

## 2017 SARDOC SEARCH REPORTS

**Date: January 15, 2017**

Location: Grand Lake, Grand County

Subject: 65-year-old male, Alzheimer's

Two SARDOC dog teams were stood down while en route as the subject was located, deceased.

**Date: March 7, 2017**

Location: Moab Canyon, Grand County, Utah

Subject: Male, in 40's, his car had rolled off the highway and was upside down. The subject was missing.

One SARDOC dog team responded and determined that the subject was not on scene and had walked toward town.

**Date: March 20, 2017**

Location: Lily Lake, Rocky Mountain National Park, Larimer County

Subjects: Two females missing

One SARDOC dog team was responding when stood down as it was reported that the females had been located and were deceased.

**Date: March 23 and 25, 2017**

Location: Wellington Lake, Park County

Subjects: An adult male drowned when his canoe capsized.

Day 1: One SARDOC water search certified dog team responded and searched. Weather conditions were horrible..

Day 2: Three SARDOC dog teams searched this day. The dogs all had strong alerts in the same location. Sonar failed to locate the subject. The subject was located on water surface several weeks later when the water warmed up.

**Date: April 9, 2017**

Location: Snake Lake, Red Feather Lakes, Larimer County

Subject: Adult male, 59, in poor health, depressed

Two SARDOC dog teams responded and searched the area around Snake Lake before the subject was located deceased.

**Date: May 16, 2017**

Location: Great Sand Dunes National Park, Alamosa County

Subject: Male in his 40's

Three SARDOC dog teams responded and helped clear areas as assigned by Park personnel

PostScript – Media Report:

ALAMOSA, CO -- An Oswego County man was found dead Monday in a Colorado national park -- the same park he became lost in, and was eventually rescued from, four months ago, officials said.

The body of Bryan Skilinski, 40, of Phoenix, was found Monday by hikers near the Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve's Milwaukee Peak, according to the National Park Service. Skilinski became lost at the same park in February [but was found by rescuers](#). He went missing in the park again in May and was found deceased.

Rangers began searching for Skilinski at the beginning of May when his car was spotted parked for several days near a picnic area without a registered parking pass for an overnight stay, officials said. Park rescuers searched the 140,000-acre park for about a week before scaling back the search. Poor weather conditions and rugged terrain made the search difficult and dangerous, according to the park service.

Skilinski's body was found in June in an area higher up that had previously been covered with deep, heavy snow and was not searched, officials said.

**Date: June 14, 2017**

Location: Pingree Park Rd and Crown Point Rd, Larimer County

Subject: 14-year-old female missing runaway.

One SARDOC dog team was responded but was stood down as the subject had been located in Fort Collins.

**Date: June 22, 2017**

Location: Rich Creek, Park County

Subjects: Three horseback riders in their 60/70s were missing....

One SARDOC dog team trailed the riders from the Lynch Creek TH for about 4-5 miles up to the meadows with good head pops towards 338 degrees from the fork and a small area along the trail. Subjects were located by Flight for Life helicopter about 1 mile from Rich Creek Trailhead.

**Date: June 25, 2017**

Location: Topaz Mtn., Park County

Subjects: Six kids, ages 6-17

One SARDOC dog team was responding but did not field as the group was located by a deputy at Tarryall Reservoir.

**Date: June 28-29-30, 2017**

Location: Pinewood Reservoir, Larimer County

Subject: 29-year-old female, possibly suicidal

Three SARDOC dog teams responded and were assigned to try to clear the ridges and drainages. Despite covering a lot of area around the reservoir, no solid information was developed..

**Date: July 4, 2017**

Location: Round Corrals near Cedaredge, Mesa County

Subjects: Group of hikers

One SARDOC trailing dog team responded but was stood down while en route.

**July 10, 2017**

Pitkin County Sheriff's Office Request for cadaver dogs for July 23<sup>rd</sup> for the continuation of a search for a deceased person.

Location: Maroon Bells Wilderness Area; Maroon, North Maroon, and Pyramid Peaks – Pitkin County.

One SARDOC cadaver dog team was on Standby.

Mission Details: Dog teams were going to be flown into high probability areas by Flight for Life (FFL) helicopter. FFL resources desired by Sheriff's Office were not available so this search was postponed.

**Date: July 19-20, 2017**

Location: Olathe, Montrose County

Subject: 77-year-old male, mild Dementia, early onset Alzheimer's, walked away from a care facility in Olathe sometime after 1800 hours on July 16, 2017

Dog teams on search: Two SARDOC dog teams worked several operational periods between 0600 and 1000 hours and 1800 hours until 2000 hours as daytime temps were too hot to work the dogs. Subject's remains located months later by hunter outside search area where dogs worked.

**Date: July 22, 2017**

Location: End of Pingree Park Rd at Stormy Peaks TH

Subject: Male who went to take a picture and got lost.

One SARDOC dog team responded but was stood down while en route as the subject had been located alive and well.

