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CLUB MEETINGS SCHEDULE

SARC

Apr 6th Scottsdale Senior Center 7:00 PM

OPRC

Apr 13th
AZ Bldg at Tucson Medical Ctr
7:15 PM

QCWA

Apr 2nd
Chad's Steakhouse and Saloon
Tucson
12:00 Noon

AARC

Apr 14th Red Cross Bldg. - Phx 7:30 PM

CARL

TBA
AZ Science Center
TBA

TBARC

Apr 21st Thunderbird School of Global Mgmt 7:00 PM

ADAW MEMBER CLUBS

ARIZONA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

The Arizona Amateur Radio Club meets on the **SECOND THURS-DAY** of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Red Cross Building, located at 6135 N. Black Canyon Hwy., Phoenix (N. of Bethany Home Rd., E. side of Freeway on frontage Rd.).

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ADAW MEMBER CLUBS

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Spring Meeting
Summer Meeting
Fall Meeting
Holiday Meeting
Summer Meeting
Arca/April
June/July
October
Phoenix Area
Carefree Area

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The Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club meets the **THIRD THURS-DAY** of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Thunderbird School of Global Management located near 59th Ave. and West Greenway Rd. (Enter at the light at Country Gables and 59th Ave. Follow the road to the staff parking lot. Proceed to the Snell Bldg. The meeting is held in room #29 or otherwise posted.)

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BREAKING NEWS!

Always wanted to have an exclusive and be able to print that! So here it is - Straight from the horse's (oops, sorry hon) mouth!

The April Hamfest at DeVry is back on. That's right - you read it here first - there WILL be a hamfest at DeVry this year.

The Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will host the annual April Hamfest at DeVry on April 16, 2011. Our own Mark Kesauer, N7KKQ has volunteered to chair the event and is feverishly putting it all together. (And while he does that, your's truly is scrambling to get the word out!) Members from the Arizona Amateur Radio Club and the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club have volunteered to help at the event.

The April Hamfest at DeVry will be held at the same place as always - the parking lot behind the school. Hours will be 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Admission donation is \$2.00 and tailgating spaces are \$10.00 each. There will be coffee, donuts and sodas available as well. For more information or to reserve a space, email arca@arca-az.org.

We need everyone's help in spreading the word to make this a great event. So, tell your friends, announce it on your nets and plan on attending.

In other news, the 2011 ARRL Arizona State Convention/Yuma Hamfest and Emergency Preparedness Show was great. We haven't been able to attend the Yuma event the last couple of years due to illness, but did make this year's. We were impressed by how much it has grown - compared to 2008 - and we had a wonderful time. The Yuma folks even managed to make the earth move! Actually, there was a 5.1 earthquake in Baja that shook the ground in Yuma for a few seconds on Friday, 18 February. If you've never felt a quake before it was quite . . . different, to say the least.

Then there was the rain on Saturday - torrents of rain - which started in the "wee" hours of the morning. We enjoyed the rain, something we don't see too much of in Phoenix, but it brought with it localized flooding and accidents throughout Yuma, and a power outage that affected not only the fairgrounds, but a large part of the city. What was interesting though was how the hams responded. Several Rvers at the event rushed to pull out their generators and provide power for the testing rooms, seminar rooms and the all-important coffee pot. That's what we hams do, jump right in to help.

All in all, it was a great weekend. If you've never been to the Yuma show, you're missing out. Mark your calendars for next year!

This edition is chock full of news and interesting columns from all our clubs, so enjoy and I'll "see" you next month.

73, Chris, N7PVL



Event Calendar

April 16, 2011 - **April Hamfest at DeVry** - hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at DeVry University, 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix. Admission donation is \$2.00, Tailgate spaces are \$10.00 each. Prizes, coffee, donuts and sodas will be available. For reservation and information, contact ARCA at arca@arca-az.org.

May 7, 2011 - Larry Warren Memorial Hamfest - hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association will be held at Green Acres, 2756 Moson Road, Sierra Vista. Watch for details.

