

June 28th MSAR Presentation Outline

“What to bring to a search: Items to have ready and stored somewhere for easy access in the event of a callout”

A. Show saddle bags and vests:

1. This is what every level 1 should have in their possession right now, ready to go; level 2's should be getting their packs ready
2. Nobody should be putting together these packs and bags at the time of a callout
3. Weight of saddle bags approx 10 lbs; make sure horse is used to carry bags and knows the noises, feel, bounce, etc.
4. Everyone should consider purchasing a search vest for searches; not mandatory, but very helpful and allows for high visibility
 - a. Cost is \$60
 - b. Contact Ann Farris to purchase one
5. Everyone in unit needs to buy saddle bags to carry supplies on a callout; the bags should also be carried at patrols and events with at least the first aid equipment in them (ie. 4th of July parade, rodeo, etc.)
 - a. May be able to deduct the saddle bag purchase on taxes as a volunteer supply
 - b. Badges on packs are preferred, but if Velcro is used to attach them, they can also be used for other outings when the badge is off
 - c. Black is the new color for SO; Older green packs are grandfathered in (no need for members to buy new bags if they already have green)
 - d. Currently researching places to purchase the best kind of bags at the best price and will let people know when we've found it
6. Items to carry in saddle bags on horse:
 - a. large plastic trash bag
 - b. water
 - c. energy food
 - d. flashlight or LED headlamp to go over helmet
 - e. candle
 - f. survey or marking tape
 - g. duct tape
 - h. easy boot
 - i. insect repellent
 - j. toilet paper
 - k. small saw & pruning shears
 - l. hoof pick
 - m. halter and rope (on horse)
 - n. collapseable water bucket
 - o. binoculars
 - p. small zip lock bags
 - q. nylon cord 50'
 - r. equine first aid kit (available for purchase from a vet or see list of items below to assemble yourself)
 - s. first aid kit (“backpacker’s first aid kit” available at REI or see below for list of recommended items to assemble yourself)
 - t. triangular bandage and SAM splint
 - u. CPR mask
 - v. extra batteries for GPS
 - w. chem. Light to attach to horse in night searches

- x. notepad with pencil or pen
 - y. bailing twine or leather string (optional, but great for fixing broken stirrup leathers or reins)
 - z. stethoscope (optional)
 - aa. first aid book (optional if space allows)
 - bb. extra latex gloves (optional, but good to have if the first pair breaks)
7. Items to carry on your self in search vest or fanny pack. Think of these as items you would need should you and your horse part company:
- a. ID card and emergency contact information
 - b. Personal Rx's
 - c. Knife
 - d. Cell phone
 - e. GPS and compass
 - f. whistle
 - g. more energy food
 - h. more water (in camel pack or bottle)
 - i. signal mirror
 - j. flashlight
 - k. water proof matches
 - l. maps
 - m. sunblock and/or lip balm
 - n. helmet with SO helmet cover
 - o. \$5 bill
 - p. SO radio (if assigned one)
 - q. Sun glasses and/or reading glasses
8. Items to carry in your trailer:
- a. Long rope for high line or portable corral
 - b. Extra clothing, shoes, gloves, jackets
 - c. Extra horseshoes/nails or Easyboots
 - d. 2 sets of vehicle keys
 - e. towels
 - f. sleeping bag
 - g. rain gear
 - h. water for horse and/or radiator (5 gallons min)
 - i. hay or grain for horse
 - j. EZ jack or equivalent
 - k. Lug wrench
 - l. Spare tire or fix-a-flat additive
 - m. Flares or traffic diamonds
 - n. Wheel chock(s)
9. Other recommended items to carry in your trailer or tow vehicle:
- a. Liquid flat fix
 - b. Duct tape
 - c. Jumper cables
 - d. Basic tool kit consisting of:
 - i. Phillips & regular screw drivers appropriate to your trailer and tow vehicle (ie. Standard or metric)
 - ii. Hammer
 - iii. Wrench
 - iv. Utility knife

- v. Vise grip pliers
 - vi. Wire cutters
 - vii. Open end and box wrench
 - viii. Socket wrench
 - ix. Zip ties of various lengths
 - x. Hack saw
 - xi. Compression fittings
 - xii. Set of various electrical compression fittings, ie. Spade lugs, ring lugs, splice joints, wire splitters and pliers to fix lugs and other fittings to wires
 - xiii. Black electrical tape
 - xiv. Set of truck and trailer fuses
- e. Chains if traveling through mountains where snow or ice is possible

10. Recommended items in Equine First Aid kit:

- a. ear plugs
- b. bandage material (elasticon, vetwrap, kling, etc.)
- c. antiseptic (Nolvasan or betadine)
- d. 60 cc dose syringe
- e. antibacterial ointment
- f. Sweat scraper (can be used as a splint)
- g. The following drugs and a cheat sheet for use and dosage:
 - i. anti inflammatories (ie. Banamine, Bute)
 - ii. Tranquilizers (Dormodsedan, Rompun, Acepromazine)
 - iii. Azium powder
 - iv. Solu-Delta-Cortef
 - v. Dipyron

11. Recommended items for Human first aid kit:

- a. Triangular bandage
- b. SAM splint
- c. In addition, the following items can be found in the backpacker's first aid kit (from REI which was originally recommended by the MSAR medical committee) or they can be separately compiled:
 - i. 5 - ¾" x 3" adhesive bandages
 - ii. 5 - 1" x 3" adhesive bandages
 - iii. 5 - knuckle elastic bandages
 - iv. 5- fingertip elastic bandages
 - v. 2 - 2" x 3" non-adherent pads
 - vi. 2 - 2" x 2" gauze pads
 - vii. 4 - 4" x 4" gauze pads
 - viii. 1 - 2" x 4.1 yd sterile gauze roll
 - ix. 5" x 9" abdominal/pressure pad
 - x. 2 - 3" x 4" moleskin
 - xi. 6 - medium butterfly closures
 - xii. 1" x 10 yd porous tape
 - xiii. 4 - antibacterial wipes
 - xiv. 2 - PVP Iodine wipes
 - xv. 3 - Triple antibiotic ointment packets
 - xvi. 3 - sting wipes
 - xvii. 4 - Acetaminophen tablets (Tylenol 500 mg)
 - xviii. 4- Antacid tablets
 - xix. 6 - Ibuprofen (Advil/Motrin 200 mg)

- xx. 4- Diphenhydramine (Benadryl 25 mg)
- xxi. 2" elastic bandage with clips
- xxii. non-latex medical gloves
- xxiii. antimicrobial hand wipes
- xxiv. CPR mask
- xxv. Sealable waste bag
- xxvi. 4 – ½" bandage scissors
- xxvii. splinter forceps
- xxviii. safety pins
- xxix. pill vials & labels
- xxx. first aid manual
- xxxi. accident report form (paper)
- xxxii. pencil