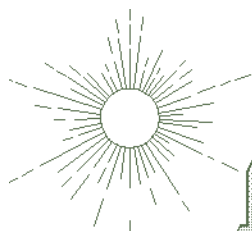


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**CLUB MEETINGS SCHEDULE**

**SARC**  
Mar 5th  
Scottsdale Senior Center  
7:00 PM

**AARC**  
Mar 13th  
Red Cross Bldg. - Phx  
7:30 PM

**OPRC**  
Mar 12th  
Marshall Conference Ctr  
at Tucson Medical Ctr  
7:15 PM

**TBARC**  
Mar 20th  
Thunderbird School  
of Global Mgmt  
7:00 PM

**CARL**  
TBA  
AZ Science Center

**ARDG**  
Every Wednesday  
Phoenix Country Day School  
11:10 AM

**QCWA**  
Mar 29th  
Old Pueblo Grill  
Tucson  
12:00 Noon

**WVARC**  
Mar 3rd  
St Clement Catholic Church  
Social Hall  
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.).

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## SCOTTSDALE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.

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Summer Meeting	June/July	Prescott Area
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Currently no dues. Mailing address: c/o Sahil Rawal, 3901 E Stanford Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253.

### WEST VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

The West Valley Amateur Radio Club is an Arizona 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Meetings are the **FIRST MONDAY** of each month at 7:00 PM in the St. Clements Catholic Church Social Hall located at 15800 Del Webb Blvd., Sun City. The board meets the second Monday of the month at Denney's, 1121 Grand Ave., in Youngtown. Club nets are held on 147.300 (tone 162.2) at 9:00 AM daily and Monday - Thursday at 8:00 PM. A weekly breakfast is held on Thursdays at Lou's Trivoli Gardens, 12535 W Bell Rd., at 7:00 AM.

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## From the Editor's Desk

Greetings all.

Hasn't the weather been great? Especially compared to our neighbors in the north east. You can't help but feel bad for them. They've had an especially hard, cold and snowy winter. But hey, what a great excuse to spend time on the radio! If you can't get outside or go somewhere else – say like ARIZONA – what else is there?

Hope you got a chance to go to the Yuma Hamfest on February 14 and 15. Unfortunately, we didn't make it this year. If you were able to make it, why not write up a couple of paragraphs about your experience at the event. I'm sure the ADaw readers would love to hear your impressions. I know I would.

The next event in Arizona is SpringFest. Hosted by the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club, this event will once again be held at Mountain Valley Church. This is a great location for a hamfest. It promises to be a real treat for all. Mark March 15 on your calendars and plan to attend. For more information, check the Calendar of Events on page 5.

Also in March is Prepperfest 2014 to be held on March 21, 22, & 23 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds in Phoenix. There will be a full ham station (or two) set up and in operation at the event to show everyone how they can communicate next door, across town or even around the world. What does being a "prepper" have to do with Amateur Radio? Well, not much, except both groups are interested in emergency communications. Plus, this is a great way to introduce Amateur Radio to a whole new audience. Want to help with the effort? Contact Mark, N7KKQ at [n7kkq@arca-az.org](mailto:n7kkq@arca-az.org) to find out more. Check it out.

The Radio Society of Tucson will hold its annual hamfest in the parking lot of the Golden Corral Restaurant in Tucson. It's a half day event with lots to offer.

Enjoy our chamber of commerce weather. See ya next month!

73,  
Chris, N7PVL

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## SCOTTSDALE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.



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

Hi Everyone,

The HF bands have been really good lately because of the W1AW portable stations setting up in different states. Some of you guys out there have been very busy and piling up points. One member has already made more than 25 contacts so far this year. This is the centennial year for W1AW and they are going to operate portable from every state at least twice. If you make contact with them in every state, you can receive a WAS certificate and plaque. There is a schedule in the February issue of QST so good luck in your quest.

The program for the February club meeting was a presentation by Lee Finkel, KY7M, on the adventures of the VooDoo group. This group has traveled to Africa for many years to operate in small countries and provide rare DX. Last year he and several other members of the group traveled to Cyprus and operated from a friend's home there. He told us about the luxury conditions they had there which was in sharp contrast with their trips to the small African nations. Since his friend had a great station there already, they did not have to lug all of their usual equipment through the jungles. The slide show he presented the membership was outstanding and well received by all. Great job Lee.

