

**K7MRG/R Mingus MTN
147.000 + 600 PL 162.2
442.150 + 5 MHz PL 100 with analog as well as Fusion Digital audio**



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

April 2021 Newsletter

Ramblings from the President

EXTRA EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT

After consulting with a number MMRG board members as well as some of the net control stations we have decided to have the annual MMRG membership picnic this year.

Annual MMRG membership picnic Saturday May 8, 2021

Location: Home of K7POF in Chino Valley, AZ

Talk in 147.000 + 600 KHz PL 162.2 449.250 – 5 MHz PL 192.8

Door prizes and a 50-50 drawing as well

As usual this will be a potluck with drinks, hot dogs, brats, hamburgers and condiments furnished by MMRG. As usual, Tomy KF7GC will be here serving his delicious popcorn. We like to have everyone here by 11:30 AM so your potluck offering can be on the food tables by 12:00 noon.

We try to have the grill hot and cooking around 12 noon and also have the food on the potluck tables at that time as well.

Due to the number of attendees it might be a good idea to bring your own folding chairs.

Coffee will be on hand early so come early.

If you have a ham friend or friends that you think might be interested in becoming a member of MMRG bring them along.

The address is 171 Caliche Drive, Chino Valley, AZ.

The phone # is 928-308-1164. Directions are below.

Going north from Prescott on Arizona Hwy 89, in Chino Valley turn left at Center Street (stoplight). Go west about 3/4 of a mile to Caliche Drive, then turn left to 171 Caliche Drive. You can't miss all the antennas.

We like to have everyone here by 11:30 AM so that the potluck tables can be setup by 12:00 noon.

There is enough room in the yard that you are welcome to come Friday and dry camp with your RV and leave Sunday.

Due to some remaining concern about the pandemic, masks are optional. However please do not tease those that wish to wear a mask, it is their choice.

I will have a table or two set up at the picnic with some of the things that were left to MMRG by the late Ray, N6MY. Some is for sale and some of it is for the taking by paid up MMRG members.

2020-2021 Dues were due as of June 30, 2020. See Treasurer Notes further down this newsletter.

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, president MMRG



Tom Griswold WN7E Vice President MMRG



Lori Cripps WA7EDI Secretary MMRG

The amateur radio operators who are in the Phoenix area are forever grateful to the Mingus Mountain Repeater Group who have their 147.28 MHz repeater located in downtown Phoenix. It works well for us. The Arizona Red Cross Communications Club has an EchoLink connection, K7ARC-R, to the MMRG Repeater In downtown Phoenix, 147.28 MHz + offset with PL of 162.2, in downtown Phoenix, and that EchoLink connection is always on.

MMRG members are welcome to use the EchoLink connection to access the 147.28 repeater. The Red Cross has a Tuesday noon net on the 147.28 repeater.

Lori Cripps WA7EDI



Treasurer

There are still a number of you that have not paid your 20-21 MMRG dues. The MMRG membership picnic has been a good place to pay your MMRG dues. Since the postponement of the picnic in 2020 the renewals have been down quite a bit. Dues can be mailed to me at

MMRG c/o Bob Sitterley K7POF, 171 Caliche Drive, Chino Valley, AZ 86323 or sent via PayPal to

mmrginc@gmail.com Also if you want to bring them up to date and also pay for 2021-22 that can be done at

the upcoming May picnic. MMRG dues are still \$20.00 annually (the same as they were over 30 years ago).

MMRG's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30 the following calendar year.

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-21 or later in either black or blue. Blue is for memberships that are family. If you feel your paid thru date or other information is incorrect please notify me. My e-mail address is k7pof@yahoo.com

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

Bob, K7POF, MMRG Treasurer



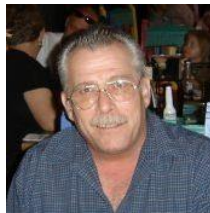
KB7CN now K7BUD
Jerry Roberts, Board and Technical Committee



BUTCH, K7JOG, MMRG Board Member



Gary Hamman, K7GH, MMRG Board Member



Ken, KK7KEN, MMRG Board Member



Ken, Tom N7MMC Board Member and Tech committee

MMRG Equipment for sale

From the Estate of Ray, N6MY:

Astron power supplies 6, 12, 20, 35 amp, numerous HF, VHF and UHF Antennas (both commercial as well as home brew), coaxial cable with and without connectors, and many other items as well.

Also contributed from another source a large quantity of 136 to 160 MHz 4 and 6 can duplexers.

Contact me: K7POF at 928-308-1164 or k7pof@yahoo.com

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

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



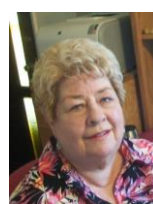
Russ Sherwin
AA7ZL
SK 3-6-2017



Max Treinen
KB7XU
SK 5-4-2017



Harold Berthold
KC7BPI
SK Sept 4, 2017



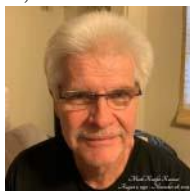
Linda Sitterley
W7POF
SK 9-28-2017



Bill Jackson
W6HDP
SK 12-13-2017



Blais Wight
KB7FPP
SK 7-3-2019



Mark Kesauer
N7KKQ
SK 11-28-2019



Joe Cutitta
W0SSL
SK 3-26-2020



Mary Rutledge
K9MEK
SK 4-13-2020



Art Zeller
KD6JEG
SK 4-5-2020



Phil Hazlett
WA7UID
SK 5-14-2020



Ray Tyrrell
N6MY
SK 10-24-2020



Ted Shelley
KF7QPG
SK Date ?

