MESARD 2016 Annual Report
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2016 SUMMARY:

MESARD Searches: 21
Hours in response: 248 hours
# of Days on Searches: 24
Miles in response: 27,411

** 4 Searches were resolved by MESARD K9 teams in 2016 **

MESARD Team Training Events: 24 training events in 2016
Hours in team trainings: 324 hours
Miles in trainings: 50,410

*Public Relations Events: 30
Hours in Public Relations Events: 82.5 hours
Number of public attendees: 1,906
Miles in trainings: 5,391

(*More detailed information and photos are at the end of this report)

Total Team Hours: 7,180
Total Team Miles: 83,252

ALL SEARCHES ARE IN MAINE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED for 2016:

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*Multiple days counted for 6/13 & 14/2016 Greenville (Jardine)
11/4,5,6/2016 Medford (Etsey)

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Suicide/despondent, Runaway, Water, Dementia/wanderer, Child, Cold Case, Autistic, Hiker, G hunter, M homicide, Fisherman, LE Law Enforcement support, Evidence, Water Search, Other
2016 was an outstanding year for MESARD: 4 of the 21 searches resulting in MESARD SAR dog teams locating the lost person.

Here is a summarized statement from members of the Maine Warden Service: Lieutenant Adam Gormely, Warden Jeremy Judd, and Sergeant Michelle Merryfield, as said to Elizabeth Fossett in Nov 2016:

- Everyone on MESARD shows up to a search with a smile on their face, willing to do the best they can ...with great dogs.
- You clear an area helping us eliminate a search area until we find the person.
- You all do the best you can, the fastest you can do it, to help save this person's life. We owe it to you as volunteers..... unpaid ...who are willing to do this incredible job!
- Everyone on MESARD does the job expected of them for the Maine Warden Service, helping to find the lost person.
# 2016 MESARD SEARCH LOCATIONS & SUMMARY

**DATE:** 15 Jan, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Acadia National Park, Mt. Desert Isl.  
**CALL OUT TIME:** 17:30  
**SITUATION:** 50 year old Man, missing Hiker: Tim Philpott  
**OUTCOME:** open  
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 11  
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**DATE:** 29 Feb, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Orono  
**CALL OUT TIME:** 08:00  
**VICTIM:** 21 year old Man, missing near river (W): David Bruenig  
**OUTCOME:** Subj. later located in river.  
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 11  
**SEE PHOTOS of SEARCH at end of report**  
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**DATE:** 09 March, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Mt. Desert/Acadia N. Park  
**CALL OUT TIME:** 09:00  
**VICTIM:** 50 year old (H) Hiker, now (CC) cold case: Tim Philpott  
**OUTCOME:** open  
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 4  
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**DATE:** 10 March, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Mt. Desert/Acadia N. Park  
**CALL OUT TIME:** 08:00  
**VICTIM:** 50 year old (H) Hiker, now (CC) cold case: Tim Philpott  
**OUTCOME:** open  
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 3  
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**DATE:** 12 March, 2016  
**LOCATION:** Mt. Desert/Acadia N. Park  
**CALL OUT TIME:** 08:00  
**VICTIM:** 50 year old (H) Hiker, now (CC) cold case: Tim Philpott  
**OUTCOME:** open  
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DATE: 13 March, 2016  LOCATION: Mt. Desert/Acadia N. Park
CALL OUT TIME: 08:00
VICTIM: 50 year old (H) Hiker, now (CC) cold case: Tim Philpott
OUTCOME: open
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 3
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER  HOURS  MILES  # of days:
9 hours  294 miles  1 day

DATE: 14 April, 2016  LOCATION: Mt. Desert/Acadia N. Park
CALL OUT TIME: 09:00
VICTIM: 50 year old (H) Hiker, now (CC) cold case: Tim Philpott
OUTCOME: Subject was located by MESARD K9 Tycho & Kelly Pontbriand
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 3  **SEE PHOTOS of SEARCH at end of report**
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER  HOURS  MILES  # of days:
10 hours  260 miles  1 day

DATE: 14 April, 2016  LOCATION: Franklin, Tunk Lake Search
CALL OUT TIME: 09:00
VICTIM: 30 year old Man, (D) mental retarded
OUTCOME: Subject located, stand-down
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 4
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER  HOURS  MILES  # of days:
0.5 hour  6 miles  1 day

DATE: 16 April, 2016  LOCATION: Bangor, Kenduskeag Canoe Race
CALL OUT TIME: Preplanned 07:00
SITUATION: MASAR event, Kenduskeag Canoe Race (L/E/W)
OUTCOME: Safe and uneventful river race, MESARD assisted in 12 watercraft rescues.
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 3
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER  HOURS  MILES  # of days:
10 hours  578 miles  1 day

DATE: 13, 14 June, 2016 (*2 days)  LOCATION: Greenville
CALL OUT TIME: 14:45
SITUATION: 76 year old Woman (D) Dementia, missing since 5am 6/13
OUTCOME: MESARD K9 Jenga & Chad Carleton, found subject at 5pm 6/14
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 13  **SEE PHOTOS of SEARCH at end of report**
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER  HOURS  MILES  # of DAYS
27 hours  3,597 miles  2 days

DATE: 01 July, 2016  LOCATION: Brewer
CALL OUT TIME: 13:00
VICTIM: 78 year old Man, (D) Dementia: Gordon Brewster
OUTCOME: Subject was located out of state.
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 3
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER       HOURS       MILES       # of Days:
                                  2.75 hours       160 miles       1 Days

