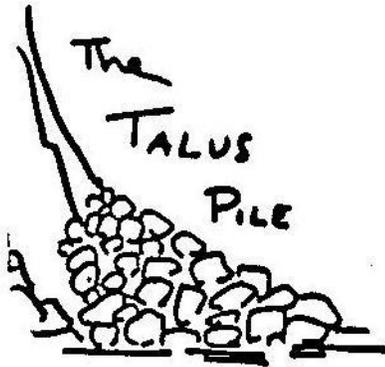


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TRAINING SCHEDULE

May	12	Meeting: Pre-Meeting First Aid	Huey
May	15	Tracking	Huey
May	17	Trail Peak	Niesen
Jun	5-7	National MRA Meeting, New Jersey	Derkey
Jun	9	Meeting: Pre-Meeting Summer Class	Simons
Jun	10	Start of Summer Class	Simons
Jun	14-15	Mt. Carl Heller	Derkey
Jun	21-22	Kern Peak	Simons
Jul	12-13	Summer Class Day Hikes	Bishop/Miles/Myers
Jul	14	Meeting	TBD
Jul	26-27	Summer Class Overnight	Bishop
Jul	30	Summer Class Graduation	Simons
Aug	1-2	Mt. Russell Fishhook Arete	Swanson
Aug	29	Tuolumne Meadows	Derkey
Sep	8	Meeting	TBD

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Check the California Region's web page at crmra.org.

Newsletters from other MRA groups, gear catalogs, etc. are available in the hut.



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OPERATION REPORTS

Operation 2014-01 (Alert) OES# 2014-LAW-1959

11 January 2014

Mt. Whitney (Inyo County)

By Dan Bishop

Summary:

Alert to assist in a search for missing hiker on the Mt. Whitney trail.

Narrative:

On Saturday, January 11, the team was alerted to assist in a search for a missing hiker on the Mt. Whitney trail. A two person party became separated on January 9th while ascending the snow covered trail. Both were equipped with overnight gear; the subject's partner returned to the trailhead and reported him missing the following day. The Inyo team began their search efforts, including the use of helicopters on the 10th and 11th. We were to supplement the operation on Sunday the 12th. Carol Burge served as coordinator with Elaine Riendeau assisting with the callout, which produced eight members committing, myself (Dan Bishop), Luke Swanson, Gina Niesen, Bill Stratton, Dave Miles, Al Green, Nathan Simons, and Mike Myers. When I called Inyo Sheriff Deputy Derr to finalize details he informed me that the subject had just been found, deceased. The Inyo team had 11 members responding and we were not needed for the extraction.

Operation 2014-02 (Rescue)

15 January 2014

Owens Wilderness (Kern County)

By Mike Myers

Summary:

Request to assist in a rescue of an injured hiker.

Narrative:

I, Mike Myers, received a call from Kern County Sheriff, Sgt. McMinn at 1400 requesting assistance with the rescue of two hikers, one of which had fallen off the Owens Wilderness Trail, 3 miles south of Hwy 14. Due to the lateness in the day, time was of the essence to reach the subjects before sunset. The GPS data and location provided was questionable, so I contacted Bob Rockwell and asked him to investigate the location of the Owens Wilderness Trail. I then called down the coordinator's roster until I reached Janet Westbrook who agreed to coordinate. Dave Miles, Daryl Hinman, Luke Swanson and Jeff Green committed to the rescue.

While enroute to the hut, Rockwell called me back and said there was no such trail in the Owens Wilderness, and he told me the coordinates mapped out to be just southwest of Bill's Butte. The team met at the hut at 1500, we grabbed some gear, and departed at 1510. The fire department and ambulance were parked near the road head, so we headed on up to the place last seen (PLS – the subjects' vehicle) and found two other Sheriff vehicles already there along with a command trailer and an off road vehicle trailer. The off road team had already taken their quads up as far as they could get, but couldn't reach the subjects due to the steep rock. One of the hikers had fallen from the ridge and injured his ankle and couldn't walk.

