellent job ... kids loved her! SAMSAR was asked to be guest speakers at the 30th Anniversary of the Pima Trails Association, Jerry Simmons, George Herget and Colleen Leon attending. SAMSAR also asked to speak at the County Line Riders monthly meeting, Jerry Simmons and Colleen Leon attending.

Training dates to come. Setting a date to work with the new SARA Candidates who just graduated! Lessons - General Behavior Around SAR Equine - Patient Carry and Equipment Carry. There might even be a medical scenario in there! Stay tuned for dates. Place will be Jerry Simmons (ground REALLY soft in case George falls ...).

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

SOUTHWEST RESCUE DOGS, INC.

by Karen Paquette, karen.paquette@sarci.org

SRDI CALENDAR

<u>Dec 03</u>	<u>07:00 Sun</u>	Live Find and HRD	Michael Perry Park
<u>Dec 06</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	Monthly Meetings	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Dec 13</u>	<u>18:00 Wed</u>	Holiday Dinner	Steve Cox's Home
<u>Dec 16</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Live Find and HRD	Soller's Point

November has been a fairly quiet month. All K9 recertifications are complete for 2017; we have two new dogs and handlers entering our formal training program.

Next on SRDI's agenda is preparing for Ann Christensen's workshop during two weekends in February. Last year's workshop was very well received and we hope to make this an annual event bringing even more K9SAR handlers together.

If you are interested in attending one of our trainings, please email us at K9@sarci2.org, or Karen.Paquette@sarci.org, or call Karen Paquette (275-2074). SRDI's monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of each month.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Ann Christensen Workshop February 2018 Tucson, AZ

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

Dec 17 11:00 Sun **Gymkhana (Books 11:00, Events 12:00)** Pima County Fairgrounds

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!!

SOUTHERN ARIZONA RESCUE ASSOCIATION

[SARA @ sarci.org](http://SARA@sarci.org)

SARA CALENDAR

<u>Dec 01</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Dec 02</u>	<u>08:00 Sat</u>	Training: Winter Skills Classroom	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Dec 21</u>	<u>19:00 Thu</u>	SARA Board Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd
<u>Jan 05</u>	<u>19:30 Fri</u>	SARA General Meeting	SARA House, 5990 N Sabino Canyon Rd

BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

At the December SARA General Meeting, there will be a Bloodborne Pathogens PowerPoint presentation for those who need the refresher to stay field current.

by SARA Board of Directors, [sarabod @ sarci.org](mailto:sarabod@sarci.org)

SARA TRAINING: December

The winter skills training will be held in two parts, a classroom portion and a field session. The classroom session will be held Saturday December 2nd starting at 08:00 at the SARA House. The date of the field session will be determined when/if we have snow on Mt. Lemmon. RSVP on Whoozin: <http://whoozin.com/H4N-44C-OYDR>.

by Jen Dempsey, [jen.dempsey @ sarci.org](mailto:jen.dempsey@sarci.org)

The classroom session is MANDATORY if you would like to participate in the field session and did not attend the classroom session last year. It is also required for anyone interested in participating in the MRA winter recert that will be coming up next year.

This training combined with the field session counts as an "other" sign-off on the orange card.

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

SARA TRAINING: Upcoming Wide Area Search Class

SARA will be hosting a three day wide-area search class in January, 2018. The class dates are Friday January 26 from 18:00 to 22:00, Saturday January 27 and Sunday January 28 from 09:00 to 17:00. The course is being offered for free by TEEK education. There are a limited number of seats available for search and rescue members. Anyone who is interested in the class, please contact [john.gorski @ sarci.org](mailto:john.gorski@sarci.org) and I will forward the class information to you.

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

SARA TRAINING: Tech Skills

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.

by Jen Dempsey, [jen.dempsey @ sarci.org](mailto:jen.dempsey@sarci.org)

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Friends of Redington Pass (FRP) is holding its Redington Pass fall cleanup event on December 9th. Registration will begin at 8am, and followed shortly after by a group safety briefing. Cleanup will start at 9am, finishing at 12pm. After the cleanup, prizes provided by our sponsors will be raffled to thank participants for all their time and hard work. This is not an official SARA event (no mission number).

by Shelley Littin, [shelley.littin @ sarci.org](mailto:shelley.littin@sarci.org)

RAFFLE

The December meeting will be your last in person chance to obtain tickets for the Click Raffle for the car, anywhere in the world tickets or cash. Tickets are \$25 or 5 for \$100. John Perchorowicz is willing to hand deliver batches of 5 tickets to anyone wanting them in Tucson.

by John Perchorowicz, [john.perchorowicz @ sarci.org](mailto:john.perchorowicz@sarci.org)

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

Sat Oct 21 6/ 6/ 81ym hiker fall injury Pima Canyon Trail, Catalinas RMFD

No field times A hiker was treated and assisted to the trailhead by Rural Fire. He wasn't very far up trail.

