

**K7MRG/R Mingus MTN  
147.000 + 600 PL 162.2**



**WA7UID/R Phoenix  
147.280 + 600 PL 162.2 HZ**

## **January Newsletter**



### **RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

A new year is upon us. Also I have a new title! I used to be called two-bit Bob and now that I have had the big 75th birthday I have graduated to six-bit Bob!

Linda and I have been in California since a few hours after the MMRG Meeting in Phoenix the 12th of this month.

The MMRG annual membership picnic will be May 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2013, at the home of Bob and Linda Sitterley in Chino Valley. Details will be in the April Newsletter.

I am still sending the Amateur radio news line on my 449.250 repeater at 8:00 am daily, also on the Mingus repeater 147.000 at about 6:55 PM Tuesday nites just before the Tuesday MMRG Net. Any comments on the newline broadcasts, either pro or con, can be sent to [k7pof@verizon.net](mailto:k7pof@verizon.net) Thanks.

January 12 was the annual MMRG board meeting and officer election. The 2013 officers and board members are as follows:

President	Bob Sitterley K7POF
Vice President	Mike Corder K7MJC
Secretary	Pat Mathews K7PAT
Treasurer	Phil Hazlett WA7UID

#### Board Members

Bob Sitterley K7POF President, Tech. Chairman  
Mike Corder K7MJC Vice President  
Pat Mathews K7PAT Secretary

Phillip Hazlett WA7UID Treasurer  
Hartley Gardner W1OQ Board, Tech. Committee  
Jerry Roberts KB7CN Board, Tech. Committee  
Sonja Hazlett WB7CWW Board  
Mike Williams KC7QKS Board  
Peggy Williams KD7AWU Board, Health and Welfare  
Al Barber AA7OV Board  
Linda Sitterley W7POF Historian, Board

73 Bob Sitterley



## **Phil WA7UID Treasurer**

% Philip Hazlett WA7UID  
5330 West Electra Lane  
Glendale AZ 85310.

Check your check books and see if your paid up on dues.

My email address is [pch123haz@hotmail.com](mailto:pch123haz@hotmail.com)

Philip Hazlett WA7UID

## **Secretary Pat K7PAT**



## **MMRG BOARD MEETING JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2013**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: MIKE WILLIAMS, PEGGY WILLIAMS, BOB SITTERLEY, LINDA SITTERLEY, JERRY ROBERTS, PAT MATTHEWS, PHIL HAZLETT AND AL BARBER.

PRESIDENT BOB SITTERLEY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 1300. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT AGAVE LIBRARY, 23550 N. 36<sup>TH</sup> AV. IN PHOENIX.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN AND A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

THERE WERE NO LETTERS OF PROXY.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2012, BOARD MEETING WAS READ BY PAT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY JERRY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS READ. SECONDED BY PHIL. CARRIED.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS.**

BOB SITTERLEY NOMINATED BY JERRY ROBERTS FOR PRESIDENT. SECONDED BY PAT MATTHEWS.

MIKE CORDER NOMINATED FOR VICE PRESIDENT BY JERRY ROBERTS. SECONDED BY PEGGY WILLIAMS.

PAT MATTHEWS NOMINATED FOR SECRETARY BY PHIL HAZLETT. SECONDED BY BOB SITTERLEY. PHIL HAZLETT NOMINATED FOR TREASURER BY PAT MATTHEWS. SECONDED BY LINDA SITTERLEY.

OFFICES WERE FILLED AS NOMINATED.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

TREASURERS REPORT WAS GIVEN BY PHIL. BALANCE AS OF JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2013, WAS \$3,228.19. THE EXPENSES FOR THE MEMBERSHIP PICNIC HELD ON MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2012, WERE \$285.00. THERE ARE CURRENTLY 50 PAID MEMBERS. THE TREASURERS REPORT STANDS APPROVED AS READ. A COPY OF THE REPORT IS ATTACHED SHOWING ALL EXPENSES THRU JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2013.

### **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

TECHNICAL REPORT WAS GIVEN BY BOB.

Late in 2011 there was an apparent lightning strike on Mingus that caused minor damage to the 147.000 antenna. The intermittency on receive sounded like a crackle noise not unlike that caused by metal to metal in nearby antennas or guy wires.

After a couple of attempts to find something loose we removed the 147.0 antenna and put up a temporary antenna at a lower location on the tower. This cured the problem with the noise but now the coverage of the repeater suffered.