The Navy VX-31 SAR helo was on site, hovering over the top of the ridge attempting to do a vertical hoist. A Kern County Fire helo was supposed to be there as well, but they were in the wrong location. We waited and watched as the Navy helo made the extractions, before heading to Inyokern Airport. If the helo had been unsuccessful, we could have made the ridge just before dark. Given this scenario, the subjects would have been very cold and needing warm clothing. We secured from the PLS and met Sgt. McMinn at the road head. After talking to him for a bit, we headed back to the hut and secured at 1700.

Operation 2014-03 (Search/Rescue) OES# 2014-LAW-1960

24-25 January 2014

Telescope Peak (Inyo County)

By Dave Miles

Summary:

Request to assist in a search for an overdue hiker.

Narrative:

At 1455 on January 24th, 2014, I, Dave Miles got a call from Kern County Sheriff Sgt. Haislip to assist Inyo SAR in a search for a missing hiker on Telescope Peak. Twenty-eight year old Kyle Willis was attempting a day hike of Telescope

Peak via Hanaupah Canyon on the 23rd and had not returned. Kyle's friend had dropped him off at the start of the canyon in the morning and waited until the following morning for his return before alerting the Death Valley Park Rangers. Search efforts were initiated on the 24th to search Hanaupah Canyon. This included use of the VX-31 SAR helicopter.

Janet Westbrook agreed to be the coordinator and I placed a call out via CallingPost to meet at the hut at 1600. Unfortunately, I said Owens Peak in my message and had to repeat the call out to correct the location. I received word that Inyo SAR was suspending the search for the night so I therefore made arrangements with VX-31 SAR to get deployed via their helicopter in the morning since VX-31 had been requested to continue searching the next day. This update was sent out for a 0500 muster at the hut. Helicopter insertion would get our members on the ridge and in the Hanaupah Canyon early since the road through Panamint Valley was still closed from the flood damage in July of 2013. I coordinated this with Sgt. Haislip (Kern) and with Deputy Hohenstein (Inyo).

We had 10 CLMRG field members report to the hut at 0500 on the 25th. We loaded both Sheriff vehicles and drove to the NAWA China Lake airfield to get teams on the VX-31 SAR helicopter. The helicopter left with a VX-31 crew of 4 and 5 CLMRG members. Tom Roseman and Luke Swanson were to be dropped off on the saddle between Bennett and Telescope and ascend to check the summit register and search for tracks. Linda Finco, Tom Sakai, and Bill Stratton were to be dropped off at the 5,000 foot elevation on a ridge in the Hanaupah canyon to begin searching and tracking. Dave Miles, Jeff Green, Gina Najera-Niesen, Al Green, and Mike Derkey began driving to Death Valley via Olancho to meet the Inyo SAR at Furnace Creek.

As the helicopter entered Death Valley and made radio contact with the rangers, they were told that a fire had been spotted in upper Hanaupah Canyon by a ranger observing from Dante's Point during the night. The VX-31 crew dropped the CLMRG teams at the bottom of Hanaupah Canyon to conduct a quick search for the reported fire. They soon found Kyle with his signal fire, hoisted him aboard the helicopter at 0830, and took him to Furnace Creek. He was in good condition other than slight dehydration and was released. He had seen the helicopter flying over him the previous day, but was unable to signal them without a signal mirror.

When the CLMRG team was dropped off at Hanaupah Canyon, Tom Roseman was able to call me on his cell phone to let us know that the helicopter had found Kyle. There is now a cell phone tower at Furnace Creek that was very helpful. This allowed the team driving over to stop in Olancho for 15 minutes and wait for confirmation that the helicopter would be bringing the CLMRG team back to China Lake. This saved the driving team, who would have shortly lost cell service, from a long drive to Death Valley. We returned to the airfield and picked up our team and returned to the hut around 1030.

Operation 2014-04 (Search)

28 February 2014

Owens Peak (Kern County)

By Dan Bishop

Summary:

Request to assist in a search for a missing person in the desert near Ridgecrest.

Narrative:

In the early morning on Feb 28th the team received notice of a missing 40 year old woman who reported, via her cell phone, that she had walked into the desert from her residence and needed assistance. Prevalent rain and cold conditions necessitated an initial team of two (Dave Miles and Luke Swanson) to mobilize and deploy at 0630. Logistics were complicated due to the scheduled departure of a team of 12 members for the MRA reaccreditation occurring at the same time. As the hasty team was working with the Kern County Sheriff to locate the subject's place last seen the following members committed to the search: Dan Bishop, Linda Finco, Bob Huey, Bob Rockwell, Dave Doerr, Bill Stratton, Nathan Simons, Gina Niesen, Jeff Green, Mike Derkey, Tom Sakai, Daryl Hinman, Al Green, and Carol Burge as the coordinator.