I don't know about you, but I, for one, am enjoying this warmer than usual winter. It gives me time to work outside on the many projects I have neglected. I finally fixed my rotor wiring so I can chase the W1AW locations. It works well again. Then there are the shrubs and the lawn that I have worked on. I might even get around to painting the house! I think that is too much for this old guy.

The temperature hit 75f today and I was talking to my brother-in-law back in New York. Bob, KC2OAV, is working to get his general license so he can get on HF with me. The temperature there was 5f so I had to rub it in just a bit. Of course, he will get back at me in July but that is a long way off. They have snow and ice and this is the hardest winter for quite a while. He has a great location and when he finally gets his general he is going to get on the air. I have worked HF from his front yard with my truck radio and a Hustler whip. So if he sets up a tower and a tri-band yagi, we will hear him quite well. I am looking forward to that.

Our hamfest committee has been working on the arrangements for the Spring Fest which is coming up fast. The date for the hamfest is Saturday, March 15, 2014. This year it will be held at the Mountain Valley Community Church, 17800 North Perimeter Drive, Scottsdale, AZ 85255-5449. There will be all of the usual hamfest attractions, flea market, refreshments, door prizes and grand prize and VE testing. We are looking for a lot of help from you club members to make

this the event of the year. If you can help for at least an hour or so, you can attend the hamfest for free. To sign up to help, be sure to sign the work sheet at the March club meeting.

We have our regular Tuesday night net at 7:00 P.M. on 147.18 (PL 162.2) and 440.00 (PL 100). This is a general conversation net and everyone is welcome. We have been having quite a few hams checking in on their HT's. Dreux has set up the repeaters just right and they have great range. So if you are tired of watching rerun on TV, grab your radio and give us a shout. We are looking for the furthest station to check in.

Well, that is all I have for now. I hope you are all well and looking forward to a great year of hamming.

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 Ed Nickerson, WU7S at 480.949.5162.



## Event Calendar

15 March 2014 - **SpringFest** - hosted by the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club will be held at Mountain Valley Community Church, 17800 N Perimeter Drive in Scottsdale. Hours are 6:00 AM till 12:00 PM. Overnight RV's are welcome. Refreshments and VE Testing will be available. Web Site: <http://scottsdalearc.org>. Watch for updates

29 March 2014 - **RST Spring Hamfest** - hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson will be held at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 4380 E 22nd Street in Tucson. Hours: 6:00 AM to 1:00 PM. RV Parking, Vendors, Grand Prize, VE Testing. Free Admission - Vendors \$10 per parking space. Donuts, coffee and tea available. Restaurant opens at 9:00 AM. Talk-In: 146.80- P1 156.7. For more information, visit [www.k7rst.org](http://www.k7rst.org).

12 April 2014 - **April Hamfest at DeVry** - hosted by the Arizona Amateur Radio Club and the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona. Date and location tentative until confirmed. Watch for updates.

3 May 2014 - **Cochise Hamfest and 7th Region Communications Exercise** - hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Club will be held at the club site, 2756 Moson Road in Sierra Vista. Hours are 6:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Watch for more details.

7 June 2014 - **White Mountain Hamfest and Swap Meet** - hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club will be held at Show Low City Hall, 180 N 9th Street in Show Low. Hours are 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Prizes, ARRL Booth (with card checking), VE Testing, Arts & Crafts, Demo's & Displays. Vendors/tailgaters - \$5.00 per space. Free dry on-site camping on Friday, June 6 after 5:30 PM. Talk-in 145.310 P1 110.9. For more information, contact Jim Mortensen at W7AZY@arrl.net

18 - 20 July 2014 - **ARCA/Williams Hamfest and ARRLAZ State Convention** - hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at the Williams Rodeo Grounds, 800 Rodeo Road in Williams. Gates open at 5:00 PM on Thursday, 17 July for set-up and camping. Event runs from dawn to dusk Friday, 18 July and dawn to 3:00 PM Saturday, 19 July. Trip aboard the Grand Canyon railroad on Sunday, 20 July. Watch for updates.

