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FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

From the Desk of the President

Hope this letter finds everyone and their family well. Hard to believe this year is almost gone already. I'm pleased to give this update. The Alabama association of RC&D councils approved another drone grant this year which will add another four drones to our fleet bringing it up to eight. This would not have been possible if not for the hard work of Brian Moses from Morgan County rescue squad for writing the grant and Chad Tillman from Madison County rescue squad. Thank you to both of those members. While I'm thanking people a big thanks to Danny Smith and Johnny Warren for updating our bylaws which will be voted on at conference. I would also like to thank Jeff Randall our training coordinator for all of his hard work on putting together classes and traveling across the state teaching them. His efforts are really making a difference. Also a big thank you to Chauncey wood and Jimmy Looney for taking care of our needs in Montgomery. I would also like to thank Mike Stone for taking care of our news letter. It takes a lot of people to make this association work and I'm proud to be a part of it. With that being said this is my last year as your president. I was nominated to serve next year as first vice president and if elected by the members I will be proud to continue to serve the association to the best of my ability. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at conference. There are a lot of good training classes being held this year. Please sign up and come take part. Remember this is your association so get involved and make a difference.

Brian Bailey
President



From the Desk of the 1st Vice President

As we are coming into another Conference real soon I hope all of the fellow squads are well. I'm excited about this year Conference, I'm ready to come down and see all of the members. I know it has been a long year and we need to have some good time and relax. I want to thank you all for the confidence you have shown to the Executive board in the past and as to me going in as President. I will serve you as well as I know how and will be working hard to secure monies, equipment and grants. We will also have Elections this year at Conference for 2nd and 1ST VP. Now onto some Business, seems all of the programs in place are still working out for all of the squads that have wanted equipment. EMT's, it is getting close for renewals; just remember to get your certs after the classes. Don't forget to get your Conference stuff in and please help Debbie out by getting your yearly renewals back in on time. I will see you all on the Beach soon. Be safe and have a safe trip down. I want to wish you a Happy Holidays.

Danny Butler
1st Vice President

From the Desk of the 2nd Vice President

It's hard to believe that another year is almost gone. This year has been very much a whirlwind. I would like to thank everyone for their support for me as the 2nd VP for the last two years. It has been an amazing experience and I have truly enjoyed serving you guys and getting to know you all. I know my time as an officer is coming to an end and I just like to say thank you. This organization and the people that make it up are truly sent by God to serve their fellow mankind. The Bible says that charity is the greatest of all the commandments, and your time is the most precious gift you can possibly give. Thanks for everything and let me know if I can ever help any of you in any way.

David Holcombe
2nd Vice President

ALL REQUESTS FOR AARS ASSISTANCE OUTSIDE OF YOUR COUNTY SHOULD COME FROM THE INCIDENT COMMANDER OF THE SCENE AND GO THROUGH A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

FROM THE DESKS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Third Quarterly Meeting
August 20, 2022
Alexander City

Colors posted by the Honor Guard

Opening Prayer by Hoyt McCaghren

Guest Speakers:

Sheriff Jimmy Abbott

Chief Deputy Fred White

Representative Ed Oliver

Sgt McWaters ALEA

Game Warden Drake Haynes

Greg Cook

Anthony Clarkbanks

Interim EMA Director Jeff Smitherman

Meeting called to order by President Brian Bailey

Roll called with 61 squads represented

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes made by Desoto. Motion seconded by LASAR. Motion carried

Motion to dispense with the reading of the financial report made by Desoto. Motion seconded by Athens. Motion carried

Chauncey spoke about the legislation.

Danny Butler had 2 new squads to present:

Blountsville Fire & Rescue - Motion by Desoto to accept. Motion was seconded by East Colbert. Motion carried
West Bend/Bethel VFD - Motion to accept by LASAR. Motion was seconded by Athens. Motion carried.

David spoke about the fall training and the conference. Jeff Randall was appointed as training officer

The nominating committee made their recommendations for officers: Danny Butler was recommended for President Cherokee County made motion to close nominations. Motion was seconded by East Colbert. Motion carried

Brian Bailey was recommended for 1st Vice President. Nomination from the floor: Jonathan Stanfield - Etowah County Motion made by Desoto to close nominations. Motion was seconded by Ider. Motion carried.

