

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



**K7MRG/R Phoenix
147.280 + 600 PL 162.2 Hz**

April 2023 Newsletter

Ramblings from the President

It is with great sadness that I have to report the passing of long time member of MMRG, Butch Merrill K7JOG formerly KC7MBR, passed away March 17, 2023.

For the last 9 years Butch served as a MMRG board member.

Butch has had off and on health issues for many years. Our hearts are out to Butches Family.

Annual MMRG Picnic and Membership meeting Saturday May 20, 2023.

**To be held again this year at the home of Bob K7POF 171 Caliche Drive
Chino Valley, AZ 86323 928-308-1164 Cell Phone k7pof@yahoo.com**

**Talk in 147.000 + 600 KHZ PL 162.2 449.250 – 5 MHz PL 192.8
Simplex 146.500**

Instructions on next page

How to get here

Going north in Chino Valley on Arizona Hwy 89, 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.

After lunch there will be a very short business meeting. The board is looking forward to your comments about the group and repeaters.

Feel free to bring a Ham guest or two in hopes we can increase the membership of MMRG.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you here.

It would be appreciated if you can get here with your potluck dish by at least 11:30 AM so we can get the food line setup.

For those of you members or guests that have not been to our picnics before, it is a potluck picnic with MMRG furnishing Hot dogs, Brats, Hamburgers, water, coffee and soft drinks.

As usual this year we will have KF7GC Tomy and Debbie Ivan with their delicious fresh popcorn.

We encourage you to come early Saturday AM, there will be hot coffee starting at 9 AM or earlier. Some attendees arrive a day or so before and camp out in yard. There are minimal hookups but you are welcome to come and dry camp a day or so as well.

We try to have the grill hot and cooking around 11:30 AM, and have the food on the potluck tables by 12 noon.

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

73

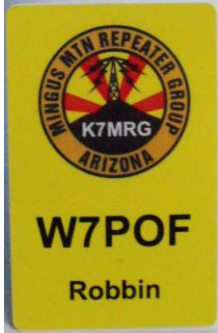
Bob K7POF

If someone is interested in doing this newsletter get in touch with me at bobk7pof@gmail.com.

There are no new MMRG members to report since the January newsletter.

I made arrangements over a year ago with a different Supplier for the MMRG badges. We are going to stick with the same color badge background as with the last supplier, blue for MMRG officers and board members and yellow for others. These badges are more colorful than the badges we have had in the past. When I order four or more badges all sent to me, the price to you will be \$10.00 + \$2.25 if you desire the magnet attachment. Those of you that would like to have me order a badge, get the \$10.00 or \$12.25 along with call, name and what attachment you want (clip, pin or magnet) to me within the next 2 weeks.

Anyone wanting to order direct from the supplier, your badge will be mailed directly to you and the cost will be about \$14.00 for either pin or clip attachment and \$2.25 extra if you want the magnet attachment, including postage for one badge.



In the picture above, the Yellow is more vivid on the actual badge.
The supplier is: Harlan Technologies Custer, WI. Phone # 715-340-1299.
Web site is [Harlan Technologies \(hampubs.com\)](http://HarlanTechnologies.com)

73, Bob, K7POF



Tom Griswold WN7E Vice President MMRG

From the Vice-President:

Tom, WN7E



Lori Cripps WA7EDI Secretary MMRG



Treasurer

2022-23 MMRG Fiscal Year Dues are past due. The MMRG annual Dues are still \$20.00 as they have been for many years. In fact the 2023 - 2024 fiscal year will be upon us in a couple of months.

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

Attached with this newsletter is a current roster, if you go to the 11th column entitled "Thru", you will see the fiscal year you are paid up through. If you are current it will say Jun-23 or later in either black or blue. Blue is for memberships that are family. If you find that you aren't listed that means that you aren't at least paid up thru 2022-23. If you feel you are paid up 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 SK 3-17-2023



Gary, K7GH, MMRG Board Member

--Gary Hamman, K7GH



Ken, KK7KEN, MMRG Board Member

Well, March came in like a lion, hopefully it goes out like a lamb. I'm pretty tired of this weather, but I shouldn't complain. At least my antenna has held up.

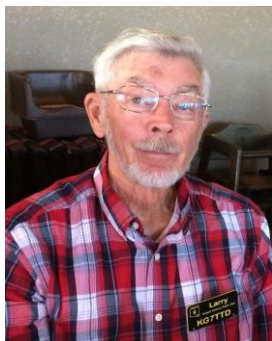
Unfortunately, some with larger antennas didn't fare so well. The good news is it wasn't long and they were up and running again. Rag chewing is a great way to pass the time when the weather is miserable.

I'm looking forward to the next get together at Bob's (K7POF). It's always great to see old friends and meet new ones. Until then, stay warm and dry

73 Ken Rasbach KK7KEN



Tom, N7MMC, Board Member and Tech committee



Larry, KG7TTD, Board Member



Ray, KI7COM, Board member

Roundtable Lurker

I'm proud to be a lurker. Why? I love ham radio and the morning round table. I enjoy listening to the conversations between MMRG Members and visitors. It gives me information about my club members and local news. I'm always doing something during this time period. Being an active participant just doesn't work for me. I am not alone in this practice. I use the Mingus Repeater a lot but just not during the roundtable. This does not make me a bad member of MMRG. In fact, it opens up more time to the members who participate in the roundtable.

