ASRC BOD MEETING 02JUN90

Meeting called to order: 10:27

Koester outlined meeting time schedule. Stopping time set for 1600, lunch 1230. Koester mentioned he had approved two VA Rescue Squad license plate forms.

Further discussion if any wanted to contest this should be later. Koester reviewed current officers appointed by BOD.

COMMO

Elron

October BOD meeting is Commo Committee meeting. Groups should send personnel specifically for this part of the meeting.

ASRC Commo resource list presented. (see attached)

MEDICAL

ASRC needs to become a MD BLS agency. ASRC is BLS agency in VA and PA.

Conover's Wilderness EMT lesson plan is being sent to an editorial board.

OPERATIONS

No report.

PLANS

No report.

TRAINING

Peter McCabe

Goals established, and presented. (see attached)

List of Training Officers presented:

Conference:

Peter McCabe

AMRG:

Mike Kuga

BRMRG:

Ed Sihler

ESAR 616

Meg Gralia

RSAR: SMRG: Mark Pennington

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William Dixon

SWVMRG: TSARG:

Sheila Armstrong Dianne Burroughs

PIO

Pam Platt

New position will collect all articles on searches. Probably will be the follow up person with local agencies. Probably will make sure that an ASRC brochure is available. Probably will develop a PIO packet for the OPS kits. Probably will develop an new member info packet.

FINANCE

Gary Mechtel

No Report.

ASTM

No report.

NASAR

Recommendation to pay conference.

By 30JUN, members need to submit checks, payable to NASAR for \$8.00

PASARC

John Golding, report by Peter McCabe

Doing first aid stations.

Conducting state-wide simulation in November.

ASRC still needs to pay dues, already approved by ASRC BOD.

MD SAR

Peter McCabe

Baltimore County has acquired two dogs they are training to be airscenting. They will be available for intra and interstate activities. They said that they have acquired the dogs because of a lack of

full-time dog teams available in MD. (see attached)

VASARC

Large part of meeting went to Richmond search critique.

Worked on developing a list of corporate donors to help provide a 3rd

GSAR in fiscal 1990-91.

Council now has enforceable standards for operational groups. VASARC simulation was cancelled due to proximity to Manassas (N8164N) search.

DES has asked ASRC for operational statement of capability. They intend to distribute this to all counties.

BRMRG

4 in EMT class (3 new and 1 recert)

3 in ST class

9 took Anakit certification

Purchase: 2 new Motorola MT-1000 with 2 backup batteries and chargers.

ESAR 616

Peter McCabe

5 new ESARs

Developing computer capabilities for vehicle.

RSAR

David Kildoo

Announced new officers (see attached)

Have finalized a deal with Metrocall to purchase 40 pagers.

The 17APR90 Richmond search was RSAR's best turnout so far this year

with 20 members responding.

5 members responded to the 03MAY90 Hanover search.

19 members responded to the Manassas (N8164N) search 10-18MAY90 logging over 700 manhours.

SMRG BB Oros

Terry Griffin has resigned from the Chairmanship. SMRG will be voting in a new Chair at the next business meeting.

The weekend of 09-10JUN will find SMRG providing security and medical coverage to Springstone, the annual REI climbing competition. Over the night of 09-10JUN, SMRG will be conducting night vertical training.

SMRG now has 30 members.

SMRG provided training to the Baltimore Council of BSA at the Straus Wilderness area in MD as a fund-raiser.

SWVMRG C.D. Reavis

2 members attending Triangle Rescue Group level 1-3

1 member attending level 1

Due to VA Tech summer break, meetings and trainings have been light.

OLD BUSINESS

Operational requirements. Koester reminds everyone that this type of document has been requested by VA DES and is intended to be distributed to all of the counties in VA. This discussion lasted until 1600. A revised copy was made by David Stooksbury. (see attached)

Motion made by McCabe to thank BRMRG for work on OPS regulations and directs Stooksbury to get revisions in italics and distributed to ASRC OPS officer and Groups.

CISD report by Carolyn Szostak.

- brochures with regional VA contact numbers handed out. (see attached)
- In processes of gathering information and references on CISD and stress management.
- MD teams will be informed of CISD availability.
- CISD conference 07-09SEP90 in Roanoke.
- CISD training workshops available for interested persons. Two day workshops offered by VA EMS. The next workshop has not been scheduled yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Training officers for all Groups approved in block.