Shortly after determining that a Command Post was to be located at the Dirt Digger turnout south on Highway 395, and we were preparing to deploy the remainder of the team, the subject was located in her residence. Her cell phone battery had gone dead and she did not report her condition once she was able to return to her home. At 0745 the operation was complete and the team was able to depart for the MRA reaccreditation.

Operation 2014-05 (Search)

20 April 2014

Tor Road and Highway 395 (Kern County)

By Dan Bishop

Summary:

Request to assist in an investigation of a vehicle located in a mine shaft.

Narrative:

On Easter Sunday, 20 April, at 1300 we received a request from Kern County Sheriff, Sgt. McMinn, to assist in the investigation of a vehicle located in a mine shaft. The owner of the mine, Mazak, and her assistant discovered the car and after concerns of a "dead smell" emanating from the vehicle, called the Sheriff for assistance. Our role was to provide technical assistance for the IWV Mine Team who was to lead the operation. Sheila Rockwell agreed to serve as coordinator and myself (Dan Bishop), Mike Myers, Dave Miles, Daryl Hinman, Gina Niesen, Al Green, and Dave Doerr committed to the operation. We assembled at the hut and departed at 1430 with Dave Doerr remaining in town as standby to be able to provide additional resources if it became necessary.

Our team was met by Deputy Parsons south of Ridgecrest, off of highway 395 and Tor road. He led us approximately ½ mile east of the highway to the location of two mine shafts. The mine owners had recently purchased the claim and were in the process of salvaging the material from the shafts. The IWV Mine Team was not on scene. With concerns over loose rocks and potentially unstable conditions in the shaft, we discussed options and decided to send a single member, Miles, down into the shaft to observe and make further recommendations. We were only going to proceed as far as we determined was safe, with direct line of sight to Miles. Hinman cleared many of the large rocks from around the shaft entrance while Green drove his jeep in position to provide a secure rope anchor. Myers and I positioned ourselves, on restraint, at the edge of the shaft as Miles rappelled. Miles came to the choke point, approximately 25 feet down and discovered that although it was a car, it had been chopped into 5 or 6 large pieces and then disposed of in the shaft. Miles found no indications of remains, only typical mine odors. The shaft continued further but with no further evidence that a body was present, the risk to continue was not justified. We suggested that a training event by the IWV Mine Team to remove the car parts would be more appropriate since they have the equipment and expertise to safely explore situations as these. At 1620 Sgt. McMinn arrived and informed us that the IWV team was unable to field a team to respond. We returned to Ridgecrest and secured the equipment by 1645.

California Region Search and Tracking Reaccreditation

28 February – 2 March 2014

By Linda Finco

Narrative:

Our departure was delayed Friday (28 Feb) morning due to an operation for a lost woman in Ridgecrest (see operation 2014-04). When she was found at her home we got back into reaccreditation mode and got on the road. The reaccreditation was being hosted by Placer County near Auburn, CA. We had a planning meeting before and after dinner and got the morning assignments in place to get our base camp set up quickly. Team leaders and evaluators met for their briefings. Bob Rockwell and Dave Doerr were evaluators. Bob was assigned to Wrightwood and Dave was assigned to Altadena. The scenarios began at 8 am. CLMRG started with our search operation/tracking problem, then a grid search and finally the ELT problem. Each exercise was completely separate from the others. It was noted that there could be a medical problem on either or both the search and ELT. The general directions were to make use of all resources as if a real operation and that skills should be demonstrated in the context of how they are normally used, not just demonstrated for demonstration sake.

