



Arizona Newsletter



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June 2010

YOUTH AND SCOUTING

This has been a very active month. Attending the Show Low hamfest to coming home for my Eagle Court of Honor on the following Monday.

Congratulations to, Alex Thompson KF7KKP on getting your Technician license. Alex who is 10 years old is the youngest son of Steve N7TX. Steve said Alex is talking about getting his General class license. Steve says "I'm proud of him and glad to have another ham in the family".

Lloyd N7GV and eight other hams from the Green Valley ARC volunteered at Camp Lawton in Tucson for the Catalina Council Cub Scout day camp.

The winner of the ARRL Foundation, Central Arizona DX Association Scholarship is Elijah Brown, AD7ZJ of Kingman AZ. Congratulations Elijah. This award is worth \$1000

In the first weekend of June, I was able to escape the heat and head up to the Show Low Hamfest. As of that hamfest I had hit my fourth year as an amateur radio operator, spending the time with my family and meeting tons of great people. To my joy, I was able to spend the extra time introducing seven Boy Scouts from the local troop to the wonders of amateur radio. Pat from AMSAT got several of the boys their first radio contacts, hearing from all over including ships stationed along the Texas coast, it was truly a great experience. Hams from all over the fest hooked up the troop with equipment and information to get them started on their way to earning there license. Wrapping up the day, I worked with them to finish up almost the entire Radio Merit badge, starting out with none of the requirements, to all but two remaining. Good luck on your trail through scouting!

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AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

Gov Jan Brewer will sign the Amateur Radio Week proclamation on June 22, 2010. Mike Floyd W1HAT our Public Information Coordinator has been working with the Governor's office to make this a big public service event. Mike will make sure this gets out to everyone in time for Field day.

FIELD DAY

Are you ready for Field Day? It is June 26-27, 2010 is beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday. For more information go to <http://www.arrl.org/Field-Day>

Rick Aldom, W7STS, our Section Emergency Coordinator will be at the Explorer Post 599 Field Day WA2DFI/W7BSA this year. The Post 599 youth operators will monitor the ARA Rimlink system of repeaters during the FD period in order to receive your FD messages. Specifically, look for W7BSA between 7PM and 9PM Saturday night, June 26 (0200Z and 0400Z Sunday). ARA Rimlink Frequencies are here: Greens Peak (McNary) 146.72- (162.2), Mt Elden (Flagstaff), 147.14+ (162.2) Pinal Pk (Globe), 147.20+ (162.2), Mt Ord (Sunflower) 147.36+ (162.2)

Some groups like the London Bridge ARA have gotten their info into the media. Send me your articles. http://havasunews.com/articles/2010/06/18/your_news/doc4c1aee7029a0d895043180.txt

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICERS

I am looking for prospective PIO's, we currently have 39 clubs in Arizona-less than one fourth have active PIO's-Some people who would like to be PIO's think you have to be a great writer-YOU DON'T!-all you need to do is tell about the many great things that are going on in Ham Radio-EVERY club has something going on that the public should know about, or would be interested in. It doesn't take a lot of time and in fact it is a lot of

fun. Give me a call, I am here to help you every step of the way. For more information please call me at: 740-341-7557 or via e-mail. Thanks and 73, Mike Floyd Public Information Coordinator W1HAT w1hat@arrl.net

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

It's JUNE already. In the valley it's almost gotten hot and up north, it's gotten WINDY! This winter and spring has been fairly wet, and that may spell disaster for the forests and deserts. We've had a couple relatively small wildfires, but thankfully they haven't really gotten legs. It's not for lack of trying, the winds have been brutal up along the I-40 corridor. I can't recall the last time we have closed the highway so many times for the winds, yet the wildfire teams have done an amazing job getting them contained quickly.

It's probably a good time to go to the ARES Database and check to see if your information is still current. Have you added that new "capability" the new dual band radio gives you? Have you moved across town or upgraded your license since you created your account? Go to www.az-arrl.org/secure and either update your existing account, or create one! Make sure you fill out and SAVE each of the primary tabs, Registration, Equipment and Training. If you are active in Public Service, log your hours!

Dust off your equipment, check your batteries, and give your equipment a test run, it's better done now rather than waiting for a real world emergency!

