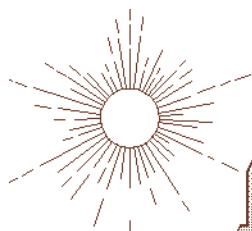


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7:00 PM

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

OPRC
Sep 8th
AZ Bldg at Tucson Medical Ctr
7:15 PM

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TBA
AZ Science Center
TBA

QCWA
Jul 9th
Casa Bonita Mexican Restaurant
Prescott
12:00 Noon

TBARC
Jul 21st
Thunderbird School
of Global Mgmt
7:00 PM

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Summer Meeting	June/July	Prescott Area
Fall Meeting	October	Phoenix Area
Holiday Meeting	December	Carefree Area

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From the Editor's Desk

I'm running late again this month. It seems like the harder I work, the farther behind I get! My apologies to all.

The heat is on in the "valley of the sun." With temperatures reaching 115 degrees and predictions for more of the same for the next week or so, it's good to be indoors in the air-conditioning. Even the high country seems to be experiencing higher temperatures than what they are used to this time of year. Here's hoping the monsoon arrives before much longer and brings some badly needed rain and cooling.

With the forest closures due to dry conditions and the fires burning in the state, hope everyone got to participate in Field Day this year. Field Day is something everyone should experience at least once. It's a chance to practice your emergency preparedness and polish your operating skills. Besides, it's fun! Camping out and sharing good times with fellow amateurs. If you've never attended a Field Day event, you are missing out on an enjoyable time. Consider joining your club members next year. You'll be glad you did.

The ARCA/Williams Hamfest is quickly approaching. It will soon be time to head for Williams to enjoy the cooler temperatures and the camaraderie of this annual event. The DX store from Whittier, California will be there with new radios. All the standard vendors will also be in attendance as well as lots of tailgaters. The Arizona Outlaws Contest Club will have their trailer there and will hold a casual get-together for their members on Saturday. The Central Arizona DX Association will have a hospitality suite as usual, although the place and time have not yet been established.

The Saturday night Barbecue will be held at RAILSIDE RV Ranch at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 16th. Tickets are \$18 per person and will be available at the ARCA table inside the main hall. Awards will be presented at the dinner.

The ARCA trailer, along with all ARCA's equipment, was stolen from the property of Jim Pierce in March. Several of the affiliated clubs and individuals have donated funds and equipment to help ARCA recover. There is still a long way to go. If you would like to help, or know of someone willing to make a donation, please contact the ARCA board. You may reach them by sending an email to arca@arca-az.org

Enjoy your ADAW.

73,
Chris, N7PVL

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Event Calendar

Old Pueblo Radio Club INTERMOD

President's Column

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. Gates open Thursday, July 14 for set-up. Event hours: Dawn Friday, July 15 through 5:00 P.M. Saturday, July 16. Grand Canyon Train Ride Saturday, July 17. Free Admission! Outside spaces for camping and selling - \$15.00 each before June 1 - \$20.00 after June 1. The DX Store will be in attendance. Meetings, seminars, talks, Saturday night Barbecue Dinner. ARCA meeting at 4:00 PM on July 16. Visit the web site at www.arca-az.org for all the information and updates.

September 9 - 11, 2011 - **ARRL Southwestern Division Convention** - will be held at the Marriott Torrance South Bay, 3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, CA. Visit the web site at <http://www.hamconinc.org/> for details.

October 22, 2011 - **OPRC Hamfest** - hosted by the Old Pueblo Radio Club will be held at Kino Sports Park in Tucson. Watch for details.

November 12, 2011 - **Oro Valley Radio Club Hamfest** - hosted by the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club from 8:00 AM until 12:00 noon. Location to be announced. Visit the web site at www.w0hf.com for information.

December 3, 2011 - **Superstition Hamfest** - hosted by the Superstition Amateur Radio Club will be held at Mesa Community College, Dobson & Highway 60 in Mesa. Visit the web site at <http://wb7tjd.org/hamfest/> for more information.