June 4, 2011 - **White Mountain Hamfest** - hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club will be held at Show Low Junior High School at 4th Avenue and Old Linden Road in Show Low. Hours are 7:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Talk-In - 145.310 Pl 110.9. Contact Jim Mortensen at jmmules@frontiernet.net or 928.358.8761.

July 15 - 17, 2011 - **ARCA/Williams Hamfest** - hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at the Williams Rodeo Grounds, 800 Rodeo Rd, Williams. ARCA meeting at 4:00 PM on July 16. Watch for updates.

October 15, 2011 - **OPRC Hamfest** - hosted by the Old Pueblo Radio Club. Date Tentative. Watch for details.

Public Service Calendar

EVENT	LOCATION	DATE
March of Dimes for Babie	es Wesley Bolin Plaze (State Capitol)	04/09/11
Highline Trail Run	Payson	04/16/11
Pat's Run	Tempe/ASU	04/16/11
Cave Creek Trail Run	Cave Creek	04/23/11
Barn Burner Mountain Bi	ke Race	08/27/11
	Kendrick Peak Near Flags	staff
Cactus Cha-Cha	White Tanks Mtn Park	10/08/11
Tour de Paradise		10/15/11
Pho	oenix/Paradise Valley/Anth	em
Cave Creek Mt Bike Race	e Cave Creek	11/12/11
Javalina Jundred	McDowell Mtn Park	11/12-13/11
Cave Creek Road Ride	Cave Creek	11/13/11

To sign up send email to: mcecg@yahoogroups.com MCECG on the Web MCECG.ORG for event sign up For information on events, join - azhamserve@egroups.com

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Old Pueblo Radio Club INTERMOD

President's Column

The Old Pueblo Radio Club held its 9 March 2011 meeting at its usual location, with coffee and doughnuts for all in attendance. Club members who are also RACES hospital participants were apprised that the last make-up sessions for training were scheduled at the Pima County EOC for 23 March and 26 March.

The club treasurer, George, N9IUK, wished to put out one last call for the 2011 dues. Members not current by the end of the April meeting will be dropped from the rolls.

James, KC7THU, filled us in on his attendance at the recent Yuma Hamfest. In addition to the amateur radio exhibits, there was also extensive information available from the Yuma County Sheriff's Office, and Salvation Army, the American Red Cross, etc., concerning area preparation for possible large scale natural disasters. The need to be self sufficient for a period of time, and to be able to depart to a safe location on short notice, was stressed. Several commercial firms displayed go-kits for this purpose. Our thanks go to James for bringing us this information.

Coming soon: Tour of the Tucson Mountains. Contact Cary if you can assist.

Have a good month.

73 de Ron Kalish, N7SPW President, OPRC



OPRC Repeaters			
146.66 - PL 110.9	wide coverage	W7GV	
146.82 - PL 110.9	wide coverage	W7GV	
147.22 - PL 110.9	wide coverage	W7GV	
RACES Repeaters			
145.150	packet/wide	N7OEM	
146.880 - PL 110.9	wide coverage	N7OEM	
147.300 - PL 110.9	wide	N7OEM	
448.55 - PL 110.9	wide coverage	N7OEM	

SCOTTSDALE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.



Club Station: WA7APE

Club Repeaters: 147.78/.18 & 445.00/440.00

Hi Guys,

The program for March was on The National Weather Service by Steve Sipple. He presented a great overview of the internal workings of the National Weather Service. There are quite a few club members that work with Sky Warn, which is associated with the weather service, to help keep track of violent summer storms. Sky Warn will be having classes later this spring. Watch for details in this news letter.

The program for next month will be by Larry Foster KC0JON on his trip to Honduras. I always like to hear about different places and cultures. He works with a group of medical professionals who help the back country people by providing medical services they would not normally receive. This will be a great program to watch.

