

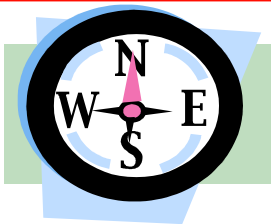
Serving the Colorado SAR Community since 1966



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The next CSRB meeting is Mar 1st - Alpine Rescue Shack in Evergreen at 1200 hrs.



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<http://www.coloradosarboard.org/> **Colorado Search and Rescue Board**

March CSRB Meeting

03/01/08

Alpine Rescue Team "Shack"

General Membership Meeting starts at 1200

SARCON Coordinator Meeting at 0900

President's Corner

Else where, in this newsletter, I discussed many of the people helping out on the Colorado Search and Rescue Board. At our Board of Directors meeting following the January meeting, I suggested some goals for this year that I would like to share;

First, I would like to see CSRB get out into the different corners of the state for it's meetings. If there are those teams or agencies that might want to host one of our meetings give me a call. Currently, our meeting are on Saturdays. We start at noon, allowing for travel time in the mornings. Right now I am looking for May and July meetings (West or South would be good). We will hold an informal meeting one of the nights at SARCON 2008 in Gunnison in July.

In conjunction with those meetings, I want to see some training offered at these meetings, either in conjunction with the meeting or on the next day of a two-day weekend combination. Some of the suggested training include developing training to assist members work in base. Many of the positions, working with the Plans Section, need some developmental classes and Barry Mitchell has offered to spearhead this direction of training.

Another possibility is to find a system where we can offer a conference - call connection for those who cannot travel to

the meeting. We are still exploring different solutions, but it might help more people participate.

At a recent County Sheriff's of Colorado meeting, many of the Sheriffs asked for more information, which we will try to accomplish. Many have new teams and want some help getting going. We also have been asked, following missions where CSRB has come in to help, to come back to those counties and assist local responders in training. This will take a fare amount of time and I will look to others to help out.

Finally, we need to be able to continue offering mutual aid responses to any part of the state that asks. Please think about it seriously, when your team is asked to help. It may seem like a major distraction, but remember what those asking for help are probably going through!

That doesn't sound like too much - does it? Be safe out there!

Bruce Fosdick is the newly elected President of the Colorado Search and Rescue Board. He is currently with the Douglas County Search and Rescue Team and has been involved in search and rescue in Colorado for over forty years.

News, Notes, and Stuff...

An Introduction to Cave Rescue April 26-27, 2008 Glenwood Springs, Colorado

The Colorado Cave Rescue Network (CCRN) is offering a seminar in basic cave rescue for cavers and SAR folks in the state. (See <http://www.coloradocaverescue.org/> for details.)

This two-day course is designed as a basic orientation to Cave Res-

cue. The class is geared to both [cave explorers](#) who desire to learn the basics of rescue and [rescue personnel](#) who wish to ex-



Photo by Rick Myers
pand their knowledge and experience into the specialty of cave rescue. Our seminars usually have an equal mix of cavers and search and rescue (SAR). No previous experience in caving or SAR is required.

Managing Land Search Operations

The requisite course for everyone that directs search operations.

March 8-9 & 15-16
Alpine Rescue Team
811 Evergreen Pkwy. (SH 74) at I-70, El Rancho

Presented by the Colorado Search and Rescue Board

\$150 - includes books

Mail-in registration by February 22

On-line registration by February 29

Register on-line at

<http://www.csrregister.com>

Internet Site Created to Aid Search and Rescue

An Internet-based SAR organization has been formed to conduct collaborative analysis of aerial and satellite imagery during search and rescue operations to help locate down or missing aircraft or vessels. It officially developed from the Internet search effort for aviator Steve Fossett. The organization seeks experienced, credentialed Imagery Analysts or SAR observers to evaluate information passed on from volunteers who scan the imagery but who don't necessarily have a SAR background. Users must register and follow the policies of the Web site. For more information go to:

<http://internetsar.org/>

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CSRB Meeting Minutes
05 Jan 2008
Alpine Rescue

Meeting opened at 1206 with introductions. We discussed the requirement of a quorum to hold elections. It was determined we did, indeed, have a quorum present. Proxies were presented and collected by the Secretary.

ELECTIONS—The floor was opened for additional nominations before being closed. Seeing none, a motion was made by Mike McDonald and seconded by George Janson to close nominations. Unanimous vote AYE.

The list of candidates was listed on the board. Motion made by George Janson, seconded by Mike McDonald to accept the list by acclamation as the list consisted of six names—the number needed to fill the vacant seats. Motion passed unanimous 10-0. The Directors will meet after the meeting to chose a officers.

RESOURCES—Barry Mitchell gave a report on the coordinators. He discussed a kit he had put together and provided a list of the contents. He also discussed the VTAC frequencies and other comms affecting the coordinators. The new MOA/MOU with AFRCC and CSOC/DEM/Governors' office is being reviewed by CAP. DEM requires that incidents that expend Federal \$\$ must use NIMS/ICS.

