

## ARIZONA SECTION NEWS

July 2006

### EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

This has been an eventful month, and I am not sure it's over yet. At the beginning of June, Arizona ARES rolled out the secure online registration system. In the first 30 days, nearly 130 people have gone through the process and signed up online. If you haven't already, sign up on [www.az-arrl.org/secure](http://www.az-arrl.org/secure). Additionally we had some involvement on the Brins fire, a small amount of coordination on the Warm fire, and are in a standby mode on the Tiger fire. The Brins fire was somewhat unique in that it was poised to make a run up Oak Creek Canyon and had that happened, we would have had to support a major shelter operation right in the middle of Field Day. I contacted the League, and asked them to ask field day participants to avoid our ATEN 40/80 meter freq's as well as a Salvation Army freq just in case the fire made a run. Due to the superb efforts of the Brins wildfire fighters, our planning wasn't needed, it did however illustrate that the system works. Williams is upon us, and I will be speaking on Saturday, if you have any questions, feel free to come up and ask. Happy 4th!! Rick -W7STS Section Emergency Coordinator.

### NEW HAMS

A young Boy Scout that I know has been studying to pass his amateur radio license. He has been listening to the radio and learning the Morse code. He longed for the day when he too could talk on the radio. He spent the morning of the Show Low hamfest reading the test book making sure he did not miss any detail. When the time came, he walked off to take the technician test. He returned from the test room trying to look disappointed but everyone could see the piece of paper in his hand, his long stride and that grin on his face. He approached his father to tell him of the news. All of his father's ham friends had been waiting to hear how he did. They broke out in applause when he presented his father with the news. Who is this new ham, well it is my son Jimmy Fagan KE7IDC age 11. Last week, Jimmy took a HT to the Boy Scout Summer Camp at Camp Lawton. He showed the rest of the boys all about ham radio. Jimmy also was featured on the latest ARRL Youth newsletter by Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM which can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2006/06/26/1/?nc=1> Congratulations Jimmy!

The following hams also just received their FCC license, Congratulations!

Yvon Dubois KE7HTQ, Herbert Tschappler KE7HTP, Gary Hefley KE7HTN, H Dennis Sigel KE7HSO, Susan Defoy KE7HSN, Herman Doty KE7HST, Marilyn Osborne KE7HSR, Edwin Szymanski Jr KE7HTL, James McMinn KE7HSL, Lorretta Broughton KE7HYO, Jessica Jenkins KE7HTS, Joseph Forbush KE7HTR, Mark Miller KE7HSQ, James Scott KE7HWN, Eric Jorgensen KE7HWM, Lynn Jorgensen KE7HWL, David Turner KE7HSM, Glenn Gregory KE7HTM, Martin Elzig KE7HTO, Charles Letizia KE7HTK, Daniel Carnett KE7IAA, Mark Bangle KE7HUN, Jerry Brucksieker KE7HUL, Lorraine Lachapelle KE7HVP, Shawna Dodson KE7HVN, Nathan Geyer KE7HVO, Linda Ochoa KE7HWB, Ronald Weber KE7HWP, Gary Wiens KE7HTV

### HAMFESTS

White Mountain Hamfest June 3 2006 was hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club in Show Low, AZ was a great. See the info under New Hams.

Arizona State Convention July 7-9, 2006 sponsored by ARCA in Williams Arizona. Alan Pitts W1AGP from ARRL HQ will be talking about the new Hello Program. There will be seminars, door prizes swap meet, commercial vendors and awards (Ham of the Year and Young Ham of the Year). The Citizen Corp. and Ham Radio Today videos will be shown during one of the emergency communications seminar. There is now wireless internet access, limited shuttle service and improved parking. For more information go to <http://www.arca-az.org/arca/>. The Central Arizona DX Association will be hosting the hospitality suite at the Holiday Inn. VE exams will be held at the Railside RV Ranch Recreation room. There will be meetings by the AZ ScQRPions, Repeater Owners, and ARCA. Did I mention prizes? Lots of prizes for hams and non hams. Drop by the ARRL booth and say hi to Alan Pitts W1AGP, Ned Stearns AA7A, myself and the rest of the ARRL Arizona team. Sign up for ARRL membership or renew your membership and I'll give you a free ARRL repeater directory.

Arizona ScQRPions July 7-9, 2006 Williams Arizona. On Friday, the ScQRPions will have a booth at the AZ state convention. On Saturday we will be in the Santa Fe Room at the Grand Canyon Railway Hotel hosting several excellent seminars. <http://www.azscqrpions.org>

Hualapai ARC Hamfest September 9, 2006 in Kingman Arizona at Mohave Community College. Talk-In: 146.160/146.76 (PL 131.8) Contact: Bill Beaman, KA0IYS (928) 758-6780

ARRL and Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR) Digital Communications Conference September 15-17 (TAPR's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary) Clarion hotel (at the airport) Tucson Arizona <http://www.tapr.org>

Southwestern Division Convention 22-24 Sep 2006 sponsored by San Diego County Amateur Radio Council (SANDARC) <http://www.sandarc-conv2006.org/> Talk-In: 146.265 PL 107.2) Contact: Paul Rios, KC6QLS [kc6qls@cox.net](mailto:kc6qls@cox.net). The convention will be at the Marriott Mission Valley Hotel in San Diego.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Field Day 2006. I received a field day message from 25 hams and clubs. Sounds like everyone had a great time.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about ARRL. If your club or group has an activity or event that would be of interest to other hams throughout our section please email me with the specifics.

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