Upon disassembly of the antenna it was found that there had been a lightning strike probably to the tower not the antenna. I found that the antenna was repairable so I made the necessary repairs. After testing the antenna for some time at my home it was decided to re-install it. The antenna is now up and running and back to the old coverage.

The downtown Phoenix repeater is apparently working fine as I have heard no complaints.

Bob Sitterley K7POF Technical Chairman

### **OLD BUSINESS**

BOB ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY COMMENTS ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PICNIC BEING HELD IN CHINO VALLEY. EVERYONE AGREED THAT HE AND LINDA HAVE THE PERFECT LOCATION FOR THE MEETING.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

JERRY STATED HE NEEDS THE INFORMATION ON NEW MEMBERS SO HE CAN ADD THEM TO THE ROSTER AND ALSO WHO NEEDS TO COME OFF IN ORDER TO KEEP THE ROSTER CURRENT.

BOB STATED IF ANYONE WAS INTERESTED IN TAKING OVER THE NEWSLETTER TO LET HIM KNOW.

BOB ASK THE BOARD FOR PERMISSION TO GRANT A FREE MEMBERSHIP TO SHERWIN EATON WB7NX. HE HAS BEEN A VERY BIG HELP IN CLIMBING THE TOWER ON MINGUS MT. AFTER DISCUSSION PERMISSION WAS GRANTED.

MIKE MADE A SUGGESTION THAT WE SEND A THANK YOU CARD TO JIM BALL WB7UZV FOR DOING A GREAT JOB AS NET CONTROL FOR THE TUESDAY EVENING NET. PEGGY WILL MAIL A CARD.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING/PICNIC**

THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PICNIC WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF BOB AND LINDA SITTERLEY IN CHINO VALLEY ON MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2013. A MOTION WAS MADE BY JERRY TO ALLOT \$300.00 FOR THE PICNIC EXPENSES AND \$100.00 FOR THE RAFFLE PRIZES. SECONDED BY PHIL. MOTION CARRIED. MMRG WILL PROVIDE THE DRINKS, ICE, UTENSILS, CONDIMENTS, HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS. BOB AND LINDA WILL PURCHASE THE SUPPLIES. EACH ATTENDEE WILL RECEIVE A FREE RAFFLE TICKET. IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE A 50/50 RAFFLE. THERE WILL ALSO BE AN AUCTION OF ANY DONATED ITEMS TO MMRG. PHIL MADE A MOTION THAT THE ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR RAFFLE PRIZES BE AWARDED IN CASH. FIFTY DOLLARS FOR ONE MEN'S PRIZE AND FIFTY DOLLARS FOR ONE LADIES PRIZE. SECONDED BY LINDA. CARRIED.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD IN JANUARY, 2014, AT THE AGAVE LIBRARY IN PHOENIX. DATE TO BE DETERMINED. THE STARTING TIME WILL BE 1300.

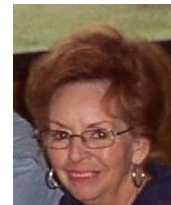
A MOTION WAS MADE BY JERRY TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY LINDA. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1352.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

PAT MATTHEWS K7PAT  
SECRETARY

Pat K7PAT

**PEGGY WILLIAMS KD7AWU Board member and Greeting Card  
Correspondent**





### Linda W7POF MMRG Board Member and Historian

Please report any and all changes to your email, call sign, etc. to our Roster keeper, Jerry Roberts. Please email him at [jroberts@q.com](mailto:jroberts@q.com), and to our Webmaster, Mike Corder, K7MJC Please email him at [k7mjc@yahoo.com](mailto:k7mjc@yahoo.com), in order to keep the roster as well as website accurate.

### MMRG Website

<http://mingusmountain.org>

Address changes additions or corrections to [k7mjc@yahoo.com](mailto:k7mjc@yahoo.com)

Linda Sitterley W7POF

In the section below (**IN REMEMBERENCE**) I would like to hear from readers of this news letter as to whether or not all the silent keys should be listed in each newsletter or only the new additions.

