APPALACHIAN SEARCH AND RESCUE CONFERENCE

TRAINING: Classes being offered (1974)

NOTE: These classes are not required for ASRC Certification; but information on the ASRC Certification Test will be drawn from the starred courses.

I. SURVIVAL

* A. OUTDOOR PRINCIPLES: A survey of basic survival principles, wilderness travel and safety. [6 classroom hours] (no prerequisites)

* B. MAP AND COMPASS: An introduction to topographic maps, magnetic compasses, and their use. [3 classroom, 3 field hours] (no prerequisites)

C. BACKCOUNTRY SEMINAR: Practical training in wilderness travel. Fifteen miles of cross country backpacking in Dolly Sods Wilderness, W. Va. [48 field hours] (pre-requisites: IA, IB)

D. ORIENTEERING: Advanced map and compass techniques. [2 classroom, 5 field hours] (pre-requisite: IB)

E. ADVANCED OUTDOOR TECHNIQUES: Winter principles; long term survival [no set hours] (pre-requisite: permission of instructor)

II. MEDICAL

* A. SEARCH AND RESCUE FIRST AID: First aid principles as applied to a wilderness context. [6 classroom hours] (pre-requisite: Red Cross Advanced course or equivalent)

B. SEARCH AND RESCUE EMERGENCY MEDICINE: Emergency medicine in search and rescue situations; CPR treatment, etc. A continuation of (A). [12 classroom hours] (pre-requisite: IIA)
III. SEARCH AND RESCUE

* A. BASIC SEARCH TECHNIQUES: Survey methods, scratch searches, line search and principles.
   [1 classroom, 5 field hours] (no pre-requisites)

* B. BASIC ROPEWORK: Rope handling, belays, rappells, ascenders, knots, slings, hardware and safety.
   [6 classroom/field hours] (no pre-requisites)

* C. LITTER HANDLING: The Stokes wire basket litter; functions and uses [2 classroom, 4 field hours] (no pre-requisites)

D. TECHNICAL RIGGING: Advanced rope work; anchors, stressing, suspension and hauling systems, etc.
   [6 classroom/field hours] (pre-requisite: II B)

E. ADVANCED RESCUE TECHNIQUES: Avalanche search, Reeves stretcher, trauma high-angle techniques. [no set hours]
   (pre-requisite: permission of instructor)

IV. OPERATIONS

* A. COMMUNICATIONS AND MANAGEMENT: Theory and practice. [6 classroom hours] (no pre-requisites)

* B. LEADERSHIP SEMINAR [no set hours] (pre-requisites: certification and permission of instructor)

It is not intended that Rescue Group members attend all the above classes; their purpose is to provide instruction in those areas in which members feel they need additional knowledge and practice. Pre-requisites may be waived by the instructor upon demonstration of competence by a member.