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Congratulations to the new recruits of 2012



New recruits 2012: Back row: Instructor Myles Jensen, Brad Andrews, Cor Enz, Devon Pollock, Lee Friesen, Irene Hofer, Bryan Poll, Grant Glasier. Front Row: Ernst Bergmann, Jesse Wildemann, Jennifer Blakely, Jay Rodriguez & Hannelie Rosdal.



Don Livingston instructing at the SAR Fundamentals course.



New recruits learning basic knot tying skills while instructor Doug Ritichie looks on



Submission to the Newsletter

Members are welcome to submit their stories or articles for inclusion in the Newsletter. Submissions will only be printed after Board approval.



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Important Notice

This summer, Rocky SAR is anticipating that we will be quite busy. It is important to note that if you receive a call-out and happen to arrive on scene ahead of the rest of the team that you **DO NOT** start a search or a rescue until an RCMP Search Manager or SAR Search Manager arrives and gives you a task.



Myles Jensen looking on at SAR Fundamentals training.

Busy Season

We are heading into a very busy summer season with the influx of campers and tourists. Mark your on-call/off-call status on D4H so that we know if you are available or not, also, please make sure your contact information is current.

Elections

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on May 24 at 19:00 at the SAR Shack. We will be handing out awards and conducting elections for Treasurer, Vice President and 3 directors. Come on out and place your nomination.



Kids having fun at Warren's going away party!

Decision for Heroes

Please check the calendar for upcoming events, training, Adventure Smart presentations etc. These events are an integral part of the day-to-day activities that Rocky SAR performs. We need

to people to help out with these activities so please sign up and help out. If you are having trouble logging into D4H, let a Board member know and they will be happy to help you out.

ID Cards

We have new ID cards (effective this summer), see Jayne to see if your card is available. If you have not had your picture taken for an ID Card, see Jayne or Chris.



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Points System

Rocky SAR has a points system that earns members rewards like vests, cruiser vest, watch, overnight bags etc. The more activities you are involved in the more points you earn. You will receive 3 points for a meeting or an event, for example, bar tend-

ing, Adventure Smart presentations, other fundraising events, 5 points for a training exercise or course and 10 points for an incident. So come on out and participate, meet and greet the general public, let them know what SAR is all about.

Good Luck Warren...



Warren receiving his gift from Rocky SAR, presented by Ed Van Heeren.

Be

Prepared

The summer is upon us and it is time to make sure that your 24 hour packs are properly equipped and you have the necessary gear and clothing to be in the field. Take note that if you show up on a scene and do have the necessary equipment you will not be sent out into the field.

Uniform Shirts

Uniform shirts are at the SAR Shack. Pull-over type are \$22 and zippered are \$36. See a board member and they will help you out. These shirts make us easily identifiable on a scene. Each member is required to these shirts on a search/rescue whenever possible.



Warren cutting his cake at his going away party.



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Cake built by Roxy Hiron.

Rocky SAR participates in Safety Day



Kids inside the Command Post at Safety Day.

ICS 100

For those of you who have not done so, please go to rockysar.com, click on the training tab and follow the link to complete your ICS 100. It is mandatory to have this course prior to going into the field on a search. We also hope in the future to have additional training in Incident Command for those of you who have completed the 100 level. The training material and exam are available online.

FIRST AID

Please make sure that your First Aid/CPR is up-to-date and that there is a copy in your file. This is mandated by the RCMP, if we do not have a copy on file then you cannot enter the field as an active searcher.

Have a good summer and see you all in September.



MRT Practise - Crevasse Rescue

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Team getting ready.



Setting an anchor



Having fun...



Fall arrest



Team practise held at Parker's Ridge - Banff National Park. Watch Rocky SAR's web-site for more pictures.

Thank you Ernst for the excellent course.