The Spring Hamfest was held on Saturday, March 12 at the new location, The Mountain Valley Community Church in North Scottsdale. The weather was absolutely perfect with warm temperatures and clear, sunny skies. The vendor area was a large parking lot with three rows of covered spaces. We had 75 vendors who were selling everything imaginable and approximately 1200 buyers who were enjoying the search for that perfect item. The Church provided coffee and doughnuts for the crowd and even had a push cart traveling throughout the area to bring coffee and doughnuts to those vendors who could not leave their stations. This was a great idea and was greatly appreciated by many. There were many cars with license plates from all over the country and even some from Canada. VE testing was provided by Gary Hamman. Gary reported he had 14 VE's helping and 17 candidates. Fourteen passed. There are five new Technician Class licenses, four new General Class licenses, and five new Extra Class licenses. Very good and our congratulations to all new and upgraded hams.

Of course, what would a Hamfest be without raffle prizes. We had a little trouble at first selling tickets but that finally was resolved and many tickets were quickly sold. We had hourly prizes provided by ARRL which we greatly appreciate. We also had some additional donations for the raffle by vendors. There was a book on getting started with Satellites and a dual band antenna. The winner for the 8:00 drawing, a \$25 gift certificate, was W3IEZ, the winner of the 9:00 drawing, a \$25 gift certificate and the book on satellites, was K7FFN, the winner of the 10:00 drawing, a \$50 gift certificate, was David Yee, and the winner of the 11:00 drawing, a \$50 gift certificate, was W7CEL. There was an additional drawing at 11:30 for a dual band antenna. The winner was KD70ED. The grand prize drawing was held at 12:00 with the following lucky guys walking off with the lute. The Yeasu FT-270-HT went to W7UF. The Yeasu FT-60R/E HT went to AJ7T. And the ICOM IC-718 HF rig went to W7KMG. All of the winners were very happy and the rest of us . . . ? Oh well. We all had a great time and we are looking forward to the next hamfest where we may be one of the lucky winners.

At this time it is a little premature to hope we may repeat next years hamfest at this fine location. We will keep you all informed about that. For now I would like to thank everyone in the club that helped with this event and thank all of you hams out there for making this a really great Spring Hamfest.

Over the last month there has been some very good hamming on all of the HF bands. I have worked quite a few stations on 40 and 20 meters. And I have heard guys talking about good action on 10 meters. So dust off your rig and join in the fun. Whether it is CW, side band or digital, there is a lot of fun in communicating across the country on ham radio. And with DX opening up it becomes even more exciting.

I know a lot of you guys out there do some pretty interesting things in your spare time. Let me know what you have been up to and I will add it right here for everyone to read. This is a club column and it is open to all members of the club. So here is your chance to get "published."

The club has a weekly net on 147.18 with a PL of 162.2. The net is 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday evening. It is a great chance for you to try out your 2-meter or 440 radio. I like to ask some questions of the check-ins. Listening to the answers everyone has to these questions is always informative and reminds me of all the fun I have had in this hobby. So join us on Tuesday evenings for the fun. If you would like to try your hand at being the Net Control, just let me know. I would like to give everyone, who would like to try this, a chance at it. I know you would be good at conducting our net.

We have the best weather in the entire nation right now and it is a great time to get out and enjoy the Spring time. There is hiking, bicycling, and just plain walking in the parks or green belt to invigorate the soul. I love this time of year. I hope to see you all out there.

Well, that is all I have for now. Until next month, keep on hamming, be well and enjoy life.

73 Ed WU7S enickerson427@aol.com



SARC CONSTANTS:

SARC is a 501 (c)-3 club. That means all donations are fully tax deductible. Contact Paul Finnell, W7EFQ at 602.741.6563 for information on estate donations and equipment pick-up.

For membership information, call Gerald Jacques, KE7GYM at 480.239.8679. Please send address change requests to Gerald no later than the 7th of the month in which you would like the change to occur.

To field check QSL cards for most ARRL awards, call Nick Sues, W7ZMD at 602.992.4133.





