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WHITE MOUNTAIN HAMFEST

June 2, 2012 White Mountain Hamfest Show Low City Hall 180 North 9th Street Show Low, AZ Sponsored by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club <http://www.kachina-arc.org>

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Congratulations to Bud Semon, N7CW. He is now the Assistant DEC for Yavapai County. The Wildfire Season is upon us. Are you ready to provide support? Unfortunately a few counties only have a handful of ARES members in them, so there is great potential for those counties to need outside assistance if there are communication failures. Are your go bags ready? Essential supplies you will need for at least 72 hours? Those things are obvious but... Is your ARES profile information up to date? Do we know what equipment you have? Do you have the needed ICS Classes and are they indicated on your ARES Profile? Take time to make sure it's all up to date so if and when we are called to duty you are ready and we know it. Many agencies require a minimum of IC-100b and IC-700 for volunteers to participate. Make them a part of your go bag and don't be left out. To update your profile go to www.az-arrl.org/secure, to take the ICS Classes go to training.fema.gov. Have more questions or want to learn more about ARES, contact your District Emergency Coordinator or local Emergency Coordinator / Dennis Bietry-KE7EJF Section Emergency Coordinator ke7ejf@arrl.net

ISS CONTACT BY THE NORTHLAND PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Students at the Northland Preparatory Academy in Flagstaff had a very exciting week. They had spent the week viewing the solar eclipse, launching model rockets and studying moon rocks and meteorite samples. The best part of the week happened on Thursday May 24, 2012 when they gathered the whole school together to get a chance to talk to astronauts aboard the International Space Station. The sixth grade science Teacher Kaci Heins KF7RCV had worked with the Coconino Amateur Radio Club to setup the station. You can imagine the thrill of the students when they heard Astronaut Joe Acaba KE5DAR aboard the ISS say "This is NA1SS, can you hear me, over?"

16 students were able to ask questions about living in space. Congratulations to Kaci and the Coconino ARC members Bob NF7E, JD N6IME, Ken KF7DUR, Rob WB7QDQ, and Joe W7LUX for doing a great job. The contact can be seen on <http://spacescienceteaching.blogspot.com/> It's about 23 minutes into the video. Pictures can be found at http://azdailysun.com/ground-control-to-major-tom/image_d57e43c3-a1de-51d6-bac6-533461a1ade6.html

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY "RELAY FOR LIFE" K7R SPECIAL EVENT STATION

The K7R special event station at the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" was wrapped up on Saturday May 19th after 14 continuous hours of operation. Assisting was Greg Peters, KC5ZGG, Pima county district emergency coordinator. Photos can be seen at <http://i1154.photobucket.com/albums/p539/reedsteve59/K7R/0518121909a.jpg> and <http://i1154.photobucket.com/albums/p539/reedsteve59/K7R/0518121906.jpg>

The Relays for Life are fantastic venues for showing off Amateur Radio to the public. Thousands of people go to these events and they spend all night walking around the track. They pass by your station dozens of time and many eventually wander over to see what's going on. It's like Field Day on steroids. We had a blast. If FARA is ever looking for a public event to support, I'd highly recommend the Relays for Life. Steve Reed, AI7AZ ai7az@arrl.net

ARIZONA NETS

- **Arizona Traffic And Emergency Net (ATEN)**, meets in the Winter from October 15 to April 15 at 5:30 PM and in the Summer from April 15 to October 15 at 7:00PM on 3986 kHz Daily. www.atenaz.net Tomy Ivan KF7GC net manager, Arizona Section Traffic manager kf7gc@arrl.net
- **Arizona Emergency Net** – Maricopa (AEN-MAR) meets every Monday at 9:00 p.m. local time, for training and exercise in the public service communication arts. The Mt. Ord 146.92(-) or the Shaw Butte 147.24(+) repeater. Both require a 162.2 Hz tone. The repeaters are linked and cover most of Maricopa County and portions of Pinal, Gila, Coconino, and Yavapai Counties in central Arizona. <http://www.aen-mar.org/>
- **Saguaro National Traffic System (NTS) Net** (<http://www.saguaronts.net/>), meets daily at 6:30 p.m. MST (0130Z) on the Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio (<http://www.eaars.org/>) Society (E.A.A.R.S.) repeaters. The net is open to all ham operators that are interested in the NTS regardless of license level. Traffic is “not” required to check into the net but I certainly encourage any type of radiogram message traffic. If you don't know how to send, receive, or deliver traffic, we'll train you right on the net. We also have training net on Monday evenings if you would like to participate during that net. The repeaters are; 146.86 and (440.700 Hub) Heliograph Peak; 147.28 Guthrie Peak - Greenlee County; 145.21 Jacks Peak, New Mexico. Between Lordsburg & Silver City; 145.41 Pinal Peak Near Globe, AZ; 147.16 Mt Lemmon Near Tucson; 146.70 Greens Peak Near Springerville – Showlow; 145.27 South Mtn. Near Alpine, AZ; 147.08 Mule Mtn. Near Bisbee in Cochise County. All E.A.A.R.S. network repeaters operate with PL tone 141.3. For more information about this net, contact Greg Peters (kc5zgg@aarl.net), Net Manager.
- There are many more nets in Arizona, contact Tomy Ivan KF7GC for the full list.



