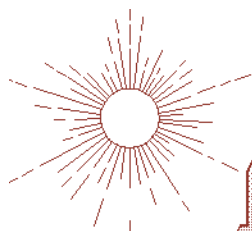


**ADAW**

4529 W. Park Place  
Glendale, AZ 85306-1512



**ADAW**

**Arizona Desert Aire Waves**

Vol 37, No 2

February 2012

**ARE YOUR DUES CURRENT?**

**Check Your Club's Listing  
on Page 2 for Information.**

**Be sure your club has your current  
email and/or mailing address.**

**CLUB MEETINGS SCHEDULE**

**SARC**  
Feb 1st  
Scottsdale Senior Center  
7:00 PM

**AARC**  
Feb 9th  
Red Cross Bldg. - Phx  
7:30 PM

**OPRC**  
Feb 8th  
Marshall Conference Ctr  
at Tucson Medical Ctr  
7:15 PM

**CARL**  
TBA  
AZ Science Center  
TBA

**QCWA**  
Mar 24th  
Chad's Steakhouse & Saloon  
Tucson  
12:00 Noon

**TBARC**  
Feb 16th  
Thunderbird School  
of Global Mgmt  
7:00 PM

# ADAW MEMBER CLUBS

## ARIZONA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

The Arizona Amateur Radio Club meets on the **SECOND THURSDAY** 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.).

President	Gary Hamman	K7GH	602.996.8148
Vice President	Bob Milburn	KB7TWF	480.991.1702
Secretary	Leslie Hickey	N5LDH	602.246.4303
Treasurer	Bob Hodges	K7JJT	602.274.1647
Red Cross Liason	Larry Penrod	AC7FC	602.955.0349
ARCA Liason	Dick Baum	NS7A	602.870.1135
Membership	Bob Hodges	K7JJT	602.274.1647

AARC c/o Bob Hodges, K7JJT, 1432 E Colter St., Phoenix, AZ 85014-3011. DUES: \$15.00/YR, Prorated (\$18.00 Family, \$9.00 Student), MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS FEB. 1.

## CENTER FOR AMATEUR RADIO LEARNING

The Center for Amateur Radio Learning is a hands-on amateur radio station, W7ASC, located within the Arizona Science Center at 600 E. Washington, Phoenix. Board meetings are held the last month of each quarter at the AZ Science Center. Annual meeting for all volunteers is held the **THIRD SATURDAY** of January. Watch ADAW for details.

President	Bob Burleson	KG7QJ	480.961.1109
Vice President	Tom Salt	AD7PM	480.926.0348
Secretary	John O'Neal	K7JP	480.345.7800
Treasurer	Larry Foster	KC0JON	480.767.0593
Board Members	Ray Waddoups	KE7FUM	480.654.9883
	David Zinder	W7PMD	602.358.7826
	Jordan Snell	KC7CWX	480.844.3744

Web Master, ARCA Rep - Roger Buel, W9NCQ - 602.493.7242  
For information: Email to [carl@w7asc.org](mailto:carl@w7asc.org) or call Bob Burleson, KG7QJ at 480.961.1109. Web Site: <http://www.w7asc.org>

## ADAW STAFF

### PUBLISHER/EDITOR

Christine Kesauer N7PVL 602.843.0960

### AARC EDITOR

Lori Cripps WA7EDI 602.955.7517

### SARC EDITOR

Ed Nickerson NU7S 480.949.5162

### CARL EDITOR

Bob Burleson KJ7QJ 480.961.1109

### OPRC EDITOR

Ron Kalish N7SPW 520.207.3852

### QCWA EDITOR

Robert McCuskey W7BV [mccuskey@email.arizona.edu](mailto:mccuskey@email.arizona.edu)

### TBARC EDITOR

Thelma Speed KF7MLX 602-252-4505

### DISTRIBUTION

Mark Kesauer N7KKQ 602.843.0960

### ADAW EMAIL

[adawaz@arca-az.org](mailto:adawaz@arca-az.org)

### ADAW WEB SITE

[www.adaw.org](http://www.adaw.org)

## SCOTTSDALE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.

The Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club meets the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7:30 p.m. in Room 8 at the new Scottsdale Senior Center located at 1700 N Granite Reef Road (west side of Granite Reef Rd., 50 yards north of McDowell Rd. Parking on site). The club also holds a net every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. on the 147.78/.18 repeater.

President	James Wasson	N7ELL	
Vice President	Bob Johnsen	K7TR	480.946.1427
Secretary	Ed Nickerson	NU7S	480.949.5162
Treasurer	Tom Barry	W7UF	480.998.8494
Past President	Paul Finell	W7EFQ	602.741.6563
Membership	Gerald Jacques	KE7GYM	480.239.8679
Board Members	Jerry Jacques	KE7GYM	480.239.8679
At-Large	Dreux Jacques	KB8YYA	
	Louis Schmitt	NQ7I	
	Alan Jensen	KE7FSD	
	Judy Jensen	KE7IXI	
	Stephen Thomas	KE7TLS	
	James Wasson	N7ELL	
	David Yee	N7AJR	

SARC, P. O. Box 10878, Scottsdale, AZ 85271-0878. Phone: 602.735.3988. DUES: \$20.00/YR, (\$10.00/Add'l Family Member).

