



Weber County Sheriff

Search and Rescue Training Newsletter



July 2000

TRAINING CALENDAR 2000

JULY

- 04 **Parades** (3 or 4 locations) Terry Thompson
- 08-13 **Pack Ride:** 5 day horse ride Terry Covering
- 08 **Vertical Rescue Practice:** 8 am above N. Fork Environ. Center John Sohl
- 13 WCS complete move into new Sheriff's Complex Jeff Malan/Terry Thompson/Brad Randall
- 18 **All Horse Parade** for Posse Terry Covering
- 21-23 **MRA Regional Vertical Rescue Conference:** N. Fork Environmental Center John Sohl
- 24 **Parade** Terry Thompson/Brad Randall
- 28-29 **Desert Survival Seminar** Terry Thompson/Brad Randall

AUGUST

- 02 **Law Enforcement National Night Out,** 6 pm Terry Thompson/Brad Randall
- 04 **Variety Show Annual Fundraiser:** Roy High School, evening Doug Croft
- 08 **Mtn. Rescue monthly meeting** to set up climbing wall: 7 pm, Fair Grds. Lane McPheeters
- 09-12 **Weber County Fair:** PSAR and annual fund raiser Terry Thompson/Brad Randall
- 17-20 **Jeep Patrol Convention:** 40th Anniversary Steve Carver
- 25-27 **Universal Man Tracking:** Downey, ID—registration required Steve Carver
- Sep-Nov **OEC recertification sessions** Steve Mayne

SEPTEMBER

- 09 **Airboat Mock Search:** via airboats and transponder locating Jeff or Mont King
- 14, 16 **Cave Rescue w/ UT Cave SAR:**
Team mtgs. at Complex 7 pm; Class 7:30 pm; Practical Logan Cave w/ Cache Co Steve Carver

OCTOBER

- 03, 07 **Orienteering:** Map & Compass, GPS Class; Practical Dave Lehman

NOVEMBER

- 07, 11 **Mock Search:** Incident Command System Class; Practical Terry Thompson/Brad Randall
- 16, 18 **Snowcat:** Class; Practical Steve Carver

DECEMBER

- 05, 09 **Helicopter and Medical:** Packaging, splinting, hypothermia, frostbite, etc. Steve Mayne
Sponsor **Sub for Santa** family Kevin Christensen

TRAINING CALENDAR 2001

JANUARY

- 02, 06 **Avalanche:** Class; Practical John Sohl/Jeff Hirschi
- 20 **Ice axe self arrest:** Don Roberts

FEBRUARY

- 06, 10 **Winter Mock SAR:** snow evac., snow anchors, SKED, OSSII Class; Practical John Sohl
- TBA **Ice climbing** and vertical rescue on ice Don Roberts
- TBA **Winter Survival Seminar** Terry Thompson/Brad Randall

MARCH

- 06, 10 **Tension Traverse & V-rig:** vertical pick-off from tension traverse Class; Practical John Sohl

APRIL

- 03, 07 **Urban Rescue:** Class; Practical Dave Black

MAY

- 01, 05 **Regional Interteam/agency Exercise** Richard Schroeder

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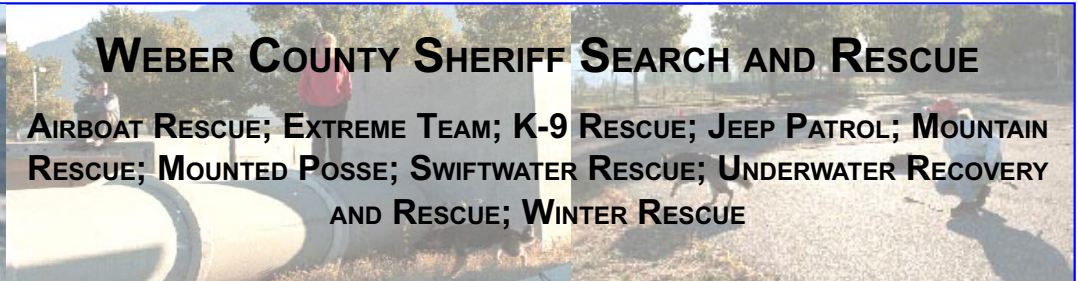
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WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF SEARCH AND RESCUE

AIRBOAT RESCUE; EXTREME TEAM; K-9 RESCUE; JEEP PATROL; MOUNTAIN RESCUE; MOUNTED POSSE; SWIFTWATER RESCUE; UNDERWATER RECOVERY AND RESCUE; WINTER RESCUE



TRAINING CALENDAR 2001 (CONT.)

