



Arizona Newsletter



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YOUTH AND SCOUTING

There is a new young ham in Tucson, Alice McKean, age 9, KF7EAR. Congratulations Alice. Dave Holman AC7DS is teaching an Amateur Radio Class to Scouts this fall. If you have a scout in Tucson and you are interested send me an email. Jamboree-on-the-Air is coming up October 17-18. Let me know if you are participating in Jamboree on the Air. Jim Fagan KE7IDC Assistant Section Manager Youth and Scouting ke7idc@arrrl.net

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

For the southern part of the Section, the event season is spooling up as the heat ships out (here I sit doing my newsletter at 10am and 103 degrees...yuk). Public Service events give operators an opportunity to hone skills used in actual emergencies. Yes, they are scheduled, Yes, you can prepare in advance, Yes Event Coordinators get to make assignments in advance, but 5 minutes after the event starts, it's a whole new ball game.

IT IS NOT ABOUT THE RADIO, it's about knowing capabilities, it's about knowing coverage areas, it's about developing people and technical skills to manage any disasters. In Florida, the landscape is redefined by high winds every 4 or 5 years and everyone from Emergency Management to the ham population use every opportunity to review, train and respond to emergencies. In Arizona, flooding is our biggest concern, and the floods are largely short lived. Not to say they can't be devastating but it's not like rebuilding entire cities like they periodically do in Gulf States. To be prepared, we have to use any opportunity to prepare, and public service events are a great way to discover what ham radio can do for the community. Rick Aldom W7STS Section Emergency Coordinator natecf@gmail.com

ARRL VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTOR SUPPORT PROGRAM

Arizona now has a Section Volunteer Instructor Coordinator. Grant Hays WB6OTS a veteran instructor has agreed to take on this important task. He is working with Debra Johnson K1DMJ and Mark Spencer, WA8SME at ARRL headquarters. Do you teach Amateur Radio Classes? Are you a Teacher that has a Amateur Radio License? Do you want to be a teacher of Amateur Radio Classes? We have a great need to know who you are to help those teaching classes or to start new classes. The ARRL has a newsletter for you. Please go to the ARRL and sign up for the newsletter. <http://www.arrrl.org/FandES/ead/instructor/> Instructors and teachers get discounts on teaching material <http://www.arrrl.org/es/discount/> Grant Hays WB6OTS ghays@cis-broadband.com

NEW HAMMS

The following 41 Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations! David Dansevics AE7BO, Sheri Walters KF7DRE, Bruce Cowan KF7DRP, David Sharpe KF7DRQ, Christopher Hizny KF7DRR, Joseph Salcido KF7DRS, Marcus Perry KF7DRT, David Jaksha KF7DRU, Harold Williamson KF7DRV, Jacob Nunez-kearny KF7DSY, Roger Pearce KF7DUF, Jason Schlottman KF7DUL, Kenneth Sager KF7DUN, James Gibson KF7DUO, Kevin Mcurdie KF7DUP, Erin Steddom KF7DUQ, Kenneth Held KF7DUR, Keith Bruecker KF7DWA, Scott Pearsall KF7DYC, E Marie Murray KF7DYD, Peter Brenson KF7DYE, Steven Thornley KF7DYF, Jack Anderson KF7DYG, Walter Figueroa KF7DYH, Amy Karstetter KF7DYI, David Good KF7DYJ, Richard Tejera KF7DYK, Gary Christensen KF7DYL, Lawrence Eldredge KF7DYM, Melvin Frost KF7DYN, Craig Hansen KF7DYO, Shauna Cavender KF7DYQ, Nicholas Lingard KF7DYR, Nathan Trussell KF7DYS, Gerald Asher KF7DYT, Adrian Flynn KF7DYU, Marcia Burcham KF7DYW, James Hoyt KF7DYX, Catherine Tewksbury KF7DZA, Josh Taylor KF7DZG and Russell Stein KK7YP.

SILENT KEYS

Karen Sasek, W7QJK, XYL to Bernie W7KQ, passed away August 29th in Tucson. Karen had been the club treasurer for the Southern Arizona DX Association for seven years.

ARIZONA OUTLAWS CONTEST CLUB

The Arizona Outlaws Contest Club was approved as an ARRL affiliated club as of July 31, 2009. Congratulations to the AOCC. For more info on this new club go their snazzy website at <http://www.arizonaoutlaws.net/>

4x4 HAM GROUP

The 4x4 Ham group will be going for a trip south of Tucson to use the giant discone antenna located at the Titan Missile Museum on September 12. All interested hams are invited. For more info go to <http://4x4ham.ning.com/events/titan-missle-museum-road-trip>

ARIZONA QSO PARTY

The Arizona QSO Party will be on October 10-11. See the attached flyer for more information or go to <http://www.azqsoparty.org>

ARIZONA WORKED ALL COUNTY AWARD

After a 12 year vacation the Worked All Arizona Counties award is back. Thanks to the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club. They are sponsoring the AZ-WAC (Arizona Worked All Counties) beginning October 1, 2009. For a copy of the rules and an application, go to the Yavapai website at: <http://w7yrc.org/az-wac.htm>

CLASSES

Technician Class - A one (1) day Technician Class will be held Saturday, October 10, 2009 at Embry Riddle University. Contact Jack Crabtree W7JLC at jscra@cableone.net if you're planning on taking the class.