## OLD PUEBLO RADIO CLUB

The Old Pueblo Radio Club meets the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month (except June, July and August) at 7:15 p.m. in the Marshall Conference Center at Tucson Medical Center. Visitors are welcome.

President	Ron Kalish	N7SPW	520.207.3852
Vice President & Treasurer	George Devich	N9IUK	520.760.0125
Board of Directors:			
	Bill Price	N7GUO	
	Cliff Hauser	KD6XH	
	Jim Ulmer	KC7THU	
	Lin Donnelly	KF7CNR	
WebMaster	Ted Willis	AA7HX	520.790.3828
	(www.oprc.org)		

Trustees: (all repeaters operating under the K7TRA call)

Primary	Cliff Hauser	KD6XH	
	146.660, 146.820, 147.220-		
	Paul VanBeverhoudt	KA7LFX	224.06+
Secondary	Ted Willis	AA7HX	146.66-
	Ralph Turk	W7HSG	146.82-
	Paul VanBeverhoudt	KA7LFX	224.06+

Mailing address: OPRC, P.O. Box 42601, Tucson, AZ 85733-2601. DUES: Individual - \$20.00/YR, Family - \$30.00/YR.

The *Arizona Desert Aire Waves* is published monthly and is the official news media of the sponsoring clubs. All news items, articles and inquires should be submitted to each club's editor. Any information and opinions printed herein are those of the contributors and are not necessarily those of the sponsoring clubs. Full permission is granted to quote from this publication providing credit is given to the individual contributor and the ADAW. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. **Deadline is 10th of the month**

## ADAW MEMBER CLUBS

### QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 16 - BARRY M GOLDWATER ARIZONA CHAPTER

The Barry M Goldwater Arizona Chapter of the QCWA includes amateurs from all over Arizona. Four luncheon meetings are planned each year. The meeting months and locations are announced by newsletter, but generally follow the following schedule:

Spring Meeting	March/April	Tucson Area
Summer Meeting	June/July	Prescott Area
Fall Meeting	October	Phoenix Area
Holiday Meeting	December	Carefree Area

The AZ Chapter meets on the air every Sunday morning at 0700 MST (0730 during December and January) on 3890 +/- QRM.

President	Douglas Besemer, K0VPL	motoman1@aol.com
Vice President		
Sec/Treasurer	Robert McCuskey, W7BV	mccuskey@email.arizona.edu
Webmaster	Robert Smith, WB6ODR	lrsmith@cableone.net

AZ QCWA, Robert S. McCuskey, W7BV, Email: [mccuskey@email.arizona.edu](mailto:mccuskey@email.arizona.edu). DUES: \$7.00/year and current national QCWA membership. Web Site: <http://azqcwa.org>

### THUNDERBIRD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

The Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club meets the **THIRD THURSDAY** 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.)

President	Walt Reinert	N7GDP	602.938.8219
Vice President	Peter Decker	K7IJR	602.564.6684
Secretary	Jack York	KE7VOU	602.318.7530
Treasurer	Al Johnson	AE7GM	623.980.5853
Directors:	Ken Croxton	KD7OWZ	
	Israel Vincente	AD7ND	
Past President	Jim Puza	AE7JP	

For further information about the ThunderBird Amateur Radio Club, send an e-mail to: [info@w7tbc.org](mailto:info@w7tbc.org) or call 602.493.7242.



**Pineberry Creations**  
[pineberryboutique.etsy.com](http://pineberryboutique.etsy.com)  
[pineberrycreations.etsy.com](http://pineberrycreations.etsy.com)

**Unique Handmade Jewelry and Gift Items  
at Affordable Prices**  
[pineberryboutique@me.com](mailto:pineberryboutique@me.com) or [pineberrycreations@me.com](mailto:pineberrycreations@me.com)

## From the Editor's Desk

Greetings!

Finally getting things caught up around here. So much was put off that digging out of the "stack" is taking a long time.

This month (February), the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization will be holding the 2012 Southwestern Division Convention in conjunction with the Yuma Hamfest. There are lots of seminars scheduled and the main building will be full of vendors. The Yuma County Fairgrounds is a great place to hold a hamfest, with plenty of room for tailgating and camping and plenty of buildings for holding meetings, seminars, talks and so forth. Their Saturday evening barbecue dinner is excellent also. If you've never been to one of their events, plan to attend this one. The dates are February 17 & 18, 2012, with camping permitted the night of February 16 also.

