

**K7MRG/R Mingus MTN  
147.000 + 600 PL 162.2  
442.150 + 5 MHz PL 100 with IRLP Node 3600 and Fusion Digital**



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

## **October 2019 Newsletter**

**New Members since the last newsletter:**

**KJ7HZA Now W7POF Robbin McCoy (Bob K7POF's Daughter) Sun City West AZ.  
KI7YNN Ron King of Prescott, AZ  
John Snedden KT7P of Prescott, AZ  
Doug Hall KM6AYP of Prescott Valley, AZ  
Jeannie Hall KM6AYH of Prescott Valley, AZ**

**Welcome and thanks for your support.**

**I have plenty of MMRG Polo Shirts in various sizes in stock. The price will remain the same. \$20.00 for medium, large and EX large.**

**MMRG is still looking for someone who would like to take over the job as MMRG historian.**

**Bob, K7POF**



**Vice President, Ray, N6MY**

If any of you have comments on this please e-mail them to Ray: [n6my73@gmail.com](mailto:n6my73@gmail.com)



Secretary



**Treasurer**

The MMRG membership year ended July first, 2019. Most of you have already paid up for 2019-20. Attached with this newsletter is a current roster, and if you go to the 11th column entitled "Thru", you will see the year you are paid up through. If you are current it will say Jun-20 in either black or blue. Blue is for memberships that are family.

On behalf of MMRG we want to thank all of you for your continued support.

Bob, K7POF, MMRG Treasurer



**Phil Hazlett, WA7UID, Board Member, Past President, Past Treasurer, and much more.**

**Jerry Roberts, Board and Technical Committee**



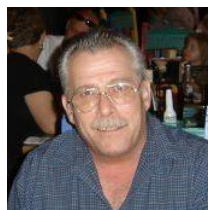
**PEGGY WILLIAMS, KD7AWU, Board member**



**BUTCH, K7JOG, MMRG Board Member**



**GARY HAMMAN, K7GH, MMRG Board Member**



**Ken, KK7KEN, MMRG Board Member**

## 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@yahoo.com](mailto:k7pof@yahoo.com)  
 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.



**"Al" Allen**  
W7OIF



**Oliver Grieve**  
W7WGW/W7AFC



**Bill Liske**  
W7GLT



**Art Spencer**  
WA7WAH



**Art Crosby**  
KD7KJM



**Vickie Roberts**  
KC7PHY



**Dave Rutledge**  
W9KRQ



**Bill Martin**  
K7ERI



**Chuck Payle**  
KC7SAQ



**Cal Turner**  
W16S



**Chet Funk**  
K7ZKL



**Betty and Ken Hinderliter**  
N7UBE K7HQF



**Jack Shaw**  
N7VFT



**Mark Coker**  
KC7JOG



**Walt Kile**  
W7LGS



**Ellis Rackoff**  
KE7NAP



**Lloyd Halgunseth**  
WA6ZZJ  
SK 11-1-14



**Joanie Tremper**  
AB7KE  
SK 3-15-15



**Dick Baum**  
NS6A  
SK 3-19-2015



**Rich Hulse**  
W7RFE  
SK 5-9-2015



**Herb Macy**  
W6VJA  
SK 9-29, 2015



**Bob Erdman**  
W7TQJ/W0NGA  
SK 02-03-2016



**Jim Ball**  
WB7UZV  
SK 10-20-2016



**Mike Wingate**  
WA6LSE  
SK 01-04-2017



**Stan Swartz**  
K7PLO  
SK 1-4, 2017



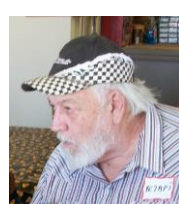
**Bill Boggs**  
KD7VLL  
SK 1-4, 2017



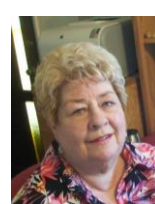
**Russ Sherwin**  
AA7ZL  
SK 3-6-2017



**Max Treinen**  
KB7XU  
SK 5-4-2017



**Harold Berthold**  
KC7BPI  
SK Sept 4, 2017



**Linda Sitterley**  
W7POF  
SK 9-28-2017



**Bill Jackson**  
W6HDP  
SK 12-13-2017



Blais Wight  
KB7FPP  
SK 7-3-2019

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

**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 a link to the KC7GHT 70 CM repeater in Phoenix. Everyone is welcome to join in.**