SARDOC—13 airscent, 1 trailing, 4 avalanche dogs. 10 dog team leaders. All scent discriminating (*most likely just the dogs—ed.*)

ASTM—Del Morris is working on standards for tracking with NASAR. IMT: Grandfathering ended 12/31 for credentialing.

TRAINING—MLSO at Alpine 3/8-9 & 15/16. \$125. SARTECH process: we are trying to get evaluators for STII. Looking for instructors for classes. SARCON: 7/18-20—still working on filling the class slots.

MRA—Working on selecting a new Board.

NASAR—Howard checked with EPCSAR regarding the SAR conference. There has been some contact by NASAR.

SAR FUND—Meeting Wednesday coming up. CSOC. General business meeting.

PR/EXT AFFAIRS—EMS/SAR Volunteer Pensions—No progress on this. HB08-0525—Now only CAP. Everybody else is off the bill. Needs to be amended to get the rest included on it.

COMMUNICATIONS—Global Rescue and American Alpine Club: This outfit is known for medical transport service with east and west coast centers. Well trained. Joe Ben Slivka recommends that all organizations get together and talk to these folks. Need to coordinate and may be legal issues to work out.

SPOT: Like OnStar. We most likely will be getting calls on these due to the low price. The center calls local dispatch based on transmitted GPS coordinates. Uses the GlobalStar digital system.

OTHER BUSINESS—State All-Hazards Mgmt Regions' Advisory Comm: Howard Paul met with Michelle of the Governor's office. There is no common credentialing. Looking at large disasters. They want to be online for the Democratic Nat'l Conv. Want to have a credentialing card and different tiers. Background checks and such play 9into all the levels.

Who Should Perform SAR position paper: The BOD has a quorum. Motion made by Leonard Ginther, seconded by Dan Remsburg to adopt the paper. We will make it a draft position paper and take to the CSOC. Unanimous vote AYE.

A huge thanks was given to Howard Paul for his service to CSRB.

MISSION REPORTS—

Alpine: Empty avalanche

Douglas: Subject got locked behind the gates on Rampart Range Road.

CAP: Dealing with AFRCC. You need to ask questions! New Wing Commander.

Vail: Fatality on avalanche. Missed communications in SO on cause of death.

Larimer: RP suffered injury and not helped as the mission centered on the original subject. Be sure to check.

Routt: Snowmobiles are not very good submarines (3 of them).

Had a demonstration by Howard Paul on the SPOT unit and how it interfaces to the web.

Respectfully Submitted
Dan Remsburg
CSRB Secretary

BOD followed the CSRB Meeting:

Elected Officers:

President	Bruce Fosdick
VP	George Janson
Secretary	Dan Remsburg
Treasurer	Mike McDonald

Behind the Scenes

Sometimes, it's hard to tell if anything is happening on the State level of Search and Rescue - the Colorado Search and Rescue Board (CSRB). I'd like to take a few moments thank a lot of people who are working hard behind the scenes. Hopefully, I don't leave anyone out - but I probably will - thanks to everyone!

First the Board of Directors of your organization; Bruce Fosdick (Douglas County SAR), President; George Janson (Larimer County SAR and Civil Air Patrol), Vice President; Dan Remsburg (Teller County SAR/RMT), Secretary; Mike McDonald (Douglas County SAR and Civil Air Patrol), Treasurer; and Barry Mitchell (Douglas County SAR), Joe Ben Slivka (Summit County Rescue Group), Leonard Ginther (Civil Air Patrol), Mike Smith (Teller County Search and Rescue), Lanny Grant (Garfield County Search and Rescue Team), Ian Vowels (Mounted SAR - Pagosa Springs), Glen Kratz (Summit County Rescue Group) and Tim Holden (Rocky Mountain Rescue Group) - all directors. This group of individuals meets at least twice a year and many times discuss policies between meetings.

Other appointed positions include the ASTM F-32 Committee of Search and Rescue - Mike McDonald - one of several standards committees that Mike works with. Just recently FEMA asked Mike to assist in one of their projects as well. The Colorado All-Hazards Regions Advisory Board - Joe Ben Slivka. Colorado Type 3 IMT Credentialing Subcommittee - Barry Mitchell and Drew Davis. Communications - Joe Ben Slivka. J. Cavanaugh O'Leary (Mountain Rescue Aspen) is doing a wonderful job as our legal advisor. Representing CSRB on the NIMS State Implementations Steering Committee is Mike McDonald.

Howard Paul (Alpine Rescue Team and immediate past President of CSRB) has stepped into some major projects for CSRB - he is now on the Board of NASAR and will report update to us, as well as serving as Public Information Officer and Public Affairs Director for CSRB - Howard is keeping track of bills in the legislature this year and has been very busy representing CSRB during the current session.

Dan Remsburg has also taken on the task of being the newsletter editor. I equate this job to that of herding cats. Dan spends all month trying to get input from any of the other people listed on this page and then put together the newsletter six times a year. .

Representing CSRB on the Department of Local Affairs - Search and Rescue Fund Advisory Board are Dawn Alperti (Routt County Search and Rescue Team) and Bruce Fosdick. Bruce's term will expire in June - Dawn is

in the process of being reappointed to her position.

