SARDOC Mission Statistics for 2012

- Number of searches requests during 2011 for SARDOC dog teams: 50
- Number of searches in Colorado: 49
- Out of State search requests (South Dakota): 1
- Number of searches SARDOC dog teams actually searched: 30
- Number of multi-day searches where SARDOC volunteer teams responded: 4
- Number of SARDOC dog team “finds” in 2011: 3
- Number of searches dog teams where stood down or placed on standby: 20
- Number of Colorado counties where dog teams were requested: 14

By far the greatest number of missing/lost subjects involved hikers who were lost or experienced some sort of medical issue. Other missing or lost subjects involved runaways, missing children, campers, despondent people, a homicide, eight suicides, a climber, fishermen, drowned subjects, hunter, a snowshoer, and a drug (meth) user.

Note: One of the “finds” credited above was a drowning victim where the SARDOC dog team pinpointed the location of the subject who was buried in silt and was credited with finding the subject. Normally, that would be considered an “assist” but in this case the authorities credited the team with the find as they actually pinpointed the location. On another, the dog team found the subject while trailing him in the right direction and calling out his name before he responded from a long distance away.