February 17 - 18, 2012 - **ARRL Southwestern Division Convention** - hosted by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization will be held at the Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E 32nd Street in Yuma. Hours - Friday, noon to 5:00 PM - Saturday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Buzzard barbecue, Saturday, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. ARCA meeting - Saturday, 11:00 AM. Visit the web site at www.yumahamfest.org for details.

Summer appears to have arrived in Arizona with a vengeance. Many are monitoring the various repeaters to keep track of the several fires raging throughout the state. Our thoughts are with the persons and families affected.

Those club members who plan to take part in field day from a location which may be subject to access restrictions due to the fire danger should check with the sponsoring organization to assure the site has not moved.

As stated last month, a number of our members and officers have departed for the summer for cooler climes, continuing a long southwestern tradition. And the OPRC is continuing its tradition of hibernating until September, when its meetings will resume.

The OPRC Swap Meet is set for 22 October 2011 at its usual location. This is one week later than normal, but avoids a conflict with certain sports events which have been scheduled on the third weekend. We will say more on this as it gets closer.

Have a great summer
73 de
Ron Kalish, N7SPW
President, Old Pueblo Radio Club




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,

This past month has certainly been a month to forget. I had a nasty fall just before Easter and broke my back. I am slowly recovering. The back pain is subsiding and I am into physical therapy twice a week. I still need to use a walker part of the time to get around. When I get to feeling pretty good, I have done what all guys do. That is to PUSH the envelope. I have done too much and than I have a relapse. I think I am my own worst enemy. My physical therapy is at a Scottsdale Health Care facility in Scottsdale. They are very knowledgeable about my problems and giving me exercises to strengthen my back to calm the agitated nerves that are screaming most of the time. My hope is to get back to a normal pain free back, but time will tell. My situation should remind all of you out there to be extra careful when working on those antennas and towers.

Because of the health situation, we have had to cancel our summer plans. We were going to take a trip to New York to visit Bonnie's brother on his 75th birthday. His wife was planning a surprise party for him with about 80 people and we wanted to be included. I just don't believe he will be surprised with that many people involved. We will have to just give him a call on the big day and wish him a happy birthday. Not the same.

This past month I have not been very active on the HF. When I have turned on the rig, it has been pretty quiet on all of the bands I tried. I have sent a lot of CQ's with no response. Eddie and Charlotte Couch , N7JOR and N7IPR, are on a vacation trip back East and I have tried him on 20 meters when I know they are listening, but he cannot hear me. Likewise, I cannot hear him at all. I sure hope the bands heat up for Field Day which is coming up fast.

We were planning on a trip to N.Y. this year that would have us missing Field Day. The trip is cancelled but I am still going to have to miss this year's Field Day because of my back problem. I always love Field Day for the fellowship and joy of operating with so many stations on the air. The club is going to Chino Valley again this year and there is a lot of interest in going. I am writing this column before Field Day, so I will include all of the details in next month's edition. And if any of you guys out there have some details about your own Field Day experiences, please let me know and I will include them on this column.

Because of my back problem, we are spending more time at home this summer. That means time in the pool. I don't know about you, but I like the pool to be very warm when I go in. The month has been below normal in temperatures and so the pool is only 80 degrees Fahrenheit. To me, if I go in the pool

that is that cold, it spells cardiac arrest. I have tried several times, but I just can't get all the way in. Our granddaughter, Brandi, just loves it. She is a real fish. Bonnie and Brandi have tried to coax me in saying the water is nice and warm, but I know better. We have a thermometer in there and it says only 80 degrees. They can't fool me. It should warm up soon. Besides, if I do go in the water, I would have to be careful not to twist too much. And swimming requires that motion. Oh well. I will just have to sit on a lawn chair and sip my lemonade. I wish it was a cold beer, but I am still on pain pills and cannot drink alcohol. This is going to be a long summer