ARIZONA QSO PARTY

- The 2011 preliminary results will be posted on the AZQP website at www.azqsoparty.org
- The 2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party will be held Oct 13-14, 2012.

NEW HAM REPORT

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

As an interesting note, my old boss Lanny Voight walked in and passed both his Technician and General tests to become KF7VTL. Now he has something to keep him occupied with his retirement. Congrats Lanny.

John Day AE7TB, Robert Davidson AE7TJ, Michael Verhaagen AE7TP, Alan Bomberger AE7TU, Michael Thompson AE7TX, Richard Witzke AE7UB, Richard Sweeney KF7VDG, David Anderson KF7VDH, Richard Pearl KF7VDI, Sarmad Musa KF7VDJ, Hernan Rueda KF7VDK, Damon Holmes KF7VDL, Yichi Zhang KF7VDM, Paul Scsavnicki KF7VDN, Arturo Garcia Roiz KF7VDO, Anne Doohan KF7VDP, Jesse Brewington KF7VDR, William Praust KF7VDS, Arthur Antrim KF7VDT, Travis Polinger KF7VDU, Benedict Reynwar KF7VDV, Daniel Smith KF7VDW, Karen Chamberlain KF7VEP, Dennis Dye KF7VEQ, Gregg Jossie KF7VER, Terry Major KF7VES, James Chamberlain KF7VET, Linda Bonner KF7VEU, Brian Stenseth KF7VEV, Daniel Wills KF7VEW, William Noe KF7VFD, Gary Grindle KF7VFO, Justin Dyer KF7VGK, Randy Smith Hudgins KF7VGL, Mark Arshinkoff KF7VGM, Ronald Shimek KF7VGN, Pamela Roberts KF7VGP, Thomas Destefano KF7VGQ, Patrick Richards KF7VGR, Wayne Cooper KF7VHT, Walter Barbec KF7VIO, Jack Kukkola KF7VIP, Jason Kukkola KF7VIQ, William Barron KF7VIR, David Weed KF7VIS, Skyler Hathcock KF7VIT, Diane Marsh KF7VIU, Stevenson Miller KF7VJR, Paul Avona KF7VJS, Fred Tretta KF7VKA, Robyn Romm KF7VKB, Brian Harris KF7VKY, Brandon Morgan KF7VKZ, Huna Hammond KF7VLA, Judd Bickel KF7VMS, Simon Heath KF7VMU, Bryan Justin KF7VMV, Greg Roemke KF7VOR,

Shane Doughty KF7VOS, Thomas Caiazza KF7VOT, Riley O'neil KF7VOU, Robbie Burns KF7VOV, Jeffery Burich KF7VOW and Jd Smaylis KF7VOX.

SILENT KEYS

Roy "Gene" Bockman, AE7TV, of Prescott, passed away on Saturday, May 19, 2012.



HAM RADIO EVENTS

- June 2, 2012 **Kachina Amateur Radio Club Hamfest** - Show Low City Hall, 180 North 9th Street Show Low Arizona <http://www.kachina-arc.org>
- June 2, 2012 **Flagstaff Barn Burner** NW of Flagstaff <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- July 20 - 22, 2012 **ARCA/Williams Hamfest** at Williams AZ. <http://www.arca-az.org/>
- October 6, 2012 **Tucson Hamfest & Fly-In** 7am – 1pm sponsored by the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club (OVARC) with assistance from OPRC. Marana Regional Airport, Marana <http://www.w0hf.com/>
- October 7, 2012 **Walk for Hope** Phoenix Zoo <http://www.arca-az.org/>
- October 13-14, 2012 **Arizona Centennial QSO Party** <http://www.azqsoparty.org>
- October 13, 2012 **Cactus Cha-Cha** White Tanks Mtn Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- October 27, 2012 **YMCA Half Marathon** South Mtn Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- October 27-28, 2012 **Javalina Jundred McDowell Mtn Park** <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- December 2, 2012 **Fiesta Bowl Half Marathon** <http://www.mcecg.net/>

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-January 15-25, 2013 Quartzfest www.quartzfest.org

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

Attached:

- White Mountain Hamfest June 2, 2012
- ARCA Williams Hamfest July 20-21, 2012
- Oro Valley ARC Hamfest and Fly-In October 6, 2012
- Quartzfest Hamfest January 15-25, 2013

Note: If you are receiving the text version of this, the flyers can be found at www.az-arrrl.org or <http://www.arrrl.org/Groups/view/arizona>



White Mountain Hamfest



Free Admission!