Elron presented Commo agreement that is to be sent to outside organizations. Motion made to accept letter format of draft to be used to make a Commo agreement with ASRC and three organizations mentioned in letter. (see attached)

William Dixon will get with Lorick Fox about Rescue Squad plate requirements for vehicles.

Brother of family member of N8164N has been given one year by his company to develop software for SAR use.

SNP debrief? (Koester) Subject had an outstanding warrant for arrest in another state which was discovered during a routine background investigation. Subject was going to be arrested when found, but then that put into question the ASRC's role in looking for a criminal suspect. Koester discussed with Greg Stiles and decided to keep teams in the field because there was no reason to believe that the subject would be dangerous. Still an urgency factor to find subject with weather and the subject's condition.

Richmond Search

- Better briefing to ASRC dispatch to explain what situation really is.
- Use urban maps (not topos) and still use ASRC grid overlay.
- Better briefing to field teams about how to search and the situation.

Hanover Search

- Suicidal subject believed to have a firearm.ASRC located the subject and called in police. Subject shot himself in the head immediately upon contact with police.
- Question: Does the ASRC sent personnel when firearms are believed to be involved?
- Discussion: Generally, VA DES only calls the ASRC in when they feel that the situation is safe. VA DES suggested that the ASRC may want to go one step further and ensure that members responding are aware of the situation.

Manassas Search

- Some discussion about ASRC IC staff assignments.
- A problem was seen that unqualified people are being assigned to staff positions that they are not qualified for, especially when qualified people are available. (FTM was in charge of Operations when several IC trained members were on site.) Should the person be informed, there are no rules in place and disciplinary action can not be taken. However, we should be informed that the BOD feels that poor judgement was exercised.
- To avoid a repeat, should ASRC formalize regulations?

Discussion ensued:

Who has the authority - on the spot - to say if the IC is wrong - the ASRC OPS Officer? There is a mechanism in place - contact ASRC Chair + OPS Officer if staff feels that the IC needs to be removed.

- Action:
- Pam Platt suggested a proactive rather than a reactive response.
- Koester suggested written letter requiring written response regarding future intentions. Mechtel will initiate a letter outlining concerns that arose from the incident. Letter will be reviewed by Koester and William Dixon.
- Koester: ICS 202, 203 at least have to be done by 1800.
- Comments by Jeff Mitchell:

Keep 18 year olds out of scene.

Keep family separated from staff.

Don't have family L.O. go into field and come back to family. Don't involve family in field tasks.

- Plan for division better.
- Establish and use equipment sign in/out.
- Unified command was a good idea but it did not work at all below the level of IC.
- Elron: training for interview tasks.
- Koester will discuss with Ralph Wilfong additional training for aircraft searches.
- Need more real IS training.
- Comment was made that training material should be developed with ASRC review of content and free use and access to materials after development.
- Koester: awareness press is always around. There is only supposed to be one spokesman for the ASRC. The clue director position was used very well. The were over 750 clues.
- Mechtel: position should not just be used to record but also to follow up clues. It was pointed out that this did occur.
- Koester: There is a need for better planning regarding available personnel and logistical support especially for the satellite division. Problems arose especially as the search duration increased.
- Elron: There were problems regarding the returning of equipment. Not all equipment has been located as of yet. There needs to be a person in charge of dispersment of equipment, to keep track of group and shared equipment. Mechanism needs to be put in place.
- Koester: DES has said that they will help pay for some of the missing equipment.
- Stooksbury: There was an incident where base was requesting personnel. Requests must be made clear - what is needed for what for where.

- Stooksbury: Needs new, updated group rosters. Also, in what order should people be contacted. GDO must keep ASRC dispatch informed of who's to be contacted and when a change in the GDO occurs.
- A discussion ensued as to how groups will redistribute equipment.
- Mechtel will write letter to VA DES when a list of missing equipment can be determined.
- New rosters are needed from all groups. The should be sent to ASRC dispatch at Charlottesville. Please prioritize call down list of members on roster in the event that the normal AO can not be reached. Any time GDO changes, the ASRC dispatch needs to be informed.

Meeting was adjourned: 1732

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ASRC Communications Secretary Report June 1990

Review of License Agreements: Standard written agreement draft is attached for review.

Triangle Rescue - Still needed (Verbal Elron - McGee)
Letter sent

Eastern Region NCRC - Still needed

(Verbal Soukup; Elron - Harrison) Letter has been sent

Robertson Assoc. - Still needed (Verbal Elron - Eiberson) Letter sent

S.N.F. - License to use their frequency being renewed.

Agreement for them to use our's is being checked.