**147.000 morning roundtable, Tuesday and Friday. Control station  
Dan Crouch, KF7DC, Prescott Valley, AZ**



**KF7DC**

**147.000 morning roundtable, Sunday. Control Station  
Loren Singh, AE7CG, Prescott Valley, AZ**



**AE7CG**

The Sunday MMRG Roundtable continues to get from 6 to 16 check-ins each week. When net control AE7CG was away on a two-week motor trip, K7LMJ did a good job as substitute net control operator.

73,— Loren AE7CG

Sunday Morning Net Control (since June of 2014)

**147.000 morning roundtable Monday Control Station Bob Sitterley. K7POF, Chino Valley, AZ**



If someone that isn't already a morning roundtable control station is interested, I would like to turn the Monday Morning spot over to that person so that he/she could gain experience at being a control station and help other control stations when they are unable to take their morning for one reason or another.

73

K7POF

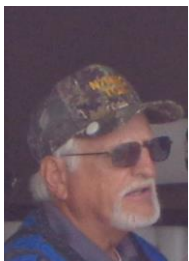
Bob Sitterley

**147.000 morning roundtable Thursday and Saturday Control Station. KF7SLM Jim Glendale, AZ**



As I mentioned on the air the other day, it would be good to announce the Fusion repeater and mention some of the advantages. The P, PV, CV & VV areas have taken on Fusion better than any others of which I am aware. The GM feature really appeals to me. I think the distance measure and call letters on screen greatly improve communications in the community. Great to see new calls which are often easy to miss or understand. Later it is much easier to develop a new ham relationship. The fact that hams with only analog radios can use a Fusion repeater should eventually make them to want to join the digital revolution.

73 de KF7SLM, Jim



**147.000 morning roundtable Wednesday Control Station. N7MMC Tom Dewey, AZ**

**Net control station Ken KK7KEN for the 7:30 PM Tuesday MMRG net**

Well, it appears that the summer is over and Jack Frost is hard at work. There was frost on my roof and truck this morning. Within a couple hours, the weather is beautiful and a great time to get to that outdoor work you have been putting off. It's a great time to be working on those antenna adjustments and replacements and maybe

checking your grounds for clean connections. Whatever needs attention now is the time to "Get Er Done". If you haven't heard, we now have a Yaesu Fusion repeater on the mountain as well as analog FM on 442.150, positive offset, with a PL tone of 100 Hertz. Remember, every Tuesday night at 7:30 PM, the MMRG has their net. So fire up your radio and grab a cup of Joe. Your participation is welcome.

73 Ken Rasbach KK7KEN

## **Prescott Valley Mercury Net Manager Sherwin, WB7NFX**

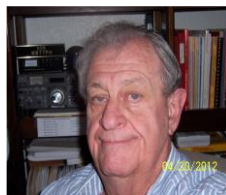
**147.000 Repeater Sunday nights at 8:00 PM**

The Prescott Area Mercury Net is just clicking along. We have had some good discussions on Ham topics and hope to continue. We probably will be taking about neighborhood communication in the near future using FRS radios along with Ham radio. 73

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**The comments for the editorial section of this newsletter follow. If you have editorial comments for the next newsletter please do so. Opinions here are not always that of the Mingus Mountain Repeater Group.** Anyone wanting to express an opinion (in good taste) send your comments to [k7pof@yahoo.com](mailto:k7pof@yahoo.com)

# **Prescott VE Team**



**Don, WB7TPH -- Prescott VE team leader**



ARRL

VEC

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

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If you have a question or problem, e-mail [testing@w7yrc.org](mailto:testing@w7yrc.org)

