Club Address: EAARS P.O. Box 398 Solomon, AZ 85551 http://www.eaars.com

April 2013

7th Area QSO Party Participation

The decision has also been made that this will be the LAST year for this type of large deployment for this particular contest. Any future participation will be under different leadership and a deployment to be decided at that time.

The rules and other items particular to the 7QP can be viewed at http://www.ws7n.net/7QP/new/Page.asp?content=rules. Take a look at http://www.ws7n.net/7QP/new/K7ZO_7QP_Op_Cat_Records.pdf and you will notice that EAARS owns the 3 highest all-time records for the category in which EAARS operates, and all categories. The intent, if propagation allows, is to raise the bar even higher by setting a new all-time record; eclipsing the excellent performance of last year.

The plan is to stage major items to the site on Wednesday the 1st of May. Tower and antenna assembly will take place on Thursday. Tower erection and antenna mounting will be done on Friday. The contest begins at 6 AM Saturday morning and continues until midnight; a total of 18 hours. Teardown and loading will be done early Sunday morning.

There have been enough commitments to ensure the 'show will go on'. BUT, we can always use more hands. Plus you get the opportunity to learn techniques and skills you can use at your home stations. **Anyone is welcome. Invite** everyone to come and participate. The site is

one mile from the pavement of US Hwy 70 on the Cox Ranch Road, a graded County road which is OK for passenger cars.

Mark your calendars and make plans to come and enjoy the outing. There is plenty of room for campers and travel trailers. Just remember that it is a dry camp. EAARS will provide the Porta-Potty.

If there are any questions Thanks, and have a great weekend. 73 de Milt, *N5IA*

EAARS OPEN REPEATERS

PL IS 141.3 UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE HELIOGRAPH PEAK: 146.860, 440.700 LINKED 146.900 ECHOLINK AND IRLP

145.010 PACKET 447.825 WITH CLOSED REMOTE BASE PL 100.0 OR 141.3

JACKS PEAK, NM: 145.210 LINKED

PINAL PEAK: 145.410 LINKED

SOUTH MT AT ALPINE: 145.270 LINKED

GREENS PEAK: 146.700 LINKED

MULE MT: 147.080 LINKED

MT. LEMMON: 147.160 LINKED

GUTHRIE PEAK: 147.280 LINKED

Tucson Ham Radio Picnic

Saturday, April 13th, 2013

Christopher Columbus Park

Ramada #4

12 Noon - 4pm

www.tucsonhampicnic.com

This is a family event and ALL are invited. In addition to a great Ramada, there is also a lake and a playground right next to the Ramada. The kids always have a great time.

This is a potluck style picnic. You are encouraged to bring something to share. Keep in mind that the lunch line usually starts at noon.

You are encouraged to setup HF or other stations in the park to promote Ham Radio. We usually see a few demo stations set up.

We will do our GROUP photo somewhere between 1pm and 2pm. Usually after everyone has finished lunch.

All information and details about the picnic can be found at www.tucsonhampicnic.com.

This is NOT a club affiliated picnic. This is simply a picnic that was created by Terry - KB5B (sk) and his wife Dee (KE7BYP) who strongly believed that Hams and families should have the chance to meet face to face at least twice a year and have a Eyeball QSO Picnic. We continue to carry on Terry's wishes.

Sign up for the potluck now so that we can keep a list of what people are bringing so that there are not a lot of duplicates.

See you all at the picnic.

Chris - N7JND & Angie - N7EMB

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Repeaters Status

The 146.700, Greens Peak, repeater is currently out of service.

The 145.410, Pinal Pk, link radio is also currently acting up. pay close attention to the reset beep after your transmissions, if you don't hear the beep there is a good chance that you were not heard on the rest of the network.

Currently access to the mountains is limited to Sno-Cat machine. Operation will be restored once access is arranged.



Ham License Testing

There are four monthly VE test sessions in the **Tucson Area.**

Lighthouse YMCA/ARRL: First Thursday Contact Matt, AC7IL, veregistration@ac7il.org

Oro Valley/ARRL: First Saturday Contact David, AK2L, ak2l@arrl.net

RST/Laurel (No Fee): Second Monday Contact Diane, AA3OF, dzimmerman2002@gmail.com

Jacobs Park YMCA/ARRL: Third Saturday Contact Fred, K70FA, k7ofa@arrl.net

Graham / Greenlee County Area

For VE testing on request, please contact Dave, *N7AM*, and he will arrange it.

Technician License Class - Tucson

Every Tuesday, 6:30 - 9:00pm at TMC. Contact Dan, KC7VDA for info. kc7vda@gmail.com

Coming Events

Near and Far...

• Texas State Parks on the Air: April 6-7

http://tspota.com/site/index

- Tucson Ham Radio Picnic: April 13
 www.tucsonhampicnic.com
- New Mexico QSO Party: April 13
 http://pages.swcp.com/~n5zgt/nmqsoparty/
- QRP To The Field: April 27
 http://www.zianet.com/qrp/qrpttf/2013_002.htm

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Ham Radio Class

Now Forming

Get your Technician (entry level) or General

Amateur Radio License

This license will help you communicate when all else fails, when camping, for fun, biking, hiking and many more activities and is your gateway to the world-wide excitement of Amateur Radio

Where?

Flight Safety International 1071 Aero Park Blvd (About a ½ mile south of the Casino on Old Nogales)

When?

Classes start on Sunday, 21 April 2013, 9:00 to 11:00 AM
Classes will continue through 26 May 2013 and will include review and FCC license testing

How much will it cost?

\$30 which includes study materials - to be paid when registering

The RST Amateur Radio Club supplies certified instructors and FCC licensed test administrators with no fee.

REGISTER EARLY TO ASSURE A SPACE AND TEXT BOOK



To register

Contact:
David Holman, AC7D5
radiodadenator@gmail.com or
520-241-4405 (Texts are good too)



Send Event and Calendar additions to newsletter@eaars.com

Radiosport End of a Era

The 2013 7th Area QSO Party will be the final year that the Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio Society (EAARS) will host one of the largest and most dominating portable/Field Day style contest stations in Arizona.

EAARS invites ALL Amateur radio operators with a interest in contesting to join us for this final event! Come out and participate for one, two or all three days!

Come have fun, and maybe get a idea or two for your own Field Day operation in June!

May 2-3 Setup May 4 Contest

Contact Milt, N5IA, (qrz.com for email) for more information

or

http://www.eaars.org

7QP information and rules at:

http://ws7n.net/7QP/new/page.asp?content=start

