

MASAR Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2002

Attending:

Al Martin	Chris Drew	Colleen Hoyt
Jennifer Fisk	John McDonough	Julie Jones
Mark Sairio	Pat Dorian (MWS)	Paul Magoon
Robert Baribeau	Roger Guay (MWS)	Steve Hudson
Susan Peterson	Susanne Kynast	

Meeting convened at 1305 by John McDonough

SAR Activity:

Roger Guay reported on the fatality at Gulf Hagas. Discussion centered on the need for the wardens to be better trained to assess technical rescue situations and equipped to deal with ice and snow conditions both on and off road. Access roads were extremely icy, as were the trails leading to the accident site, and recovering the victim would have required the use of ropes and technical ice rescue equipment if a helicopter hoist had not been feasible.

Education:

Spring training from MWS will be May 4th. It will be a classroom event at Unity College, with some outdoor activity for dog teams during the afternoon. Topics will include urban SAR, courtroom testimony, crime scene preservation. There may also be a computer workshop training for selected parties.

Standards:

No report

Meeting adjourned at approximately 1500. Another meeting is planned for 2 March at 1300 here to discuss the legislature's proposed budget for the Warden Service and its potential effects on SAR.

Steve Hudson