JUNE

05, 09 **Swift Water** Class; Practical Jeff Hirschi
Please visit the web site <http://planet.weber.edu/mru> for a listing of the training schedule through 2001.

JUNE CALL OUTS:

June 10th, Middle Fork, possible suicidal subject. Good turn out of Jeep Patrol, K-9, Mtn. Rescue and Posse. SLCo. Helicopter was called out. Subject walked out next day at Cobble Creek.

June 19th, Causey Dam, 2 overdue hikers from Salt Lake. Posse was called out, 7 members responded, 4 searchers and canine responded. Life Flight flew them out.

June 24th, 6:30 p.m. Recovery out of **Weber River** behind 21st street pond. The Swift Water Team responded.

June 24th, Pineview, Divers recovered a submerged camper truck and boat.

SEARCH AND RESCUE NEWS:

A lot of work went into putting together the **Wolf Creek Golf Tournament** and a special thanks goes to all who participated! We took in over \$3200 for the event.

The Sheriff's Department will be asking for help during the month of July for several **parades**, especially on the 24th. Sgt. Thompson will furnish a schedule for the 24th.

Jeff Malan and Brad Randall are drafting an operational plan for the **Olympics**. We have the North Fork Environmental Center reserved for the 2002 Olympics to use as a staging area and for housing any out-of-town SAR volunteers. SLOC does not have funding for back country rescues so we are looking for funds for housing Search and Rescue personnel. Brad and Jeff are coming up with a resource book for Search and Rescue during Olympics and all seven counties will bring their list for inclusion in this book. There will be a combined training held for all participating counties in the future.

John Sohl interviewed several Canadian officials, including the director of the **Calgary Olympics Search and Rescue** effort during his recent trip to attend the MRA Conference. As a result of this information we can expect from 5 to 10 times as many call outs during the Olympics as we normally experience at our busiest winter season.

Sheriff Slater is working with Salt Lake County to share costs and use of **helicopter** equipment and staff. A contract is being written up. Kathy Olsen asked once the contract is finalized to let her know so she can put it in the policies and procedures book for dispatch. The SLCo helicopter does not have a hoist and they do not like to long line. Three people can fly in the back seat and they will be available during the Olympics.

Terry Thompson will be contacting the SAR teams for their participation in the **National Night Out for Law Enforcement** event, scheduled for 6 pm on August 2, 2000. This event is an open house at various precinct headquarters for the public to meet local law enforcement teams. Terry would like the various SAR teams to be staged at each precinct with their equipment and he will work with the commanders on details and specific times.

AIRBOAT NEWS:

June 17th was the **handicap ride**. Didn't have a lot of participation from SAR but they had 25 kids there and they all enjoyed it.

The **Mock Search** training will be September 9th.

JEEP PATROL NEWS:

The **Variety Show** is scheduled for August 4, 2000.

The **National Convention** will be hosted locally on August 17th–20th. The range has been set aside. State conference stated they have everything ready to go. Terry Thompson advised there is a shed at the range to store cardboard for the shoot.

The **Man Tracking** course is scheduled for August 25th and 26th in Downy, Idaho.

Steve Carver is corresponding with the **Utah Cave SAR** for the training to be held September 14th (classroom) and 16th (practical). The Mtn. Rescue team will also hold their monthly meeting on September 14th at 7:00 pm and the classroom session will begin at 7:30 pm.

Mont King stated one of the **cats needs repairs**. Malan stated the Valley shops will be working on it as soon as they are done with the new cars for the sheriff's office.