We had pre-determined our three field teams the night before, Dave Miles/Bill Stratton/Bob Huey, Gina Niesen/Jeff Green, and Luke Swanson/Nathan Simons. If a relay was needed, Stratton would become the relay. In base we had Linda Finco (OL/Planning), Mike Derkey (Comm/Planning) and Eileen Loughran (Computer/Mapping). Our evaluators were Dave from San Dimas and Chuck from Sierra Madre. For the search operation we were just given the subject's name, Gary Klug, and no other information. We asked if there was anyone else to interview or any other information and they said no. After some discussion we did find the place last seen (PLS) location and a map (of no real use) in the back of our team packet, but no GPS coordinates, just a Google download of street names and turns. Dave estimated the GPS of the PLS from his smartphone map and we went with those coordinates until the teams arrived at the PLS and sent us the actual coordinates (which turned out to be very close). We did discuss the potential of communication problems and established in the briefing that all operation communications would be by radio, but we would next rely on texting on our cells. Each team and base had a smart phone for communication. It ended up we did about 80% of our communications from the field teams to base via

texting. Team to team communication worked well with the radios. All three teams, along with the two evaluators, went to the PLS where Dave established a search plan and coordinated this plan with base. Within a few minutes of finding the print and sending a photo back to base, runners on the trail met our members and stated they were not sure they were to say anything, but there was a guy with a broken leg down the trail. Dave sent Gina and Jeff down the trail as a hasty team to verify if the guy with the broken leg was indeed our search subject. The other two teams stayed on track. Further down the trail, Gina and Jeff met a mountain biker who relayed the same information about a guy with a broken leg just down the trail. When Gina and Jeff arrived at the location they verified the guy with the broken leg was our subject. Gina took the lead on the first aid. Dave sent Nathan and Luke back to the vehicles for the stretcher and wheel. The others set up a rain shelter to protect the subject, Gary, from the weather. The leg was splinted and Gary was put in the stretcher. Dave made a decision to wheel the stretcher downhill to a different location from where the vehicles were parked, but where an ambulance could still access. The GPS location for the pick-up was called in and we arranged for an ambulance to meet the field teams.

We were given 4 hours for the search operation, so since we finished early, the evaluators told us to get lunch while they checked on the availability of the grid search scenario. We arrived at the grid search scenario and were told we had one hour to complete the grid. The scenario was an armed robbery that resulted in a stabbing of the victim. The robber stole the woman's purse and then tossed it as he fled the police. A suspect was apprehended and we were tasked to complete a grid search to find evidence. Eileen did a great job in lining us up and coordinating the grid search. During the grid we were told to look for a black ski mask, a purse and its contents and a knife. On our first sweep we found lots of bottles and other garbage. The evaluators said we could start ignoring the garbage. We completed the grid in three sweeps, plus one smaller sweep (just used 5 people versus the 10). At the end of the grid we were told we found everything except a set of keys, but they were not sure the keys were even planted, since they found an extra set in the vehicle. Items found were the purse (with the knife inside), a black beanie cap, cell phone, wallet, various ID cards and a handgun.

We regrouped at base for the ELT search. The scenario briefed was a small plane was seen with a sputtering/smoking engine over the town of Cool heading west towards the Auburn airport. It never arrived at the airport. No other information was available and there was no one else to interview. Based on the limited information we defined the initial three assignments for our three field teams. Teams were told to use their own judgement on when and where to take the readings and to report their position using UTM and report the bearing magnetic. Team one (Dave/Bob/Bill) would drive the main road to the north of the command post (CP) (which ran east to west) taking readings. Team two (Gina/Jeff) would start back near the area where we completed our search operation and take a reading and then continue on Coloma Road towards the town of Cool and take readings (this was the best north/south road to travel to establish an eastern boundary on the beacon). Team 3 (Luke/Nathan) would take a reading at the CP overlook and then continue south through Auburn looking for good points to take readings. This gave us teams to the north, east and west of the CP with the east and west teams working south to hopefully get a good triangulation on the signal. One evaluator stayed in base and the other evaluator went with Team 2. Team 3 got a good signal from the overlook (turns out this reading was almost dead on to the location of the beacon). Team 1 got a good reading at its first location that put it in the general direction of the beacon, but did not get any other readings on their road and so base redirected them to the town of Cool, where Team 2 was closing in fast on a strong signal. Within 60 minutes after leaving base, Team 2 visually located the aircraft and arrived to find the pilot deceased. The teams were told to secure the area until the sheriff/coroner arrived. We plotted the positions and bearings on the computer and map table.