E-Mail comments to Bob Sitterley at [k7pof@verizon.net](mailto:k7pof@verizon.net)

### IN REMEMBERANCE

Below are the pictures of a few members of MMRG that are now Silent Keys. If any of you have digital pictures of other MMRG members that are silent keys please forward them along with call and name to me. Bob Sitterley [k7pof@verizon.net](mailto:k7pof@verizon.net)

Here are some that I don't have pictures of. Larry Langford WA7VDZ, Walt Worth N7CQO, Helen Whitcomb W7DNJ, Wiley Cottrell K7OFG, David Lanpher N7JCE, Lloyd Horton WA7KEY, Louie Cox W7ACD, Hank Samplin KE7BO, Jack Thompson N7SSK and many more.



Oliver Grieve  
W7WGW/W7AFC



Bill Liske  
W7GLT



Art Spencer  
WA7WAH



Art Crosby  
KD7KJM



Vickie Roberts  
KC7PHY



Dave Rutledge  
W9KRQ



Bill Martin  
K7ERI



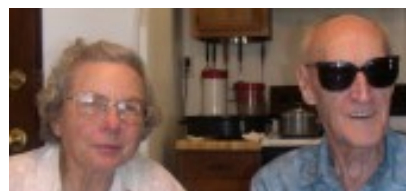
Chuck Playle  
KC7SAQ



Cal Turner  
WI6S



Chet Funk  
K7ZKL



Betty and Ken Hinderliter  
N7UBE K7HQF



Jack Shaw  
N7VFT



Mark Coker  
KC7JOG



Walt Kyle  
W7LGS

Please send any additions or corrections to Bob Sitterley K7POF [k7pof@verizon.net](mailto:k7pof@verizon.net)

### **147.000 morning roundtable**



### **"Emperor" Bill Boggs KD7VLL**

Every morning between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. there is an open round table on the 147.00 repeater which at that time also has links to 70 CM in Phoenix and a VOIP program called CQ-100 which is a licensed ham only internet link to the world. Every one is welcome to join in.

**Bill KD7VLL**

### **Tuesday evening MMRG net**



### **Jim WB7UZV NCS**

Don't forget the Tuesday evening MMRG net on 147.000 + 600 with PL of 162.2 hertz. Meets every Tuesday at 7:30 PM MST. We are looking for a alternate Net Control Station to help out Jim .Come and join and bring a trivia question for the net.

Jim WB7UZV

### **Prescott Valley Mercury Net**



### **Sherwin WB7NFX NCS**

Prescott Valley Mercury Net

Happy New Year to All!!!

Thanks for the use of the repeater.

We meet every Sunday evening at 8:00 PM on the 147.000 MMRG repeater.

This net is made up of members of the LDS Church and friends. Our objective is to provide emergency communication in time of need with emphasis on assisting church leaders to account for members and neighbors and to provide communication for church sponsored relief efforts.

Sherwin Heaton WB7NFX

## Prescott VE Team



**John WB9VGJ the Prescott VE team leader**



**Don WB7TPH Prescott VE Contact Person**



Cell phones can **NOT** be used as calculators. **NO** exceptions!  
See note below regarding Federal Registration Number (FRN)

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### 2013 Schedule

Saturday, February 2, 2013 at 9:00 A.M.

Friday, May 3, 2013 at 6:00 pm

Friday, August 2, 2013 at 6:00 PM.

Saturday, November 2, 2013 at 9:00 A.M.

Anyone with special needs, please contact Don, WB7TPH,  
[dbauer2250@aol.com](mailto:dbauer2250@aol.com).



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**a minimum of 2 – 3 weeks prior to the test date.**

**Pre-registration is recommended but walk-ins are welcome.**

**[email testing@w7yrc.org](mailto:testing@w7yrc.org)**

### *Testing Location*

Jeep Posse Bldg. in Pioneer Park off Commerce Drive, behind the outdoor hockey rink.

Commerce is between Willow Creek Rd and Pioneer Parkway

**(34° 36' 42.69" N 112° 27' 49.01" W)**

**(Elevation 1602 meters)**

**If you are taking the technician exam, you will be required to enter either your SSN or FRN number on the application form**

**and the test sheet For your safety, we recommend you pre-apply for an FRN (Federal Registration Number) from the FCC**

**in advance of the test session. You do not have to hold any kind of license to apply for an FRN. This can be done on-line at:**

**[http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm?job=about\\_getting\\_started](http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm?job=about_getting_started)**

**If you are taking the **general or extra class** exam, you will already have an FRN number and it will show on the front of your license.**