The forest fires this state has been having this month have destroyed some of the most beautiful forests in the entire country. For almost 40 years Bonnie and I have enjoyed the quiet beauty of these majestic ponderosa forests whether we are camping in a camp ground or out in the forest itself. I have fished most of the lakes in the high country and it just breaks my heart to see the destruction. From published reports, the Wallow fire was the result of unattended camp fires. When we have been camping, we are extremely careful with fire, but we have seen some campers build a fire of outrageous proportions. I can't imagine how some campers can ignore red flag warnings and even closed forest signs. But they do and this is the tragic result. So if you are in the forests, what's left of them, please be extra careful if you have a camp fire.


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. So join us on Tuesday evenings for the fun.

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

73 Ed WU7S
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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.





and Mark Kesauer, N7PVL and N7KKQ, have joined the Arizona Amateur Radio Club, as well as KC7WGI, William J. Miller; KF7EWP, Ed Braatlien; KA5NHU, Lee Durrwachter; and KF7QFP, John Steiner. We're glad to have you as part of the AARC.

73,
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We did it! We took down Art Reade's tower! You've been hearing about this project for quite a while now. We ran into obstacles during several previous attempts, but this time we did it, and it was quite an event. I judge events by the number of photos taken, and this was a 50-photo event, quite spectacular. Some of the photos are included with this article. Thanks to all who were part of the project. Eight members were there, and with their help the job was completed in a little more than two hours. On the site were, AJ7C & his xyl Joy, N5LDH, WB7CLL, WØSLL, WA7EDI, KD7ZXU, AC7SW, NS7A & his xyl Florence, and K7GH. Joe Cutitta, who led the project, brought Yogi, who climbed the tower to the 40-foot level and connected the crane's large strap to the tower. Art Jr was also there to assist as well as Lorena, Art's widow. Also, thanks to KQ7C for the preliminary preparations.

As I write this, we are making plans for Field Day. In my next column I will tell you about our successes. We will operate from the American Red Cross Building, and we plan to run three stations, one primarily on 20 meters, CW and phone, one on 40 meters, and one on 80 meters. Our Friday night setup may have some changes this year since our "Robin Hood," George Cooney, KQ7C, who usually shoots the arrow carrying the 80-meter dipole over the billboard beside the American Red Cross Building, may not be able to do that this year, but I am willing to bet that by Saturday morning at 11:00 A.M. we will be on the air and making as many contacts or more than we did in past years.

You don't hear any complaints about Echolink involvement with our 2-meter Thursday night net, do you? That's because it is working without problems nowadays. The bugs are gone, and K7GH and I even got a chance to test it ourselves on the net from New Orleans a couple weeks ago. We invite you to join us, whether you are local to the repeater or DX on Echolink, on 147.060 (no tone) at 7:30 P.M. any Thursday except club meeting night, which is the second Thursday of the month. That night you can join us at the meeting if you'd like, at the Red Cross Building. Just call Gary, K7GH, a day in advance at 602-996-8148 to satisfy the Red Cross Building's security rules. We're happy to have visitors.

At this time I'd like to welcome some new members. Chris



Art Reade's Tower



The Crane

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Gary, K7GH steadies the tower while the crane and Yogi, KD7ZXU do their work



Success! The tower is down.



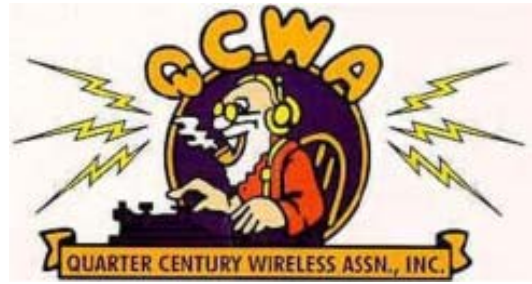
Leslie, N5LDH and Dick, NS7A (foreground) and Joy, xyl of AJ7C (background) watch.



The tower on its way down



Happy, and a little tired, some of the crew pose with WOSLL's truck which now holds the tower.



