



# Nicolet Search Team

*Always Ready, So That Others May Live*

December 2003

**Annual Meeting Date: January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

## ***ELECTION OF OFFICERS***

**The Team Meetings have changed.**  
**They are at 9:00am, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of**  
**each month**

**Officer's - Meet at 8:30pm to set the**  
**agenda**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. The business portion should last less than 1 hour.

Date	Topic
JAN 10, 2004	<b>ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION OF OFFICERS, Identification Badges, Module 2 for Those Without</b>
Feb 14, 2004	Business Meeting, Module 2 for those without
Mar 13, 2004	Business Meeting, Module 2 for those without
Apr 10, 2004	Business Meeting, Module 2 for those without
May 8, 2004	Field Exercise - all day

### **December 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

There was no meeting held. Not enough members showed

### **Team Membership**

As decided on October 11<sup>th</sup> by the Team, if you have not been to a meeting in the past (6) six month, attended a search callout, or you have not indicated your membership status to one of the officers, you need to let one of the officers know that you would like to remain on the Team. Failing to do so, your name will be removed the Team roster effective January 2004.

### **Alert Procedures**

Alerts will be made a little different, as some of you may have noticed. We will use a computer forwarded voice mail when ever possible. This will allow us all time to get mobilized. There have been problems the last few cal-louts and we are working the kinks out. If you did not receive a call, it was not intentional.

*Please let Andy know the phone number(s) you would like added to the database.*

Be sure to set your GPS Unit's to **Datum WGS 84** and navigational settings to **dd° mm.mmm'**, - not dd° mm' ss.s''.

### **Team Equipment Update**

Tim has gotten us the lettering donated for the Team trailer. Hopefully, we will get it the week before Christmas.

Tim has also gotten us a 16 channel VHF programable radio to use. We need an antenna.

We have also received a check for \$150 from the Lion's Club to use for equipment.

### **Team Web Site**

Matt has been working on updating and moving our web site. Check out what he has got done so far

@ <http://home.new.rr.com/nst>

Other web sites to check out...

[Headwaters SAR](http://www.focol.org/hsardogs/index.html) - <http://www.focol.org/hsardogs/index.html>

[SAR Info](http://www.sarinfo.bc.ca/sarinfo.htm) - <http://www.sarinfo.bc.ca/sarinfo.htm>

### **Search Missions**

The Team has participated in 2 searches in the last month, for some, it was the first time in a long time out in the woods. When you get called out to a search, remember to take the time to take the gear you are going to need, appropriate for the search mission.

For those that have not made it yet, we are doing things different, especially with the computer & GPS. Make the meetings....

***Just be - Always Ready, So That Others May Live...***

## **Search Summary**

**Lake John Road** - This search was conducted Thanksgiving Night. It was for a 67 year old male who had gotten lost while attempting to do a deer drive for his grandson. The Team was called out at 8:30pm that night. There were ten members who participated. We searched south of Irish Lake Lane towards Wheeler Lake. We stopped searching at 3:00am when the dog teams arrived. Our plan was to continue searching at 7am Friday, but the subject walked out on West Wheeler Lake at almost the same time. Having the trailer and all our gear available was a great asset. We also found using the computer and the GPS's really painted us a good search picture.

**Wabeno** - This was a recovery search that was initiated by the daughter of the lady missing. The search was coordinated through Forest County and in conjunction with Headwaters SAR, along with the Wabeno Fire Department. We had six members attend this search, which was held on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. We searched from 8am until 4pm that day. We used the GPS units extensively, along with Headwater's GPS units to get a good overview of the areas searched. Check the search summary out when you get a chance to see how far we walked.