



Arizona Newsletter



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February 2012 Arizona Centennial!

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ARRL 2012 SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION CONVENTION

The ARRL 2012 “Arizona Centennial” Southwestern Division Convention will be held in Yuma, Arizona on February 17-18, 2012. It’s hosted by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization and 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 and awards presentation, Saturday, 6:00 - 8:00 PM.
- ARCA meeting - Saturday, 11:00 AM.
- W1AW/7 Arizona Centennial special event station.
- Vendors: Yaesu, ICOM, Elecraft, Flex Radio, DX Store, RF Stuff, HRO, NiCd Lady, Impulse Electronics, Alpine Antennas, Byonics (Tiny Trak), Wired Communications, Hi-Q Antenna, CQ Magazine, ARRL, ARCA, AMSAT, 3D enterprises, FUE enterprises, Disaster Guy, Quality Power Batteries, PrudentRVer, On the go Embroidery <http://www.yumahamfest.org/vendorlayout.pdf>
- Seminars, seminars, and more seminars <http://www.yumahamfest.org/seminars.html>
- Card Checking: Bring your QSL Cards!
- ANSR Near Space Balloon launch and tracking.
- Norm Fusaro W3IZ from ARRL Headquarters will be there to answer all your questions.
- ARRL Forum by Southwestern Division Director Dick Norton N6AA.
- \$5.00 admission.

Visit the web site at www.yumahamfest.org for details.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Feb 11-Feb 12 Arizona Centennial, 0800Z-1400Z, W7W, Mesa, AZ. Mesa Amateur Radio Club. 14.260. QSL. Mesa Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 159, Mesa, AZ 85211. mesa-arc.org
- Feb 11-Feb 13, Arizona Statehood Centennial, 0000Z-2359Z, W7A, Glendale, AZ. Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club. SSB 14.255 7.190 PSK31 14.070. QSL. Thunder Bird Amateur Radio Club/W7A, PO Box 30841, Phoenix, AZ 85046. www.w7tbc.org
- Feb 11-Feb 12, Arizona Statehood Centennial, 1700Z-2359Z, W7EI, Prescott, AZ. Verde Valley Amateur Radio Association. 14.292 14.288 14.284 14.280. QSL. Mike Wingate, W7EI, PO Box 3960, Camp Verde, AZ 86322. www.vvara.org
- Feb 12-Feb 19, Arizona Centennial Week, 0000Z-2359Z, K7Z, Sun City, AZ. Dick Hale. 28.450 21.405 14.285. Certificate. K7Z, 9874 W Magnolia Ct, Sun City, AZ 85373. Send call/freq/time/UTC day info to K7Z@cox.net to receive a certificate by e-mail. Choose 5MB or 185K file size. www.qrz.com/db/K7Z
- Feb 12, State of Arizona Centennial, 1700Z-2100Z, WE7GV, Green Valley, AZ. Green Valley Amateur Radio Club. 14.246 14.244 14.242. Certificate & QSL. Green Valley Amateur Radio Club, 601 N La Canada Dr (SAV), Green Valley, AZ 85614. tlang1080@gmail.com
- Feb 13-Feb 19, Arizona Centennial, 1500Z-2359Z, K7UGA, Various locations, AZ. Central Arizona DX Association. All bands CW SSB RTTY PSK31 Satellite. QSL. Bob Davies, K7BHM, 1623 N Los

Altos Ct, Chandler, AZ 85224. 100th Anniversary operation on February 14 from Prescott, Tucson and Phoenix only. www.cadxa.org

- Feb 14, Arizona's 100th Birthday 1600Z-2200Z, N7A, Prescott, AZ. Granite Mountain Middle School and Yavapai Amateur Radio Club. 28.390 21.335 14.250 7.250. QSL. Terry Pemberton, Granite Mountain Middle School, 1800 Williamson Valley Rd, Prescott, AZ 86305. kb7tre@cableone.net or www.w7yrc.org
- Feb 17-Feb 18, Southwestern Division Convention & Arizona Centennial, 1900Z-2359Z, W1AW/7, Yuma, AZ. Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization. 28.348 21.312 14.248 7.212. QSL. ARRL W1AW/7 Special Event, Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, W1AW Station Manager, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. www.yumahamfest.org

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Public Service is alive and well in Arizona. The good news is we don't have disasters in Arizona. We do have a few localized Emergency Operations, like supporting search and rescue operations and such, but we do have scheduled disasters; they are called Public Service Events and Drills. Last year in 2011, hams in Arizona reported 5138 hours in support of Drills, 656 hours in Emergency Operations and 4758 hours supporting Public Service Events. In total, 641 hams volunteered 10,552 hours last year to support the public. Are you one of them? If you are, thank you for your support and please continue the great effort in keeping Amateur Radio in the forefront. If you aren't one of them yet, contact your local ARES District Emergency Coordinator or Emergency Coordinator to see how you can get involved and practice your skills. You can find your local contact either through your local ham club or www.az-arrrl.org/web/AzAresOrg.htm. Dennis Bietry KE7EJF Section Emergency Coordinator.