In our training division two parties are doing a lot of work to stay in front of the requests for training. First-Ian Vowels manages our annual conference/training academy. The number of hours is enormous from arranging the venues to instructors to vendors. He is assisted by a small staff of assistants. Also working in our Training Division is Leonard Ginther, our Training Director. Leonard is tasked with following up on training requests, running the Managing Land Search Operations classes (including 8 other instructors and working on updating training curriculum), and proposing new classes.

Our Web master is Don Davis (Larimer County Search and Rescue Team). The CSRB website is located at ColoradoSARBoard.org. SARCON (our trade name for search and rescue conferences) has a separate website for the annual academy and that is managed by Ian Vowels.

Rounding out our day to day operations, is our cadre of State Search and Rescue Coordinators. One of these people are on-call twenty-four hours every day, in case they are needed to find resources for a county sheriff or other search and rescue entity. Barry Mitchell is currently serving as Senior State Coordinator who handles not only all of the scheduling, but all of the interactions between the State and Federal agencies regarding SAR in Colorado. Barry is assisted 8 other coordinators; Tim Cochrane (Vail Mountain Rescue Group), Skee Hipzsky (El Paso County Search and Rescue), George Janson (Larimer County SAR), Phil Luethy (Alpine Rescue Team), Bruce Fosdick (Douglas County SAR), and Kim and Brenda Veitch from El Paso County Search and Rescue Team.

The final people I want to thank are all of you - our fellow search and rescue members, sheriff's department personnel and other affiliated emergency service personnel. Without you, there would be no search and rescue efforts. The countless number of hours put in are simply out of this world and I wish to give every one of you, our thanks.

Colorado Search and Rescue Board's Annual

J. Hunter Holloway Spirit Award

J. Hunter Holloway had an enormous influence upon SAR in Colorado. Through his years of work in public safety education, training of SAR team members, promotion of Colorado's SAR team efforts to the public, field responses and mission management, SAR team as well as CSRB leadership, and representation of our SAR community on the Division of Wildlife's SAR Advisory Board, Hunter worked tirelessly to advance the skills and professionalism of Colorado's SAR responders and SAR system. His ultimate goal was to ensure the public could travel the backcountry of our state, having in place the nation's foremost SAR community to provide aid when needed. His spirit is remembered by presentation of this award to those in Colorado who best exemplify his dedication to Colorado SAR.

Past recipients of the award include:

- Tim Cochrane, Vail Mountain Rescue Group, 1993 and Dixie Ferrick, United SAR, 1993
- Mineral County Sheriff Phil Leggett, 1994
- Stan Bush, Arapahoe Rescue Patrol, 1995
- Ron Bookman & Charley Shimanski, Alpine Rescue Team, 1996
- Earl & Betty Berger, Colorado Wing, Civil Air Patrol, 1997
- Joanne Stone, Gunnison County Sheriff's Office, 1997
- Howard M. Paul, Alpine Rescue Team, 1998
- Drew Davis, Larimer County SAR Team, 1999
- Tom Frazer, El Paso County SAR Team, 2000
- Barry Mitchell & Bruce Fosdick, Douglas County SAR Team, 2004
- Dennis McLaughlin, SARDOC & El Paso County SAR Team, 2006



Any individual, whether or not directly affiliated with a SAR team, is eligible for this award by having demonstrated their dedication to the Colorado SAR community, or to (a) subject(s) of a SAR mission in any of the following areas:

- Personal effort in public preventive safety education.
- Personal effort in professional education of the SAR community.
- Extraordinary efforts in a search or rescue mission, either afield or in mission management.
- Extraordinary efforts in ongoing support of SAR missions during the entire year.
- Personal commitment to the professional advancement of Colorado's SAR community.

Nominations will be accepted from any member of the CSRB or CSRB member organization, or any Colorado county sheriff.

Nominations are due to the CSRB by April 1st. The award will be presented at the CSRB Annual SARCON/SARMA in July.

Nominations must include, at the minimum:

- Name, address, organizational affiliation and telephone number(s) of the nominee
- Name, address, organizational affiliation and telephone number(s) of the nominator.
- Complete SAR biographical profile of the nominee
- Relevant personal biographical information
- Complete details of the events, or ongoing service, for which the nominee has been chosen.

The greater the detail of the above information, the easier it will be to evaluate the appropriateness of making such an award.

Mail nominations to:
J. Hunter Holloway Spirit Award
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Or e-mail to: csrb@coloradoSARboard.org



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<u>Upcoming Calendar of Events</u>		
CSRB General Meeting	03/01/08	ART
MLSO	03/8-9 and 03/15-16	ART
Cave Rescue Training	04/26-27	Glenwood Springs
EMS Gala and Auction	5/16/08	Littleton
CSRB SARCON	07/18-20	WSC Gunnison

Remember to send newsletter articles to: "n0vsx@msn.com". Mail to: Dan Remsburg, 1978 High Chateau Rd., Florissant, CO 80816. Do you have a great SAR photo? Any photos submitted can be scanned and returned.