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Navajo Code Talkers Day Aug 14-Aug 15, 0600Z-0600Z, N7C, Window Rock, AZ. Navajo Amateur Radio Club. 14.265 7.265 . QSL. Herbert Goodluck, PO Box 3611, Window Rock, AZ 86515.
- Lighthouse Replicas Built on Lake Havasu for Navigation Oct 9-Oct 10, 1400Z-0200Z, K7LHC, Lake Havasu City, AZ. London Bridge Amateur Radio Association. 14.253 7.253 3.953. Certificate & QSL. LBARA, PO Box 984, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405.

SILENT KEYS

- Brian Schunk "Doc" K9TPD became a Silent Key May 22. Doc was part of the Tucson 146.52 simplex group. His previous call was KC7BTO.
- Doug Spreng, W7MCF passed away on April 19, 2010 at noon. He was a member of the LBARA of Lake Havasu City. Doug also did the work on the repeater here in Bullhead City for the WARC club.
- George Egger, K9ERP passed away. George was a member of the London Bridge Amateur Radio Association for many years when he wintered here in Lake Havasu City and summered in Danville, IL.

ARRL ARIZONA STATE CONVENTION/ ARCA / WILLIAMS HAMFEST

July 16 - 18, 2010 - ARCA/Williams Hamfest - hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at the Rodeo Grounds in Williams. Grounds open at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 15, for set-up. Train trip to the Grand Canyon aboard the Grand Canyon Railway is scheduled for Sunday, July 18. Meetings, seminars, demonstrations, prizes, commercial vendors, tailgaters, camping, VE testing, Saturday night BBQ and more! ICOM America will be in attendance. Admission is free. Outside space for selling and/or camping \$15 each for the entire weekend before June 1 - \$20 after June 1 and at the event. Visit the web site at www.arca-az.org and click on the July Hamfest link for all the details.

2010 ARIZONA QSO PARTY ANNOUNCEMENT!

Announcing the 2010 Arizona QSO Party, sponsored by the ARRL Arizona Section and Catalina Radio Club, from Oct 9 1600Z to Oct 10 0600Z and Oct 10 1400Z to Oct 10 2359Z. For full rules, along with log and summary sheets, Cabrillo electronic file format, and Award information, see <http://www.azqsoparty.org>.

ARIZONA TRAFFIC AND EMERGENCY NET (ATEN) REPORT

ATEN, Meets daily on 3986 kHz at 7PM in the summer (April 1st) and 5:30 PM in the winter www.atenaz.net. MST Net Manager KF7GC. Tomy KF7GC Arizona Section Traffic manager kf7gc@arrl.net

May 2010 totals



Member Check-ins	565	Traffic Handled	240	Total sessions	31
Visitors	20	Orignations	90	Members	29

The Saguaro 2 Meter Local Net out of Tucson Meets Daily at 18:30 EAARS repeater network (www.eaars.org)
 Net Manager K7ILA <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/saguaronts>

Member Check-ins	239	Traffic Handled	47	Total sessions	30
Visitors	navail	Radiogram Orignations	16		

GENERAL CLASS OFFERED

General Amateur Radio license class starts Saturday, July 24th 2010, 10AM to 1:00PM at the Arizona Science Center Boardroom "A" (600 E. Washington St, downtown Phoenix). There are seven 3-hour Sessions: The license test will be at the last class Saturday 9/11 at the Arizona Science Center. Instructor: Bob Burleson, KG7QJ 480-961-1109 kg7qj@cox.net