VA EMS - Written - For ASRC to use Med Channels (10).

Renewal of KB 6 1630 (use SNP frequencies): Is still awaiting action by the government.

Business License proposal; forms have not been sent in. Form for 151.625 will be sent to the FCC in June; the other two frequences need a little more research, and if no problems arise they will be sent in.

Resource list: Draft of Summary list being passed out at this meeting. Corrections requested. Input is requested on whether this is sufficient, and what should be changed or added.

Schedule of requested Tasks:

(Any one interested in working on any these, please contact) (Elron (H) 703 -207-0406. (W) 301 - 572-3560)

Resource List - ETC Aug 90 Training Materials - Est. start Jul 90 Written License Agreements - ETC Aug 90 Conference Wide Pager Net - Est. start Aug 90

Sir:

This is authorization for the (-group name-), hereafter called the User, to use FCC license KA-8-1942 (copy enclosed) as held by the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference, hereafter called the ASRC. This authorization is only for frequencies 155.16, 155.205, and 155.280, for Search and Rescue missions and training purposes. In using this license the User and those using the license under the User's control agree to the following conditions:

- Insure that all persons using the License obey all FCC Rules and Regulations.
- 2. For training purposes, the User shall not exceed 50 Watts.
- Immediately report any official contact concerning this license to the ASRC Communications Secretary.
- 4. The User shall at no time contact the FCC or FCC Coordinators regarding this license, but shall foward all such communication through the ASRC Communications Secretary.
- 5. Advise the ASRC Communications Secretary of current, and any changes in the name, address, and phone of the User's: Business, Chief Adminstrator, Second Chief and/or Communications Adminstrator

This agreement is effective upon receipt by the ASRC of a copy of this letter, signed by both parties, until the expiration date of this license (-date-). A request for renewal of this agreement is to be sent to the ASRC Communications Secretary six months prior to the license expiration date. The ASRC reserves the right to immediately suspend, in part or whole, this authorization for User willful or negligent noncomplience with these conditions by verbal notification, to be confirmed in writing, from the (ASRC) Chairman, Vice Chairman, or Communications Secretary. Any suspension will be formally reviewed by the ASRC Board of Directors, at the next scheduled meeting, whose decision shall be binding upon all parties to the agreement.

Acknowledged and Agreed to:

ASRC TRAINING REPORT

June 2, 1990

GOALS

 Update the roster of Group Training Officers in the ASRC by May 31, 1990.

Accomplished

 Develop schedules for 2 or 3 ASRC training and simulation weekends for the period September 1990 thru August 1991.

Group Training Officers have been asked to react to proposal of one "northern sector" weekend, "one southern" sector weekend, and one ASRC-wide weekend for this period. ASRC training should consider the terrain and the geography of the 4-state region we serve. (Earlier planning with the Pennsylvania SAR Council has November 9-11 penciled in for a northern sector training and simulation exercise in midsouthern Pennsylvania.)

2.1	Ask for suggestions	<u>Met</u>
2.2	Develop Training Plan	by 07-31-90
2.3	Distribute Plan	by 08-04-90

3. Continue work done during last year with regard to ASRC training and accreditation standards.

3.1	Receive materials .	by 06-02-90
3.2	Complete initial review and hold ASRC Training Standards meeting	by 07-15-90
3.3	Conduct quarterly training standards meetings	next meeting in October 1990

BAM.

RICHMOND SEARCH AND RESCUE JUNE 2, 1990

CHAIR: Greg Fuller
VICE CHAIR: Rick Moore
SECRETARY: Cindi Kildoo
TREASURER: Judy Moore
ASRC BOD: Barbara Bradfo

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SPECIAL REPORTS:

- A. We have finalized a deal with Metrocall to purchase 40 pagers.
- B. The Southside search in Richmond, Virginia was RSAR'S best turnout so far this year with 20 members responding. (April 17, 1990)
- C. The Hanover, Virginia Search on May 3, 1990 RSAR had 5 members respond.
- D. The Manassas, Virginia Search May 10-18, 1990 19 members responded with 700 plus logged hours.

David L. Kildoo ASRC BOD

BRMRG DRAFT Submitted to ASRC BOD 2 June 1990

Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference (ASRC)

notes are the consensus of detailed review by BOD members.