During our debrief from the evaluators we were given kudos to our leadership both in base and in the field. The evaluators also acknowledged our skill with the ELT and on the grid search. Eileen received kudos for her leadership during the grid search, and they acknowledged that although we normally do not do evidence searches, they thought we did a good job and that it was probably a good learning experience for us. We waited for Bob and Dave D. to finish with their teams and then we headed back to the hotel for showers and a late dinner. Sunday morning we had breakfast at the hotel and then got on the road a little before 8 am. Everyone was back in town by 4:30 pm and the hut was secured by 5 pm.

GROUP BUSINESS
— YEAR END COMMITTEE REPORTS 2013—

2013 Operations Summary by Dan Bishop

We had 12 Operations in 2013 with most being resolved prior to us fielding a team. These non-fielded Alerts/ Mobilizations/ Transits accounted for ten of the twelve. We were involved in a Search and an Incident with Members as active participants in the Operation.

Alert	Mobilization	Transit	Search	Rescue/Incident
6	3	1	1	1

The activity of the subjects for the two fielded operations were categorized as hiking. Both utilized helicopters at some point during the operation.

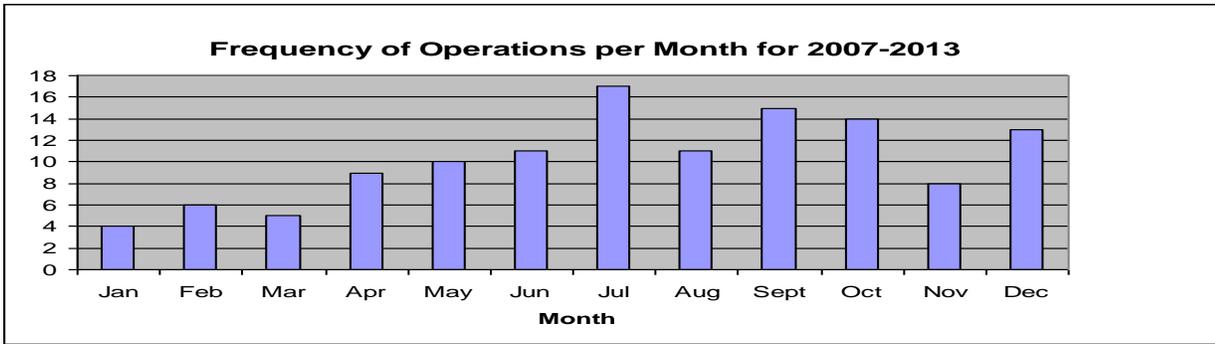
Seven of the requests to assist came from agencies outside of Kern County. The single Incident occurred in Sequoia-Kings National Park (SEKI NP).

Kern	Inyo	SEKI NP	San Bernardino	Mono	LA
4	3	1	2	1	1

Breaking down the Operations by month shows February being our busiest month.

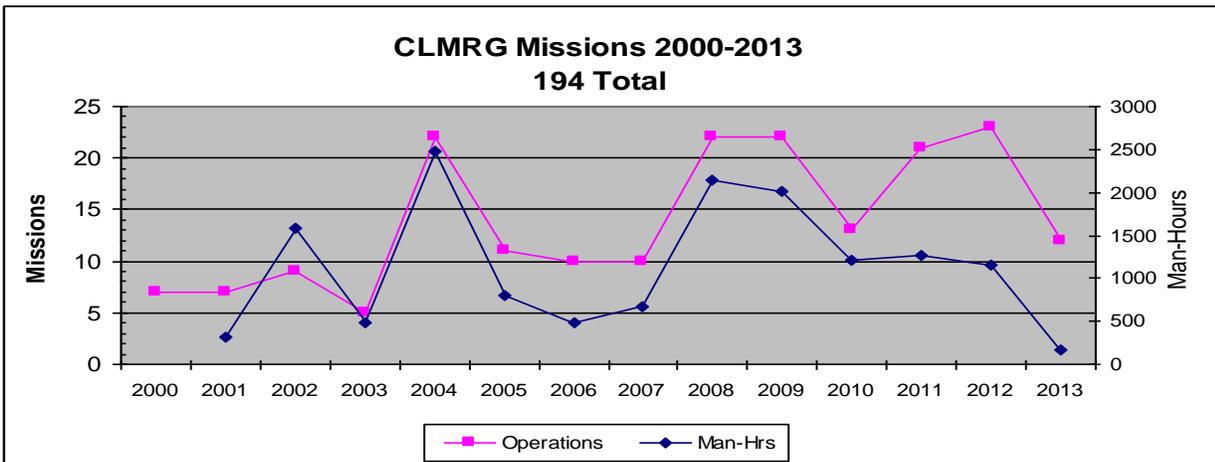
Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	1	1	0

Below is the Frequency of Operations per month since 2007.



