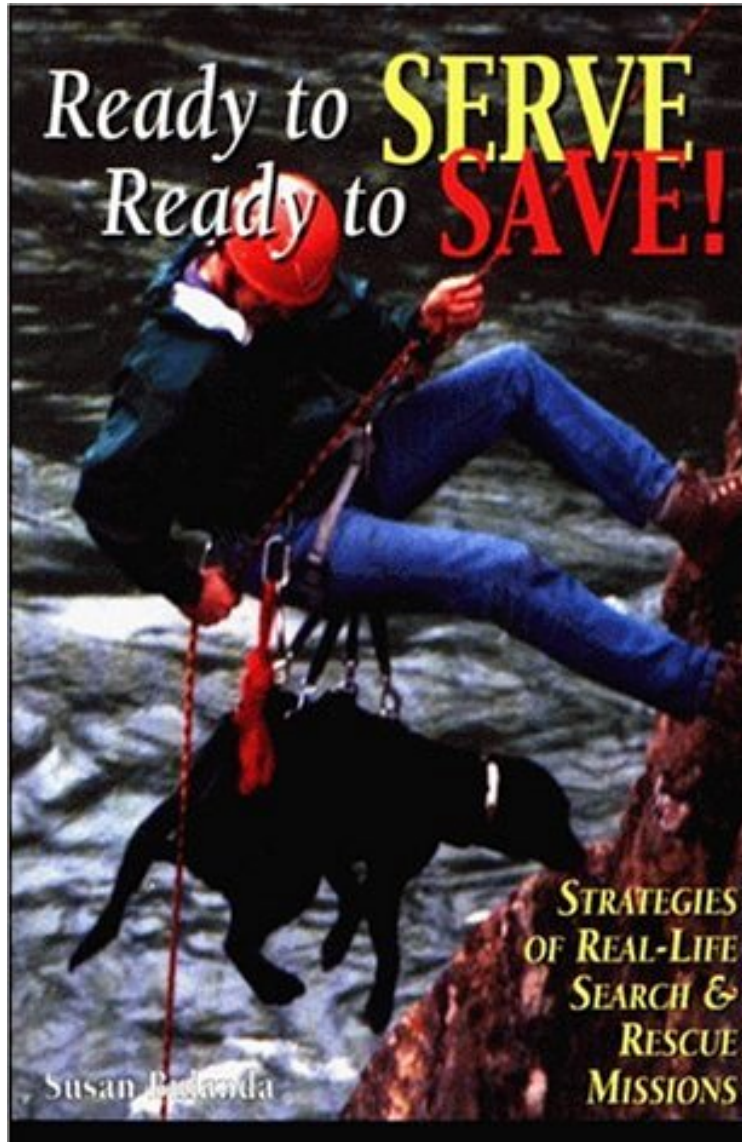


[Get free] Ready to Serve, Ready to Save: Strategies of Real-Life Search and Rescue Missions

Ready to Serve, Ready to Save: Strategies of Real-Life Search and Rescue Missions

Susan Bulanda

*audiobook / *ebooks / Download PDF / ePub / DOC*



[Download](#)

[Read Online](#)

#1967395 in Books Doral Publishing 1999-05-01 Original language: English PDF # 1 .57 x 6.06 x 8.98l, .85
#File Name: 0944875637237 pages | File size: 50.Mb

Susan Bulanda : Ready to Serve, Ready to Save: Strategies of Real-Life Search and Rescue Missions before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ready to Serve, Ready to Save: Strategies of Real-Life Search and Rescue Missions:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. As Real As It Gets...By WIAPilotI found "Ready to Serve, Ready to

Save!" to be an invaluable book. Although I have experience in obedience work, I have seriously been considering joining a search and rescue group in the near future. There are so many tangents to examine before purchasing a dog and training him as a puppy for SAR that I wanted to read about search and rescue missions, without any exaggerations or any glorified accounts, to determine if I had what it takes to get involved in such an undertaking. I was concerned about some of the reviews, which stated that the book was basically reports of specific missions, because I felt that it would be very boring. I am so pleased that I ordered this book because I have found the reports to be so honest and interesting. They are anything but dull! This book takes such a realistic approach to entering search and rescue work. It is such a commitment and you have to often drop everything (even if you have theatre tickets or it is your child's birthday party, etc.) if you are called out with your dog. Many times the searches do not result in finding ANYTHING and much of your time is spent simply training and practicing with your dog. "Ready to Serve, Ready to Save!" has provided an honest, factual look into search and rescue work. An excellent book!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. GREAT READ
By Marilyn Olson Neville
Great book, I recommend it for the person who wants to give back to their community as a tracker.

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Not for everyone. Slow reading, but a must for SAR members.
By Paul Duer
Books about Search and Rescue, and those of us who do it, are rare. A non-fiction book with stories of real-life missions is too good to resist. "Ready to Serve, Ready to Save" by Susan Bulanda contains over two dozen authentic SAR missions from all over the United States, and even beyond. Susan presents stories from seemingly every kind of mission - mountains, deserts, cities, snow and heat, kids and oldsters, people who wanted to be found, and people who didn't. All possible outcomes are here too, so not every story has a happy ending. However, "Ready to Serve, Ready to Save" is not your typical true life adventure book. It's simultaneously less and more. For starters, Susan didn't really write it. Rather, she solicited mission reports, maps, and pictures from other searchers and collected them in a book. This format makes it hard to read at times (not everyone writes well) but the personal details have a way of drawing you in. When you read about someone longing to go search while a prisoner of their day job, or feeling that rush when the subject is found alive, you are bound to think, "Boy, do I ever know what you mean!"

"Ready to Serve, Ready to Save" is a paradox in other ways. It limits itself to reports from SAR managers and dog handlers - no foot searchers, OHV'ers, mounted riders or other disciplines. Yet the writers are seasoned and experienced, and there's a lot of sagacity packed into 238 pages. Every incident includes a "Search Tips" section, and these alone are worth the price of the book. (Example: "Always ask if the subject is afraid of animals, especially dogs. I thought the rifle was just for rabbits.") In fact, learning from others' experiences is undoubtedly the highest and best use for this remarkable book. SAR teams rarely share what they've learned, thanks to our volunteer status and County focus. "Ready to Serve, Ready to Save" would be valuable if all it did was breach that great divide a bit. But add the personal empathy this book generates, and it's a must. If you're serious about SAR, especially if you're a SAR manager or dog handler, add this to your library.

Whether it is an earthquake, hurricane, flood, or terrorist attack, it seems that nearly every day there is some new tragedy on the evening news, and the world watches in awe-struck fascination as brave men and women lead dogs into the fray to look for survivors. This is a collection of actual missions from around the world and is written by the leaders in the search and rescue field. It conveys the harsh reality of what it is truly like to be a rescuer. This book also offers a truly unique look at search and rescue by examining the psychological aftermath on the rescuers. For those intrigued by search and rescue, this book will excite and amaze them. For those already practising search and rescue, this book will teach them about the different strategies involved in different parts of the world, due to varying geographical conditions.

About the Author
Susan Bulanda