VE Testing

VE Testing – Saturday, October 26, 2009, 9:00 A.M. at Embry Riddle, 3700 Willow Creek Rd in the AXFAB Building #75. Please email Mary Vince ab7nk@arrl.net if you plan on testing, anyone with special needs please contact me 2 weeks prior to the testing date. Walk ins are always welcome.

ROUTE 66 ON THE AIR

Special Event Station. September 12-20, 2009. Founded in 1999/2000 by the Northern Arizona DX Association, this event has been one of the most successful annual Ham Radio special events to date. This year will be the 10th year of RT 66 on the Air and it will now have 19 one by one calls involved, including a mobile rover W6R, that will run along RT 66 giving out contacts. The event will start September 12, this year and runs through September 20th. Look for W6G in Flagstaff AZ and W6W in Winona AZ. For more information go to <http://www.nadxa.com/route66.htm>

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ARIZONA TRAFFIC AND EMERGENCY NET (ATEN) REPORT

ATEN, Meets daily on 3986 kHz at 7pm MST Net Manager KF7GC Member Check-ins 577, Visitors 99, Traffic Handled 173, Radiogram Originations 86, Total sessions 31, Total active members 28.

The Saguaro 2 Meter Local Net out of Tucson Meets Daily at 6:45pm on 145.250 PL 156.7 or 146.88 PL 110.9 Net Manager K7ILA Total Check-ins 112, Traffic Handled 21, Radiograms Originated 9, Total Sessions 31. ATEN Net Manager is Tomy KF7GC kf7gc@arrl.net

HAM RADIO EVENTS

- September 7, 2009 **Saguaro Nat'l Park East Labor Day Run**, Tucson AZ <http://www.rstclub.org/>
- September 12-20, 2009 **Route 66 on the Air** <http://www.nadxa.com/route66.htm>
- September 26, 2009 **Leukemia & Lymphoma's Light the Night Walk**, Tucson AZ <http://www.rstclub.org/>
- October 4, 2009 **STEP OUT: Walk to Fight Diabetes**, Tucson AZ <http://www.rstclub.org/>
- October 10-11, 2009 **Arizona QSO Party** <http://www.azqsoparty.org>
- October 11, 2009 **Get Moving Tucson Downtown Walk/Run**, Tucson AZ <http://www.rstclub.org/>
- October 17, 2009 **OPRC/RST Hamfest**, Tucson AZ <http://www.tucsonhamfest.com>
- October 24, 2009 **YMCA Half Marathon**, Phoenix South Mountain Park AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- October 31, 2009 **Javalina Junderd**, McDowell Mountain Park AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 7, 2009 **Heart of Arizona Bicycle Ride**, Congress AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 7, 2009 **MS Walk on the Wild Side**, Phoenix Zoo Desert Botanical Gardens AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 21, 2009 **El Tour de Tucson**, Tucson AZ
- December 5, 2009 **Superstition ARC Hamfest**, Mesa AZ <http://wb7tjd.org/hamfest/>
- December 13, 2009 **Fiesta Bowl Half Marathon**, Scottsdale AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>

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- January 17, 2010 **Rock N Roll AZ** in Phoenix <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- January 17-23, 2010 **Quartzfest** in Quartzsite www.quartzfest.org
- January 30, 2010 **Londons Run** in Queen Creek <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 7, 2010 **Runner's Den Road Classic** in Scottsdale <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 20, 2010 **Yuma Hamfest and Emergency Preparedness Show** in Yuma <http://www.yumahamfest.org/>
- March 27, 2010 **Desert Fest** hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson in Tucson <http://www.tucsonhamfest.com>
- May 1, 2010 **Cochise Amateur Radio Association Hamfest** in Sierra Vista
- May 29, 2010 **Yavapai Amateur Radio Club hamfest** in Prescott
- 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

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

2009 Arizona QSO Party

What? Arizona QSO Party

When? October 10-11, 2009

Two operating periods:

16:00Z (10th) to 06:00Z (11th)

14:00Z (11th) to 23:59Z (11th)

Where? 160 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 10-11!!!!
2009 – ARRL Year of the State QSO Party!

Rules, Awards & More Info:

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

info@azqsoparty.org (email)

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Planned Awards:

USA Single Op High Power (Sponsor EAARS)
USA Single Op Low Power (Sponsor KE7DX)
USA Single Op QRP (Sponsor EAARS)
USA Multi Op (Sponsor K8IA)
Canada Single Op (Sponsor SADXA)
DX Single Op (Sponsor NADXA)
Top Club Outside Arizona (Sponsor Yuma DX Assn)

AZ Single Op High Power (Sponsor AK7AR)
AZ Single Op Low Power (Sponsor W7YS)
AZ Single Op QRP (Sponsor N7SCL)
AZ Multi Op (Sponsor Needed)
AZ Top Club (Sponsor Needed)
AZ Mobile Single Op (KF0X)
AZ Mobile Multi Op (Sponsor Needed)

Certificates will be awarded to the top scorers (25 QSO minimum) in each Arizona county, US state, Canadian province and DXCC country.

MOBILE OPERATORS: Operate from multiple counties -- help to get ALL Arizona counties On The Air!
Mobile Operators work everyone again in each county you activate!

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