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Calendar

January 7 7:00pm <u>UNIT MEETING</u> – Training:

Raising/Lowering System

Review

January 15 7:00pm TRAINING SESSION –

Organized Avalanche Rescue by *Jeremy Adolf*.

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January 18/19 9:00am FIELD TRAINING – Technical Snow Evacuation, Avalanche

Rescue, and Overnight in the snow.

January 27 7:00pm <u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</u>

February 4 7:00pm <u>UNIT MEETING</u> – Training: **Glacier Travel and Safety.**

February 15/16 TBA <u>FIELD TRAINING</u> – **Ski Traverse from McKenzie Pass to Santiam Pass.**

February21/23 TBA <u>SEARCH MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS COURSE</u>

February 24 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

TRAINING SCHEDULE – promulgated

The 2003 Meeting and Training Schedule for CMRU has been posted on the website and may be reached by going to: http://www.cmru.peak.org/schedule01.html. (Yes, I know it's 2003 but this is the first version of the schedule so its "schedule01.") Some of the sessions have already been "claimed" by Unit members, but if you see a session that you would like to instruct or be responsible for getting an instructor, contact the Training Committee Chair, Iain Morris (imorris@teleport.com) or see him at a meeting to claim your spot.

MISSION COUNTER - reset

As of January 1st, the "Mission Counter" has been reset to 01. Last year we were activated six times, and two of those were in Benton County (rare for CMRU). Two missions were in Linn County and one in Deschutes. For the final callout of the year, we only had two positive respondents and felt we couldn't field an adequate number to help.

PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS MANUAL - on CD

Over the past several months, the Executive Committee has been revising and updating the *Procedures and Operations Manual*. It is almost in final form and will be distributed to the membership as an Adobe Acrobat file (.pdf) on CD-ROM. In the future, we hope to incorporate digital photographs where there are currently hand-drawn diagrams. Your suggestions for making the document better and easier to understand are solicited. Contact Joy or any other member of the Executive Committee with your suggestions.

DUES ARE DUE – time to pay up

At its November meeting, the Executive Committee set the annual dues at \$15 with an additional \$5 for those who are carrying a CMRU-rented pager. CMRU's new Treasurer (Nate Vitagliano) will be happy to take your cash, or your check, but he doesn't take American Express (or any other form of plastic).

SIGN-IN SHEET – reminder

For travel time and miles please use **round trip** miles and list (round trip) time in minutes.

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