The Radio Society of Tucson will be holding its annual event on March 24 at the Golden Corral restaurant. Scheduling conflicts at Kino Sports Park led to the event's move. Good news is, Golden Corral will serve breakfast beginning at 8:00 A.M. for attendees. Check it out.

For more information on these and all the events scheduled in Arizona, check the Event Calendar on page 8. Information on the events will be included with each listing as it becomes available.

That's it from me this month. Hope to see many of you in Yuma. It'll be great!

73,  
Chris, N7PVL

**R.J. CARLI ENGINEERING CORP**

		7311 E. STETSON DRIVE SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251
		

RAYMOND J. CARLI, P.E.  
ELECTRICAL ENGINEER  
W7GNE

(480) 941-8610 (OFF.)  
(480) 945-7020 (FAX)

If anyone is considering a major radio shack, workshop, addition or going into business for yourself, I am offering professional Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Engineering services to radio club members at a 20% discount for residential property, and 10% discount for commercial property. Talking is always free.

## Want Ads

**Wanted** - Rohn 25/45 gin pole.  
Contact Ray, W7GNE - Home: 480.998.1893



Watch Your [Ham Speak] Language! Talking to non-Hams at W7ASC.

We probably all agree that we volunteer at W7ASC for our own pleasure, to show and tell visitors about Amateur radio and to do a bit of recruiting.

In a prior newsletter you read that the National average is about one Ham for every 390 citizens in the U.S. Arizona is close to the National average, but the Science Center visitors probably tend to a slightly higher number of Hams. Just for the sake of this Article, let us agree that we see about one Ham in 250 visitors to the Ham Shack (excuse me, Amateur Radio Station). The obvious conclusion is that there are 249 people who know little or nothing about Amateur radio. As they look our way and a puzzled look appears, we have just a fleeting moment in which to connect and engage. Remembering that we are seeking to entertain and recruit, what do we say?

“Hi, there! Look what we have here. We are running our Gonsu 888 into a stacked Yogi-Bera and we have tweaked it down to less than two to one Ess-war. We are on HF using USB PSK 31 on twenty meters. Just worked some rare VR9 DX on the long path in spite of Q-Arem and should be receiving a Qesl card before long.”

“If that doesn’t get you excited, we can show you what PISK 33 looks like, right here on the computer screen. Wanna try it?”

The Visitor will obviously want to know the location of the next VE test session so that they can obtain their very own Ham License, knowing that they can later file for a Vanity call. Or maybe legally eat a Ham Sandwich.

OK - you probably get the point here. A famous movie line applies very well. “What we got here is a failure to communicate.”

This is a typical Human trait. Almost all groups use their own special “slanguage.” It develops almost without intention. Airlines do not fly planes - they use “equipment” and they do not count the number of passengers, but measure the load factor.

The car service guy does it too. The frammis is worn, thus requiring the replacement of the boot on the knibbling pin. And in another 3k you must bring it in so that they can contabulate the Encabulator. [Jean has been listening to too much “Car Talk” on PBS]

Whoa, Nellie! Back to the original objective. Do we want to impress the visitor with our special speech capability, or do we wish to interest them in Amateur radio? Even the term

“Ham Shack” has meaning to Hams, but not to others. Really. As an exercise for the student: Where did “Ham” come from? What did it originally mean? Answers are in the back of the book.

It is important to watch your language and the choice of words when attempting to start a conversation with the vast majority of the visitors. Work to bridge the gap between what they know and what we are trying to impart. Showing the latest QST to a non-Ham creates an impression that Amateur radio is for a special breed (old) of highly (fat) trained geeks. Flip through those pages and read them as if you never heard of radio. What do they tell you?

This is clearly a challenge. Think before you speak and select your script with care. Asking a young person if they are interested in obtaining a Ham license usually results in a blank expression or a quick exit. What? A license for a Ham[burger]? Do you entice a visitor with an offer of a Queso? Or show all of our Qesls? That has a lot of >yawn< appeal to a youngster. Instead, tell the visitor that we have talked to more than 100 different countries and show the cards that we exchange with the other operators. Work to extend the conversation from what they know to what you are trying to say.

We should call attention to the fine Superstition ARC Newsletter that has been streaming from Dave, K7AV. Called “The Communicator,” it certainly lives up to that title. See

[http://wb7tjd.org/club/archive/2011/Club\\_Newsletters/](http://wb7tjd.org/club/archive/2011/Club_Newsletters/)

If you are not on Dave’s mailing list, take whatever steps are required to be included.

More next time on how to bridge the gap and how to improve communications (in spite of Strother Martin) with non-hams.

Jean (W4CIH) and the iPad, in Ahwatukee

=====

The next Tech class is at MCC starting February 25, 2012.

Last but not least the CARL/W7ASC annual meeting for all volunteers will be SATURDAY the 28th of January. Coffee! Doughnuts! Door Prizes! Shack Updates! Watch for details in the next (March) ADAW.

