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Jamboree On The Air

The weekend of October 17-19 was a busy one for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts worldwide as they participated in the International "Jamboree-On-The-Air" or JOTA. This event originated in Great Britain and was first held in 1957 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Scouting.

WN7BSA represented the scouts of southeastern Arizona by operating from the Double-V Scout Ranch just southwest of Tucson. Boy Scouts from Pima, Cochise, and Santa Cruz Counties participated in the event.

WN7BSA operated on 20, 17, 15, 10, and 2 meters. Modes used were D-Star, SSB, 2-meter FM simplex and repeater, and 10-meter FM simplex. Somewhere between 80 and 90 Webelos and Scouts were introduced the world of amateur radio. We had a total of 68 contacts in twelve states and four countries.

The Radio Society of Tucson (*K7RST*) provided equipment and radio supervision for the *WN7BSA* operation. The great, youth-oriented, amateur radio operators from the RST Club were Don (*KD7UIZ*), Matt (*NG2Q*), Mike (*K7BUM*), and Carlos (*KG7IOZ*).

A number of licensed Boy Scouts from various Tucson area troops (and WN7BSA club members) also participated in a supervisory role by showing other scouts how it is done. These were Chris *KG7EXA*, Kyle *KG7EXC*, Ray *KG7IPA*, Pete *KG7IPI*, Sage *KG7IQO*,

Kyle KG7EXC, Ray KG7IPA, Pete KG7IPI, Sage KG7IQO, and Sean KG7IPF.

In the future *WN7BSA* will be on the air from time to time making contacts from weekend campouts, radio contests, and special events.

We all wish to thank all the members of the EAARS organization for their patience with us on Saturday,

October 18th when we really put the EAARS system to use.

Very 73 from Chris, *KG7EXA* Charter Member, Scout Troop 774 Kyle, *KG7EXC* Charter Member, Scout Troop 774

Joe, *K3TYE*Club Trustee, Mentor
Assistant Scout Master Troop 157

Don, *KD7UIZ* Activity Advisor

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MT. LEMMON AT TUCSON, AZ

GUTHRIE PEAK, AT CLIFTON, AZ:

147.160 LINKED

147.280 LINKED

Fall 2014 Tucson Ham Radio Picnic

The Tucson Ham Radio Picnic was held on October 19th in Tucson. We had 123 people sign the sign-in sheet. This is certainly an all time record for the picnic. The picnic was created by Terry Hashman, KB5B over 10 years ago. Terry became a silent key a few years back and my wife Angie, N7EMB and I and Don, KD7UIZ, promised to carry on his dream that Ham's should get together twice a year for an Eyeball QSO Picnic. Terry and his wife Dee (KE7BYP) came to many of the picnics and it was an honor to have known him and we still talk to Dee regularly even though she now lives outside of Arizona. Many of us reading this, was at his memorial picnic we held in his honor. Those photos are also viewable on our website. I would also like to thank the RST Radio Days in the Park group for coming out and setting up their great stations.

Angie and I would like to thank the many EAARS members that came to the picnic. Many of you, we already knew and we also met many new people we have talked to and have never met. It's an honor to know each and every

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one of you and to learn your stories. Everyone has a unique story to tell about themselves, and a picnic gathering is a great way to share and hear them. Thank You EAARS members for supporting our picnic.

I have posted the many photos and videos taken by myself and others such as WD7F, W1JTS, K7ADX and N3IDN. If you would like to view these photos or simply learn about the Tucson Ham Picnic, please visit our website at www.tucsonhampicnic.com.

It was an excellent picnic and we are already looking forward to the next one on April 18th, 2015. See You There. Chris Buchanan, N7/ND

Loving On My Ham Radio Community

I am a Native Tucsonan, born and bred. I was also in Human Resources for 25 years. I have gotten the pleasure (and sometimes, not so pleasurable) of meeting a lot of people in many aspects of life. I have gotten to know the many personalities that exist. In many cases, positive and then a few, not so positive.

I was introduced to the Ham Radio community when I met my husband, Chris, NTJND in 1996. Yet another group of people I had to analyze! The human resources never leaves you even when you leave human resources. Some of the people I met just seemed too good to be true. First impressions can be lasting...until they change your opinion.

Community Service and kids are my greatest passions. I have been involved with our community for most of my life through employers and my own personal choice, even at a young age. You get to meet those who have the same passion.

2004 was the most difficult year for our family. We experienced three tragedies in a matter of eight weeks. I was already volunteering for the *American Cancer Society* and aware of their available resources. I was introduced to *March for Babies* when we lost our unborn granddaughter. What these two organizations provide and do are just unbelievable. They will help you no matter what your circumstances are!

Still grieving, I decided to step up my game. I had to do more! I became involved with *March for Babies*. Joining walks and raising money was not enough for me. In 2006 I combined my passion for my community with ham radio. Granted I was new to ham radio but not new to our community. This was going to be a cinch. I already had a bucket of ham friends, just had to convince them of my passion. Knowing my passion, they didn't hesitate to jump right in!

After many years of helping our community, you meet the ones who *love* doing what YOU do! Who *love* giving back and don't expect anything in return! These are the folks I *love* talking about! They don't do it for recognition. They don't do it for anything but to help their community and to help me. They are truly a ham radio community I believe in! Those are MY ham radio folks! They have become my good friends. I can count on them throughout the year. I will announce my events a good month prior and there they are, responding to help! I also get to meet new hams who hear about my events and want to chip in. Even at the last minute I will try to fit in a new volunteer. I will never turn down help for our community!

I cannot thank My Ham Radio Community enough for all they do to help out in so many events throughout the year! Not just my events, but any event that calls for their assistance! Thank You ALL so very much for ALL you do! It is truly appreciated from the bottom of my heart! I LOVE MY HAM RADIO COMMUNITY!

Angie Buchanan, N7EMB

(All of my articles are written as my own opinion and they are never meant to hurt or discredit anyone. I like to write and I love my family and friends. Angie)

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, AA30F, 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...

- Zombie Shuffle: Nov 7
 www.zianet.com/qrp/zombie/zombie.htm
- ARRL Sweepstakes-SSB: Nov 15-17 www.arrl.org/sweepstakes
- Run for the Bacon: Nov 17 fpqrp.org/pigrun/
- EAARS Meeting: Nov 18
- CQWWDX-CW: Nov 28-30 www.cqww.com/rules.htm

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Send Event and Calendar additions to newsletter@eaars.com

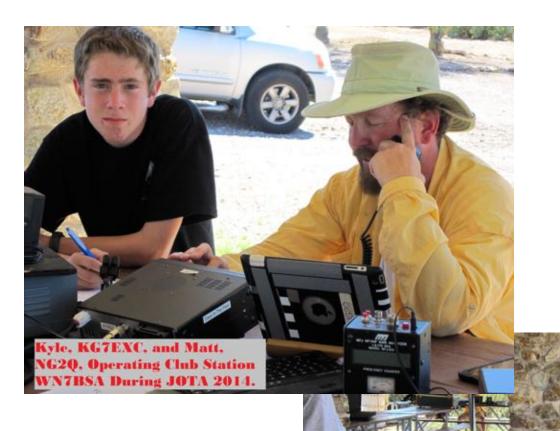
EAARS Badges

Club badges are now available, see: www.eaars.com/newsletter/badges.htm For ordering information. Show your club colors!









JOTA 2014

Ray, KG7IPA, Operating

Club Station WN7BSA During The 2014 Boy Scout

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Sage, KG71QO, Operating Milub Station WN7BSA
During JOTA 2014. Sage
Is In Troop 733.

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