ARIZONA NETS

- **Arizona Traffic And Emergency Net (ATEN)**, meets daily on 3986 kHz at 7PM in the summer (April 1st) and 5:30 PM in the winter www.atenaz.net Tomy Ivan KF7GC net manager, Arizona Section Traffic manager kf7gc@arrrl.net
- **Arizona Emergency Net – Maricopa (AEN-MAR)** meets every Monday at 9:00 p.m. local time, for training and exercise in the public service communication arts. The Mt. Ord 146.92(-) or the Shaw Butte 147.24(+) repeater. Both require a 162.2 Hz tone. The repeaters are linked and cover most of Maricopa County and portions of Pinal, Gila, Coconino, and Yavapai Counties in central Arizona. <http://www.aen-mar.org/>
- **Saguaro National Traffic System (NTS) Net** (<http://www.saguaronts.net/>), meets daily at 6:30 p.m. MST (0130Z) on the Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio (<http://www.eaars.org/>) Society (E.A.A.R.S.) repeaters. The net is open to all ham operators that are interested in the NTS regardless of license level. Traffic is "not" required to check into the net but I certainly encourage any type of radiogram message traffic. If you don't know how to send, receive, or deliver traffic, we'll train you right on the net. We also have training net on Monday evenings if you would like to participate during that net. The repeaters are; 146.86 and (440.700 Hub) Heliograph Peak; 147.28 Guthrie Peak - Greenlee County; 145.21 Jacks Peak, New Mexico. Between Lordsburg & Silver City; 145.41 Pinal Peak Near Globe, AZ; 147.16 Mt Lemmon Near Tucson; 146.70 Greens Peak Near Springerville – Showlow; 145.27 South Mtn. Near Alpine, AZ; 147.08 Mule Mtn. Near Bisbee in Cochise County. All E.A.A.R.S. network repeaters operate with PL tone 141.3. For more information about this net, contact Greg Peters (kc5zgg@arrrl.net), Net Manager.
- There are many more nets in Arizona, contact Tomy Ivan KF7GC for the full list.



NEW HAM REPORT

The following Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations!

Christof Schmitt AE7QC, Ryan Petersen AE7QF, Noel Tampon KF7SXJ, Jesus Montellano KF7SXX, Kathreen Canlas KF7SXL, Jason Andrey Aguilar KF7SXM, Jay Jinon KF7SXM, Victor Aviles Rivera KF7SYC, Thomas Hurst KF7SYE, Andrew Combs KF7SYK, Tim Brown KF7SYU, Jadu Patel KF7SZG, William Cawthorne KF7SZT, Gregory Nielsen KF7SZV, Howard Lee KF7SZW, Eric Arellano KF7SZX, Michael Pflieger KF7SZY, Xanthe Zarry KF7SZZ, David Verley KF7TBK, Jeff Cook KF7TET, Russell Chambless KF7TEU, Gary Pester KF7TGS, Harry Scholz KF7TIM, Leona Foor KF7TIN, James Busch KF7TIP, Jason Wojciechowski KF7TIQ, Lloyd Licence KF7TIR, Lijun Shan KF7TIS, Daniel Larsen KF7TIU, Dennis Ragsdale KF7TIV, and Rickie Foshee KF7TJH.

SILENT KEYS

- Thomas R Custer, W7ZBS from Tucson passed away in January 2012. He had worked for the US Govt. for 34 years: Army Radio Station "WAR" in Woodbridge, Va., the Pentagon, and old "StratCom" in the Wash, DC area. He also worked at Ft Huachuca, Arizona. Tom was a Ham since the 1950's and earned the VHF 6 Meter "WAS" Cert# 120 & VHF "WAS" Cert# 25. Tom retired from the Gov't in 1980 and went to work at Computerland till 1989 then to the University of Arizona where he retired in 2005.
- Richard Petersen, KR9P, passed away on January 14th. Rich was a past member of LBARA going back many years.

ARIZONA QSO PARTY

The 2011 preliminary results will be posted on the AZQP website at www.azqsoparty.org

The 2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party will be held Oct 13-14, 2012.