Upcoming Tests in Prescott, Arizona

## 2019 Schedule

For Schedule go to <http://www.w7yrc.org/arrl-vec/>

There is also a list of the practice exam test dates on that same website

**\*\*\*Follow these simple steps to your new license\*\*\***

**1.**

**[Click here to pre-register online](#)**

**Pre-registration is highly recommended to better serve you.**

**Pre-registration must be completed at least 48 hours prior to the test. If this is not possible, walk-ins will be accepted.**

**2.**

If you will be taking the Technician exam, you will be required to enter either your Social Security Number or Federal Registration Number (FRN) on the application form and test sheet.

For your safety, we recommend that you pre-apply for an FRN in advance of the test session. You do not have to hold any kind of license to apply for an FRN. This may 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.

**3.**

**Anyone with special needs** please call Don WB7TPH at 928-775-4690 or e-mail [testing@w7yrc.org](mailto:testing@w7yrc.org) a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the test date. We will do everything we can to accommodate you.

**4.**

**Come to the test location on time.** Tests are administered at the Jeep Posse Bldg. in Pioneer Park off Commerce Drive behind the outdoor hockey rink. Commerce is between Willow Creek Road and Pioneer Parkway (see map below)

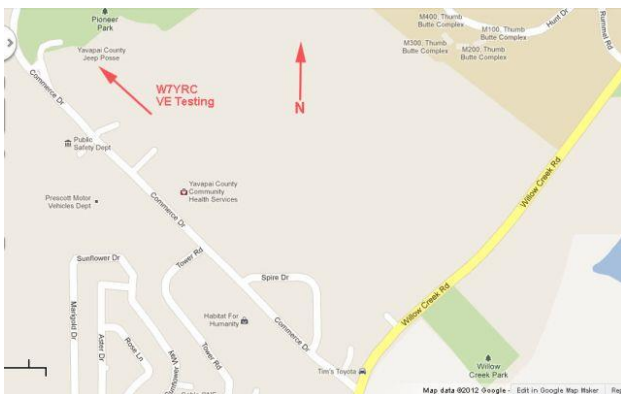
**5.**



Bring the following items to the test:

- ◆ Photo I.D.
- ◆ \$15.00 (Correct change please, or checks made payable to ARRL/VEC)
- ◆ Blue or black pen, and two #2 pencils and eraser
- ◆ Calculator. If you plan on using one, the memory must be cleared. Cell phones cannot be used as calculators. No exceptions!
- ◆ Current license. If you are upgrading, you MUST bring the signed original of your current license and a photocopy of the same license.

#### Map to test facility



#### GPS Coordinates

(34° 36' 42.69" N, 112° 27' 49.01" W) (Elevation 1602 meters)

#### Current Question Pools

- ◆ The current Technician Class question pool that became effective **July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2022.**
- ◆ The current General Class pool that became effective July 1, 2019 is valid until June 30, 2023
- ◆ The new Amateur Extra Class question pool - including graphics and diagrams - became effective July 1, 2016 and will remain valid until June 30, 2020.

# Arizona Amateur Radio Club VE Group

AARC club VE testing is held on the 4th Sunday of the month at 7:00 PM at the American Red Cross Building, 4747 N 22nd Street in Phoenix. Anyone wishing to take an amateur radio test given by AARC Volunteer Examiners should call or email Gary Hamman, K7GH, (email: [k7gh@arrl.net](mailto:k7gh@arrl.net) - phone: 602.996.8148) at least one day in advance of the test.

## Hamfest Calendar

26 October 2019

Copafest 2019

Hosted by the Maricopa Amateur Radio Association

UltraStar at Ak-Chin Circle, 16000 N Maricopa Road, Maricopa, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 7:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Set up begins at 5:00 AM.

Admission Donation is \$5.00 per person. Spaces are \$10.00 for two parking spaces.

Balloon Launch, VE Testing, Card Checking, Vendor Exhibits, Seminars, Prizes and more.