12 - 14 September 2014 - **2014 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention** - hosted by SANDARC will be at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel, 8110 Aero Drive in San Diego, CA. Talk-In: 146.32 (P1 107.3). Web Site: <http://sandarc.net/convention2014>. Contact: Paul Rios, KC6QLS at 619.334.0441 (email - [kc6qls@cox.net](mailto:kc6qls@cox.net)).

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Contact Ray, W7GNE - Home: 480.998.1893

## Public Service Calendar

EVENT	LOCATION	DATE
JROTC First Water	North of Apache Junction	03/01/14
Run for Ryans House	N Scottsdale	03/01/14
ADA Tour de Cure	N Phoenix	03/22/14
	Cave Creek Rd to Loop 101	
Mesquite Canyon Trail Run		03/22/14
	White Tanks Park	
Xterra Trail Run	Black Canyon City	03/23/14
Crown King Scramble	Lake Pleasant	04/05/14
	to Crown King	
Tour de Mesa	Mesa - East Valley	04/05/14
March of Dimes for Babies		04/12/14
	Wesley-Bolin Park, Downtown Phoenix	
Cave Creek Trail Run	Cave Creek	04/19/14
Highline Trail Run	Payson	04/26/14
Barn Burner Mtn Bike Race		09/06/14
	N of Flagstaff on the Kaibab & Coconino NF	
Mogollon Monster	Payson Rim Area	09/27/14
ADA Walk for the Cure	N Central Phoenix	10/11/14
Grand Fondo	N Scottsdale	10/26/14
Heart of Arizona	Congress	11/01/14
Javalina Jundred	McDowell Mtn Park	11/01/14
MS Walk on the Wildside	Phoenix Zoo/Papago Park	11/01/14
Javalina Jundred	McDowell Mtn Park	11/02/14
Fiesta Bowl Half Marathon	Scottsdale Civic Ctr	12/14/14
Runners Den Pancake Run		02/08/15
	E Phoenix, Paradise Valley Mall	

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# Old Pueblo Radio Club INTERMOD

## President's Column

Were you as excited as I was about the unexpected spurt of DX activity on 10 meters the last three months of 2013? And then it got quiet! What a let down after I was able to work 23 new countries from October through December on ten! But it looks as though things are perking up again. I've been hearing Hong Kong and Laos, and I've managed to crawl out of the pile ups enough to work Tokyo and Belize. I suggest you give it a try if you haven't already.

I feel a rush of activity on the horizon for other amateur radio activities, too. By the time you read this we will have experienced Yuma. I hope you didn't miss it! It's always great. This year the list of tech sessions is long and full of inspirational topics. I'm sure you'll hear about it next month along with raves about the barbecue.

Good news!! The AARC/ARCA hamfest at DeVry is now official since the April 12 date has been approved. You can expect the usual good bargains, good refreshments, good camaraderie, and hopefully good weather. Be sure to join us.

Another event which occurs even before our DeVry event is the Prepperfest, which is on the calendar for March 21-23 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds. You may remember it from last year, which may have been the first time amateur radio was involved with it. It was well received by all who attended. It was an excellent way to show amateur radio as a much needed part of emergency preparedness. Watch for further announcements on this and put Prepperfest on your calendar.

The Arizona Amateur Radio Club is off to a good start for 2014. Joining the slate of officers is Rosemary Kydd, N7PLN, our new secretary. We welcome her and know that as an officer, she will be a big asset to our organization. In other news, our treasurer, Bob Hodges, K7JJT, is going to have to drive a bit farther for meetings beginning on February 14 when he and his wife Janice move to Sun Lakes. Best wishes to them on their new residence.

As far as AARC club activities are concerned, during our next few meetings we will be making plans for the April hamfest and this year's Field Day along with enjoying some interesting programs. We welcome visitors, and we encourage you to get involved with the great events that amateur radio has to offer us.

73,  
Lori Cripps, WA7EDI  
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Well, the flu season got my undivided attention for over a month, requiring cancellation of the January OPRC meeting. We should be back on track for the February meeting, two days into the future as this is being written.