Please send any additions or corrections to Bob Sitterley K7POF 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, Friday and Saturday Control station
Ken Rasbach, KK7KEN, Chino Valley krasbach@gmail.com
Hello fellow HAMS

Well, the good weather is finally here (for now) and time for planting and cleaning up the yard. Better still, this virus lockdown is coming to an end. It will be wonderful to see many of you and to meet some that I've never

seen. We have picked up a number of people on the round table since all this started and it will be great to finally meet them. Hopefully we will have our springtime get-to-gather at Bob's. Until then, everyone have a great day every day.

73 Ken R KK7KEN



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

Sunday Roundtable — Approximately 6 to 12 stations check into the Sunday roundtable regularly. The subjects discussed are varied, and interest is sufficient to keep the sessions going for 55 minutes each Sunday.

73, Loren AE7CG — Net Control Operator



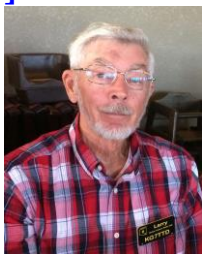
147.000 morning roundtable Monday control station Steve KI7YCE Paulden, AZ



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



147.000 morning roundtable Wednesday Control Station Tom Raczykowski, N7MMC, Dewey, AZ



147.000 morning roundtable Thursday control station Larry, KG7TTD, Prescott, AZ



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



Net control station Ken KK7KEN Chino Valley, AZ for the 7:30 PM Tuesday 147.000 MMRG net.

Ken Rasbach

**Prescott Valley Mercury Net Manager Sherwin, WB7NFX
147.000 Repeater Sunday nights at 8:00 PM**

The Prescott Area Mercury Net has not suffered from the pandemic; in fact we believe our social distancing has kept us on the go. We hope you all are doing fine.

Our net enjoys discussing items related to Ham Radio and we have learned from each other little odds and ends. It is a fun way to learn more. Some of our check-in's have up graded and more are working on it.

There is a new sister net, the West Valley Mercury Net, in the Valley of the Sun on the ARA repeater on White

Tanks Mt., Saturday 8AM. We wish them success.

73 Sherwin WB7NFX

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 No comments were received.

Prescott VE Team



Don, WB7TPH -- Prescott VE team leader



ARRL

VEC

Sponsored by Yavapai Amateur Radio Club

If you have a question or problem, e-mail testing@w7yrc.org

Upcoming Tests in Prescott, Arizona

For Schedule and testing details go to <http://www.w7yrc.org/arrrl-vec/>

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

Arizona Amateur Radio Club VE Group

AARC club ARRL VE testing is usually on the last Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM 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@arrrl.net - phone: 602.996.8148). Gary will need the registration for a session by the Thursday evening prior to the session. The April session has been changed to Sunday, April 25, at 3:00 PM.

Hamfest Calendar

10 April 2021

Radio Society of Tucson Spring Hamfest

Hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson

Elliott Electronic Supply, 1301 S Tyndall Ave, Tucson, AZ.

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 7:00 - 11:00 AM

Seller set up begins at 5:00 AM

Free Admission and On-Street Parking. Seller Spaces - \$10 per space.

ARRL Card Checking - Prizes.

Morning Snacks - Coffee ready at 6:00 AM

No Alcohol, Drugs, or Firearms.

Talk-In Frequencies:

FM: 145.250 MHz, Tone 156.7

For Information and Map, visit <http://www.k7rst.org>.

1 May 2021

Cochise Hamfest and

7th Region Communications Exercise

Hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association

Club Site, 2756 South Moson Road, Sierra Vista, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Gates open at 7:00 AM. Free Admission and Parking.

Tailgating - \$5. Inside Table - \$10. VE Testing from 9:00 until 11:30 AM.

Coffee, Pastry, and Drinks Available. Hourly Prizes with Main Prize drawing at 12:00 Noon.

Talk-In on 146.76(-) PL 162.2 Hz. Watch for more details.

25 September 2021

Radio Society of Tucson Fall Hamfest

Hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson
For Information and Map, visit <http://www.k7rst.org>

30 October 2021

Copafest

Hosted by the Maricopa Amateur Radio Club
The Ultrastar at AK-Chin Circle, 16000 N Maricopa Road, Maricopa, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 7:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Admission Donation is \$5.00 per person.

Spaces are \$10.00 for two parking spaces. Set up begins at 5:00 AM.

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 or visit the website at www.copafest.org.

6 November 2021

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)

4 December 2021

Superstition Superfest

Hosted by the Superstition Amateur Radio Club

Time and Location To Be Announced.

Visit the web site at - superstitionsuperfest.org - for details.