And now for our closing plea for volunteers: The W7ASC Shack can always use new volunteers. Spread the word at your Ham Club. Call 480-961-1109 and volunteer now. We have a 20 minute CARL PPT Presentation available with pictures of the new remodeled Harkins Ham Shack that can be presented to your club.

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

**ADAW**

## SCOTTSDALE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.



Club Station: WA7APE  
Club Repeaters: 147.78/.18 & 445.00/440.00

Hi Guys,

If the mild temperatures we have been having are any indication of how the rest of the year is going to be, we can expect a lot of record breakers. But I really like this time of year because of the mild weather. You can get out and enjoy hiking, biking and even fishing in the valley. There are mountains to climb, and lakes to fish. If you happen to climb Camelback Mountain with your HT, you can easily raise every repeater in the valley as well as repeaters on Mingus Mountain near Prescott and Mount Lemon near Tucson. It is just fun to get out there and try it out. You can get an Urban Fishing License and check out some of the local lakes. Great fun.

A few years ago we donated our old bicycles to Goodwill, but I think we are due for some new ones now. I see a lot of you guys out there cruising the Indian Bend Wash Park and that also looks like fun. And I forgot to mention golf. From the sound of things you probably think I am into FUN and you are right. It beats work every time.

Back in December, Paul Finell W7EFQ and Phil Wagner N7PWZ were drawn for Elk hunting so they missed the Banquet. Here is Paul's report on the hunting adventure they had.

"We were drawn for the area near Williams, AZ and went there a week or so early to scout the area. The scouting was good, but on the last day of scouting a winter storm hit. On the first couple days of the hunt there was a lot of snow. We did see herds of elk (20 to more than 50) on Government Prairie, but we would need a sniper rifle and the training to use it. They were 1/2 mile to a mile away. After a few days into the hunt, the temperatures dropped to -15 degrees F and all the Elk disappeared. They probably went across I-40 into the junipers. That was out of our hunting region. The net result was no Elk harvested, but we did have a great time. During the mid day, we were on the low bands with an Elecraft K-2 and a G5RV."

As a side note, Paul and Phil are avid fishermen also. They are great sportsmen for sure.

The HF bands had been improving for a while, but currently are down a bit. I have not been on a whole lot, but they seem to be steady. I made a few contacts on 20 meters the other day, and looking forward to being able to spend more time on the radio. Back on New Years Day, the band was wall to wall with signals. That is not the case currently. Maybe the lack of signals could be just a lack of operators. I have put out a CQ

more frequently than usual and had fair results. Compared with the last few years, signals have picked up a lot.

The program for the January General Meeting was a video on the largest Field Day ever. This East coast club ended up with 50 stations. Incredible! I believe that was in 2005 and looked very professional. They had a lot of SSB operators, but I did not see any CW guys. I am sure they had them as well. This was a very good program. We used to have a lot of hard work just putting up four stations. But that was great fun.

The program for February is going to be a presentation by Mr. Lee Finkle, KY7M on a DX-pedition by the Voodoo Group. I always look forward to the adventures these guys have. Getting all of their equipment set up and operating the way they do is a thing to behold.

If any of you guys out there have some adventures you would like to share, please send me an email and I will include it in our newsletter. I just know you do a lot of things we all would love to read about.

The club has a weekly net on 147.18 with a PL of 162.2 or on 440.00 with a PL of 100. 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. And if you would like to try your hand at being net control, please let me know and we will be glad to give you a try.

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

**ADAW**

### **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 Ed Nickerson, WU7S at 480.949.5162.**





More than once I have been approached by my non-ham friends who asked me whether ham radio was still around or whether it is dying a sure death because of the development and widespread use of cell phones, computers, and other sophisticated electronic devices. What do you think? Is amateur radio dying? Obviously not. Last week I received an email from Joe Cutitta, WØSLL, who has been one of the session managers for VE testing in the Arizona Amateur Radio Club. His email included a spreadsheet with a report on the numbers of VE's we have in Arizona and the number of test sessions in which each has participated. There are 779 VE's in Arizona. In the AARC the following VE's have been active in testing, and the number of test sessions is included after each VE's name:

WØSLL Joe Cutitta – 214  
N7PHO Ken Peloquin – 151  
K7GH Gary Hamman – 139  
KQ7C George Cooney – 123  
K7JJT Bob Hodges – 107  
AB7VY Joe Brian – 95  
AC7FC Larry Penrod – 90  
NS7A Dick Baum – 79  
N7PVL Chris Kesauer - 27  
N5LDH Leslie Hickey – 24  
N7KKQ Mark Kesauer – 20  
WA7EDI Lori Cripps – 12  
K7POF Bob Sitterley – 12  
W7POF Linda Sitterley – 8  
K7JHK John Kainrath – 7  
AD7JT Dave Collins – 6  
KF7EWP Ed Braateliën – 0

These people have been instrumental in licensing many new ham radio operators. Why do these members spend the time and effort as volunteer examiners? They not only enjoy the satisfaction of the experiences as amateur operators and wish to pass along a chance to others to experience this, but they also see the great value of amateur radio during emergencies. Computers and cell phones may not function during drastic emergencies, but amateur radio has been proven to do the job.