The evening's speaker at the December 2013 meeting of the OPRC was Clifford Hauser, KD6XH. Cliff had just returned from participating in the T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island, traveling from Los Angeles to Trawa, and finally by boat to Banaba. At one time, a British enterprise ran an extractive enterprise on the island, at which time it boasted an electric generating plant, athletic fields, public lighting, etc. Once the mining was abandoned, all fell into decline. Although some indigenous people live on the island, the island no longer has electricity, running water, etc. The DXpedition had to be entirely self-contained. I will not spoil things for Cliff, so be sure to avail yourself of his presentation, which includes a great collection of photographs of the operation and of the surrounding area.

December's general meeting, is open to any and all club business. It was decided for the club to operate an informal open net Wednesdays at 1900 hrs, local, on the club's 146.66 MHz repeater (PL 110.9). Feel free to join in.

After discussion, all officers were retained for 2014 by acclimation.

73 de  
Ron Kalish, N7SPW,  
President, OPRC

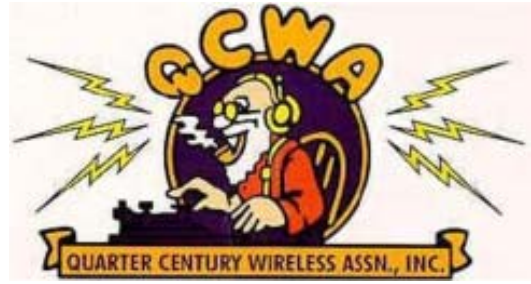
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146.82	- PL 110.9	wide coverage	W7GV
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146.880	- PL 110.9	wide coverage	N7OEM
147.300	- PL 110.9	wide	N7OEM
448.55	- PL 110.9	wide coverage	N7OEM



**CHAPTER 16  
BARRY M. GOLDWATER ARIZONA CHAPTER**

*No Report This Month.*

The next luncheon meeting will be held on Saturday, March 29th in Tucson at The Old Pueblo Grille, 60 N. Alvernon Way. We will begin gathering after 11:00 A.M., have lunch at 12:00 noon after which our president, Doug Besemer, KØVPL, will entertain us with a talk about his recent European trip which included return to the USA on an ocean liner. His talk is entitled, "The Voyage of the Vikings." This will be followed by a business meeting which includes presentation of the Golden Anniversary Awards for 2014.

For those interested, the Radio Society of Tucson will be hosting their March Hamfest prior to our meeting from 7:00 a.m. – 12 noon in the Golden Corral Parking Lot 4380 E. 22nd Street Tucson. For more information, see <http://www.rstclub.org/>.

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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.

### March Test Sessions

**Mar 1st - OVARC -- 1:00PM**

Oro Valley Police Sub-Station, 1920 Tangerine Rd, Oro Valley  
Contact - James Garrity      [licensing@tucsonhamfest.com](mailto:licensing@tucsonhamfest.com)

**Mar 1st - Un-sponsored -- 12:00 PM**

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Contact - Adam Rader      602.614.5570

**Mar 1st - DeVry ARC & West Valley ARC -- 9:00 AM**

DeVry University Library, 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix  
Contact - David Morrill      623.680.5011

**Mar 6th - CARBA -- 7:00PM**

Lighthouse YMCA, 2900 N Columbus Blvd, Tucson  
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**Mar 8th - Central Phoenix VE Team -- 9:00 AM**

Gilbert Farmers Market, 222 N Ash Dr, Gilbert (back by vendors)  
Contact - Bill Martin      480.205.3625  
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**Mar 8th - Yuma ARC -- 9:00 AM**

Yuma County Sheriff's Office, 141 S 3rd Ave, Yuma  
Contact - Robert Spencer      [revrobert@roadrunner.com](mailto:revrobert@roadrunner.com)  
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**Mar 10th - Radio Society of Tucson -- 7:00 PM**

Hardesty Multi-Service Center, 1100 S Alvernon Way, Tucson  
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**Mar 12th - Central Phoenix VE Team -- 6:30 PM**

South Mountain Community College, 7050 S 24th St, Phoenix  
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**Mar 15th - 4X4 Hams -- 9:00 AM**

Mountain Valley Church, 17800 N Perimeter Dr, Scottsdale  
Contact - Virgil Silhanek      602.501.0154