We

expended 159 man-hours during these Operations and logged 575 vehicle miles. We averaged 4.3 members committing per call-out, with the February Mobilization for a Search in Inyo County seeing the largest Group turnout of 8 members. Below is a graph with the trend over the past 14 years as well as a summary of all the Operations this year.



SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

OPERATIONS IN 2013						
Number	Date	Type	Op Leader	Coordinator	Commitment	Location / Requesting Agency / Description
2013-01	13-Jan	ALERT	L.FINCO	J.WESTBROOK	L.FINCO	ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST / LA COUNTY. Request to assist in search for a missing hiker. Subject located prior to Team mobilized.
2013-02	7-Feb	TRANSIT	D.MILES	C.BURGE	D.MILES L.FINCO T.SAKAI P.DERUITER L.SWANSON G.NIESEN	WAGON WHEEL / SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. Transit to search for a stranded dirt biker. Subject found prior to arrival at Command Post.
2013-03	17-Feb	MOBILIZATION	D.MILES	G.NIESEN	D.MILES N.SIMONS B.HUEY T.SAKAI D.DOERR E.LOUGHAN D.BISHOP P.DERUITER	MARBLE CANYON/BIG PINE / INYO COUNTY. Mobilized to assist in rescue of Subject in a mine located in Marble Canyon. Subject was able to self-rescue prior to the Team departure.
2013-04	24-Feb	ALERT	D.BISHOP	G.NIESEN	D.BISHOP N.SIMONS T.ROSEMAN L.FINCO	GLENNVILLE / KERN COUNTY. Alerted to assist in a search for 11 y/o boy in the Glennville area. Subject found prior to mobilization.
MRA	01-03 Mar	MRA TRAINING	M.MYERS D.BISHOP	M.DERKEY	M.MYERS D.BISHOP L.FINCO T.ROSEMAN T.SAKAI B.HUEY N.SIMONS J.GREEN G.NIESEN L.SWANSON M.DERKEY B.ROCKWELL	JUNE LAKE, MRA Reaccreditation for Snow/Ice.
2013-05	17-Apr	ALERT	D.MILES	C.BURGE	D.MILES	SAND CANYON / KERN COUNTY. Alerted to search for overdue off-road riders. Subjects called in to report that they did not need assistance prior to Team mobilization.
2013-06	19-May	ALERT	D.BISHOP	G.NIESEN	D.BISHOP N.SIMONS G.NIESEN	HORSE SHOE LAKE / MONO COUNTY. Alerted to search for lost hiker. Subject located prior to Team mobilization.
2013-07	16-Aug	MOBILIZATION	D.MILES	G.NIESEN	D.MILES D.BISHOP M.MYERS T.ROSEMAN B.STRATTON A.GREEN N.SIMONS	OWENS PEAK/ KERN COUNTY. Exhausted hiker on Owens peak trail. SAR helicopter extracted to trail head as team was mobilizing.
2013-08	21-23 Aug	SEARCH	L.FINCO	M.SCHMIERER T.MITCHELL	L.FINCO T.SAKAI D.HINMAN N.SIMONS	ROCK CREEK / INYO COUNTY. Search for overdue day hiker near Round Valley Peak. Found deceased from apparent fall.

