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Search & Rescue Training

RESCUE

Mission No. 8914M

29 April, Sat. Suicide Rock

RMRU was called for a rescue on Suicide Rock when two climbers fell approximately 80 feet, injuring both.

When members got to the base of the rock, the U.S. Marine Corp. Angel Flight, a rescue helicopter, had already arrived, and RMRU assisted their paramedics in putting one of the subjects in the litter, and winching him up to the helicopter. As the most seriously injured, with a concussion and two broken ankles, he was flown directly to Loma Linda University Medical Center.

The second climber, not as badly hurt, had already been put in a litter by other climbers at the rock. RMRU members helped in the carry-out, and he was transported to Riverside General Hospital by ambulance.

The mission completed and everyone returned home just as it was turning dark. . RMRU

TRAINING

Snow & Ice

8-9 April, Sat.-Sun. Glacier Lodge, Sierra Nevada Mountains

By Joe Erickson

As a member of the California Region of the Mountain Rescue Association (MRA), RMRU is required to re-certify every three years in the areas of search, technical and snow and ice. This is accomplished by a joint mission or training with another MRA team, or teams.

There had been no joint missions and very little snow in our area because of drought conditions. Therefore, RMRU members traveled to Glacier Lodge, in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, above Big Pine, for a joint training with several other MRA

The two days were spent practicing all aspects of snow and ice operations that might be encountered in an actual mission. A lot of good information was imparted between the various teams, and everyone enjoyed the weekend. • RMRU