**Mar 17th - East Valley VE Team -- 6:00 PM**

City of Mesa Utilities, 640 N Mesa Dr, Mesa  
Contact - Fred Bollinger      480.242.8606

**Mar 18th - Boy Scout Troop 127 -- 8:00 PM**

St Francis Xavier School, 4715 N Central Ave, Phoenix  
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**Mar 21st - Tonto ARA -- 5:00 AM**

Payson Public Library, 328 N McLane Rd, Payson  
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**Mar 22nd - AARC -- 7:00 PM**

American Red Cross, 6135 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix  
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**Mar 23rd - Green Valley ARC -- 2:00 PM**

Sheriff's Aux Vol Building, 601 N La Canada, Green Valley  
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## By The Numbers

For those loyal readers - and, yes, there are a few - who keep track of these hen scratchings known as the W7ASC Newsletter, you will recognize a few common themes. "We would all benefit if we add more licensed Hams" and "We would all benefit if more Hams volunteered at W7ASC," and "Volunteering at W7ASC is fun."

Perhaps it would be wise to review the meaning of "We". Consider this - Hams are probably the largest group that is not a Special Interest. Sound radical? Do Hams have their paws in the public till? Are we marching and carrying placards demanding more spectrum, more Government-provided equipment? Higher tax deductions for Volunteer hours? Government-provided antenna towers? The list could be longer, but the point has been made. Hams simply do not go in for that kind of Special Interest activity. We seek to provide better service to the public. If you are following this theme, you will see where we are headed. The Public that we serve is the beneficiary when there are more Hams. We exemplify the non-Special Interests. Hereafter to be called NSI.

There are, of course, many NSI groups, but they touch only a few of our citizens. They are to be commended. The Lions Club helps those with poor eyesight. The Shiners fund hospitals that specialize in helping children. Really great, and selfless, work. How does it feel to be in such great company? Do you mention this when you are socializing with non-Hams? You should. And mention that you are really not soliciting a donation. So - when you recruit another person into the Ham membership, you are doing something for your entire community, not for yourself, or even for other Hams. A true NSI.

On to other matters, specific to W7ASC. Some of the volunteers feel that we should add Digital communication to our demonstrations. By that they are making reference to D-STAR or DMR. WE certainly do demonstrate digital communication when we bring up PSK31, or EchoLink. But it is true that we do not demonstrate any radio-to-radio digital voice links. The Volunteers, and the W7ASC Board, wrestle with this question. We might be creating a precedent here. Should we feel obliged to be able to demonstrate every new Ham radio technology that becomes available? Do we promise

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## Amateur Radio Development Group

The Amateur Radio Development Group at Phoenix Country Day School is looking for donations for their club ham shack. If you can help, please contact one of the club officers listed on page 3. Thanks for your help.

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### *CARL Continued . . .*

that to the visitors, or to the Science Center?

There is always a steady stream of Boy Scouts at the station. They come to take away a Morse code certificate and a Guest Operator certificate. All for that Merit badge. This past month we saw a trip from Cave Creek. Amazing coincidence! Their troop leader is also a volunteer at W7ASC.

By the time you read this, another Technician class will have started at the Science Center. Two of those who have signed up are currently part of the Science Center staff. Two more are XYL's of W7ASC volunteers! We hope to have them on the air before too many weeks go by.

Increase your Ham radio fun by volunteering at the Science Center. Contact Bob KG7QJ for details [kg7qj@cox.net](mailto:kg7qj@cox.net) or 480-961-1109

73 de Jean W4CIH  
[jeanjol@hotmail.com](mailto:jeanjol@hotmail.com)



## Prez Says:

By the time you read this, the W.V.A.R.C annual auction will have taken place. Hope all enjoyed, I wish to thank all the workers that made this a success for another year, thanks to all the buyers and sellers, without all of you the auction would not take place, Thank you.

Richard Hayworth, Augie Allen will do a presentation on how to buy a amateur radio home in Arizona, Monday March 3, 2014 @ 7:00pm St Clements of Rome church, Del Web Blvd. south of Bell road. Hope to see all of you there.