It might be interesting to you, as it has been to me these past months, to listen on Sunday mornings at 7:30 A.M. on 3990 kHz to the RACES net and every afternoon at 5:30 P.M. on 3986 kHz to the Arizona Traffic and Emergency Net. During these nets several dedicated amateurs give time and energy to passing traffic in order to develop and maintain message handling skills which would be needed in time of emergencies. When cell towers are down and computers lose their AC power because of an emergency situation, amateur radio stations will still operate independently with their emergency power.

Yes, amateur radio is still alive, and its numbers are growing. As of December 27, 2011, there were 746,800 amateur radio operators in the U.S. A year ago that number was 735,084, and two years ago there were 727,885 hams in the US. Amateur radio does not seem to be overly challenged by iphones, ipads and other "i-things."

It is interesting to note recent positive interest in amateur radio by our national media. This was pointed out in a recent ARRL bulletin, but it deserves mention here. "Last Man Standing," a TV series which made its debut this season, features Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KAØXTT. On January 17, Mike is shown having a QSO on the show using his ICOM IC-9100 HF/6/2meter transceiver and an IC-92AD handheld transceiver as well as a Comet CRV-5X HF dipole and GP-1 antenna for 2 meters and 70 cm.

In a movie called "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island," which will be released on February 18, the plot hinges on Amateur Radio when a coded distress signal comes from a mysterious island where no island should exist. In the summer of 2011, two movies featured Amateur Radio: "Mr. Popper's Penguins" and "Super 8."

Finally, on December 15, "Jeopardy" featured amateur radio in its category "Pastimes." The contestant's \$800 question was "The FCC assigns call signs like N8DNR to use in this hobby." The correct response was, of course, "What is ham radio?"

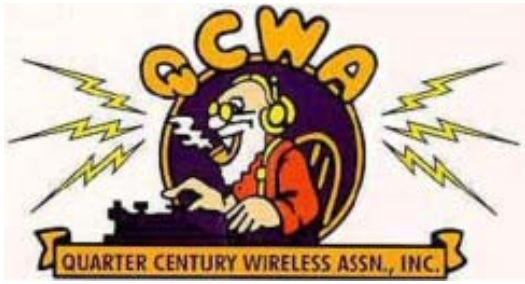
Perhaps recent media hype has a positive influence on the popularity of amateur radio. Or has media realized that the popularity of amateur radio justifies its inclusion in media productions?

Our club activities continue. Hopefully we will announce the date of the AARC Hamfest in our next column. We are looking forward to a good one, and some of us are anxiously awaiting the Southwest Convention in Yuma in February.

Our condolences to member Joe Brian, AB7VY, who lost his dear wife, Grace, on December 23.

Until next month . . .

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



## CHAPTER 16

### BARRY M. GOLDWATER ARIZONA CHAPTER

We are saddened to announce that Jean Jolkovski, W4CIH, who has difficulty seeing and hearing, has decided to step down from his position as Vice President to focus his attention on a restricted number of activities. We will definitely miss Jean's unique perspective on many things concerning our organization and his wonderful sense of humor. During Jean's tenure with Chapter 16, he contributed a great deal to the success of our organization for which we all are very appreciative.

This action has caused President Doug Besemer, KØVPL and myself to review our Chapter By-Laws to determine the procedure for filling a vacant office prior to the next regularly scheduled general election which is this coming Fall. Unfortunately, there is no written provision for this. In addition, our review of the By-Laws revealed several other issues that either are not addressed and/or need updating since the current By-Laws were adopted in 1993. As a result, Doug plans to appoint a small committee to review and suggest revisions to the By-Laws that will be discussed and voted upon by the membership within the next few months. In the meantime, we will welcome any volunteers who wish to be considered candidates for Vice President once the By-Law issue is resolved. We also welcome any volunteers or nominations for members who wish to stand for election to any of the leadership positions in the general election this Fall.

The next luncheon meeting will be on Saturday, March 24th at Chad's Steakhouse and Saloon in Tucson. Carl Foster, KB7AZ, will give us a presentation on antennas. Anniversary Awards for 2012 will be presented during the business meeting following Carl's talk.

