

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

## **April 2024 Newsletter**



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

### **Ramblings from the President**

**The 2024 MMRG membership picnic will again be held at my  
home in Chino Valley, AZ**

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

### **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 there.

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.

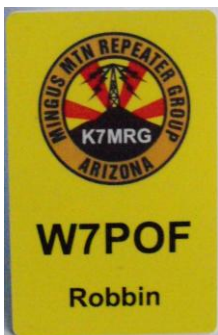
We encourage you to come early Saturday AM, there will be hot coffee starting around 9 AM or earlier. Some attendees arrive a day or so before and camp out in yard. There are minimal hookups but you are welcome to come and dry camp a day or so as well.

We try to have the grill hot and cooking around 11:30 AM, and have the food on the potluck tables by 12:00.

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

I Hope to see you here.

**I made arrangements over 2 years 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 + \$1.00 if you desire the magnet attachment. Those of you that would like to have me order a badge, get the \$10.00 or \$11.00 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(hampubs.com))**

I am also taking orders for **MMRG License plates**

**As you can see some have black lettering and some have red.**

**Note the red lettering fades.**



These plates will be sent to me and I will get them to you. They are now \$14.00 each please pay in advance.

**73, Bob, K7POF**



**Tom Griswold WN7E Vice President MMRG**



**N7BUD Bud Winters Secretary MMRG**

**Bud was a winner at the AARC/ARCRC swap meet at Devry March 30 last month.**



**Treasurer Bob K7POF**

**The MMRG annual Dues are still \$20.00 as they have been for many years.**

**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-24 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 2023-24. **A lot of members find the Picnic in May is a good time and place to pay their dues.**

If you feel you are paid up or other information is incorrect please notify me. My e-mail address is

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

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

Bob, K7POF, MMRG Treasurer



**Gary, K7GH, MMRG Board Member**



**Ken, KK7KEN, MMRG Board Member**

Hello fellow amateur radio operators. Have you noticed an uptick in participants in our MMRG? In the past couple of months, I've added a number of new people to my list for the Tuesday MMRG net and also the Round Table. It's great to see our group attracting new members. Some are here most of the time and some now and then but either way it's good for the MMRG. It helps keep our group fresh and interesting. Looking forward to the next picnic so that I can meet with the new members.

73,  
KK7KEN



**Tom, N7MMC, Board Member and Tech committee**



**Larry, KG7TTD, Board Member**

Here is a short story:

A couple of weeks ago while camping in southern Arizona, the Ham Radio Brotherhood surfaced. While setting up camp in Tubac, I noticed a ham antenna a couple of sites down from ours. The next morning, I made contact with the individual (Mike) who spends 5 months during winter at the campground. Through conversation, I found that he uses repeaters along the Eastern side of Arizona and makes contacts as far north as Flagstaff. I shared information about our morning group with him. Along with my friend Doug and I, we made up a group of fine hams in the camp. Small world.

Larry,  
KG7TTD



**Ray, KD7RK, Board member**



**Steve Stock WAØA, Board and Technical Committee**



**MMRG Historian and get well/ sympathy Card lady Robbin McCoy,  
W7POF**

## **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**  
WI6S



**Chet Funk**  
K7ZKL



**Betty and Ken Hinderliter**  
N7UBE K7HQQ



**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**  
NS7A  
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



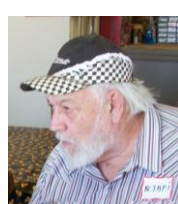
**Bill Boggs**  
KD7VLL  
SK 1-4, 2017



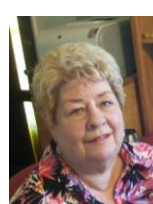
**Russ Sherwin**  
AA7ZL  
SK 3-6-2017



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



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



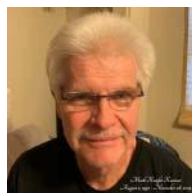
**Linda Sitterley**  
W7POF  
SK 9-28-2017



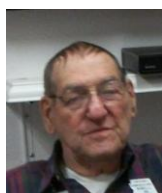
**Bill Jackson**  
W6HDP  
SK 12-13-2017



**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



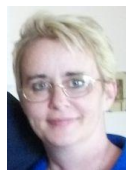
**Ted Hartson**  
WA8ULG  
SK 10-4-2021



Sandy Pemberton  
KD7GJH  
SK Nov 10, 21



Butch Merrill  
K7JOG  
SK March 17, 2023



Sherry Herring  
KF7FVZ  
SK April 10, 2023

No Picture

Ron King  
KI7YNN  
SK Oct 30, 23



Lori Cripps  
WA7EDI  
SK Nov 8, 23

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, Friday and Saturday Control Station  
Ken Rasbach, KK7KEN, Chino Valley [krasbach@gmail.com](mailto:krasbach@gmail.com)**



**Loren AE7CG Sunday Morning Roundtable Control Station**

The Sunday Roundtable continues to attract up to a dozen stations to check in. EchoLink helps Pat N7ATG stay in touch with the group when he is on the road in places like New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. The Sunday group looks forward to the annual MMRG picnic in May.

73, Loren AE7CG  
Net Control Station

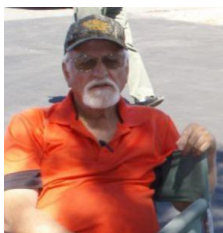


**147.000 morning roundtable Monday Control Station  
Steve Govedich, KI7YCE, Paulden, AZ**





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



**147.000 morning roundtable Wednesday Control Station**  
**Tom Raczynski, 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 morning roundtable alternate Control Station**  
**Mike Rhodes K7LMJ, Prescott, AZ**



**147.000 morning roundtable alternate Control Station**  
**Debbie Kolman W1QT, Prescott Valley, AZ**



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



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

**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**  
**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](mailto:testing@w7yrc.org)

## Arizona Amateur Radio Club VE Group

AARC 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](mailto:k7gh@arrrl.net) - phone: 480 216-2665). Gary will need the registration for a session by the Thursday evening prior to the session.

# Hamfest Calendar

6 April 2024

## Tucson Spring Hamfest

Hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson

Calvary Tucson Church, 8711 E Speedway, Tucson, AZ

Click [HERE](#) for Map

Hours are 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM with seller set up starting at 6:00 AM

Admission and Parking are Free.

Seller/Vendor spaces are \$10.00 per parking space. Seller spaces are shaded.

Morning snacks provided by Scout Troop 157 and Pack 705.

For map and more information, visit the web site at <http://www.k7rst.org>

20 April 2024

# Prescott Hamfest

Hosted by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club  
Granville 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 are \$10.00 each with a maximum of 3 spaces.

Pre-registration for spaces is advised - [www.prescotthamfest.org](http://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](http://www.prescotthamfest.org) for additional details

May 4, 2024

# Cochise Hamfest

Hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association  
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(-) PI 162.2 Hz

Visit Web Site for more Info - <http://k7rdg.org>

July 2024

# Flagstaff Hamfest

Hosted by the Northern Arizona DX Association  
Grand Prizes, Hourly Prize Drawings, Tailgating, Lunch On-Site  
Presentations, Inside Vendors, VE Exams, 2-Meter Talk-In.

**Watch for more details.**

For more information, visit the website at [FlagstaffHamfest.org](http://FlagstaffHamfest.org) or [NADXA.com/Events/Hamfest.org](http://NADXA.com/Events/Hamfest.org). Or send an email to: [President@NADXA.com](mailto:President@NADXA.com)