**Items to bring the day of testing**

**Photo I.D.**

**\$15.00**

**(correct change please or checks made payable to ARRL/VEC)**

**2 - #2 pencils and eraser**

**Pen (blue or black)**

**Calculator if you plan on using one – memory must be cleared and cell phones can NOT be used as calculators.**

**If you are upgrading – you MUST bring the signed original of your current license and a photo copy of the same license.**



**AA7OV AL BARBER BOARD MEMBER**

The full color copy of the ARRL Southwest newsletter with pictures and Hamfest flyers can be found at [www.az-arrrl.org](http://www.az-arrrl.org) or <http://www.arrrl.org/Groups/view/arizona>

73 Al Barber AA7OV

**HAMFEST CALENDER**

**January 15-25, 2013 ARRL Operating Specialty Convention  
Quartzfest**

<http://www.quartzfest.org>

4 February 2013

**West Valley ARC Auction**

Hosted by the West Valley Amateur Radio Club

St Jerome Catholic Church Social Hall, 15800 Del Web Blvd, Sun City

Click **HERE** for map

Sellers bring items between 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Buyers inspection begins at 6:00 PM - Auction at 7:00 PM  
No Computer Equipment Permitted - Cash or Check Only

Contact Ted Walker at

417.260.7401 417.260.7401 FREE 417.260.7401 FREE or email  
[kj7v@arrl.net](mailto:kj7v@arrl.net) for information

9 February 2013

## Superstition Hamfest

Hosted by the Superstition Amateur Radio Club

[Mesa Community College](#), 1833 W Southern, Mesa

Click [HERE](#) for map

Contact Steve at [kb7kwk@cox.net](mailto:kb7kwk@cox.net) for details

9 March 2013

## Spring Hamfest

Hosted by the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club

**NEW LOCATION !!!**

The Pera Club, 1 Continental Drive, Tempe

Click [HERE](#) for map.

Hours: 6:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

VE Testing, Refreshments

Free Parking, RV Parking

[Admission](#) Donation - \$3. Tailgaters - 2 spaces \$10

Talk-In Frequency - 147.18 PI 162.2

Web site: [www.scottsdalearc.org](http://www.scottsdalearc.org)

No Guns - No Drugs - No Alcohol

16 March 2013

## Tucson Spring Hamfest

Hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson

and the Old Pueblo Radio Club  
[Golden Corral](#) Restaurant (rear parking lot), 4380 E 22nd Street,  
Tucson

Click [HERE](#) for map

Hours: 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Set-up 6:00 AM

Free Admission & Parking - Vendors/Tailgaters \$5/space

Overnight Parking Available after 6:00 PM Friday, 15 March

VE Testing - Prizes - Coffee and Donuts

[Golden Corral](#) Weekend Breakfast at 8:00 AM

Web site: [www.k7rst.org](http://www.k7rst.org)

13 April 2013

## April Hamfest at DeVry

Hosted by the Arizona Amateur Radio Club

and the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona

[DeVry University](#), 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix

Hours: 6:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Admission Donation - \$2.00 / Tailgate Spaces \$10.00 each

Commercial Vendors, Tailgaters, Prizes, Coffee, Doughnuts, Sodas

Talk-In Frequency - 147.060 (+) No PI

For information contact Gary Hamman at

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[k7gh@arri.net](mailto:k7gh@arri.net)

or ARCA at [arca@arca-az.org](http://arca@arca-az.org)

27 April 2013

## Yavapai ARC Swapmeet

Dewey

4 May 2013

## CARA Hamfest

Hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Club

Sierra Vista

Watch for Updates

1 June 2013

## White Mountain Hamfest

Hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club

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

Click [HERE](#) for map.

Hours: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Dry Camping permitted Friday, 31 May 2013 after 5:30 PM

Vendors/Tailgaters - \$5.00 per space

Hourly Prize Drawings, Grand Prize Drawing

VE Session 9:00 AM - Walk-Ins Welcome

Talk-In: 145.310 PL 110.9

Web Site: [www.kachina-arc.org](http://www.kachina-arc.org)

For Information Contact Jim Mortensen - [w7az7@arrl.net](mailto:w7az7@arrl.net)

19 - 21 July 2013

## 10th Annual ARCA/Williams Hamfest

Hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona

Williams Rodeo Grounds, 800 Rodeo Road, Williams

Click [HERE](#) for map.

Watch for Updates