HAM RADIO EVENTS

- June 5, 2010 **White Mountain Hamfest**, 7am to 1pm SL Junior High School 4th Ave and Old Lindon Road Show Low Arizona www.whitemountainhamfest.com
- June 19, 2010 Cancelled **due to forest fire Barn Burner Mtn Bike Race** Kendrick Mtn, Near Flagstaff
- June 26-27, 2010 **Field Day** is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday. For more information go to <http://www.arrrl.org/Field-Day>
- July 15th, 2010 **American Council of the Blind Radio Amateurs** meeting in conjunction with **The American Council of the Blind Convention** July 9-17, 2010. At the Brand new Phoenix Downtown Sheraton. Contact Betsey Doane, K1EIC Connecticut Section Manager for more information at k1EIC@mindspring.com
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- September 17-19, 2010 **ARRL Southwestern Division Convention**, Four Points, By Sheraton Hotel, 8110 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123 Phone: (858) 277-8888, <http://www.sandarc.org/> Talk-In: 145.32 -offset (PL 107); 146.52 simplex Contact: Paul Rios, KC6QLS kc6qls@cox.net
- October 9, 2010, **Cactus Cha-Cha** White Tanks Mtn Regional Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
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- October 23, 2010 **Javalina Jundred** McDowell Mtn Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 6, 2010 **Heart of Arizona Century** Congress <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 13, 2010 **Cave Creek Mtn Bike Ride** Cave Creek Area <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 14, 2010 **Cave Creek Road Ride** Cave Creek Area <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 20, 2010 **El Tour de Tucson** <http://www.rstclub.org>
- December 2010 **Superstition Hamfest** <http://wb7tjd.org>
- December 5, 2010 **Fiesta Bowl Half Marathon** Scottsdale <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 6, 2011 **Runner's Den Road Classic** Paradise Valley Mall, Scottsdale <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- March 12, 2011 **Mesquite Canyon Trail Ride** White Tanks Mountain Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- March 19, 2011 **Run Around the Runway** Scottsdale Air Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 9, 2011 **March of Dimes for Babies** Wesley Bolin Plaze (State Capitol) <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 16, 2011 **Highline Trail Run** Payson <http://www.mcecg.net/>

Have an event coming up let me know. Send me the flyer and I will add it to this newsletter.



**ARRL ARIZONA STATE CONVENTION
& HAMFEST**



*Presented by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona
and the City of Williams*

JULY 16 & 17, 2010



WILLIAMS RODEO GROUNDS, 800 RODEO ROAD, WILLIAMS, AZ
GATES OPEN AT 5 P.M. THURSDAY JULY 15 FOR SET-UP.
HAMFEST OPENS AT DAWN FRIDAY, JULY 16.

FREE ADMISSION!

JULY 18, 2010 - GRAND CANYON TRAIN TRIP

MAIN PRIZES

- Grand Prize - ICOM IC-718 HF
- Second Prize - ICOM 800 Dual-Band Mobile (D-Star Upgradable)
- Third Prize - ICOM U-82 HT (D-Star Upgradable)
- Fourth Prize - ICOM V-82 HT (D-Star Upgradable)
- Early Bird - Signal Link Interface

ALL SPACES - \$15 per Space
DRY CAMPING - \$15 per Space
or **FREE** with Selling Space

BEFORE JUNE 1, 2010

PRIZES

DOOR PRIZES EVERY HOUR
RAFFLE TICKETS

\$2.00 Each, 3 for \$5.00 or 60 for \$100.00

**MEETINGS, SEMINARS, ACTIVITIES,
COMMERCIAL VENDORS, HUGE
SWAP, VE TESTS, BAR-B-QUE DIN-
NER, SUNDAY GRAND CANYON
TRAIN TRIP**



FOR RESERVATION INFORMATION

Visit the ARCA Web Site
www.arca-az.org

On-Line Reservation Available on Web Site
Or Call - 602-881-ARCA (2722)

Talk-In - 146.78 - (91.5 Pl)

2010 Arizona QSO Party

What? Arizona QSO Party

When? October 9-10, 2010

Two operating periods:

16:00Z (9th) to 06:00Z (10th)

14:00Z (10th) to 23:59Z (10th)

Where? 80 thru 2 Meters (CW, Digital, Phone)

Why? Have Some Fun!!

- Chance to get on the air
 - Single Op, Multi Op, Mobile
 - Be the station others want to work
 - Activate a rare county (counties)?
 - Evaluate a new rig, antenna, mode, etc.
 - Excellent Club Activity
 - Reason to get together as group (Multi-Op)
 - Excellent Training opportunity!
 - Get new members on the air!
 - Friendly Competition

Let's all help make Arizona "radio-active" on October 9-10!!!!

Rules, Awards & More Info:

<http://www.azqsoparty.org> (web)
info@azqsoparty.org (email)

Sponsored By: ARRL Arizona Section and Catalina Radio Club