73,

Bob McCuskey, W7BV  
Sec./Treas., QCWA -AZ Chapter  
[mccuskey@email.arizona.edu](mailto:mccuskey@email.arizona.edu)

ADAW



*No Report Received. ed*

ADAW

**www.thesignman.com**

**1-888-426-8241**

**BADGES - CAPS - LICENSE PLATES & FRAMES**

**The SignMan *of Baton Rouge***

**rick@thesignman.com**

**P O Box 84107**

**Baton Rouge, LA 70884-4107**

**COLOR BADGES, DESKSTANDS, KEYCHAINS, MUGS**

**Specializing in SKYWARN, EM,  
RACES, ARRL, ARES & CD Items**

## License Testing Information

When you are ready to take an exam for an Amateur Radio license, there are Volunteer Examiners available to assist you. Each Applicant will need to bring a picture ID (some test sessions require two forms of identification). If you are upgrading your class of license, be sure to bring the original (and a copy) of your license and/or Certificate of Successful Completion of Examination (C.S.C.E.). There may be a fee required.

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

## February Test Sessions

### Feb 2nd - 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](mailto:veregistration@rstclub.org)

### Feb 4th - DeVry & West Valley ARC -- 9:00 AM

DeVry University, 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix  
Contact - David Morrill 623.925.0680

### Feb 4th - Yavapai ARC -- 9:00 AM

Yavapai Cty Jeep Posse Bldg, Off Commerce Dr, Prescott  
Contact - Mary Vince 928.775.2158  
Pre-Reg by email preferred - [testing@w7yrc](mailto:testing@w7yrc)

### Feb 12th - Rim Country ARC -- 1:00 PM

Herber/Overgaard Fire Dept, 2061 Lumber Valley Rd, Overgaard  
Contact - Jerry Wyatt 602.509.8471  
No Walk-Ins - Must Pre-Register - [ve@n7qvu.com](mailto:ve@n7qvu.com)

### Feb 16th - Ventruer Out ARC -- 1:00 PM

Electronics Bldg, 5001 E Main St, Mesa  
Contact - Robert Bingham 936.788.4387

### Feb 17th - Yuma ARC -- 9:00 AM

Yuma County Fairgrounds, Yuma  
Contact - Robert Spencer 928.941.7069

### Feb 18th - Catalina Radio Club -- 9:00 AM

Jacob's Park YMCA, 1010 W Lind St, Tucson  
Contact - Frederic Hill 520.403.1893  
Pre-Registration Preferred

### Feb 18th - 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

### Feb 20th - East Valley VE Team -- 9:00 AM

City of Mesa Bldg, 640 N Mesa Dr, Mesa  
Contact - Steve Gurley 480.704.3666

### Feb 21st - Boy Scout Troop 127 -- 8:00 PM

St Francis Xavier School, 4715 N Central Ave, Phoenix  
Contact - John Kelly 602.264.6854

## Event Calendar

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](http://www.yumahamfest.org) for details.

March 24, 2012 - **Tucson Swap Meet** - hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson will be held at the Golden Corral Parking lot, 4380 E 22nd Street in Tucson. Hours: 6:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. VE Testing Available. Breakfast served by Golden Corral beginning 8:00 AM. Contact Stephan Shemenski, AK8E at 520.245.6182 or email [AK8E.01@gmail.com](mailto:AK8E.01@gmail.com) for information.

April, 2012 - April Hamfest at DeVry - hosted by the Arizona Amateur Radio Club and Amateur Radio Club of Arizona will be held at DeVry University, South Parking Lot, 2149 W Dunlap Avenue in Phoenix. Watch for date and more information.

May 5, 2012 - Larry G Warren Memorial Hamfest - hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Club will be held at their club site, 2756 Moson Road in Sierra Vista. Details will be published as soon as they are received.

June 2, 2012 - **White Mountain Hamfest** - hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club will be held at Show Low City Hall, 180 N 9th Street in Show Low. Open 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Free Admission - Vendor/Tailgaters \$5.00 per space - Free Dry Camping Friday, June 1 after 5:00 PM - VE Testing 9 AM - ARCA Meeting 11:00 AM - Prizes - Seminars - Displays - Arts & Crafts - Food Vendors. Talk-In 145.310 PI 110.9. Contact - Jim Mortensen - [w7azy@arrl.net](mailto:w7azy@arrl.net). Web site: [www.kachina-arc.org](http://www.kachina-arc.org).

July 20 - 22, 2012 - **ARCA/Williams Hamfest** - hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at the Williams Rodeo Grounds in Williams. Keep watch for more details.

### Feb 24th - Tonto ARA -- 6:00 PM

Payson Public Library Meeting Rm, 328 N McLane Rd, Payson  
Contact - Darde De Roulhac 928.468.1487

### Feb 25th - Arizona ARC -- 7:00 PM

American Red Cross, 6135 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix  
Contact - Gary Hamman 602.996.8148  
No Walk-Ins - Pre-Registration Required by Friday Nite



# Old Pueblo Radio Club INTERMOD

## President's Column

The Old Pueblo Radio Club welcomes all to the New Year, 2012. As I noted last month, the monthly meetings have been moved. I have received a notice from Tucson Medical Center that we may continue our monthly meetings in the same room we used for the December meeting. The location was described in the January 2012 issue of ADAW in my monthly column. The room is known as the BK Mason Conference Room, which is located in the Marshall Conference Center. The MCC is well marked on the East side of the TMC Main building; however, parking near that area is reserved for physicians. Public parking is near the North and South corner entrances on the East side.