Ray Hogan was recommended for 2nd Vice President Nomination from the floor: Eddie Tigue - Scottsboro-Jackson County Motion made by East Colbert to close nominations. Motion was seconded by Winston County. Motion carried

With no further business meeting was adjourned

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **2023 1st QUARTER MAGAZINE DEADLINE: January 1, 2023**
- **ANY ARTICLE SUBMITTED AFTER THE DEADLINE IS SUBJECT TO BE PLACED IN NEXT QUARTER'S MAGAZINE!**
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Thursday November 17th AARS Conference Classes

Farm Safety 2 hours

Grain Safety Class 2 hours

AARS Instructor Course 4 hours

Intro to SAR 4 hours

Man Tracking and First Aid 4 hours

AARS Instructor Course 4 hours	08:00 – 12:00
Intro to SAR 4 hours	08:00 – 12:00
Lunch	12:00 – 13:00
Intro to SAR 4 hours	13:00 – 17:00
Man Tracking and First Aid 4 hours	13:00 – 17:00
Farm Safety 2 hours	13:00 – 15:00
Grain Safety 2 hours	15:00 - 17:00

Friday November 18th AARS Conference Classes

Wilderness Medical Class 8 hours

CPR Refresher Course 8 hours

Man Tracking and First Aid 4 hours

Intro to SAR 4 hours

Farm Safety 2 hours

Grain Safety Class 2 hours

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CPR Refresher Course 8 hours	08:00 – 12:00
Farm Safety Class 2 hours	08:00 – 10:00
Grain Safety 2 hours	10:00 – 12:00
Lunch	12:00 – 13:00
Wilderness Medical Class (continued)	13:00 – 17:00
CPR Refresher Course (continued)	13:00 – 17:00
Intro to SAR 4 hours	13:00 – 17:00
Man Tracking and First Aid 4 hours	13:00 – 17:00

2022 Conference Schedule

Friday November 18th 2022

Registration	2:00pm - 4:00pm
Seafood Boil	6:30pm

Saturday November 19th 2022

Registration	8:00am - 9:00am
Vendors / Exhibits	8:00am - 3:00pm
Welcome / Guest Speakers	9:15am - 10:00am
Scrapbook Viewing	10:00am - 4:00pm
Board of Directors	10:00am - 12:00pm
Voting	Following BOD meeting
LUNCH	12:00pm - 1:30pm
General Business	1:30pm - 3:30pm
Banquet	7:00pm (Doors Open at 6:30pm)

Competition Times

Friday November 18, 2022

1800

EMS Competition

1830

Cornhole Competition

Saturday November 19, 2022

1000—1600

Scrapbook Viewing

**All scrapbooks must be out by 1000 to be judged! No
Exceptions!**

Scrapbook Contest Rules

1. All entries must pertain to the squad or squad members and must be neat in form.
2. All scrapbook material must be for the current year
3. Scrapbook must be bound. No entry will be accepted with the pages just stapled together.
4. All photos must be identified as to who is in the picture and what activity is shown.
PICTURES OF VICTIMS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.
5. All entries must be displayed by 10:00 A.M., November 13th and remain until 4:00 P.M.
NO EXCEPTIONS
6. The decision of the judges will be final.

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1. EACH REPRESENTATIVE MUST SIGN THE VOTING REGISTRATION FORM INDICATING THEY ARE VOTING FOR THEIR SQUAD.
2. AFTER THE REPRESENTATIVE SIGNS REGISTRATION FORM, A BALLOT WILL BE GIVEN TO THEM INDICATING THE NUMBER OF VOTES THEIR SQUAD IS ALLOWED.
3. AFTER THE VOTING HAS CLOSED, THE VOTES WIL BE TALLIED FOR EACH CANDIDATE. TO AVOID A RUNOFF, ONE OF THE CANDIDATES MUST RECEIVE A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES (51.1%).
4. AFTER THE VOTES HAVE BEEN COUNTED, EACH MEMBER OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MUST CERTIFY THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION.
5. IF A RUNOFF IS NECESSARY, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER WILL BE NOTIFIED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO AN ANNOUNCEMENT CAN BE MADE THAT A RUNOFF IS NECESSARY.
6. THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL THEN HOLD A RUNOFF ELECTION AND CERTIFY THE RESULTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL ANNOUNCE THE RESULTS AT THE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING.

"GOD GRANT THAT WE MAY BE WHERE WE ARE NEEDED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE, ABILITY, AND EQUIPMENT TO DO WHAT IS NECESSARY"

FIRST AID COMPETITION RULES

The purpose of this competition is to evaluate the ability of each team to assess, treat, and prepare to transport a victim of a medical or traumatic incident.

Each team will consist of four members including a working captain. One alternate may be selected to substitute in the event a team member is unable to complete the competition.

Each team will be responsible for furnishing their own equipment and supplies.

Judges will be selected by the competition director.

The decision of the judges is final. Scoring of each team will be done based on the team's ability to do the following:

1. Size up and determine the resources needs of the scenario given.
2. Thoroughly assess the patient(s) presented.
3. Properly address the assessment findings.
4. Safely remove the victim to a staging area for transport.
5. Provide a hand-off report that summarizes the scenario, including assessment findings and treatments.
6. Perform all the above in a manner that emphasizes the safety of all rescuers and victims.

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