73's  
Ken Peloquin N7PHO  
President

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## Wickenburg Hospital Antenna Project

**UPDATE:** Moving along, we are having a meeting shortly with the Chief Nursing Officer and Maricopa County Emergency Management, and will keep you posted.

## For Sale

There are radios and ALL kinds of supplies available through the club. Request a listing from Ted by sending an email to kb5of@cox.net. We get some old equipment that won't sell that I will be adding to the items for free. Ted Walker KB5OF

NOTE: Ted Walker changed his call sign back to his original call, KB6OF

## Test Session Results

Two candidates were examined at the February 1st session at DeVry.

1 Earned Technician Class license  
1 Earned General Class license

Administering VE's were:  
David Morrill ,N7TWT Liaison

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Dan Ford, K2LH  
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# Auction Report

The auction was a big success and many thanks are extended to the people running the auction. A special thank you to Charles, KE7IBG for his excellent auctioneering in keeping such a fast pace throughout the event.

From what I understand Paul Playford, W8AEF, in about 1996, is the founder of the auction.

The auction generated 147 lots with gross sales totaling \$5,198, which included eleven lots of \$100 or more and twenty-two club owned lots. Almost \$900 was earned by the club.



Early Shoppers looking for a good bargain.



Our own net control, Ed, WA6PNJ was at the auction. Ed is the backbone of the WVARC daily call in nets. Ed is a great man and a great voice on the net.



Thanks to Charles, KE7IBG's auctioneering, the bidding is going fast and furious.



Many thanks to Richard, W7MDQ (center) for his auctioneering. Ron Rasmussen, K6OP is on the right.



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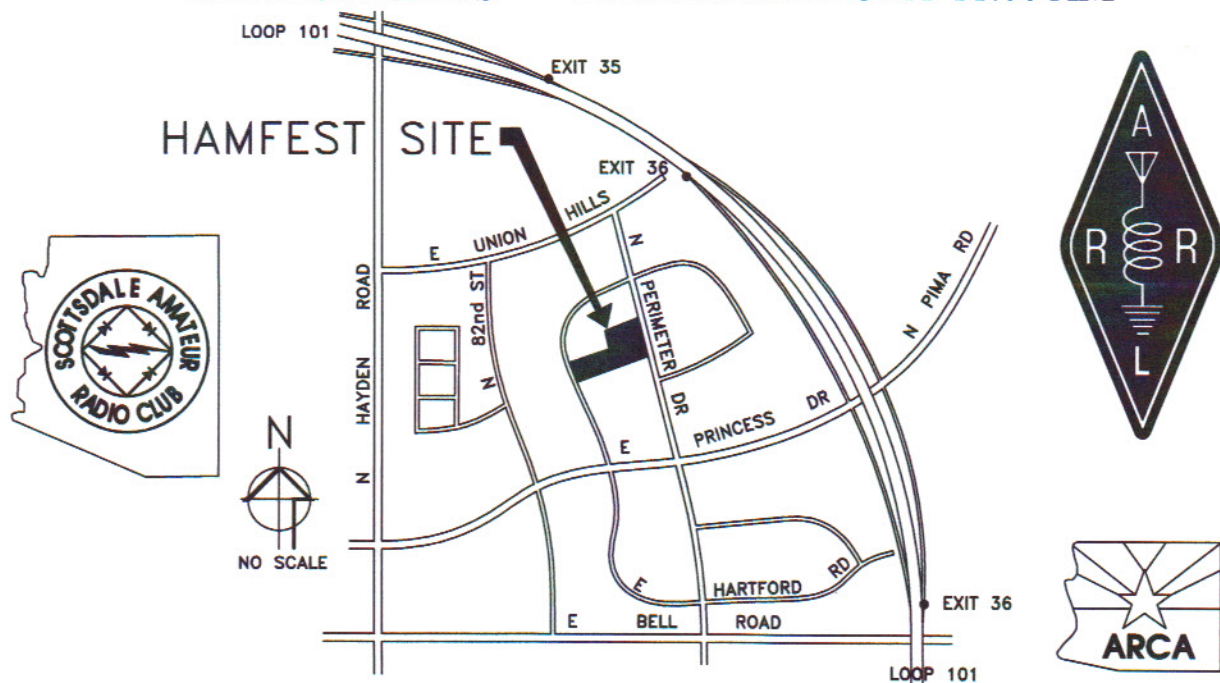
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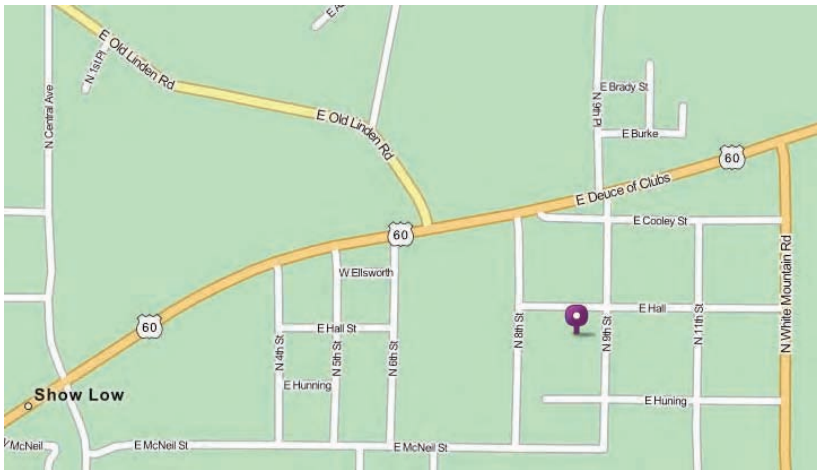