Operational Requirements

Emergency Alerting Number: Valles (804) 674-2400

The ASRC has undertaken a significant role in providing Search and Rescue (SAR) capabilities to the Mid-Atlantic region. The ASRC will conduct all operations for the sole benefit of the patient(s) with due consideration for searcher safety. Here we define operations as the efforts that occur to aide any identifiable subject(s). This document, the ASRC Operational Requirements, states the capabilities of the ASRC. This document applies made round apprehend conditions

Where: The ASRC will responed to:

- 1) Maryland
- 2) North Carolina
- 3) Pennsylvania
- 4) Virginia
- 5) West Virginia

The ASRC may respond to other areas based on urgency, availablity, transportation, and distance.

> Primarily

What: The ASRC does: responds to the following types of incidents

41) Ground Search and Rescue

(2) All Land Terrain Rescue Secondary Capabilities

provide spoon(3) Disaster and Mass Casualty Incidents (MCIs)

4) Above ground support to Cave Search and Rescue

General Comments: Safety of searchers is first priority.

Regional Concerns:

1) The ASRC will report all incident participation to the Virginia Department of Emergency Services (VaDES).

2) The ASRC prefers to work through a state Department of Emergency Services.

ASPC is considered a state resource.

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OHT Quick Full Callout ATRC can supply the R.A. withan structured response as follows or tailor a response as necessary.

Alerting:

1) VaDES or any other agency directly contacting the ASRC requesting operational support will receive a return contact within 15 minutes of the initial request.

10) The ASRC will maintain a 24 hour alert number, through the VADES.

2 VaDES directly contactions the ASRC aspection operational support will Dispatching: receive a return contact within 15 minutes of

1) The ASRC will maintain 24 hour dispatching during all incidents.

2) The ASRC will maintain appropriate dispatch documentation.

- a) Availablity and location of all ASRC resources accurate to within 6 hours.
- b) Name, contact number and contact time for all outside agencies.



EMS Capabilities:

1) The ASRC will not abandon any subject(s).

2) The ASRC will report suspected abuse to the appropriate medical authorities (e.g. the attending emergency room physician at the receiving hospital).

3) In general, the ASRC considers its task complete once the subject(s) is turned over to the local EMS agency.

4) The ASRC will not relinquish patient care to lesser trained medical responders if a higher state of medical care has been initiated.

5) The ASRC will provide personnel qualified to the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) level or higher before initiating a carryout.

6) The ASRC will not transport a patient via either a vehicle or an ambulance unless some major medical emergency exists and the local EMS agency requests and authorizes such transportation.

7) The ASRC is capable of performing intermediate Basic Life Support (BLS) skills (IV therapy and the administration of some drugs) in the Commonwealth of

8) The University of Virginia Medical Center's Shock-Trauma drug box will only be used in accordance with Thomas Jefferson Emergency Medical Council (TJEMS) Protocol by personnel approved by the TJEMS Operational Medical Director (OMD) or under special arrangements with the TJEMS

OMD. Bill Makreth Perdung: Dave Stocker buy Lonck Fok Tre Koelling

Don't move patient if there is any doubt - training issue

Transportation:

- 1) If ASRC personnel are transported to an incident via air transportation, the ASRC will be completely self-sufficient (except for water) and capable of remaining on-scene for at least 48 hours.
- 2) Personal vehicles will normally be used to transport ASRC members to and from the scene. the vicident.
- 3) All ASRC members will obey all traffic laws when involved with any incident(s) and will obey all highway regulations.
- 4) The ASRC does not operate any emergency medical vehicles.
- 5) No privately owned vehicles used by ASRC personnel will use emergency lights while responding to an incident.

By stead sport for food, shelter and unusual operational equipment may be 1) ASRC personnel can be completely self-sufficient (except for water) for 48 hours. However

2) The ASRC has all of the essential equipment to conduct a search and rescue operation.

We will coordinate additional resource regrests through the Agency

The ASRC makes no claim to reimburse for voluntarily donated layested 5-port

1) The ASRC does not charge for any of its services.

2) The ASRC does accept donations.

Standard Procedures:

- 1) The ASRC will respond and send resources into the field only under proper legal authority.
- 2) ASRC resources can remain on-scene for a minimum of 48 hours.
- 3) No ASRC personnel will be released from the scene until checked by the Incident Commander or the Safety Officer for general well being, health, and
- safety. The ASRC does not authorize its neabers to carry of firearms.

 4) No ASRC member will bring firearms and/or explosives to a search weless reported
- 5) No ASRC member will be under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs wheninvolved in an incident.
- 6) The ASRC reserves the right to decline any requests which compromise the safety of any of its members.
- Can we withdraw?
- SOP members required by law or local jurisdiction to carry finearms Must notify a seck the approval of the Agency Administration.