At the February ARCA meeting at the Yuma Hamfest we announced we had to officially call off the April hamfest because of health issues which have hit several of our stalwart members. However, after the ARCA meeting on March 12 at the Scottsdale Hamfest, Mark Kesauer, N7KKQ, volunteered to run an April Hamfest at DeVry as an ARCA Hamfest this year. SO THERE WILL BE A HAMFEST AT DEVRY ON APRIL 16. Hopefully next year the AARC can resume our hamfest.

We attended one of the best hamfests ever in Yuma. It is very clear that the Yuma group worked very hard to put together an A+ event. The XYLs kept the coffee and other refreshments going all through the weekend. The prizes were fantastic, including not only some excellent amateur radio equipment, but many elegant baskets prepared by volunteers in the organization or offered by merchants in the Yuma area. The banquet was excellent. The technical sessions were well done. The vendors showed up in full force. Karla Billdt of Karla's Creations provided some delicious recipes that kept the interest of many XYLs (and I saw two gentlemen in attendance there, probably waiting for samples of the finished products). The only complaint I think anyone had is that the organization didn't do a very good job of controlling the weather. Too bad for the tailgaters, but some of them found a spot under cover. An innovative idea this year was the country store which provided consignment sales inside the main building so that hamfest participants could socialize instead of tailgating.

Bob Allison, WB1GCM, from ARRL headquarters, is used to Connecticut's winter. He showed up at the event in short sleeves and still found Yuma's 68-degree temperature too hot. ARCA treasurer Chris won a hamfest t-shirt for being the first to recognize the error in the printed program. The acronym on the cover should have been ARRL, not AARL. (Note my photo of Chris, N7PVL, hiding behind her prized shirt.)

Yes, it was an exemplary hamfest. The Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization worked hard, and the AARC group knows what work is involved. We also know that rain can be a problem since we were poured upon the year before last. But it is a great experience to put on a successful hamfest, and everyone looks forward to the event. We hope to see you at the ARCA hamfest on April 16 at DeVry.

73, Lori Cripps, WA7EDI (602) 955-7517 cripps@cybertrails.com





Main Hall Vendors



ARRL Booth - Marty Woll, N6VI and Tom Fagan, K7DF



Lee Ilse, KD70ED



Volunteers provide coffee and cookies



Gary Hamman, K7GH and Marty Woll, N6VI



Tailgating under cover



Bob Allixon, WB1GCM



Clearing out the rain water



Clarence Peckham, NT7V



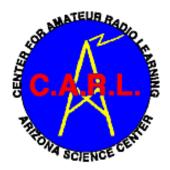
Karla Billdt of Karla's Creations



The Buzzard BBQ dinner



Chris, N7PVL shows hamfest shirt prize



The annual CARL/W7ASC meeting was held Saturday, January 29th at the AZ Science Center. We had 18 W7ASC volunteers show up. We rounded up the usual suspects, which is the current CARL Board, and they were re nominated. We will officially elect board officers at the next Business BOD meeting in March.

Larry, KC0KZB, presented the Treasures Report, John K7JP read the minutes of the last meeting. Surprise! John, K7JP is our Ham Volunteer of the Year with 500+ hours. The following have earned more than 300+ Volunteer Hours: Steve, WB4ZSC; Bob, KG7QJ; Michael, NR5O. Other statistics (grab some coffee, folks!): We started 2011 with only 33 active volunteers with an average per volunteer of 131 hours.

Logged QSOs HF = 326 VHF/UHF = 935 ECHOLINK = 180 Ham guests = 137

Dave Zinder W7PMD gave an excellent talk on Noise, RFI, and how to solve it. No coffee needed, highly recommended! The Door Prize, a \$50 HRO gift certificate, was won by Kathleen (XYL of Peter, KD7OIW). Kathleen is preparing to

get her Ham License.

