



ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Search & Rescue

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Annual General Meeting

Thurs. May 22, 2014
1900 at the SAR Shack

MRT Meeting
June 10, 2014
19:00 at the SAR Shack

Upcoming Training

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Rope Rescue
June 13 - 16, 2014

July 19, 2014
Practise

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Bar/Drive Home

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July 12, 2014
Drive Home

August 16, 2014
Trail Run

August 23, 2014
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Annual General Meeting

Rocky SAR will be hosting its Annual General Meeting on May 22, 2014. Everyone is welcome. Come out and support your team. We will be having an awards presentation, elections for Vice President, Treasurer and 3 directors.

There will also be information about membership statistics, a presentation on the membership survey. The CRA Search & Rescue Tax Credit. MRT will be presenting the strategic plan for the upcoming year.

Member Photos

Member ID cards are no longer issued by the RCMP or Rocky SAR. The OFC will be producing the cards once all teams have been incorporated into the Provincial D4H system. See Jayne after the meeting for

those members that do not have their photo in their profile. If there is no photo in your profile there will be no ID card issued. Please check D4H and see if you have a photo entered into your profile.



MRT Training with Rescue Randy!



MRT Training at Bertie Beaver

First Aid & ICS 100

Note to all members, we require that all members have standard first aid/cpr and ICS 100 before going into the field as active searchers. Please make sure your certifications are up-to-date. Give certificates to either membership director, Chad Gardeski or Margriet Berkhout.

Pets

An RCMP request has been brought to our attention. Please do not bring any pets with you on an incident. It is safer for them and team members if they are left at home. We never know how long we will be at a given incident.



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**Membership Stats**

The 2013 Rocky SAR season was a busy one! In total, we were called upon for 16 Search and Rescue Incidents, including deployments through SAR Alberta to assist with the spring flooding in Southern Alberta. Rocky SAR hosted 28 SAR/MRT training events and held 24 meetings (including 1 Annual General Member and 4 General Member meetings). Our organization participated in 12 community/fundraising events including the Brian Mazza trail run, the Co-op kids festival, Fright Night, the Main Street skateboard event, the Pumpkin Patrol and the Parade of Lights to name a few. We raised additional funds by providing 20 bartending and drive home services and participated in a casino event this year. Ken Charlton and Dawn Bernard delivered 9 Hug a Tree programs (part of the Adventure Smart Series) to various kindergarten and grade 1 classes.

Annual Statistics:

- The 2013 roster included up to 61 members.
- 46 Rocky SAR members volunteered a total of 4,528 hours supporting the community and the organization in 2013
- We unfortunately did not see or hear from 15 Rocky SAR members in 2013
- 25 out of 43 operational members (58%) met their minimum attendance requirements
- 3 out of 18 support members (17%) met their minimum attendance requirements
- 46% of the membership met the minimum attendance requirements, which is an increase of 13% from 2012
- 28 members (46%) volunteered their time during a community/fundraising event, which is a slight decrease by 3% from 2012.
- 25 members (41%) participated in multiple events which is a substantial increase of 21% from 2012.
- Your community/fundraising efforts helped raise over \$11,000.00 for our organization in 2013.

SAR Campout

Rocky SAR is holding its annual family campout on the weekend of September 27, 2014 at Buster Creek. Camping will be available for Fri-

day and Saturday night. Come join the fun and socialize with the group. Activities for the kids and members.

CRFRS/Rocky SAR Uniforms

If anyone is interested in having a uniform through CRFRS with Rocky SAR on one sleeve and CRFRS on the other, please go to the CRFRS office to be measured/fitted for size. Any questions please contact Jayne at secretary@rockysar.com



MRT Training - Over the edge!