Free dry camping on Friday
June 1, 2012 (after 5:30 pm)

Vendors / Tailgaters
(\$5.00 per space)

- Prizes
- Seminars
- Displays
- Arts & Crafts
- Food Vendors

Saturday June 2, 2012

7:00 am – 1:00 pm

Show Low City Hall
180 N 9th Street
Show Low, AZ

Talk In: 145.310 PL110.9

Grand Prizes!

Yaesu FT-7900R 2m/70cm Mobile

Yaesu FT-60R 2m/70cm Hand Held

Grand Prize Sponsor's



For more information
Contact Jim Mortensen at
w7azy@arrl.net
www.kachina-arc.org

VE Session (W5YI VEC)
Exams for all License Classes
Exam 9:00 am
Walk-Ins Welcome

*The White Mountain Hamfest is sponsored by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club
It is sanctioned by the American Radio Relay League*



2012 ARCA/WILLIAMS HAMFEST



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

JULY 20 & 21, 2012



WILLIAMS RODEO GROUNDS, 800 RODEO ROAD, WILLIAMS, AZ
GATES OPEN AT 5 P.M. THURSDAY JULY 19 FOR SET-UP.
HAMFEST OPENS AT DAWN FRIDAY, JULY 20.

FREE ADMISSION!

JULY 22, 2012 - GRAND CANYON TRAIN TRIP

MAIN PRIZES

- Grand Prize - Yaesu FT-857D HF/6M+2M+70CM Mobile
- Second Prize - Yaesu FT2900R 2M 75W Mobile
- Third Prize - ADS-GMI GPS Receiver & Open Tracker USB
- Fourth Prize - BAOFENG UV5R UHF/VHF HT
- Early Bird - BAOFENG UV5R UHF/VHF HT

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

BEFORE JUNE 1, 2012

After June 1 - \$20 per Space
Selling and/or Camping
(all prices are for entire weekend)

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 DINNER,
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 PI)

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NO GUNS, DRUGS or ALCOHOL PERMITTED on GROUNDS

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QUARTZFEST*

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What? Quartzfest® is an annual HAM Radio RV'ers Boondocking event which is held in late January every year with dates coinciding with the Quartzsite Arizona "RV Show".

When? January 15th thru 25th of 2013 (make sure you add these *important* dates to your 2013 calendar)

Where? 10 miles south of Quartzsite Arizona - on US 95 at La Paz Valley Road

Who Can Attend? ANYONE! If you don't have your Amateur Radio Operators License yet, you'll be able to take your Exams at Quartzfest®



Our Annual Amateur Radio "get together" is called "Quartzfest®" and is open to ALL to attend. Quartzfest® is not a club, no officers, no budget, no dues and is not affiliated with or sanctioned by any organization...and is absolutely FREE!! During the week of Quartzfest®, RV's are everywhere across the desert, as far as you can see...every make and model you can imagine!

There are hundreds of groups that meet in Quartzsite every year in different parts of the desert who share like interests. Our group of Amateur Radio Operators started out in 1997 as just a few HAM RV'ers getting together, camping in their RV's in the middle of the desert..no power, no restrooms, no running water. Now, Solar Panels and Generators are in use everywhere. If you want to see how well you're prepared and how long you'll be able to hold out in the event of an emergency or disaster, "Boondocking" in the desert for a week will show you.

Quartzfest® is similar to a Hamfest but beginning in 2013, will last an entire 10 days and is packed full of scheduled Seminars and Activities. Talks range in topics from Genealogy and Crafts for Non-HAM's to Solar Power and Battery Information, Technical information for the seasoned HAM, and introductory information for the new HAM. Also included in our 10 day campout are VE Testing, Antenna Shoot Out, Antenna and Solar Walkabouts (touring other HAM's RV Antenna and Solar installations), 4x4 Trip in the Desert, Campfires (some with musical entertainment), Movies using the side of an RV as a screen, Hobo Stew, Shopping, Shopping, Shopping, and lot's more!

We Camp on BLM (Bureau of Land Management) land which is FREE, but you can only camp there for 14 days at a time.

For more information, visit our website: www.quartzfest.org

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