73 Ray KI7COM

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

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



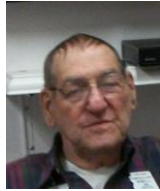
Bill Jackson
W6HDP
SK 12-13-2017



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 ?



Bill Herberg
K7RTH
SK July 2021?



Lee Vaughn
K7ZHZ
SK July 17, 2021



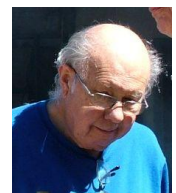
Mel Boreham
N6BDC
SK Aug, 2021?



Peggy Williams
KD7AWU
SK July 27, 2021



Mike Williams
KC7QKS
SK Aug 8, 2021



Ted Hartson
WA8ULG
SK 10-4-2021



Sandy Pemberton
KD7GJH
SK Nov 10, 21



Butch Merrill
K7JOG
SK March 17, 2023

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.

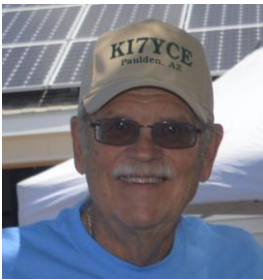
73 Ken Rasbach KK7KEN

147.000 morning roundtable, Friday and Saturday Control Station
Ken Rasbach, KK7KEN, Chino Valley k7pof@yahoo.com



Loren AE7CG Sunday Morning Roundtable Control Station

Sunday morning roundtable continues to get 6 to 12 regular check-ins.
The net concludes on time, and all participants are civil and well-behaved.
73, Loren AE7CG
MMRG Sunday NCS



147.000 morning roundtable Monday Control Station

Steve Govedich, KI7YCE, Paulden, AZ



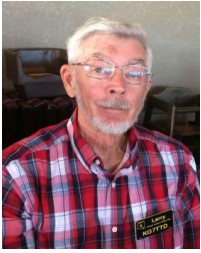
147.000 morning roundtable Tuesday Control Station

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 Dorrell,
KG7TTD, Prescott, AZ**



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



**147.000 MMRG net 7:30 PM Tuesday Net Control Station
Ken Rasbach, KK7KEN, Chino Valley, AZ.**

73 KK7KEN



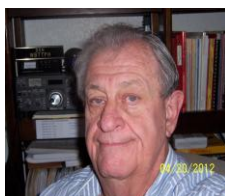
**Prescott Valley Mercury Net Manager Sherwin, WB7NFX
147.000 Repeater Sunday nights at 8:00 PM**

Not much new with the Prescott Area Mercury Net. We have about 20 participants and some lively topics occasionally.

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

Prescott VE Team



Don, WB7TPH -- Prescott VE team leader
For dates go to
[ARRL / VEC License Examinations | W7YRC](#)



ARRL

VEC

Sponsored by Yavapai Amateur Radio Club

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

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@arrl.net - phone: 480 216-2665). Gary will need the registration for a session by the Thursday evening prior to the session.

Hamfest Calendar

8 April 2023

April Hamfest at DeVry

Hosted by the Arizona Amateur Radio Club and
the Arizona Red Cross Communications Club (K7ARC)
DeVry University, 2149 W Dunlap Avenue, Phoenix, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 7:00 AM until 11:00 AM.

Admission donation - \$5.00. Tailgate Spaces - \$10.00 each.

VE Testing at 9:00 AM. ARCA Meeting at 11:00 AM. Repeater Owners' Meeting
at 9:00 AM

DX QSL Card Checking from 9:00 to 10:00 AM.

Prizes - Coffee - Donuts - Sodas.

Talk-In on 147.280 (+) PL 162.2 Hz

For more information or to reserve a space, contact
Gary Hamman at k7gh@arrl.net or 480.216.2665.

6 May 2023

Cochise Hamfest

Hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association
Club Site, 2756 S Moson Rd, 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.

13 May 2023

Prescott Hamfest

Hosted by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club
Ganville Elementary School, 5250 Stover Drive, Prescott Valley, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 8:00 AM until 12:00 Noon

General Admission is \$5.00 per person

Full time students with student ID and those 16 years and younger are free

Swapfest spaces - \$10.00 each (maximum 3 spaces)

Pre-registration for spaces is advised - www.prescotthamfest.org

RVs, Campers, and Trailers will not be permitted due to limited space

Sorry - No guns, Drugs, Alcohol, Smoking, Vaping, or Fireworks

Only leashed animals are permitted

Visit www.prescotthamfest.org for additional details

15 July 2023

Flagstaff Hamfest

Presented by the Northern AZ DX Association

ARCA Sponsored

Sinagua Middle School, 3950 E Butler Ave, Flagstaff, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Vendors, Tailgaters, Seminars, ARRL Forum, DXCC Card Checking

Grand and Hourly Prizes, Food & Drinks

and Much, Much More!

More Details to Follow

Web Site: <https://flagstaffhamfest.org>

11 November 2023

Tucson Hamfest

Hosted by the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club
Marana Middle School, 11285 W Grier Road, Marana, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Gates open at 7:00 AM (5:00 AM for sellers) - Closes at 1:00 PM

\$5.00 Admission includes a bottle of water

Children under 12 are free with a paid adult. Students are free with any AZ school ID

Seller spaces - \$10.00 per space (includes the seller)

Indoor VE session. Pre-registration preferred -

email licensing@tucsonhamradio.org

ARRL Card Checking, Interesting Seminars, Prizes! Food Truck available for
Breakfast and Lunch

Contact hamfest@tucsonhamradio.org for more information.