HAM RADIO EVENTS

- February 12, 2012 **Runner's Den Road Classic** Paradise Valley Mall, Phoenix <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 13-19, **Arizona Centennial Celebration: 1912 – 2012 K7UGA Special Event Station**. Prescott, Tucson and Phoenix, Arizona – Central Arizona DX Association. 1500Z – 2359Z . All bands: CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31, and Satellite: using late Senator Barry M. Goldwater's Call – K7UGA. QSL w/SASE to Bob Davies-K7BHM: 1623 N. Los Altos Ct. Chandler, AZ 85224 For more details see: [www.cadxa\(dot\)org](http://www.cadxa(dot)org)
- February 17-18, 2012 **ARRL Southwestern Division Convention** Yuma, Arizona www.yumahamfest.org
- February 12, 2012 **Runner's Den Road Classic** www.quartzfest.org
- March 24, 2012 **Radio Society of Tucson *New Location*** Golden Corral Parking Lot 4380 E. 22nd Street Tucson, Sellers 6 am, Buyers 7 am, Ends: 12 noon, VE Testing 9 am @ the public library west of Golden Corral. Golden Corral will serve breakfast at 8 am <http://www.rstclub.org/>
- March 11, 2012 **Mesquite Canyon 50 K** White Tanks Regional Pk <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- March 2012 **Scottsdale Hamfest**, TBD
- April 2012 **AARC hamfest**, TBD
- April 14, 2012 **March of Dimes March for Babies** Wesley Bolin Plaza (State Capitol) <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 21, 2012 **Highline Trail Run** Near Payson <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 21, 2012 **Pat's run** Phoenix Zoo <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 26, 2012 **Skywarn class** hosted by Mesa ARC 7pm at the Mesa Utilities Building. Contact Orion Thrower KE7VLC Orion Thrower orion.thrower@gmail.com
- May 5, 2012 **Cochise Hamfest** Sierra Vista
- June 2, 2012 **Kachina Amateur Radio Club Hamfest** - Show Low City Hall, 180 North 9th Street Show Low Arizona <http://www.kachina-arc.org>
- July 20 - 22, 2012 **ARCA/Williams Hamfest** at Williams AZ. <http://www.arca-az.org/>
- October 13-14, 2012 **Arizona Centennial QSO Party** <http://www.azqsoparty.org>
- October 13, 2012 **Cactus Cha-Cha** White Tanks Mtn Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>

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

Attached:

Thunderbird Hamfest January 7, 2012 photos

ARRL Southwest Division Convention Yuma, AZ February 17-18, 2012

Radio Society of Tucson Hamfest March 24, 2012

White Mountain Hamfest June 2, 2012 (Updated)

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Photos by John Marshall WA7BSR

Thunderbird Ham Club Swapmeet 2012

2012 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

8th Annual

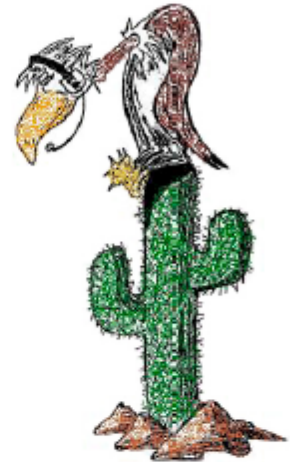
Yuma Hamfest

& Arizona State Convention

Yuma, Arizona

Feb. 17 & 18, 2012

Yuma County Fairgrounds
2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona



www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information
and a Current Schedule of Activities and Seminars

Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon	Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm	Buzzard BBQ & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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Vendors & Exhibitors
Consignment Sales
License Testing
Hourly Door Prizes
On-site RV Camping
Famous Buzzard BBQ
ARRL Forum
\$5.00 Admission

Tailgating (Swap Meet)
Full Seminar Schedule
DXCC Card Checking
Grand Prizes worth \$10K
Emergency Preparedness
iPad 2 Admission Prize
Hospitality Area
Antenna Clinic & T-Hunt

Hamfest Talk-In Frequency: 146.840 (-) PL 88.5 Hz

Email Contact: info@yumahamfest.org



We are proud to have the Amateur Radio
Council of Arizona (ARCA) as a sponsor of
our event.

The Yuma Hamfest is an American Radio
Relay League (ARRL) sanctioned event.



Presented by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization



RST Radio
Society of Tucson

Radio Society of Tucson Spring swap meet:

When: March 24th

Where: Golden Corral Parking Lot

4380 E. 22nd Street

Tucson, AZ

Times:

Sellers: 6 am

Buyers: 7 am

Ends: 12 noon

VE Testing 9 am @ the public library

West of Golden Corral.

Golden Corral will serve breakfast at 8 am.





White Mountain Hamfest



Saturday June 2, 2012

7:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Show Low City Hall
180N 9th Street
Show Low, AZ**

Free Admission!

Free dry camping on Friday
June 1, 2012 (after 5:30 pm)

**Vendors / Tailgaters
(\$5.00 per space)**



Talk In: 145.310 PL110.9

- Prizes
- Seminars
- Displays
- Arts & Crafts
- Food Vendors

**For more information
Contact Jim Mortensen at
w7azy@arrrl.net
www.kachina-arc.org**

**VE Session (W5YI VEC)
Exams for all License Classes
Exam 9:00 am
Walk-Ins Welcome**

*The White Mountain Hamfest is sponsored by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club
It is sanctioned by the American Radio Relay League*