K-9 NEWS:

Canine members Dave and Mary Lehman, Patti Donohoo, and Jeff and Cindy Stark attended the **Bonneville County SAR (Idaho) Water Workout**, June 16-18, at Palisades, Idaho. Thirty canine teams representing Idaho Mountain SAR, Wyoming Canine SAR, Duchesne County SAR, Star Valley (Wyoming) SAR, and Bonneville County SAR attended and a wealth of information was shared by all.

The seminar offered classroom presentations, water problems working with the boats/divers for beginner, intermediate, and advanced teams, and cadaver scent problems on land and water. Currently there are three teams mission-ready for callouts on the water.

There will be an update on future K-9 trainings in the next newsletter.

MOUNTED POSSE NEWS:

The Posse will be attending an **All Horse Parade** on July 18th as well as the parade on July 24th, plus rodeos throughout the summer.

Terry Cevering would like 2-3 **radios** of their own for call outs. Brad and Jeff stated they would probably have spares for call outs from now on. Malan asked the Posse to remind him to start the process for new radios. There was a discussion of 800 MHz radios at the Commanders meeting. Kathy thinks Mtn. Ogden tower will be finished by the end of August.

MOUNTAIN RESCUE NEWS:

Six team members attended the **Mountain Rescue Association National Convention** in Alberta, Canada, June 23rd–25th. They reported that it was great and they will share the training they received in future workshops for our organizations.

The **Swift Water** training on June 10 was cancelled due to the Middle Fork search and will be rescheduled next year.

The **monthly meeting** for the team will be on July 11th and there will be a practice session to get ready for the Vertical Rescue Conference on Saturday July 8th.

WCSSAR is hosting the **Mountain Rescue Association Regional Vertical Rescue Conference** on July 21-23. The certification scenarios will be wilderness search and also rescue from under overhanging rocks above the Environmental Center. Estimated attendance is from 60-70 people for this event. There is a possibility of reserving camp sites at North Fork for the participants who want to camp while attending this conference. John Sohl is in charge and has asked for support from the Posse. Terry Cevering responded at the Commanders meeting that this should not be a problem. Everyone must be out of the Environmental Center by 3 pm on Sunday. *We will need lots of help from everyone!!!*

The **August monthly meeting** will be held at 7:00 pm at the Fair Grounds to set up the Climbing Wall. Lane McPheeters reminds everyone that before August we need to clean and paint the scaffold and paint and texture the wall.





Due to a very busy summer and multiple training opportunities in September, the Mtn. Rescue Team will join the Jeep Patrol in September for their classroom and practical training in **Cave Rescue** on the 14th and 16th respectively. Helicopter training will be rescheduled for December in combination with the currently scheduled Medical class.



Jeff Hirschi wanted to know if it is time for a **wish list for supplies and training**. Malan asked everyone to get their lists together.

UNDERWATER RECOVERY AND RESCUE NEWS:

Thanks for the response to **callouts** in June!

WINTER RESCUE NEWS:

“Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow...”

FINAL NOTES

Thanks to everyone who participated in the **Law Enforcement Fair**, July 1st and 2nd at the new Sheriff's Complex.

Roy City is in the **dispatch center** now. Kathy asks everyone to be patient and explain who you are and who you are with when you call in. If there are problems just ask for a Weber dispatcher.

We received a **donation of \$1,000.00** from Pacific Chromalox to Search and Rescue.

Received a **letter of thanks** from the family of the couple lost at Causey.

Brad, Jeff and Terry wanted to thank everyone for participating and working so well together. We are doing well with our **Olympic preparedness**.

Please remember to remove the **WCSSAR stickers** from your vehicles before you sell them or if you no longer participate as an active member in team activities.

*Reminder: when attending a call out (or any SAR event) always **sign in and out on the attendance roster**. For the sake of state SAR reimbursement, your sign in/out times are from when you receive the call to your return home. Mileage estimates are important—including training, meetings, and callouts.*

*Note from the Editor. A special big thank you to **Patsy Winchester** for quickly typing and sending the minutes of the Commanders meeting. This newsletter is intended to be for the benefit of all WCSSAR units.*

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