The first order of business was to elect officers and directors for the new calendar year.

### Officers:

President-Secretary, Ron Kalish, N7SPW  
Vice President-Treasurer, George Devich, N9IUUK

### Directors:

Bill Price, N7GUO  
Cliff Hauser, KD6XH  
Jim Ulmer, KC7THU  
Lin Donnelly, KF7CNR

A major concern for the spring will be to find a new site for the club's annual swap meet. The Kino Recreation Center and the sports center are going to be under new management effective March, and will no longer be available. I am working with the president of the Radio Society of Tucson in attempting to locate another site which is easily reached from the freeway. Both clubs have the same problem.

As a final matter for this month, the Old Pueblo Radio Club notes, with sadness, that John M. Kalmes, KC7LIB, became a silent key on 19 December 2011. John was a past president of the OPRC.

Ron Kalish, N7SPW  
President, OPRC

**ADAW**

## Public Service Calendar

EVENT	LOCATION	DATE
Xterra Trail Run	McDowell Mountain Pk	02/05/12
Runner's Den Road Classic		02/12/12
	Paradise Valley Mall, Southeastern	Phoenix
Lost Dutchman Marathon	Apache Junction	02/19/12
Ragnor Relay Admin Team		02/24/12
	Wickenburg to Tempe	
Ragnor Relay Net Control Team		02/24/12
	Chandler EOC	
JROTC Orientatering	Lake Pleasant	03/03/12
Run for Ryan's House	N Scottsdale	03/03/12
Mesquite Canyon 50 K	White Tanks Regional Pk	03/11/12
Tour de Cure	North Valley	03/24/12
Xterra Trail Run	Trail Run	03/25/12
Cave Creek Trail Run		04/07/12
March of Dimes March for Babies		04/14/12
	Wesley Bolin Plaza (State Capitol)	
Highline Trail Run	Near Payson	04/21/12
Pat's Run	Phoenix Zoo	04/21/12
Flagstaff Barn Burner	NW of Flagstaff	05/19/12
Cactus Cha-Cha	White Tanks Mtn Park	10/13/12
Fiesta Bowl Half Marathon		12/02/12
	Scottsdale Civic Plaza	

To sign up send email to: [mcecg@yahoo.com](mailto:mcecg@yahoo.com)  
MCECG on the Web [MCECG.ORG](http://MCECG.ORG) for event sign up  
For information on events, join - [azhamserve@egroups.com](mailto:azhamserve@egroups.com)

Jim Pierce, N7QVW - 623.551.1204 - [jim@n7qv.net](mailto:jim@n7qv.net)  
Brian McCarthy, N7TUQ - 623.486.0507 - [n7tuq@arrl.net](mailto:n7tuq@arrl.net)

**ADAW**

### 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

# 12 STORE BUYING POWER



# HAM RADIO OUTLET

WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION

Manufacturer Day in Salem NH - Aug 22!

Special one day only pricing at ALL 12 HRO STORES

(Salem only) - Hourly Prices -

- Meet Mfr. Reps -

- See the latest gear -

- Refreshments -

10:00 - 5:30 pm

(No purchase necessary)

## ANAHEIM, CA

(Near Disneyland)  
933 N. Euclid St., 92801  
(714) 533-7373  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Janet, KL7MF, Mgr.  
anaheim@hamradio.com

## BURBANK, CA

1525 W. Magnolia Blvd., 91506  
(818) 842-1786  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Eric, K8EJC, Mgr.  
Magnolia between  
S. Victory & Buena Vista  
burbank@hamradio.com

## OAKLAND, CA

2210 Livingston St., 94606  
(510) 534-5757  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Mark, W17YN, Mgr.  
I-880 at 23rd Ave. ramp  
oakland@hamradio.com

## SAN DIEGO, CA

5375 Kearny Villa Rd., 92123  
(619) 500-1900  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Hay, 163 & Claremont Mesa  
saddiego@hamradio.com

## SUNNYVALE, CA

510 Lawrence Exp., #102, 94005  
(408) 736-9406  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Jon, K6WV, Mgr.  
So. from Hwy. 101  
sunnyvale@hamradio.com

## NEW CASTLE, DE

(Near Philadelphia)  
1509 N. Dupont Hwy., 19720  
(302) 322-7092  
**(800) 644-4476**  
Jim, K3JN, Mgr.  
RT.13 1/4 mi., So. I-295  
newcastle@hamradio.com