CHAPTER 16

BARRY M. GOLDWATER ARIZONA CHAPTER

A Thrill a Minute at the W7ASC Harkins Ham Shack

The doors open and the multitudes stream in. There you are at one of the glowing operating positions, pencils sharpened, Guest Operator Certificates ready to be awarded, Morse code operation, and free (old) QSTs. We built it, but will they come? They sure did on Field Day 2010 and we expect a good FD crowd to introduce Ham Radio this year also (plus a lot of "Rubber Duckies").

Your reporter thought that he had experienced all that Ham radio had to offer. DX, DIY, contests, field days, public service and the rest. But there was another level: meeting the Public in order to explain and demonstrate this multi-faceted avocation. The best part is that most of the required tools (Hardware, software and handouts) are right there at W7ASC. The Ham volunteers round out the team.

A visiting family approaches. The kids want to know what goes on. Morse code? What the heck is that? And we are off and running, engaging those young minds with tales of invention and application. Here is how you send your name with that red button (that's our kid-proof code key). It beeps and a light flashes! Talk to someone on the radio? Out goes a CQ and a QSO begins.

Other visitors look in to view the action. Could they participate, too?

A skeptic arrives, telling us that Ham radio is dying away: being replaced by CB, cell phones and the Internet. Do we ever have a surprise for him! Bring up Vanity HQ on the screen www.vanityhq.com select N4MC's "Ham Locator" in the left column and type in the visitor's ZIP code (try this for your own ZIP code). Wow! He sees his home SURROUNDED by those blue pins. One for every Ham. Not counting multiple Hams at the same address!

Having caught their attention, we now have time to tell some of the Ham radio story.

Next report will cover another visitor type. But you can save your eyes by experiencing the fun in person. Call Bob, KG7QJ who will find a way to squeeze you in.

Jean W4CIH=

The General Amateur Radio License Class starts Saturday July 23rd 10 AM to 1 PM at the AZ Science center. Check the ARRL Class search or see the flyer for details. Call me (Bob KG7QJ) at 480-961-1109 or e-mail kg7qj@cox.net to sign up.

The Dayton Hamfest held in mid-May was in its 59th year as an annual event that draws 20,000+ hams and electronics enthusiasts from around the world to the ageing Hara Arena just outside of Dayton, Ohio. In addition, nearly 500 indoor and 2500 outdoor flea market vendors attended and many new products were announced and displayed. While the weather was good, the event was marred by a flood of sewage from a backed-up sanitary sewer line under the outdoor flea market area. This not only affected the flea market, but also rendered the majority of the indoor toilets nonfunctional. This has again raised the call for relocation of this famous hamfest to a new, better equipped and more modern site that has adequate support facilities such as rest rooms, parking, and nearby room accommodations. Such a move will not be easy since it will not be easy to find an adequate alternate facility let alone match the dedication and enthusiasm of the Dayton Amateur Radio Club who has managed this very successful event for the past 60 years. There now are several sites on the web for discussing this issue for those that are interested. Googling "Dayton Hamfest" will lead you to some of these.

The next AZ QCWA luncheon meeting will be in Prescott at 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 9th at the Casa Bonita Mexican Restaurant. Bill Jackson, W6HDP, will speak to us about the history of the Society of Wireless Pioneers (SOWP), group of professional brass-pounders, dedicated to the collection and preservation of the history of communication, particularly wireless and radio telegraphy. The SWOP, which is no longer active, met with QCWA a number of years ago.

73,

Bob McCuskey, W7BV

Sec./Treas., QCWA -AZ Chapter

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Greetings!

The last club meeting was quite exciting. The guest speaker was an advisor to the city council of Glendale. He spoke of a concern of the council about the perceived unsightliness of antennas and towers. It seemed to center around "too many and too high." It soon became evident that there was a lack of understanding on the part of the council. The issues were unclear and their solution was to group amateur equipment with commercial enterprise requirements. Walt, N7GDP conducted that portion of the meeting and had a plan in place to combat the threat to amateur radio. By the next week, we had all been notified that the council had decided to shelf the idea of applying any new rules to amateur radio. Don't you love it that we live in a democracy – AMERICA?