2013-12	1-Sep	INCIDENT	B.ROCKWELL		B.ROCKWELL B.STRATTON	WHITNEY TRAIL- TRAIL CREST / INYO COUNTY-SEKI. Assist during fatal accident.
2013-09	27-Sep	ALERT		T.MITCHELL G.NIESEN	T.SAKAI B.HUEY A.GREEN N.SIMONS G.NIESEN	WOFFORD HEIGHTS/ KERN COUNTY. Alerted for possible search for elderly Subject in Wofford Heights. Found prior to Leader identified and before mobilization of a team.
2013-10	10-Oct	MOBILIZATION	D.MILES	C.BURGE	D.MILES L.SWANSON D.BISHOP N.SIMONS D.DOERR	MT WHITNEY / INYO COUNTY. Alerted to assist stranded climbers near the summit of Mt. Whitney. CHP helicopter was able to extract the Subjects as hasty team was mobilizing.
2013-11	5-Nov	ALERT	D.BISHOP	C.BURGE G.NIESEN	D.BISHOP B.ROCKWELL M.MYERS D.DOERR L.SWANSON	MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE / NEEDLES, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. Alerted to assist in a search for an overdue hunter. Subject found deceased prior to scheduled departure of the Team.

Public Education: Linda Finco

Members of CLMRG made over 15 public education presentations in 2013 putting in over 500 hours of community service. We participated in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) "block party". In 2013 we presented the National Park Service's, Lost but Found, Safe and Sound program to our local elementary schools and reached over 1500 students. We also provided first aid, navigation and rope skills (rappelling) to local Boy Scout troops as part of their programs. For the Girl Scouts we participated in the Mojave Primitive Encampment (MPE). And finally CLMRG again presented our 7-week Basic Mountaineering and Mountaineering Class this summer (details provided in a separate summary report). We received \$7209 in donations from individuals, the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) and the United Way.

Summer Class: Nathan Simons

The China Lake Mountain Rescue Group ran a successful Basic Mountaineering and Mountaineering Safety class for the Summer of 2013. The class was seven weeks long, from Tuesday, June 11, to Wednesday, July 31, with lectures on Tuesday nights and outings on Wednesday evenings. We had 25 students, with eleven receiving full certificates and fourteen surviving. Outings included bouldering, belay practice and navigation practice at Wagon Wheel; belaying and top-roping at Robber's Roost; rappelling at Fossil Falls; as well as three day hikes (Cirque, Dragon/Gould and Owens Point) and one overnight trip (University and Independence Peaks). Group members were on hand to present topics, instruct in technique and generally keep an eye on students.

First Aid: Gina Niesen

The group continues with our series of trainings in addition to our annual CPR and First Aid training. The trainings focus on specialized equipment and wilderness first aid issues. Topics covered in 2013 included Cold Weather injuries, assessing and treating spine injuries in a wilderness environment, head to toe exams and using SOAP notes to track symptoms and determine treatment plan and then practicing these skills in "real-life" scenarios. All members completed the American Red Cross CPR and Community First Aid training or an equivalent.

Emergency Services: Janet Westbrook

ESC meets every month to discuss emergency preparedness in the Indian Wells Valley. We share ideas, problems and solutions for the various agencies and community groups. CLMRG has a presence at most of these meetings and brings information back to the group about activities around our valley of interest to the group, as well as reporting on some of our rescue operations and capabilities.

Equipment: Werner Hueber

The Sheriff provided the Group with another vehicle, a Suburban. Now we can save the cost of private vehicle mileage for most of our operations.

Equipment purchased:

- a. Two full length 9mm static ropes (Sterling 9 mm HTP, 200') for use as a piggyback and for rappel/ascending options.
- b. One Conterra Rope Guard, (2) Conterra Titanium SCARAB, (6) CMC ProTech Single Pulleys, (1) CMC ProTech Double Pulley
- c. We bought a Sterling 200", 5/16" stretcher rope to replace the damaged rope.

Hut:

- a. We have a "Library" in the Hut with these categories: SAR, Technical, Guides, First Aid, Literature.
- b. We purchased a heavy duty shelf (48"x24" x72") for the Summer Class gear in the back room.
- c. Tom Sakai with Nathan's help made some extensive repairs of the hut roof.
- d. PW continued to provide maintenance support for the Hut such as repairing broken water pipes.

Training: Daryl Hinman

Year End Totals by Training Category:

Training Type	Number	Hours	Miles
Mountain Climbing	52	2458	12770
Rock Climbing	35	921	3540
Rescue Skills	8	683	1330
Search Skills	9	86	
First Aid	14	164	
Totals	118	4312	17640

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