**Date: July 23, 2017**

Location: Sunshine Rapids in Royal Gorge, Arkansas River, Fremont County

Subject: 41-year-old male

Details: 41 y/o subject hiked down from an overlook with 4 companions and a "toy" raft on 06/28/17. A nearby photographer saw them put the raft into the Sunshine Rapids. Five went in and four came out. The four hiked out and did not report a missing party. The photographer reported that he thought someone might be missing, but did not know the identity. Family members reported him missing 10 days later. Missing subject was a known drug addict who was in search of the Fenn Treasure. A yet to be identified body was recovered several miles downstream, days later.

One SARDOC certified water search team searched along with Fremont County SAR

**Date: August 3, 2017**

Location: Mesa Top Trail, Delta County and then into Mesa County

Subjects: Adult female and her two daughters, 9 and 11 years old, missing while walking the Mesa Top Trail as the husband rode a bike.

Dog team on search: One SARDOC trailing dog team worked five hours and trailed the trio for 8 miles before they were found at a house in Cedaredge.

**Date: August 6, 2017**

Location: County Road 18, .2 miles past the 4-mile Campground near Fairplay, Park County.

Subject: Adult female, no additional info

Two SARDOC dog teams responded and searched.

**Date: August 12, 2017** – Request for dog teams from Saguache County

Location: Moon Pass, Saguache County

Subject: 73-year-old male hiker who went out the day before. The man was located alive shortly after the request for dog teams was made. SARDOC was stood down.

Two SARDOC teams were responding.

**Date: August 12, 2017**

Location: Mt. Sherman, Park County

Subjects: Mother and two children, 8 and 10 years of age

One SARDOC dog team responded. A Flight for Life helicopter was in the area and assisted by ferrying the trio off the mountain.

**Date: August 17, 2017**

Location: Deadman Road, Red Feather Lakes area, Larimer County

Subjects: Two lost hikers, nor further description

One SARDOC dog team responded but was stood down as the subjects had been located, alive and well.

**Date: August 22, 2017**

Location: Shambala Center, Red Feather Lakes area, Larimer County

Subject: 39-year-old female lost due to poor maps.

One SARDOC dog team responded but was stood down before fielding as the subject had been located by a deputy using his siren to attract the missing woman.

**Date: August 18, 2017 – SARDOC dog team found the missing subject.**

Location: Owl Creek Pass, Gunnison County

Subject: Adult male, 70 years old, suffered a recent stroke, partially paralyzed, despondent. Subject missing for some time.

Two SARDOC dog teams responded and one of them located the missing subject – deceased.

**September 8, 2017 – Dispatch Resource Request from CSRB**

Location: Matchess Trailhead, Taylor Park, Gunnison County

Subject: Possibly suicidal party missing since July 16, 2017

No SARDOC dogs available but offered to come at a later date.

**September 13, 2017**

Location: Cherokee Park, CR 80C and FSR169, Larimer County

Subject: 61-year-old male hunter got lost after checking game camera ¼ mile from camp on the morning of September 12<sup>th</sup>.

One SARDOC dog team responded and searched through the night.

**September 18, 2017 – Dispatch Resource Request**

Location: Olathe, Colorado – Continuation of Gary Oldman search. Teams will be searching canal on 110417 after water was shut off.

**September 18, 2017 – Dispatch Resource Request**

Location. Great Sand Dunes National Park

Subject: 66-year-old male with Parkinsons disease

Search: One SARDOC dog team was on standby for 092017. The subject was located by a Flight for Life helicopter the morning of the 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **September 25, 2017 – Dispatch Resource Request**

Location: Saguache County

Subject: Hunter from Pennsylvania had not made his nightly call to his father to check in on Sunday. The hunter later called his father at 5:50 a.m. to advise that he was okay.

Dog Teams: Two SARDOC dog teams were responding but were stood down after the hunter called his father.

### **October 1, 2017-**

Location: Mt. Democrat, Park CO. **Dog Team located subjects.**

Subjects: 3 High School students from China on their first hike who summited Mt. Democrat in snowstorm with summer clothing, no map, and no knowledge of the area.

Dog team on Search: One SARDOC team responded and located subjects. Also helped subjects drive through snow, put them up for the night and sent them on their way back to their parents in the morning.

### **October 5, 2017 – Dispatch Resource Request**

Location: Rio Blanco County, CO

Subject: 69-year-old male, missing from his residence. Subject's dog and truck were still at home. A gun was found near a nearby river.

Dog team on search: One SARDOC dog team responded on 10/06/17. The canine had a lot of interest in the river. The SO planned to search with divers.

## **November 3 & 4, 2017 – Continuation of Gary Oldman search from July 2017**

Location: Olathe, East Canal - elderly male missing from Colorow Care Facility since July 2017

Dog team on search: Two SARDOC dog teams searched along the East canal and in some cornfields for several hours. They had interest in several areas but the subject was not found. A bird hunter located the man's remains in an irrigation ditch in December 2017 some distance from the areas previously searched.

### **Date: November 25, 2017**

Location: Silver Plume, Clear Creek County, CO

Subject: Missing 38 y/o male; possible suicide; gone 10 days; a veteran with PTSD.

Dog team on search: One SARDOC team responded and searched all day on 11/25/17, as did several Alpine Rescue foot teams and a FRRD Dog team. Significant interest around Thompson Gulch area, but horrible high swirling winds and steep, rocky terrain hindered search considerably. Search suspended pending more information. The missing man was found several days later, deceased.



