

The Year in Review

2011

Central Lakes Search & Rescue

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Thank you to the following Businesses, Organizations and Individuals that have supported us over the past year:

- Granite City Kennel Club www.granitecitykennelclub.org
- Wright County AKC www.wcmkc.homestead.org
- Stearns Vet Outlet www.wedocows.com
- Runestone Operation Round-up www.runestoneelectric.com
- American Kennel Club CAR Grant www.akccar.org/givingback

CURRENT NEEDS:

- Gas cards for Searches
- Funding for Training Seminars

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Unit updates:

Welcome!

CLSAR made a number of new friends this year when we hosted a North American Police Work Dog Assoc. (NAPWDA) training



and Certification Workshop. It was a lot of work, but well worth it as we saw 20 K-9 teams from 4 states join us at Camp Ripley.

Thank you!!

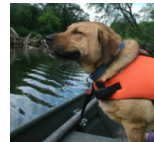
Through the generous donations of several people and also a grant from Runestone Operation



Round-up, we now have a boat and trailer we can use for training and water searches. Stearns Veterinary Outlet once again donated Heartgard and Frontline for our K-9 partners, and Granite City Kennel Club and Wright County MN Kennel Club continue their financial support of our unit.

Loss:

In January, K-9 Gus was put to rest. Gus's career, while short, consisted of over 30 searches and included credit for assisting law enforcement on several finds. He had such a personality and love of his work, he will be greatly missed.



Training:

Central Lakes has a regular training schedule and attends outside seminars such as NASDN, NAP-

WDA, NASAR, Use of K-9's in Crime Scenes, and even a Kevin Kocher workshop in Montana!

Mission Ready:

K-9 Scout joined the ranks of CLSAR mission ready dogs, certifying with



NASDN for Advanced Mantracking, plus NAPWDA for SAR Trailing. K-9 Gussie recertified for Air

Scent with NSSDN and SAR Area Search with NAPWDA and K-9 Jael also recertified with NAPWDA for land and water

cadaver as well as USAR Live through NSSDN.

Congratulations!

News and Events

Deployments:

The search year started in February and has been steady ever since, including mutual aid requests from other units as we build relationships across the state and beyond.

Our best success story however was at Swan Lake in the BWCAW to which K-9 Ari and K-9 Gussie both responded. Flown by Civil Air Patrol to Grand Marais,



then by Beaver plane to Swan Lake, Gussie searched the land while Ari was put on a canoe to search the lake. The subject was located in 90' of water, K-9 alerts assisting in the recovery.

News & Events:

2011 brought so many requests for CLSAR to provide safety presentations for kids such as K-9 Ranger is doing here,



we incorporated the assistance of Northstar SAR, a K-9 unit we work and train with regularly.

CLSAR was requested to give presentations for groups such as the Association of Minnesota Emergency Managers.

Our K-9 partners, like Jael above, help out at these events by showing what the dogs really can do.



All in all, another great year!