

ARIZONA SECTION NEWS

June 2007

FIELD DAY

ARRL's annual Field Day takes place on June 23 and 24. Dino Darling, K6RIX, has put together a listing of Field Day groups in the Southwest Division. Maps are provided for most. See <http://www.k6rix.com/fieldday.html> If your field day is not listed let Dino know.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Wow, have you noticed it's getting hot now? The winter and spring have flown by, and soon the official start to summer will be arriving. We've had a couple relatively small fires this year already, but I think we are just getting into the real dangerous part of the season. Several forests have put into effect fire and camping restrictions although, the Arizona Emergency Net - Maricopa managed to gather last month in the cool pines of Payson for a BBQ. It was an informal pot luck affair and pretty well attended. Several people brought displays, and Bil Munsil even brought an ATV setup and showed it off. Sometimes I think we forget the social aspect of Emergency Communications, and I have to thank Mike Pulley for pulling this event together. If you haven't had a good social event for your Emcomm teams now is as good a time as any to get together!

The EMCOMM database has reached about 350 hams. We are still working behind the scenes to make it better. One item I have asked Jim Hoff to implement is a system generated email to anyone who hasn't logged into the system in the last year. People move, or may lose interest, but may not take the time to let their DECs or ECs know, and this will help us keep only active hams in the database. If you get such an email, it's because you haven't logged into the database in a year, so remember to check the message board at least once a year so you won't get the reminder!

Have a safe and fun summer season! The wildfire season is knocking at the door. When traveling or camping, be careful and aware of your surroundings. Know more than one way in and OUT of remote areas. Keep your radios charged and go pack ready, you might get the call. Rick Aldom - W7STS SEC Arizona natecf@gmail.com.

2008 SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION CONVENTION MESA AZ

I would like to solicit some additional help for the Southwestern Division Convention in September 2008. We have the first stages of a website up at <https://www.az-arrl.org/swdc2008/> and more will be following soon. We have chosen the Mesa Convention Center for our event, and are working to sign the contract in June. I am still in need of someone to chair the prize committee. If you are interested, please let me know, we need a self starter who can hit the ground running! Rick Aldom - W7STS 2008 SWD Chair natecf@gmail.com.

NEW HAMS

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

Steven Koebler KE7MMX, Scott Soto KE7MRJ, Andrea Infante KE7MQD, Vincent Infante KE7MQE, Joshua Preston KE7MQC, Mark Hopeman KE7MRI, Nathan Tschappler KE7MRP, Joseph Beck KE7MRN, Gene Geisel KE7MRH, Michael Brumme KE7MWS, Brian Shaw KE7MMU, Constance Anderson KE7MRM, Dean Hill KE7MRL, Richard Decker KE7MWT, Carolyn Ratajack KE7MRK, Ivan Rojas KE7MWV, Don Bean AD7MR, Israel Vicente AD7ND, James Austin KE7MVO, Glenn Searls KE7MVP, Ronald Phillips AD7NJ, Jack Mc Gowan AD7NK, Delores Gross AD7NM, Christopher Reynolds KE7MMP, Effie Williams KE7MMM, David Cray KE7MRT, Stephen Minor KE7MMO, Michael Jarvis KE7MML, James Keane KE7MMN, David Scholl KE7MRS, Michael Weaver KE7MWW, Christine Kirchner KE7MVR, Steve Kirchner KE7MVQ, Don Beezley KE7MQB, Barry Fone KE7MQA, Debra Brown KE7MMQ, Brian Gunnoe KE7MMR, Michael Kolb KE7MMT, Andrew Jackson KE7MMS, Thomas Freeman KE7MYI, Walter Hyde KE7MYJ, Angel Largo KE7MNX

HAMFESTS

June 2, 2007 The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club is hosting its first annual swap meet June 2nd at Granite Mountain Middle School, Prescott, AZ. The gates open at 6:00 a.m. for vendor set-up and 8:00 a.m. for the swap meet.

http://www.w7yrc.org/swap_meet.htm

June 2, 2007 White Mountain Hamfest Hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club Show Low, AZ at the Show Low Intermediate School. Doors open from 7:00 am to noon. ARCA Meeting - 11:00 am. <http://hamfest.kachina-arc.org> I'll see you there.

Jul 6-8, 2007 Arizona State Convention Amateur Radio Council of Arizona <http://www.arca-az.org/ARCA> Talk-In: 146.78 (PL 91.5) Contact: Doug Collins KE6JUK 760-220-7710 ke6juk@hotmail.com

September 7-9, 2007 ARRL's Southwestern Division Convention in Torrance, CA. See www.hamcon.org

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.

73, Tom Fagan WB7NXH

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