



Search and Rescue Committee

Mission Statement (DRAFT)

The Commonwealth of Kentucky Search and Rescue Committee will advocate the needs of the rescue squads and will communicate with and advise the Commonwealth’s Search and Rescue Coordinator.

Vision Statement (DRAFT)

The committee strives to promote a professional state-wide SAR program through these core values:

- Integrity
- Safety
- Technical Proficiency
- Dedication
- Standardization
- Discipline.

Committee Members

Alex Hyrcza, Buffalo Trace SAR Squad Chief (Chairman)
Rick Weber, Technical Rescue Instructor, Illustrator, Author (Deputy Chairman)
Hugh Caldwell, Fulton County EM & SAR Coordinator
Shawn Harron, Jefferson County SAR Coordinator
Gregg Bayer, Lexington Fire Special Operations Battalion Chief
Eric Seibel, Point Pleasant Fire Assistant Chief, NKY Technical Rescue
Bart Powell, Anderson County EM & SAR Coordinator
Tim Cooley, Floyd County Rescue Squad Captain
Nee Jackson, Pike County Technical Rescue Captain
David McGill, Harlan County EM Director, EMT, SAR Instructor
Don Franklin, KYEM Area Manager
Jerry Rains, KYEM Area Manager

Sub-Committees

Legislative – Hugh Caldwell / Support: Shawn Harron
High Angle –Rick Weber / Support: Bart Powell
Ground Search - Unassigned
Training – Shawn Harron
Water Rescue Utilizing Divers - Gregg Bayer / Not Utilizing Divers: Tim Cooley
Search Dog - Unassigned
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