

THE BLUE RIDGE RESCUE GROUP

Sept. 1975

Box 101x Newcomb Hall
Charlottesville, VA 22903

Thank you for your enquiry about the BRRG! The Blue Ridge Rescue Group is one of the regional units of the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference, which co-ordinates volunteer search and rescue in Virginia and neighboring states. Our main purpose is the saving of lives through outdoor safety education, training programs in search and rescue and technical rescue, and participating in or co-ordinating search and rescue operations. The BRRG's affiliations include the National Association of Search and Rescue Co-ordinators, the International Rescue and First Aid Association, and the Mountain Rescue Association.

Membership in the BRRG is open to Charlottesville area residents with an interest in the outdoors and willingness to acquire the necessary search and rescue skills. New members are classified as "trainee" members until they have met the minimum qualifications for active membership as set by the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference. This includes classes in First Aid, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation, Survival/Wilderness Travel, Handling and Transportation, and Search. Active members are required to have a pack available with field gear to last at least 24 hours in the field without support, and to take turns being on call to leave on a mission at a moment's notice.

If you are interested in joining, or would like more information, write to the Rescue Group at the above address, or call one of the officers.

OFFICERS

CHAIRMAN	Keith Conover 296-2269
VICE CHAIRMAN	Michael Farris 296-3413
SECRETARY	Betty Thomas 296-2269
MEDICAL OFFICER	Ray Fitzgerald 977-1427