

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



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

October 2012 Newsletter

Dues Due for 2012-2013

MMRG 2012 - 2013 dues were 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



RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

As in years past All MMRG members were invited to join Linda and my annual picnic called "The Caliche Caper". This year it was held October 7, 2012. This was the 12th annual Caliche Caper. It was held at our home on Caliche Drive here in Chino Valley as usual. there were 94 people and several dogs attending. We hope those of you that attended enjoyed yourselves. Also kudos to MMRG member K7IOG Ernie for his superb job of grilling.

Following are new members since the last newsletter. Dan KF7TZT Prescott Valley, Joe Cutitta WØSLL and Wife Verda KF7UJB Phoenix.

Welcome Dan, Joe and Verda.

If I have left anyone out I apologize, please let me know at k7pof@verizon.net

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

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 were due July 1, 2012. \$20.00 per year and this includes all hams in household.
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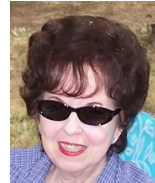
MMRG

% 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 pch123haz@hotmail.com

Philip Hazlett WA7UID



Secretary Pat K7PAT

Hope everyone had a nice summer and you are ready for all the fall activities that will keep us all busy for awhile. If you have been gone for the summer welcome back to the valley and MMRG Tuesday evening net @1930.

The Forest Service started a control burn four miles South of our summer home so chased us off the mountain early this year. If you are going to be traveling for any of the holidays please travel safe.

Until next time enjoy the very best.

It is with sadness that I have to pass along the following notice about Mark Coker KC7JOG a former member of MMRG

Mark Nelson Coker passed away October 1, 2012 at his home in Rimrock, AZ. He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Rosemary Coker, daughter Julia Coker, son Christopher Coker, brothers Terry Coker and Jeff Coker, sisters Elizabeth Roy and Tracy Blackford and step-mother Ann Coker. Mark was born in Tucson, AZ on May 31, 1950 to Hollis and Vivian Coker (both deceased). The family moved to Flagstaff Arizona in 1959 where Mark grew up and graduated from Flagstaff High School in 1968. He enlisted in the US Marine Corps in 1972 and served in Subic Bay as a MARS station radio operator. In 1981 he moved his family to Cottonwood. He developed an interest in Ham Radio as a young man and it remained a life-long passion which served to benefit many people. He worked most of his life as a welder/mechanic but his welding skills were so highly specialized that later he traveled the country to weld on power-plant turbine diaphragms exclusively. Not only was Mark known for his electronic wizardry, he had that rare ability to look at something that was broken, or needed to be made, and come up with his own unique solution to fixing or making it that made it indestructible and "Coker Built". His other interests included science, electronics, engine repair, dirt bike riding, designing and fabricating tools and equipment. He had a giving heart and provided his time and services to different organizations and people in the Verde Valley and beyond. He touched many lives, both in person and through Ham Radio. A semi-private memorial service will be held October 28th to remember a life that will be greatly missed.

Pat K7PAT

PEGGY WILLIAMS KD7AWU Board member and Greeting Card Correspondent



THE 2012 CALICHE CAPER WAS A GREAT GROUP. WITH 94 PEOPLE ATTENDING BOB AND LINDA'S PICNIC. GETTING TO BE JUST LIKE OLD HOME WEEK, EVERY ONE IS SO FRIENDLY, AND WONDERFUL COOKS. I HOPE YOU MADE IT HOME SAFELY. TAKE CARE AND A BIG HUG FOR EVERYONE.

PEGGY WILLIAMS KD7AWU



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, and to our Webmaster, Mike Corder, K7MJC Please email him at 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

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

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

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

Please send any additions or corrections to Bob Sitterley K7POF 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

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

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)

2012 Schedule

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

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

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 or <http://www.arrrl.org/Groups/view/arizona>

73 Al Barber AA7OV

HAMFEST CALENDER

20 October 2012

YARC / Ham Swapmeet

Hosted by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club
BackStreet Farmer's Market, 622 S Bennett Drive, Dewey

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Free Parking and Admission - No Fees.

Some spaces with Power available.

Talk-In 146.880 Mhz /w CTCSS 100.0 Hz

or 146.500 Simplex

Visit Web Site: http://w7yrc.org/arizona_ham_fest.htm for more information.

Vendor sign-up - send email to vendor@w7yrc.org

All Hams and Radio Enthusiasts Welcome!

3 November 2012

CARA Swapmeet

Cochise Amateur Radio Association
Sierra Vista

1 December 2012

Superstition Hamfest

Hosted by the Superstition Amateur Radio Club
Mesa Community College, Southern Avenue & Dobson Road,
Mesa

(Southwest Parking Lot)

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours: 6:00 AM to 2:00 PM

ARCA Meeting at 11:00 AM

VE Exams: Registration at 8:00 AM - Testing begins at 9:00

AM

Admission: \$1.00 - under 12 Free
Vendor Parking Spots - \$5 per lined spot
Grand Prizes - Door Prizes - Food
Talk-In 147.12 (+) 162.2
449.60 (-) 100.0

12 January 2013

Thunderbird Hamfest

Hosted by the Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club
Northwest Community Church, 16615 N 43rd Avenue, Phoenix

Click [HERE](#) for map.

Hours: 7:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Open to Vendors at 5:30 AM

Spaces: \$10 per Parking Spot - General Admission: \$2.00 per
person

Door Prizes every Half Hour. Snacks and Beverages will be
Available.

VE Testing from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Exam Fee \$15.00.

Email: hamfest@w7tbc.org for information and reservations.

15 - 16 February 2013

2013 ARRL Arizona State Convention/ Yuma Hamfest

Hosted by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization
Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E 32nd Street, Yuma

Click [HERE](#) for map

Gates Open for Camping Thursday at 2:00 PM.

Event Hours: Friday - Noon to 5:00 PM

Saturday - 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Vendors, Exhibitors, License Testing, Hourly Door Prizes, On-
Site Camping,

Tailgating, Hospitality Area, Seminars, T-Hunt and more.

Admission \$5.00 each

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

Web Site: www.yumahamfest.org

Email Contact: info@yumahamfest.org

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

For Information Contact Jim Mortensen - 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