

1. Introductions

2. Training Notes

- MLPI Class in Routt County. Possible dates are two of the following three weekends: 10th and 11th, 17th and 18th or the 24th and 25th of January, 2004. Cost is expected to be \$175/person.
- Considering a Plans Section class. Need to have confidence of more students to hold it.
- Possibility of doing a Plans Section review class for those who have already taken it.
- Avalanche Seminar is the 6th and 7th of December in Summit County.

3. Newsletter discussion

The question was posed whether CSRB needed a print newsletter. The cost is \$150 every 2 months. The newsletter goes to all Sheriffs offices, National Parks, member teams and individual CSRB members. It is an incentive for individual members.

Decision was to keep printing the newsletter.

- Should look into bulk shipment rates.
- Need new input.
- Setup a charge account or forward money for the newsletter to avoid personal expense.

4. DOLA

John Agnew was appointed to handle the CSRB West slope seat on the DOLA board.

5. Special Interest Sections

5.1 Dog Liaison

SARDOC had another dog get certified.

5.2 MRA

Meeting on the Friday before the avalanche seminar.

5.3 ASTM

Meeting last week.

5.4 Aviation

Alpine and RMR had a successful simulated airplane crash seminar.

5.5 EMS

The emergency equipment bill is not finalized yet.

6. Website

Discussed, but no new information.

7. Annual Meeting & Elections

Six directors are up for election at the January meeting.

8. SARCON 2004

- Have three track members in place.
- Still need more assistance, especially a Search Track manager.
- Contract is signed for the Ponderosa Retreat Center for 14, 15 and 16 May, 2004.
- Can expect SARCON 2004 to cost ~\$100/person.

9. Other

Radio issues were discussed, concerning FCC part 90

- Repeaters are legal
- There will be no special emergency frequencies. SAR can apply for public safety frequencies.
- Narrow band is arriving. In 2004, teams requesting FCC licenses will have to apply for narrow band.

10. SAR Standards

- National Mutual Aid and Resource Management Initiative is calling for the national typing of resources for federal use. This is an extension of Homeland Security.
- Resource typing template for mountain SAR is going to FEMA next Thursday. Mountain SAR template is attached to these minutes.
- There should be a second round of updates at some point.
- Land SAR, Air SAR, Water SAR and Cave/Mine SAR will all coming as well.
- USAR and fire already have typing standards.
- Result of Presidential mandate for a national command system.
- Howard Paul was able to get some input to the development of the Mountain SAR template. He only found out about it by chance.

11. Other – additional items added after discussion of SAR Standards

- Tom McCabe stepped down as CSRB coordinator.
- There have been no PLB alerts in Colorado yet.
- Jefferson county has a cache of 75 radios. This is a possible resource for large operations.
- Howard Paul is setting up a seminar with the Colorado Avalanche Information Service to train news media about avalanches and responses to them.
- Charging for SAR was discussed. A victim who was buried in an avalanche, snuck past rescue teams to avoid being charged. CSRB needs to “pick the battle site” and be proactive. This issue keeps coming up. We need to be able to phrase the issue in our own terms.
- From John Agnew – The Discovery channel had done some filming. Wanted to know if anyone had a copy.

12. Missions

- RMR: Quiet
- Summit: Standard call
- Teller: Sent team to La Vita
- Adams: Getting trained up.
- Mesa: Reorganization of SAR team. 42 missions. Hunting season has been quiet. Large mountain bike growth in the area.
- Park: Quiet hunting season. Mission on Mt. Lincoln icefall.
- Alpine: Nothing special.
- Arapahoe: Missing lady off of Smoky Hill road.
- CAP: Standard. CAP had a plane with engine failure but managed to land.
- Larimer: 18 calls since last meeting. Search for a hunter who heard the field teams but was going to wait until daylight to respond. Search for a 4yr old autistic kid who would not be able to respond to field teams. The teams needed to be quiet to hear him.
- Douglas: Thought they had a mass casualty incident on their hands. Luckily it turned out not to be.

13. CSRB Directors only

Short meeting to appoint Tim Holden as an apprentice coordinator.

Moved by Barry Mitchell, seconded by Bill Young to accept Tim Holden as an apprentice coordinator. Motion PASSED.