Many activities available in the Multitainment Center including laser tag, bowling, movies, games, dining and more.

Dining and Hotel also available.

For information, email [fest@copafest.org](mailto:fest@copafest.org) or visit the website at [www.copafest.org](http://www.copafest.org)

2 November 2019

HARKfest

Hosted by the Hassayampa Amateur Radio Klub

North Ranch Escapees RV Park, 30625 S Hwy 89, Congress, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Free Admission, Free Tailgate Sites (Pre-Registration Required - [bridges.slt@gmail.com](mailto:bridges.slt@gmail.com))

Overnight Camping (Full Hook-Up or Dry) Available. Tailgating permitted at campsite.

(Pre-Registration Required for camping at [northranch@escapees.com](mailto:northranch@escapees.com))

VE Testing Available - Must Pre-register ([cecarter39@yahoo.com](mailto:cecarter39@yahoo.com))

Prizes - ARRL Card Checking - Free Ham Radio Testing

Arts & Crafts Show at Activity Center 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM..

Hot Lunch will be served at Activity Center.

Talk-In 146.620 (pl 162.2) or 146.580 (simplex)

Web Site: [harkaz.org](http://harkaz.org)

Questions? Contact Duane Grooms, KD0KYK - [djgrooms@yahoo.com](mailto:djgrooms@yahoo.com)

9 November 2019

Oro Valley ARC Hamfest

Hosted by the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club

Marana Middle School, 11285 West Grier Rd, Marana, AZ

Gates open at 7:00 AM, closes at 1:00 PM.

Admission is \$5.00 which includes a bottle of water.

Children under 12 with a paid adult and students with any Arizona school ID are free.

Sellers spaces are \$10.00 per space and includes seller's admission.  
Indoor VE Session with pre-registration preferred, but not required. Email  
[licensing@tucsonhamradio.org](mailto:licensing@tucsonhamradio.org).  
Interesting Seminars - ARRL Card Checking and LOTW Assistance at ARRL Booth  
Food Truck for Breakfast and Lunch.  
Contact [hamfest@tucsonhamradio.org](mailto:hamfest@tucsonhamradio.org) for more information.  
Visit the website at [www.tucsonhamradio.org](http://www.tucsonhamradio.org).

**7 December 2019**  
**Superstition Superfest**  
Hosted by the Supersition Amateur Radio Club  
Mesa Community College, 1833 W Southern Ave, Mesa, AZ  
Click [HERE](#) for Map  
Hours are 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.  
Admission is \$5.00/person includes 1 door prize ticket) and children 12 and under free.  
Tailgate is \$10.00 for 2 spaces which includes 2 paid admissions tickets.  
VE Testing. Registration is from 8:00 to 9:00 AM with testing beginning at 9:00 AM.  
ARRL Card Checking, Special Event Station, GOTA Station,  
Fox Hunt, Prizes, Live Music, and Food Vendor will be available.  
Contact the Hamfest Chairman at [chairman@superstitionsuperfest.org](mailto:chairman@superstitionsuperfest.org) for more information.

**11 January 2020**  
**Thunderbird Hamfest 2020**

Hosted by the Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club  
Glendale Nazarene Church, 5902 W Cactus Road, Glendale, AZ  
Click [HERE](#) for Map  
Hours 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon  
Vendor set up Friday after 5:00 PM - Saturday after 6:00 AM  
Admission is \$5.00 per person (includes one door prize ticket), children under 12 Free  
Tailgate/Commercial Vendors \$10.00 per parking spot  
Grand Prizes - Hourly Prizes  
Seminars, ARRL QSL Card Checking, VE Testing (10:00 - 11:00 AM)  
Snacks and Beverages Available for Purchase  
No Firearms, Alcohol or Drugs Permitted  
Talk-In: 147.040 MHz - PI 162.2  
On-Site Announcements: 146.56 MHz Simplex  
Check the website for latest info: <http://www.tbirdfest.org/>  
Questions? - Email [hamfest@w7tbc.org](mailto:hamfest@w7tbc.org)