

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



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

## **July 2012 Newsletter**

### **Dues Due for 2012-2013**

MMRG 2012 - 2013 dues are due as of July 1, 2012 those of you that haven't paid please send your dues to  
**MMRG % Phil Hazlett WA7UID**  
5330 W Electra Lane  
Phoenix, AZ 85310

#### **PHIL HAZLETT WA7UID**

**Phil has been a loyal, dedicated member of MMRG for over 35 years, most or all of which he has held an office or two. On Wednesday, July 11, some of the members got together at Cracker Barrel in North Phoenix and honored Phil with a Life Membership and a nice plaque. This was a surprise to Phil (hopefully). Thanks, Phil, for your continuing dedication to MMRG. Your contribution made a difference.**

**Those in attendance were: Mike Williams KC7QKS, Peggy Williams KD7AWU, Bob Sitterley K7POF , Linda Sitterley W7POF, Joe Ruby KC7GHT, Joyce Ruby KC7LRS, Ken Ronkainen KE7DTK, Mike Corder K7MJC, and Lori Cripps WA7EDI**



**Bob Making the presentation**



**The Plaque**



**The group**



## **RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

As in years past All MMRG members are invited to Linda and my annual picnic called "The Caliche Caper". This year it is scheduled for October 7, 2012, this will be the 12th annual Caliche Caper. It will be held at our home on Caliche Drive here in Chino Valley as usual. As usual we will furnish the hamburgers, brats, hot dogs and drinks. The remainder is a potluck. Put it on your calendar.

My apologies to any new members that were omitted from the last news letter. I have included them here. We have a few new members since the last newsletter. They are:  
N7GLH David Hanson, Prescott; KC8BOB Bob Thompson, Prescott; KE7DTS Starla Thompson, Prescott;  
WN7L Dave Drown, Prescott; KF7ANT Susan Drown, Prescott; KD7VBG Patti Halgunseth, Prescott Valley;  
WA6ZZJ Lloyd Halgunseth, Prescott; KJ7NW Jim Beck, Cottonwood; W7JUH Jim Edmonds, Phoenix.

If I have omitted someone my apologies and please let me know.

Welcome to MMRG. I have talked to some of you but not all, but I hope to do so in the future.

I have in stock MMRG polo shirts in medium, large, X large and XX large. Price is \$20.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, please contact me. My phone number is 928-636-2146 and E-Mail is [k7pof@verizon.net](mailto:k7pof@verizon.net)

For you who have MS Word or Adobe, the MMRG roster is attached.

Bob Sitterley President  
K7POF



## Phil WA7UID Treasurer

Reminder MMRG 2012/2013 dues are due July 1, 2012. \$20.00 per year and this includes all hams in household.  
to MMRG  
% 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 [wa7uid@hotmail.com](mailto:wa7uid@hotmail.com)

Philip Hazlett WA7UID



## Secretary Pat K7PAT

I hope you are all having a nice summer. Has turned out to be a hot one as usual. We have had more thunder than rain up here on the Mogollon Rim. The fire close to us is the Canyon Fire and was caused by lightning. It is going to be a scary summer.

Hope to hear you all on the Tuesday evening MMRG net. Jim does a great job of net control.

Until next time enjoy the very best!

Recently I learned that Mark Coker KC7JOG (Former member of MMRG) underwent surgery for a brain tumor. Rosemary KC7JOF his wife has been keeping me abreast of his progress via e-mail. Below is the latest.  
7-16-2012

It's been a long week.

As of yesterday Mark is off all the meds, and also off the respirator. He is doing much better than the doctors had thought he would do so quickly after such an extensive surgery. Hopefully in the next day or so he will be transferred to a regular room out of ICU. He will start P.T. in the next few days. We are still waiting on the pathology report to come back.

Thanks for everyone's concern

Rosemary Coker

Pat K7PAT



## 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 REMEMBRANCE**) 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 REMEMBRANCE

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

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 permanent Net Control Station.  
Alternate Net control station Jim WB7UZV.  
Come and join and bring a trivia question for the net.

## Prescott Valley Mercury Net



**Sherwin WB7NFX NCS**

Prescott Valley Mercury Net

We meet every Sunday evening at 9:00 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

### **Notes from some of the members of the Prescott Area Mercury Net**

What an exciting time this has been with the Emergency Preparedness Fair sponsored by the Prescott Valley Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on the same day as Field Day! Many members of both the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club, (YARC), and the Mingus Mountain Repeater Group, (MMRG), participated in the Fair, including Sherwin, WB7NFX, Margo, N7CWD, Eric, W6RIJ, Bruce, KE7TDR and his son, Justin, Ernie, K7IOG and Mary, W7IOG, as well as Barbara, KE7KEV. A YARC booth was set up at the Fair, using the YARC banner for advertising, in the parking lot of Sam's Club, and resulted in many potential Hams expressing interest in learning more in this area of preparedness. An HF radio and portable antenna provided communication training.

Some of these same members also participated in Field Day at the Granite Mountain Middle School, sponsored by YARC.

The Preparedness Fair included such attractions as Canning, Solar Cooking, Water Storage, First Aid, Emergency Ham Communications, Public Affairs, 72 Hour and Go-Kits, Emergency Batteries, Financial Security, Dutch Oven Cooking, The Red Cross, and Gardening, plus local emergency and first aid vehicles.

Members of the Prescott Area Mercury Net wish to express, yet once again, their combined gratitude to the members of the Mingus Mountain Repeater Group for the use of their repeater for the Mercury Net which is held each Sunday night at 2000 hours. This Net, which is open to all Hams, helps in the training and preparation of Hams for emergency communications.



Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Prescott Area Mercury Net by

Barbara Ashley, KE7KEV  
YARC Secretary  
Member of MMRG and the LDS Church

## **Yavapai Amateur Radio Club Licensing Classes**

The next two day Amateur Extra license class will be held on July 28 and August 4 from 8 am to 5 pm at the following location:

**Industrial Arts, Room 404  
1800 Williamson Valley Road  
Granite Mountain Middle School  
Prescott, Arizona 86304**

See <http://w7yrc.org/maps.htm> for location information. Please note that this is a change from

**previous class locations.**

The class text is the ARRL Extra license manual (<http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARRL-Extra-Class-License-Manual-10th-Edition/>). Please note that the license exam question pool has changed as of July 1, 2012. Students are advised to make sure that they obtain the latest edition of the license manual in order to study the correct questions for the exam.

To enroll in this class or to obtain additional information, please send email to [classes@w7yrc.org](mailto:classes@w7yrc.org)

### Prescott VE Team



**AB7NK Mary the Prescott VE team leader**



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

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### 2012 Schedule

Saturday - August 11, 2012 9:00 AM

Saturday - Nov 3, 2012 9:00 AM

**Anyone with special needs, please contact Mary at 928-775-2158**

**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-arrl.org](http://www.az-arrl.org) or <http://www.arrl.org/Groups/view/arizona>

73 Al Barber AA7OV

# HAMFEST CALENDER

## ARCA Williams Summer Hamfest **07/20/2012**

**Location:** Williams, AZ

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Amateur Radio Council of Arizona

**Website:** <http://www.arca-az.org>