

2014 Fourth Quarter SARDOC Mission Reports

Date: October 5 and 28th, 2014

Location: Slater Creek Area N of Craig, CO in Routt County, CO

Subject: Elderly male who left a note for his mother, with whom he lives, that he was going to Trapper's Lake on 7/25. Vehicle was located two weeks later by rancher-parked in a secluded spot off of 110. Subject commonly went camping/fishing off-trail to get away from people. Good hiker, could go far. No known thoughts of suicide.

Dog teams on search:

October 5th – Two SARDOC dog teams (with three dogs) responded along with two dog teams from Front Range Rescue Dogs (FRRD).

October 28th – One SARDOC dog team was scheduled to respond but was stood down due to weather. Search will be rescheduled in the Spring.

October 21, 2014

Location: Big South Trail, Poudre Canyon, Larimer County, CO

Subject: Missing fisherman

October 21st - One SARDOC dog team was responding but was stood down while en route as the missing person apparently returned to the trailhead, got his vehicle and left.

Date: October 30, 31 and November 1, 2, 5 and 10, 2014

Location: Rolling Creek TH, CR 68, Bailey, Park County

Subject: 19 year old male from Nebraska, in good health

Searches conducted with multiple agencies:

October 30th

October 31st

November 1st

November 2nd

November 5th

November 10th

The search is expected to continue when the weather improves in the Spring.

Date: November 16, 2014

Location: Wilkerson Pass, Park County, CO

Subject: Male, Eagle Scout, hunter

Dog team on search: One SARDOC dog team was responding and was stood down while en route as DOW personnel had located the subject who had overnighted in a cabin and was okay.

Date: November 19, 2014

Location: Rocky Mtn National Park, Long's Peak

Subject: Climber, 25 year old missing on Long's Peak in severe winter conditions with below freezing temps and winds in excess of 60 mph previous to this date.

Dog team on mission: One SARDOC dog team with a SAR team member as well as a RMNP ranger as support.

Mission: Attempt to locate missing climber who apparently left on November 17th to climb Long's Peak but did not return. His vehicle was located in the parking lot at the Long's Peak THD. The dog team was assigned to search the trail, at and above 10,000 ft. elevation, to the treeline for any clues as to the whereabouts of the missing subject. The team searched for 3 ½ hours and had several interests which were reported during debrief.

The subject's body was spotted the next day by a helicopter crew and recovered by park rangers.

Date: November 28, 2014

Location: Rist Canyon, Larimer County, CO

Subject: Runaway, no further

Dog team on standby: One SARDOC dog team was on standby for two hours for a missing runaway. He was located in good condition and the team was stood down.