

1. Executive Summary: At 1823, the SAR pager alerted for a call-out to support finding two overdue hikers in Ramsey Canyon (vicinity of Comfort Spring). After confirming with Cochise 98 (via cellphone) that the MCU was needed, the RACES team was paged out with good response. Three RACES members dispatched the MCU, but the mission was terminated at 1912 before reaching the site, so the MCU turned around short of Highway 92 and returned to Green Acres.

2. Lessons Learned:

- a. Ensure all pages are read promptly. The page terminating the mission came in just as we departed Green Acres, but we did not read it until after we had turned the corner on to Ramsey Road and headed west.
- b. Ensure you QSY to the SAR channel as soon as you check out with dispatch. This would have provided an alternate means to receive the 777.

3. Comments:

Because the total mileage on the MCU was less than 15 miles and the gauge still read full, we did not top off the fuel. No mission number was obtained. Rear-view camera appeared to be working properly.

4. Action Items:

MCU generator access door still needs cosmetic repair from damage received during last mission, but remains serviceable.

Responders:

Lee Ilse (KD7OED) MCU Driver, operator.
Dale Chidester (NJ7C) Co-driver, operator.
Don Savill (KE7JNB) Chase vehicle, operator.

Standby Responders:

Charles Campbell (K4AFN)
Pat Thies (KD7HAB)
Greg Thompson (KC7GNM)

Home Unit Monitors:

Barb Heck (KD7YOZ)
Floyd Sharp (W7LPJ)