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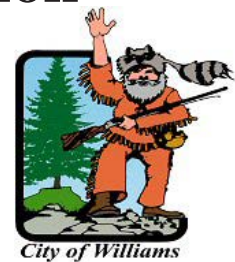


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- Second Prize - ICOM ID-31A UHF HT with D-Star
- Third Prize - Yaesu FT-60R 2m/70cm HT with wide receive
- Fourth Prize - Argent Data APRS Tracker & GPS  
with Baofeng HT/Complete Combo Kit
- Early Bird - Baofeng 5R dual-band HT

#### PRIZES

DOOR PRIZES EVERY HOUR  
RAFFLE TICKETS  
12 for \$20.00, or 3 for \$5.00

Commercial Vendors, Huge Swap  
Meetings, Seminars, Activities, VE Tests  
ARRL Card Checking, Hospitality Suite  
Saturday Night BBQ Dinner  
Sunday Grand Canyon Train Trip



ALL OUTSIDE SPACES - \$20 per Space  
Selling and/or Camping  
INSIDE SPACES - \$85 per Space

Advance Reservation Closes July 1  
After July 1 - On-Site Reservation Only  
\$25 per Space  
(all prices are for entire weekend)

FOR RESERVATION INFORMATION  
Visit the ARCA Web Site  
[www.arca-az.org](http://www.arca-az.org)  
On-Line Reservation Available on Web Site

Call - 602-881-ARCA (2722) for info  
Talk-In - 146.78 - (91.5 PI)

NO FOOD OR BEVERAGE SALES WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION & HEALTH PERMITS  
NO DRUGS or ALCOHOL PERMITTED on GROUNDS

# 2014 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention.



## Dates: September 12 - 14, 2014

The ARRL SW Division Convention sponsored by SANDARC will be held at the Sheraton Four Points hotel located on Aero Drive near the Montgomery Field airport which is the same location of the 2010 convention.

Admission tickets will be on sale on 1 September 2013. Download the admission forms when they become available. Ticket prices will be listed starting as “early bird”, “pre-registration” and “door price.” Please check for the upcoming dates. Our convention will feature tech forums, vendor’s exhibits, on site radio station, grand banquet, flea market and many more activities. Check this site often to get the latest news regarding our ongoing convention events.

Future vendors please check with Paul Rios at [kc6qls@cox.net](mailto:kc6qls@cox.net). Check with Ann Rios, KC6TBG at [kc6tbg@cox.net](mailto:kc6tbg@cox.net) if wish to conduct a tech forum. Our keynote speaker for the grand banquet has not been selected. If you wish to be the keynote speaker, please contact Michael Maston, N6OPH at [mastroleo@mindspring.com](mailto:mastroleo@mindspring.com).

Airport shuttle service and free parking during the course of the convention will also be available.