## PORTLAND, OR

11705 S.W. Pacific Hwy.  
97223  
(503) 598-0555  
**(800) 854-6046**  
Leon, W7AD, Mgr.  
Tigard-99W exit  
from Hwy. 5 & 217  
portland@hamradio.com

## DENVER, CO

8400 E. 31st Ave., #8, 80231  
(303) 745-7373  
**(800) 444-9476**  
John, WB1G, Mgr.  
denver@hamradio.com

## NEW LOCATION!

## PHOENIX, AZ

10615 N. 43rd Ave., 85029  
(602) 242-3515  
**(800) 444-9476**  
Gary, N7GJ, Mgr.  
Corner of 43rd Ave & Pactor  
phoenix@hamradio.com

## ATLANTA, GA

6071 Buford Hwy., 30340  
(770) 263-0700  
**(800) 444-7927**  
Mark, KJ4VD, Mgr.  
Doraville, 1 mi. no. of I-285  
atlanta@hamradio.com

## WOODBRIIDGE, VA

(Near Washington D.C.)  
14803 Bulfinch America Dr. 22101  
(703) 643-1063  
**(800) 444-4799**  
Steve, W4SHG, Mgr.  
Exit 161, I-95, So. to US 1  
woodbridge@hamradio.com

## SALEM, NH

(Near Boston)  
224 N. Broadway, 03079  
(603) 898-3750  
**(800) 444-0947**  
Chuck, N1UC, Mgr.  
sales@hamradio.com  
Exit 1, I-93;  
28 mi. No. of Boston  
salem@hamradio.com

## Yaesu Summer Specials Good Thru 8-31-09



### FT-897D VHF/UHF/HF Transceiver

- HF/6M/2M/70CM • DSP Built-in
- HF 100W (20W battery)
- Optional P.S. • Tuner • TCXD Built-in

Call Now For Our Low Pricing!



### FT-950 HF + 6M TCVR

- 100W HF/6M
- Auto Tuner built-in
- 3 roofing filters built-in
- DMU-2000 Compatible

Call Now For Low Pricing!



### FT-8800R 2M/440 Mobile

- V-U/V-V-U-U operation
- V-U full duplex • Cross Band repeater function
- 50W 2M 35W UHF
- 1000+ Memory channels
- WIRES ready

Call Now For Low Pricing!



### VX-3R 2M/440 HT

- Ultra-Compact Dual-Band HT w/ Wide band RX
- 1.5W RF out 2m/ 1w RF out 440
- WIRES Compatible
- 1000 Memory channels
- AA Battery compatible w/Optional FBA-37

Call For Low Intro Price!

### FT-60R

- 2m/440 HT
- SW Wide-band receive
- CTCSS/DCS Built-in
- Emergency Auto ID

Low Price!



### VX-7R/VX-7R Black

- 50/2M/220/440 HT
- Wideband RX - 900 Memories
- 5W TX (300mw 220Mhz)
- Li-Ion Battery
- Fully Submersible to 3 ft.
- Built-in CTCSS/DCS
- Internet WIRES compatible

Now available in Black!

### VX-6R

- 2M/220/440HT
- wideband RX - 900 memories
- SW 2/440, 1.5W 220 MHz TX
- Li-Ion Battery - EAI system
- Fully submersible to 3 ft.
- CW trainer built-in

NEW Low Price!

### VX-8R

- 50/144/222/440 Handheld
- 5w (1W 222)
- Bluetooth optional
- waterproof/submersible 3 ft. 30 mins
- GPS/APRS operation optional
- Li-Ion Hi-capacity battery
- wide band Rx

NEW!



### FT-857D

- Ultra compact HF, VHF, UHF
- 100w HF/6M, 50w 2M, 20w UHF
- DSP included • 32 color display
- 200 mems • Detachable front panel (VX-857 required)

Call for Low Price!



### FT-7900R 2M/440 Mobile

- 50w 2m, 45w on 440mhz
- Weather Alert
- 1000+ Mems
- WIRES Capability
- Wideband Receiver (Call Blocked)

Call Now For Your Low Price!



### FT-2000/FT2000D HF + 6M tcvr

- 100 W w/ auto tuner • built-in Power supply
- DSP Filters / Voice memory recorder
- 200W (FT-2000D)
- 3 Band Parametric Mic EQ • 3 IF roofing filters

Call For Low Pricing!



### FT-450AT HF + 6M TCVR

- 100W HF/6M • Auto Tuner built-in • DSP Built-in
- 500 Memories • DNR, IF Notch, IF Shift

Call Now For Special Pricing

AZ, CA, CO, GA,  
VA residents add  
sales tax. Prices,  
specifications,  
descriptions,  
subject to change  
without notice.

Look for the  
HRO Home Page  
on the  
World Wide Web  
<http://www.hamradio.com>

#1  
in Customer  
Service

COAST TO COAST  
**FREE SHIPPING**  
UPS - Most Items Over \$100  
Rapid Deliveries From  
The Store Nearest To You!