Food for thought and further discussion at the next CARL BOD meeting:

From Jean and the iPad in Ahwatukee:

AZ Science Center works with scheduled "presentations" so why not work on a Ham radio (lecture) presentation? We could have PowerPoint presentations plus video, to be shown on the big screen in "My Digital World." ASC could promote it. Ham volunteers could talk to larger groups. The presentations we do have need to be tailored for school groups though. Are you smarter than a 5th grader? We could allocate 20 minutes and close by inviting live [Morse] code and on-air radio time.

We will need to recruit and train volunteers for presentation, not just a body in the shack. We have much of the needed content, just need to create or modify the existing PPT shows. It is important to choose presenters, have them trained to look and speak in a disciplined

manner; Q&A encouraged, of course. Once ASC sees the benefit, they might include in the material ASC sends to schools.

From John at the keyboard in Mesa:

We have two or three ham Radio presentations. One of them that we have comes up automatically on the large monitor. It is meant to be presented one slide at a time with a presenter & audience. There is a script and some handitalkies for guests to use. David Zinder has a Satellite script/presentation that he has done before at the Science Center. We also have a general (historical) presentation on W7ASC. Steve Warford has the general PowerPoint that covers various topics and includes video. We have been given permission to take over the big screen and do presentations. All we need are individuals who will do them.

73 de K7JP John

We plan to work with the Science Center and develop presentations, work with Ham volunteers on presentation style and content. Any Volunteers to help with this project? Give me a call, Bob KG7QJ - 480-961-1109 or KG7QJ@COX.NET

The Spring 2011 Tech License class at MCC is underway with 15 students signed up. The VE test is scheduled for Saturday 4/16 so I might be able to squeeze test results into the next ADAW. The W7ASC Shack can always use new W7ASC volunteers. Spread the word at your Ham Club. Call 480-961-1109 and volunteer now. We have a CARL PPT Presentation available (with pictures of the new remodeled shack) that can be presented to your club.

—73 Bob Burleson KG7QJ - 480-961-1109 kg7qj@cox.net

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PLEASE NOTE: Dates, times, or locations may change. Call test session contact to confirm information. Walk-ins are permitted unless otherwise specified.

April Test Sessions

Apr 2nd - DeVry ARC & West Valley ARC -- 9:00 AM
DeVry University-Library, 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix
Contact - David Morrill 623.925.0680

Apr 7th - Radio Society of Tucson -- 7:00 PM
Lighthouse YMCA, 2900 N Columbus Blvd, Tucson
Contact - Matthew Grossman 520.750.7189
Pre-Reg by email preferred - veregistration@rstclub.org

Apr 9th - Yuma ARC -- 9:00 AM Yuma County Sheriff Office, 141 S 3rd Ave, Yuma Contact - Robert Sidebottom 928.344.6469 No Walk-Ins - Must Pre-Register

Apr 9th - PCECG -- 10:00 AM
Pinal County EOC Bldg F, 31 N Pinal St, Florence
Contact - Thomas Kramer 520.421.0483

Apr 15th & 16th - Maricopa County Sheriffs -- 8:00 AM Salvation Army (AZ SAR Conference), Overgaard Contact - Kevin Parmenter 480.748.8182

Apr 15th - Oro Valley ARC -- 5:00 PM
Resurrection Lutheran Church, 11575 N 1st Ave, Oro Valley
Contact - Ronald Cade 520.825.0674

Apr 16th - Catalina Radio Club/OPRC -- 9:00 AM
Jacob's Park YMCA, 1010 W Lind St, Tucson
Contact - Fred Hill 520.403.1893
Pre-Registration Preferred

Apr 18th - East Valley VE Team -- 6:00 PM
City of Mesa Bldg, 640 N Mesa Dr, Mesa
Contact - Steve Gurley 480.704.3666

Apr 19th - Boy Scout Troop 127 -- 8:00 PM St Francis Xavier School, 4715 N Central Ave, Phoenix Contact - John Kelly 602.264.6854