DATE: 04 Aug., 2016              LOCATION: Chesterville, Egypt Pond Rd
CALL OUT TIME: 20:00
VICTIM: 70 year old Man, (S) Suicide
OUTCOME: Subject located by MESARD K9 Reese & Jake Letendre
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 8   **SEE PHOTOS of SEARCH at end of report**
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER       HOURS       MILES       # of Days
                                  2.25 hours       757 miles       1 Day

DATE: 23 Aug., 2016              LOCATION: Windsor
CALL OUT TIME: 19:46
VICTIM: Elderly Man with Parkinson’s (D)
OUTCOME: Subject located by Maine Warden K9 team
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 9
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER       HOURS       MILES       # of Days
                                  2.5 hours       535 miles       1 Day

DATE: 25 Aug., 2016              LOCATION: Hampden
CALL OUT TIME: 00:23
VICTIM: Elderly Man with dementia (D)
OUTCOME: Subject located.
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 8
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER       HOURS       MILES       # of Days
                                  1 hour       36 miles       1 Day

DATE: 01 Sept., 2016             LOCATION: Newburgh
CALL OUT TIME: 23:20
VICTIM: Elderly male with dementia (D)
OUTCOME: Subject located by police
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 10
Total MESARD VOLUNTEER       HOURS       MILES       # of Days
                                  8 hours       miles       1 Day

DATE: 30 Sept., 2016             LOCATION: Lewiston
CALL OUT TIME: 23:45
VICTIM: 64 year old Man, mentally disabled, runaway (D)
OUTCOME: Subject was located walking the roads, and picked up by police
# OF RESPONDING MEMBERS = 10
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<td>Bradley</td>
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**2016 MESARD SEARCH PHOTOS AND MEDIA LINKS**

Feb 29, 2016: Orono search for David Breunig, 21 year old man
MESARD Deb Palman and SAR K9 Raven, searching along icy river shore.

March & April, 2016: Acadia National Park searches for Tim Philpott, 50 y.o.
**MESARD Kelly Pontbriand & SAR K9 Tycho located Subject**

Ed Pontbriand & Tycho          Kelly Pontbriand and Tycho located Subject

William Nichols          Kato on ice          Leslie Howe & Eron search the cliffs of ANP

Links below:
June 13 & 14, 2016 Greenville Search for Clarice Jardine, 76 years old
** MESARD Chad Carlton & SAR K9 Jenga located Subject**

Links below:
http://bangordailynews.com/2016/06/14/news/piscataquis/missing-greenville-woman-found-alive/

Nov 4,5,6 and 13, 2016: Medford Search for Diana Estey, 71 years old
http://www.wmtw.com/article/k9-units-and-air-crews-search-for-missing-medford-woman/8249591

WMTW News 8: K9 units and air crews search for Diana Estey, 71 of Medford.

Photos of Kobuk with Anne Wilder and Bob Young during search events.

Nov 18, 2016 Bradley Search for lost hunter Ron Freelove, 69 y.o.
** MESARD Jake Letendre & SAR K9 Reese located Subject**

MESARD Jake Letendre & SAR K9 Reese with Ron Freelove, as he is assisted walking out.

Links below:
MESARD 2016 PUBLIC RELATIONS EVENTS
MESARD is an all volunteer 501.c.3 organization
Requests for presentations may be scheduled through
http://www.mesard.org

SUMMARY:
30 Presentations to the public
18 “Lost but Found, Safe and Sound” programs with search dog demo
Hours total: 82.5 hours
Miles traveled: 5,391 miles
Numbers of people attendees: 1,906 (of which LBF 1,386)

MESARD provides several different talks geared for varying ages:
• “Lost... But Found Safe and Sound” program for children ages 7-18
• Search Dog Demonstrations for all ages: children and adults
• Talks on K9 Search And Rescue for adult organizations and service groups
• K9 Support of children’s reading programs at libraries and schools Sporting Organizations’ Youth Days

2016 MESARD EVENTS PHOTOS

MESARD SAR K9 Jenga and Chad Carlton demonstrate a how a search dog finds lost people during a demonstration in Freeport in February, 2016 and all the kids wanted to play “reward tug” with Jenga after she found them. Lots of fun for everyone! (Photo below on left)

MESARD SAR K9 Kobuk & Elizabeth Fossett & Jim Bridge present the “Lost but found, safe & sound” program to 143 kids at the Sea Road Seahawks school in Kennebunk in March, 2016. Search dog demo in the gym due to bad weather. (Photos above center and Jim Bridge above right)

March 2016 MESARD Kelly Pontbriand and Drift demonstrate how a search dog is trained to follow the footsteps of a lost person, and everyone celebrates with Drift when he locates the lost person!
July, August & Sept, 2016 MESARD Elizabeth Fossett and SAR K9 Kobuk demonstrated how a search dog finds lost people in the woods, and Jim Bridge led the “Lost but found, safe and sound” program for the York Library Children’s Summer Program, and Hometown Hero Dog event.

Nov 10, 2016 Gray: Fiddlehead School invited MESARD Anne Wilder, Jim Bridge, and SAR K9 Kobuk and Elizabeth Fossett to demonstrate how a search dog finds lost people in the woods, and children take turns hiding for Kobuk. Everyone loves to pet Kobuk, this year’s winner of the American Humane’s Hero Dog Award for Search & Rescue Dog, and they giggle as he gives them his signature “Kobuk-kisses”. We love the pictures and thank you notes from the kids!

Nov 4, 2016 was the filming of the “207” TV Show WCSH-6
MESARD Elizabeth Fossett & SAR K9 Kobuk, Dave Hudson & Nikki, Jim Bridge, Anne Wilder, Paul Magoon & SAR K9 Sardee were joined by Maine Warden Service: Jeremy Judd and K9 Tundra, and Lt. Adam Gormely to film a “207” TV show about search and rescue dogs, and how MESARD assists the Maine Warden Service with lost person cases.