

SARINZ is alive and well and open for business

At the end of 2010 SARINZ had to look at a number of different options to remain financially stable. Increased delivery costs and high overheads (including increased pressure from TEC funded training) saw SARINZ move to cut costs and reaffirm its purpose by changing its structure and leadership. A number of our partners are very supportive of the restructured team as it focuses on working with SAR and others in assisting with training and research.

Our finances are under control and our staff team are quickly settling in to the tasks at hand with over 160 days of training booked and a number of development projects underway (in consultation with stakeholders of course)

We are open for business and are taking bookings. Dates are filling fast with a number of weekends booked out so get in now to get the training dates that best suit you.

Our First Act for 2011

SARINZ Commitment to the SAR Sector:

Do you need money to help support the running of your TPP/SARINZ training course? If you want to know more read on...

We at SARINZ understand the issues around trying to host training in the current financial climate - increased costs, greater expectations and lower subsidies and less money for volunteer groups.

SARINZ continues to stand-by our commitment that if you volunteer your time in the service of the community, you should not be expected to also have to pay (via course fees, meals, accommodation etc) for that training other than committing your time. We also believe that volunteers should receive quality training, after all, if you are giving up your time to upgrade or refresh your knowledge and skills it should be worth your while - quality training delivered by quality instructors.

To that end, SARINZ will contribute \$125/day for all TPP/SARINZ courses, delivered by SARINZ, where there is 20 or more attendees that meet the funding criteria. For a weekend course this would be \$250 to assist with venue, accommodation, catering, or participant travel. You can choose how it is spent - providing it is spent on supporting that training event. This funding may be available for a lower student number on a case-by-case basis depending on the costs of instructor travel etc, so if funding is the only thing holding back your training please get in touch with us to discuss how we can help you. This policy will be reviewed as required to best meet the sector needs with the initial review planned for 1st May 2011.

If you want more information on this, please contact either Tony Wells or Carl McOnie at SARINZ.

We hope that this makes a difference in securing the training that you need.

Post your course photos on our [facebook](#)



SARINZ wins the AMI Insurance Charity Award at the Canterbury Champion Awards 2010

An outstanding line up of 42 finalists were in the running at last year's Champion Canterbury Awards held in November at the Christchurch Convention Centre with over 1,000 of Canterbury leading businesses in attendance.

The event originally scheduled for the 9th of September, was postponed after learning the extent of the damage to city services and in particular to the central city following the 4th September earthquake said Peter Townsend Chief Executive of the Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of Champion Canterbury Ltd.

The sellout attendance at the Awards Ceremony is just another testament to the ongoing resolve of Canterbury businesses and reinforces their resilience and desire to celebrate local business achievement, during what have been, and still are, trying times" said Mr Townsend.

In addition to the category Awards, Special awards were also given to leading charities for the AMI Insurance Charity Award, Search and Rescue Institute New Zealand (SARINZ) and Cancer Society of NZ Canterbury West Coast Division, with both organisations being recognised for playing a pivotal part in our community.



SARINZ Commitment to LandSAR NZ

In November 2008, LandSAR and SARINZ signed a Memorandum of Understanding committing each party to a long-term partnership on the one hand and on the other hand recognition of the areas that each partner focuses on. This agreement went a long way in cementing a stronger and more unified Search & Rescue capability for the benefit of the entire New Zealand community and recognises SARINZ as LandSAR's preferred training provider of choice. SARINZ wish to re-affirm our support and commitment to LandSAR NZ, this MOU and all members.



SARINZ thanks to all volunteers and SAR providers

SARINZ would like to congratulate all SAR volunteers from across the sector including LandSAR, Surf Life Saving and Coastguard, on a job well done last year especially given New Zealand has one of the highest rates of volunteer involvement in SAR in the world. 90% of the people who provide the operational SAR response in New Zealand are volunteers. Your valuable time and effort is recognised by us all at SARINZ.

