Actions of the Safety Committee for 2019

- 4 Appendix A Waivers have been applied for, 3 granted and 1 pending.
  - Nature of waivers have all been related to sheave groove or diameter issues.
- Since inception of App A, 14 waivers have been requested, all but 1 have been approved. All but 2 have involved mis-match between wire diameter and sheave grooving or sheave/roller diameter.
  - The consensus has been that accepting a lower FoS with some common-sense mitigation actions poses no increased risk to personnel and theoretically involves some level of damage to the wire (which requesters have been willing to accept readily, i.e., "wire is cheap").
  - Safety committee is looking into changing the language in App A that would eliminate the need for submitting this type of waiver.
Actions of the Safety Committee for 2019

• Working with SCOAR as they develop UAS procedure manual. Drafting a new Chapter 19 to incorporate the new manual.
  

• RVSS Revisions for Lithium Batteries (9.4), EEBD’s (16.3.3.3), and a new Appendix B were approved and added.
Ongoing Projects

- UNOLS Office reviewing new Tempus medical units. Presentation given at the April 2019 RVOC meeting.
- Looking at RVSS guidance on rest standards/requirements/guidelines for science parties.
  - Any input, suggestions from RVTEC community is welcome and encouraged.
- Research/review of Appendix A. Wire Diameter and Grooving/Sheave diameter- how to avoid the need for so many waivers.
- Reissue of the entire RVSS to capture a variety of changes of the past few years.