Intergroup Interactions:

1) The ASRC will utilize and cooperate with other agencies involved in the search effort and recognized by the Responsible Agent, such as day teams and

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Communications:

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1) The ASRC has its own communications network. LISS Motte land is it scensed f

-2) The ASRC will comply with all FCC regulations operate in als five state area

-3) All-ASRC communications will be conducted in clear text with the exception of mand commonly accepted prowords,) status codes.

SOP-FOC regs

Management:

1) The ASRC utilizes the Incident Command System (ICS) which may be modified as needed. incident

2) The ASRC will maintain appropriate on seeme documentation.

3) The ASRC requests an on-scene representative of the Responsible Agent.

4) The ASRC will follow ASRC protocols.

5) The ASRC can provide

Personel:

1) ASRC membership will not contain any felons.

2) ASRC membership will not contain anyone convicted of sexual offenses.

Equipment:

1) The ASRC will be properly equipped to carry out its functions.

Field Operations:

- Departions: (A : Transport?)

 1) ASRC members will operate year round in any weather conditions including: snow, rain, extreme cold, extreme heat, etc. unless personal safety is compromised.
- ~ 2) The ASRC operates 24 hours a day.
 - 3) ASRC members can only represent the ASRC if the ASRC is committed to an
 - 4) A professional attitude will be maintained by ASRC members at all times.

Liabilities: 1) Any ASRC member under the age of 18 will have the consent of a guardian, the sproud Awident Commander, the Responsible Agent participate in the ASSESSED BY incident. will be obtained for the 2) The ASRC assumes responsibility for its members.

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Multiple Incidents:

- 1) The ASRC has the resources to support a minimum of two simultaneous incidents.
- 2) In the case of multiple incidents, resource allocation will be based upon the judgement of the ASRC Agency Representatives (AR) involed in the incidents.

Ground Search for Missing Person(s):

- 1) The ASRC will support dog teams. with?
- 2) The ASRC will support trackers. with a
- 3) The ASRC can provide dog teams and trackers with communication, orienteering, and medical personel.

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Ground Search for Missing Aircraft:

- 1) The ASRC is capable of providing the lead role in the ground operation elements of a missing aircraft search.
- 2) The ASRC is capable of providing field operational ground units to a missing aircraft search including: medical, direction finding, search, and rescue capabilities.
- 3) The ASRC can conduct interviewing for missing aircraft.
- 4) The ASRC can provide observers in aircraft.

Rescue:

- 1) The ASRC is capable of safely organizing and executing single pitch vertical rescue.
- 2) The ASRC is capable of performing solo rescue.
- 3) The ASRC is capable of multiple pitch semi-technical rescue through all terrains.

Disaster and Mass Casualty Incidents (MCIs): The native of disaster response services provided that ASRC

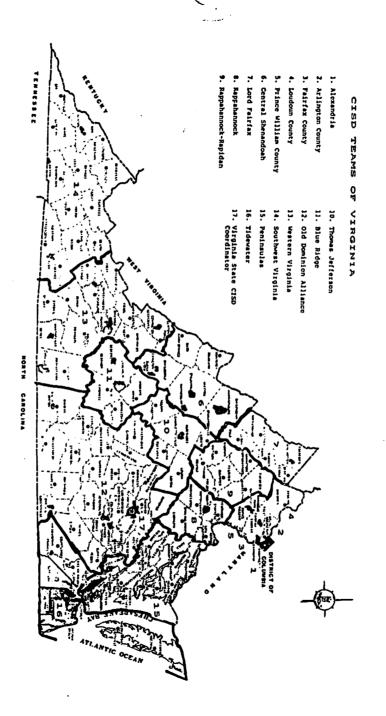
- 1) The ASRC is willing to aid disaster response services provided that ASRC personel are not subjected to unusual safety hazards. It is important to note that the ASRC can provide personel that can function in a scarce resource environment.
- 2) The ASRC is capable of providing general aid to any disaster incident(s). This includes appropriate operational, logistical, planning and management support.
- 3) The ASRC is capable of providing hands-on operational support (medical, search and rescue, etc.) provided that the participating ASRC members are adequately trained.
- 4) All ASRC personel will be capable of remaining self-sufficient (except for water) for 48 hours of field operations.
- 5) ASRC members may respond as a part of national and/or interantional search and rescue teams.

- Comment what stooding.