A few of the training events you might be interested in:

5th March	5th March	Alzheimer's	Canterbury
6th March	6th March	Despondents / Suicides	Canterbury
19th March	20th March	SAREX	Waikato
25th March	27th March	SAREX	Windy Point, Lewis Pass
2nd April	3rd April	SAREX Refresher	Coromandel
2nd April	3rd April	Search Methods	Nelson Region - TBC
2nd April	4th April	Action Oriented Team Leadership	Borland Lodge, Southland
6th April	6th April	CIMS 2	Queenstown
6th April	7th April	CIMS 4	Queenstown
9th April	10th April	Track and Clue Awareness	Canterbury
16th April	17th April	Search Methods	Alexandra
30th April	2nd May	Action Oriented Team Leadership	Glentui Lodge
30th April	1st May	Tracking Selection Camp	South Island
30th April	6th May	Adv. Rope Rescue Skills	Glentui Lodge
7th May	8th May	Tracking Selection Camp	North Island
7th May	8th May	Suburban Search	Tauranga
7th May	8th May	SAR First Aid	West Coast Region - TBC
7th May	8th May	SAR First Aid	Tauranga
7th May	9th May	3 Day Initial Response	South Island - venue TBA
9th May	13th May	Fonterra Course	Whareroa (Hawera)
14th May	16th May	3 Day Initial Response	North Island - venue TBA
21st May	22nd May	Foundation Rope	St Martins Christchurch
21st May	22nd May	Search Methods	Central NI Plateau
24th May	24th May	CIMS 2	Christchurch
24th May	25th May	CIMS 4	Christchurch
27th May	28th May	What the heck	Alexandra
28th May	29th May	SAR First Aid	Nelson Region - TBC
4th June	5th June	SAREX Refresher	OPC
11th June	12th June	Track and Clue Awareness	West Coast - TBC
11th June	12th June	Tracking Selection Camp	North Island
18th June	19th June	Tracking Selection Camp	South Island
18th June	18th June	CIMS 2	Christchurch
18th June	19th June	CIMS 4	Christchurch
25th June	26th June	Suburban Search	Hamilton
25th June	26th June	Track and Clue Awareness	Nelson Region - TBC

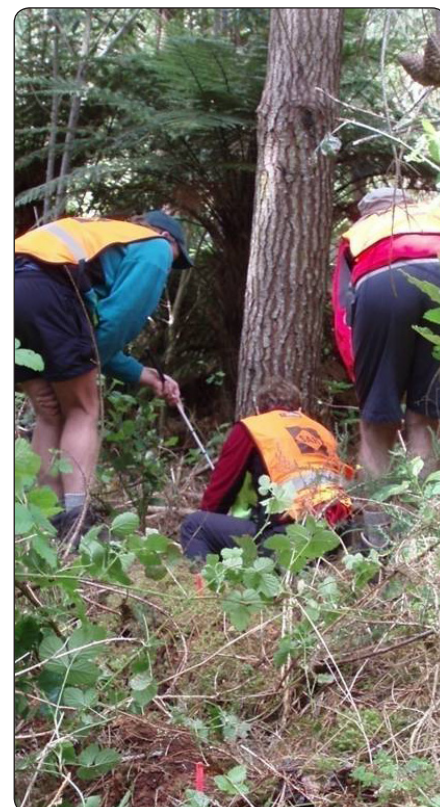
(For more information visit our website www.sarinz.com or contact us directly)

Advanced Rope Rescue Course 2011

Course dates are set for 30th April - 6th May 2011 at Glentui Canterbury. All enquires to grant@sarinz.com Course information available at; www.sarinz.com [click here](#)

2011 Five Day Tracking course

The 2011 5 Day Tracking course, jointly funded between LandSAR and SARINZ, is scheduled to occur 8-12 August. Preceding the 5 day course will be a South Island (30 Apr-1 May) and a North Island (7-8 May) selection camp, where those wishing to attend the 5 day course can get some preliminary training and "field test" their skills before possible selection on the 5 Day course. Keep an eye on future editions of 'Heads Up' as well as the LandSAR newsletter 'Searchlight' and 'LandSAR Training Update' for further details as they are confirmed.



Competition

Well done Laurie Gallagher, who correctly answered the question from the last edition.

Your prize (a copy of Managing Missing Person Searches in Urban Environments) has been sent to you.



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