



ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Search & Rescue

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General Meeting

Thurs. Sept. 26, 2013
1900 at the SAR Shack

MRT Meeting
Oct. 15, 2013
19:00 at the SAR Shack

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ATV Course
Sept. 28, 2013

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Oct. 19, 2013
Location : TBA

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Oct. 24

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Welcome Back!

Hope everyone had a great summer and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

For Rocky SAR it was a fairly busy summer for training and incidents. We are now back to regular meetings and training.

We have also streamlined our call-out procedures. All call-outs will now be done via text messaging. If the call-out is a medical emergency you will received a text similar to the following: 911 - Quad Accident - Nordegg area. If you are available to respond then reply to the text your availability. There is no need to respond if you are not available to attend. If you happen to live in the area, you will receive a phone call giving you

directions and who your contact person is, only if you respond to the text. Please remember, do not go into the field unless directed to by a Rocky SAR Search Manager and never go into the field alone. If the call is for a search, you will receive a text similar to the following: Missing person - Leslieville Area - Leaving SAR Shack 13:00. Again, you only need to reply to the text if you are available to attend. We ask that you do not call the SAR phone as it can get very busy with calls from tasking agencies, we do not have time to respond to all phone calls asking for more details. You will receive the details upon arrival on a scene or at the SAR shack.



Rocky SAR members assisting with flood efforts in Sundre



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**Training on Radio Protocols**

Our upcoming training session for September is radio protocols and operations. This training will take place immediately following the General Members meeting on September 26, 2013 at 19:00 at the SAR Shack.

Provincial SAR Exercise

October 4 - 6, 2013, Edmonton Regional Search and Rescue is holding a provincial SAR Exercise at Blackfoot - Cooking Lake Provincial Recreation Area. See

www.abmocksar.ca for additional information and how to register. The event has been listed in D4H for any Rocky SAR member who wishes to attend.



MRT Ropes course

D4H

All members, please make sure that your contact information is up-to-date in D4H. This is where we gather all necessary information for call-outs.

We also would like all members to make sure their qualifications are current. If you have taken a course either with Rocky SAR or with another group please give your certificate to the Membership Director so that we can keep the system updated.

SAR SCENE

October 19 - 21 is the upcoming SAR SCENE. This event is being held in Chilliwack, B.C. and is open to anyone wishing to attend.



Sandbagging in Sundre

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.