Apr 22nd - Tonto ARA -- 6:00 PM
Payson Public Library Meeting Room, 328 N McLane Rd, Payson
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Apr 23rd - Arizona ARC -- 7:00 PM
American Red Cross, 6135 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix
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Apr 23rd - Coconino ARC -- 9:00 AM
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Apr 30th - Thunderbird ARC -- 9:00 AM
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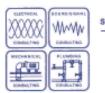


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Greetings:

In case you didn't know, TBARC just finished its second week of a new extra license class. This is a chance to earn the premier license in amateur radio. Don't let it slip past. So far the instructors have been excellent. Jim, AE7JP and Jack, KD7RCJ are imminently qualified to teach this class. They were well prepared and willing shared of their knowledge. Thank you both. The next instructors have quite a lot to live up to.

So did you go to the 2011 Yuma Hamfest and Emergency Preparedness Show and 2011 ARRL Arizona State Convention or did you go to the day trip down near Tucson at the missal silo. Hard choice to make, wasn't it? We left Thursday and went to Yuma. This was our second year to attend in Yuma and we had as much fun this time as we had last year. We saw Jim, AE7JP, Al, AE7GM and Walt N7GDP on Friday. All three of them were wandering around like kids let loose in a candy store. They were all planning to return that evening so they could go on the day trip to the Titan Missile Museum in Green Valley the next day. I heard that trip was a great success. We were really torn between returning early to go on that trip or staying for the bar-b-que dinner Saturday night. Chuck voted for the bar-b-que and won the toss, so we stayed. I'm glad we did because we met Jack, KD7RCJ late in the afternoon and sat down to dinner with him and two very nice couples. You meet some of the nicest people at these events.

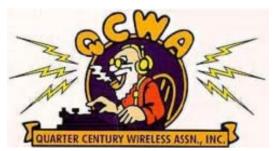
Speaking of nice people, the other day someone rang my door bell. When I opened the door, a young man stood there and threw up both his hands. "Mam," he said, "please don't shut the door in my face. I'm with a roofing company, but I'm not here to sell you a roof, although I did notice you need a new one. I was up on the roof next door and looked over . . ."

"Wait," I interrupted. "We have already signed a contract, we just have to wait our turn since every house is this neighborhood needed a new roof from the hail storm."

"Yes, Mam. I understand, but what I really wanted to know was what is that on your roof? I would guess it has something to do with ham radio. I'm sorry to bother you, but I just had to ask."

"You're right." I answered. "How did you know?"

"I got my tech license over ten years ago. I was only 15 so I really had to work for it. I was so proud of myself, but I



CHAPTER 16 BARRY M. GOLDWATER ARIZONA CHAPTER

There is not much new to report this month except that, with the earlier sunrise as we approach Spring, our Sunday morning net on 3890 MHz has reverted to starting at 0700 local time. During December, January, and part of February, we have met at 0730 when local propagation is better due to the later sunrise during the winter months.

The next luncheon meeting will be on Saturday, April 2nd in Tucson at Chad's Steakhouse and Saloon. Tom Fagan, K7DF, ARRL AZ Section Manager, will update us on current legislation and ARRL activities. In addition, National QCWA anniversary awards will be presented to members licensed 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 or more years.

73, Bob McCuskey, W7BV Sec./Treas., QCWA -AZ Chapter mccuskey@email.arizona.edu



haven't done any thing with it lately. I'm a regional manager for the company I work for and I have to travel a lot. Here, Mam, here's my business card. I've been trying to get my 15-year-old sister interested in it, but you know how it is. I think it's really a valuable skill to have, but she just can't see it yet. But I'll keep after her. My number is _____. What's yours?"

"Wait a minute," I answered. "I still have to think about it. Oh, yeah, it's KF7MLX."

"I get homesick every once in a while and I knew if I rang your door bell I could talk to someone who knew about something I could connect with. Thank you, Mam, it's been a pleasure."

So I can say two things about that encounter. You do meet the nicest people and his mother raised him right.

PS. I looked his name up on the registry and he really does have a license.

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