

Inyo County Search and Rescue

May 2018 General Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2018

Call to Order

The Inyo SAR board meeting was held at the Posse Hut and was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Elsbeth Otto.

March Inyo SAR Events and Missions

- **CHP H80 Helicopter Training** Two days of helicopter training with the California Highway Patrol H80 helicopter training. Great training! FYI for those not at the training, changes were made to the tag line procedure.

Team Business

- **Bishop High Sierra Ultramarathon** The Inyo SAR team is one of the beneficiaries of the Bishop High Sierra Ultramarathons (www.bishopultras.com) on June 2. The SAR team will be manning the aid station where Buttermilk Road meets Hwy 168 (the station that serves popsicles and other goodies). The station will need volunteers, so please reply to the email Todd V. sent out about volunteering for a shift ASAP. Volunteers are still needed
- **Gaia GPS App** The Gaia app previously was provided free to SAR members, which is being phased out. Many team members use Gaia for recording tracks on search operations and navigating to incidents. Now it is \$20 a year subscription for Search and Rescue Members (50% off normal price). Please contact Gaia directly for the SAR rates and to purchase. You can buy the App and then get reimbursed by Inyo SAR. Deputy Lawson notes that Backcountry Navigator Pro app might be better for Android devices. Elsbeth O. has the code for the Gaia discount if you need it.
- **Mountain Medical Symposium** 2nd Annual Mountain Medicine Symposium June 1-3, 2018, Silverton CO, Mountain Medicine Symposium Conference. Rose M recommends the training, she went last year.
- **Mono County Rigging for Rescue Spot Open** Mono County Search and Rescue will be hosting a Rigging For Rescue technical rock rigging training July 7-11, 2018. Contact Rose M. if you are interested, as there is a spot open in the class.
- **SAR EX** The SAR EX conference and training will occur this year in South Lake Tahoe, CA from September 7-9. Deputy Lawson states that the conference and hotels will

fill up soon, visit website if interested www.sarex.org. As with all trainings, interested and qualified members of the team can apply for financial assistance from Inyo SAR to attend.

- **Community Emergency Response Team** This July 30 -August 2 there will be a training/boot camp to form a Community Emergency Response Team for disaster response. Contact Ariana W. if you are interested in attending.
- **Upcoming Training** The May 17 medical training will be a chance for team members to refresh medical skills and familiarity with medical equipment such as supplemental oxygen and the vacuum splints. The training will be at the Posse Hut at 7 PM. The following Saturday May 19 will be a Search training to practice our Incident Command System, Search, and Medical skills. Exact location and time will be sent out
- **CalOES Insurance** Deputy Lawson briefed the team about the updated California Office of Emergency Services disaster worker insurance program requirements for team trainings. The following training details are important if leading trainings in the future so team members are covered by CalOES insurance: 1. There needs to be a complete training sign-in and sign-out sheet, with each participating member signing in and out. Our current system should work for this. 2. Training leaders need to email the team and SAR Coordinator with a pre-training plan that includes a start and end time before the training date. (The end time would be when insurance coverage stops, so best to overestimate the length of the training). 3. Coordinator needs to reply via email to the training leader that the training is approved before the training occurs.

Upcoming Dates

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- **May 17** Medical Gear Practice and Training, 7 PM Posse Hut
- **May 19** Medical Scenario, time and location TBD
- **June 2** Bishop High Sierra Ultramarathon
- **June 7** June SAR General Meeting

Adjournment Elsbeth Otto adjourns the meeting at 7:36 PM