Sat Oct 21 5/ 30/ 46ym hiker and K9 disoriented Brush Corral Trail, Catalinas

19:20 – 23:00 A hiker was unable to follow trail below the Green Mtn Shortcut junction due to damage from the Burro Fire. He was retrieved by a team and returned to San Pedro Vista.

Wed Oct 25 12/ 36/ 17ym hiker fall injury Main Falls, TV Canyon, Rincons Sheriff1 RMFD

12:30 – 13:30 A male jumped into the pool, landing awkwardly. He had a midshaft tib/fib fracture. Sheriff1 landed in the sand and delivered him to the road.

Fri Nov 10 10/ 10/ 70yf alzheimers missing Corona de Tucson TucsonRanger

No field times An alzheimers patient had been missing for several hours, with various assets including air support searching the neighborhood. That got neighbors curious about the commotion, and one noticed the subject sitting in a wash behind his house just after volunteers had been requested.

Tue Nov 14 14/ 52/ 2 50y hikers lost 7 Falls, Bear Canyon, Catalinas Survey1

16:05 – 18:50 Two hikers became disoriented after arriving at the falls and not being able to find their way back to the trail. They met the hasty team and all walked out without problems.

Fri Nov 17 0/ 0/ 63yf missing Arizona City, Pinal Co.

No field times A female had been missing for ten days and we were requested to assist on the following morning. About that time she returned home and we were cancelled.

Sun Nov 19 17/ 122/ 23ym hiker lost Douglas Spring Trail, Rincons Survey1 TucsonRanger Sheriff1

20:40 – 03:10 A hiker was unable to follow the trail after dark and continued down the drainage along the Douglas Spring Trail. There are several waterfalls that are not simple to work through, and one slot fall requires a significant jump into sand or a significant detour. He jumped and injured a knee. A team made faint voice contact from the trail and dropped into the canyon from upstream. They were able to toss some supplies down to him while other teams worked on access from downstream. His knee was splinted then he was assisted downstream until the canyon opened enough for Sheriff1 to hoist.

2017 Totals	Activities	People	Hours	Hrs/Per	Last 12 Mos
Missions	112	1131	3962	3.5	123
Trainings	161	2099	10053	4.8	170
Meetings	49	423	931	2.2	51
Public Relations	14	37	128	3.5	14
Special Events	24	159	1425	9.0	25
Activities	98	338	1769	5.2	109
TOTALS	458	4187	18268	4.4	492

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SARCI Calendar – 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29 SRDI Training	Nov 30	Dec 01 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Dec 02 SARA Training <i>Winter Skills Classroom</i>	Dec 03 SRDI Training
Dec 04	Dec 05	Dec 06 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Dec 07	Dec 08	Dec 09 Friends of Redington Pass <i>Cleanup Event</i>	Dec 10 Divers Training (09:00)
Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13 SRDI Dinner	Dec 14 CME Training	Dec 15	Dec 16 SRDI Training	Dec 17 <i>Posse Gymkhana</i>
Dec 18	Dec 19 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Dec 20	Dec 21 SARA Board (19:00)	Dec 22	Dec 23	Dec 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
Dec 25 CHRISTMAS	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28 Posse Meeting (18:30)	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31 NEW YEARS EVE
Jan 01 2018 NEW YEARS DAY	Jan 02	Jan 03 SRDI Meetings (18:00)	Jan 04	Jan 05 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Jan 06 SARA Training <i>(TBD)</i>	Jan 07
Jan 08 HAM Class	Jan 09	Jan 10	Jan 11 CME Training	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14 Divers Training
Jan 15 HAM Class	Jan 16 SAMSAR Meetings (18:00)	Jan 17 SARCI Board (19:30)	Jan 18 SARA Board (19:00)	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 21
Jan 22 HAM Class	Jan 23	Jan 24	Jan 25 Posse Meeting (18:30)	Jan 26 <i>WAS Class (18:00 – 22:00)</i>	Jan 27 <i>WAS Class (09:00 – 17:00)</i>	Jan 28 <i>WAS Class (09:00 – 17:00)</i>
Jan 29 HAM Class	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 01	Feb 02 SARA Meeting (19:30)	Feb 03 SARA Training <i>(TBD)</i>	Feb 04



PINE PIG RESCUE

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PIMA COUNTY SEARCH AND RECOVERY DIVERS

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PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED POSSE

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Meet 4th Thu 19:00, details inside.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE

Details inside.

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