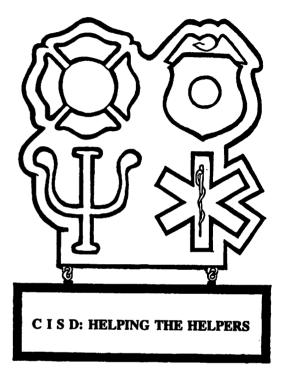
Suppose to Cave Search and Rescue:

- 1) The ASRC can provide above ground support to any cave incident(s). This includes appropriate operational, logistical, planning and management support.
- 2) The ASRC can provide the above ground evacuation a cave incident.

Alexandria CISD Team 703-838-4600	# 1
Arlington County CISD Team 703-558-2222	# 2
Blue Ridge CISD Team In Lynchburg 911 804-847-1602 or 804-528-0364	# 11
Central Shenandoah CISD Team 703-885-7253 or 703-886-3676	# 6
Fairfax County CISD Team 703-560-0224 or 703-573-5679	# 3
Lord Fairfax CISD Team 703-662-4131 or 703-665-0014	#7
Loudon County CISD Team 703-777-0637 or 703-777-2247	# 4
Old Dominion Alliance CISD Team 1-800-468-8892 804-285-9111 or 804-674-2400	# 12
Peninsula (PEMS) CISD Team 804-599-2000 Page CISD Coordinator	# 15
Prince William County CISD Team 703-335-6810 Page CISD Coordinator	# 5
Rappahannock CISD Team 703-373-0249 or 703-899-1700	# 8
Rappahannock-Rapidan CISD Team 703-825-6849 703-825-1232 or 703-347-1315 Page EMS	# 9
Southwest Virginia CISD Team 703-628-4151 or 703-628-7123	# 14
Thomas Jefferson CISD Team 804-924-9287 or 804-295-6146 1-800-552-1826	# 10
Tidewater (TEMS) CISD Team 804-393-0502	# 16
Western Virginia CISD Team 703-981-2411 or 1-800-533-1706	# 13
Virginia CISD Coordinator 1-800-523-6019 (in VA) 804-371-3500 or Pager 804-256-5160	# 17



Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Teams in Virginia



Division of Emergency Medical Services



Department of Health



Lt. Daniel E. Kluge helps Barney, a golden retriever, get used to water at Loch Raven Reservoir as Specialist Bruce Snyder rows the boat.

Dogs to be key part of search and rescue team

By Sandra Crockett

Baltimore County Bureau of The Sun

Their names are Barney Fife and Matilda, and they are a one-of-a-kind team.

The two 10-month-old dogs he's a golden retriever, she's a black Labrador — are being trained by the Baltimore County Fire Department to track the scent of humans through air, water or the rubble of a collapsed building.

Together, they will form what is believed to be the first full-time canine fire department search and rescue team in the nation, said Chuck Mills, a spokesman for the National Association of Search and Rescue in Fairfax, Va. "They are very unique,"

By the time they finish training. Barney and Mattle will be able to sniff out children lost in the woods. elderly nursing home patients who have wandered off, or victims in the water or collapsed buildings.

And the people these dogs discov-

Topbrass Barney Fife

THE SUN/PERRY THORSVIK

Barney's ID badge confirms his status with the Fire Department.

ATR-Search Dog Unit

mals being too aggressive, said Lt. Daniel E. Kluge, who will head the search and rescue un" for the county Fire Department.

"The most they wound do to people

Lieutenant Kluge gets serious, however, when he explains that before these dogs loined the department as 8-week-old pupples, there were no non-aggressive rescue ani-

The only animals available, he said, were those used by the police department, which are trained to be attack dogs.

Outside the county, the closest dog search operation is Dogs-East. Inc., which is run by volunteers based in Northern Virginia. Since that operation is run by volunteers. the response time is usually four hours or more.

The county decided to establish its own search-and-rescue unit so its dogs would be immediately available in an emergency, said Lieutenant Kluge and the three other handlers assigned to the team.

"We did not want to have to wait 24 hours, or two or three days, especially with local victims," said Firefighter David A. Stuart Sr., one of the dogs' handlers.

The dogs will not just be used in Baltimore County but wherever they are needed throughout the state, and the department will cor eto work with Dogs-East, Lieu nt Kluge

ASRC SPECIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 02JUN90

Meeting called to order: 1735

Bob Koester read two letters.

Vote was taken to accept Explorer Post 616 as a Certified ASRC Group.

Votes in favor:

21 ESAR 616 proxies 4 SMRG proxies 18 RSAR proxies 5 SWVMRG proxies 6 AMRG proxies

54 total proxies

13 members present