About 15 of us showed up at Jack's KD7RCJ daughter's house on Saturday to work on building each of us a GCV antenna. Last winter Jack showed up at a meeting carrying a small handheld bag with a dismantled antenna in it. He set it up in about five minutes and it seems everyone was impressed with it. He said he was planning a weekend in the future to get together and anyone who wanted could build this antenna. Well, the day had arrived. Everyone who signed up and paid their money showed up and under Jack's direction an assembly line was formed. Actually, assembly line was too formal a term for what we had. A little sawing, a little hammering, a lot of filing, a little assembling, a little blood and a lot of time later, everyone had the components of the antenna to take home. Almost everyone stayed until everything was cleaned up and put away. A tired but very happy group of people left with smiles on their faces. Jack's daughter saved our lives. Early in the afternoon she brought out a huge bowl filled with ice cold watermelon wedges. I hope he thanks her for all of us. She was so gracious to allow us to use her garage and provide us with refreshment.

Unless you don't count the loss of a perfectly good manicure (mine) there was only one casualty. Bruce WB7SRC was knocked over at Circle K on the way to the party and injured his back. He spent part of the time lying on the floor trying to get some relief and finally had to leave early. I hope he is feeling better.

This last Saturday, the first Saturday of the month, was our monthly breakfast at Denny's. We were early to arrive because Chuck wanted to see Jack about the antennas we all built. Usually Jack is one of the first ones there, but he wasn't this morning. In fact, he never showed up. Neither did Jim nor Bruce nor Walt nor Shel. Peter was there. Israel and Mike were there. Every time someone came in the door all eyes turned to them and they were asked, "Where are all the

regulars?" Finally someone answered, "They must be down at the capitol. Isn't this the ships weekend?"

"We have to leave now! I signed us up to help with the setup and we are in the first slot to man the equipment. Let's go."

It ended up that I had committed to baby sit my niece. I had completely forgotten this event. Chuck dropped me off and went down by himself.

This is what he told me:

"We set up two data stations, a voice station, a cw station and for a short time a satellite station all operating under W7TBC. I think we contacted 10 ships, but we'll have to wait for the QSL cards before we'll know for sure. Walt really went to town. He had more than 60 voice contacts in his 2-hour shift. Way to go.

"The really big deal was to try to contact Pearl Harbor since we were sitting in Wesley Bolin Park where the signal mast and the anchor from the USS Arizona are on display. We could hear them, but we couldn't actually contact them. I can't remember when I had this much fun."

Don't forget the weekend at Jack's place in Flagstaff. See you then!

73's

Thelma, KF7MLX

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July 18th - East Valley VE Team -- 6:00 PM

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EVENT	LOCATION	DATE
Barn Burner Mountain Bike Race	Kendrick Peak Near Flagstaff	08/27/11
Special Olympics Sprint & Unified Triathlon	DC Ranch Villiag Health Club/N Scottsdale	09/10/11
Diabetes Walk Midwestern University	Near Loop 101 & 59th Avenue	10/01/11
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Cactus Cha-Cha	White Tanks Mtn Park	10/08/11
Tour de Paradise	Phoenix/Paradise Valley/Anthem	10/15/11
JR ROTC Orienteering	Lake Pleasant	10/22/11
Cave Creek Mt Bike Race	Cave Creek	11/12/11
Javalina Jundred	McDowell Mtn Park	11/12-13/11
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Riesta Bowl Half Marathon	Scottsdale	12/04/11
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Runner's Den Road Classic	Paradise Valley Mall, Southeastern Phoenix	02/12/12
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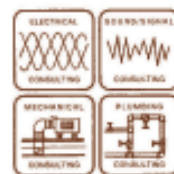
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