



BCMSAR Update

Oct 5th 2007

Upcoming Events

Oct 28

Larry Allen's Ride

Check out the Bulletin Board!

The bulletin board is private for team use only. You can use it to get updates, exchange ideas, or just gossip.

If you need your username and password, please let me know.

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Training Committee

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New Members

Please join me in welcoming several new members to the group.

Susan Morgan from Sheffield
Patricia Cavell from Princeton
Joann Bowman from Princeton
Doug Albright from Princeton
Dennis Benson from Buda
Michelle Leverich from Tiskilwa
Robert Swallers from Spring Valley

Julie is helping me put together a "New Member Orientation Kit" and we will start getting these out to new members when we have them available.

SAR Certification

Illinois Department of Emergency Management has agreed to let us certify our own members here in Bureau County. We are working on scheduling a weekend training session much like we had in Cambridge.

The weekend will consist of Saturday classes and Sunday mock search. May is the most likely month.

I will let you know more as soon as we have all the details worked out.

Search Manager Training

We are also discussing hosting a Search Manager's class given by the Illinois Department of Emergency Management.

This will be a two day classroom class. Most likely a weekend in March.

If you have any interest in attending, please call me at 815-872-1103. I will use the feedback that I get to help determine when and if we host the class.

Building The BCMSAR Team

This seems to have been a slow year for rescues. That's good for the public, but a little boring for us. We have used the free time in good ways. The training committee has had plenty of time to work on our list of training.

We have done a few Team Building exercises. Team building is extremely important. The best way to build a trusted team is to attend as many trainings as possible. Why? Because, during these training sessions we see each other work out problems and help each other find the answers. We learn to trust each other's ability. When we hit the field in a live search, we already know and trust the person next to us. We don't doubt his skill or second guess his knowledge. We are a team!

Larry Allen's Ride Oct 28th

Larry Allen's ride starts at 2pm on Oct 28th. We will have a short meeting before the ride. This is not mandatory. It will just be to bring members up-to-date.

Help Raise Money

Purchase your horse supplies from CountrySupply.com

Order online or from the catalog. 5% of the total order will be donated to the team.

To credit our account, simply put bcmsar in the box that asks for the "care code".

Other Training

More training is in the works.

The training committee has a list of classroom training that we are going to try to schedule for the winter months.

When we have the training dates, we will get them to you as soon as possible.

If you have suggestions or comments, please contact Dorene (815-872-1103) or any member of the training committee.

Training Ideas?

Any comments or suggestions for the training committee?

Contact Dorene or any member of the training committee.