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October 2015

Tucson Ham Radio Fall Picnic

Calling all EAARS members and users of the EAARS system... The fall edition of the Tucson Ham Radio Picnic is approaching. Please join us on Sunday, October 18th, at Reid Park in central Tucson for a fun day in the park. All Hams and their family members are invited to this great Ham Radio event. This picnic was created by Terry – KB5B (sk) because he had strong belief that Hams should gather twice a year for an Eyeball QSO Picnic. Right before Terry's passing; a core group of Hams promised him that we would carry on his wish and dreams. One of his biggest requests, was this picnic was NEVER to be affiliated with any club or group. So, it's simply known as "The Tucson Ham Radio Picnic".

This is a pot luck picnic and we have a potluck list at www.tucsonhampicnic.com. If you are planning on attending, please submit an entry from our requested items list or bring your own thoughts for the potluck table. We created the potluck list in hopes of NOT getting 30 bags of potato chips.

The RST Radio Days in the Park group will be attending to promote Ham Radio to the public by setting up their portable stations and operating from the park. You are invited to join them by bringing your own gear.

We usually start gathering around 11:30am and the lunch bell sounds at 12 noon. Right after lunch, we will gather for a Group Photo. Usually between 1:00pm-1:30pm.

PLEASE NOTE: At the time of submitting this article, it's never known about the status of drinks. Until further notice, plan on bringing YOUR OWN DRINKS & ICE. Watch the website's Potluck List for drink status.

Looking forward to seeing ALL of you at the Tucson Ham Radio Picnic on **October 18th**. See www.tucsonhampicnic.com for all the details including a map to the park. Our Talk In frequency will be 146.520 simplex. **73** Chris – N7JND, Angie – N7EMB and Don – KD7UIZ

EAARS OPEN REPEATERS

PL 141.3 UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE ECHOLINK: 614350 IRLP: 7787 HELIOGRAPH PEAK AT SAFFORD, AZ: 146.860, 440.700 LINKED 146.900 JACKS PEAK AT SILVER CITY, NM: 145.210 LINKED WEST PEAK AT FT THOMAS, AZ: 145.350 ACCESS TO LINK TO NETWORK PINAL PEAK AT GLOBE, AZ: 145.410 LINKED SOUTH MT AT ALPINE, AZ: 145.270 LINKED CABALLO MT AT TORC, NM: 145.470 LINKED GREENS PEAK AT SHOW LOW, AZ: 146.700 LINKED LITTLE FLORIDA AT DEMING, NM: 147.060 LINKED MULE MT AT BISBEE, AZ: 147.080 LINKED MT. LEMMON AT TUCSON, AZ 147.160 LINKED GUTHRIE PEAK, AT CLIFTON, AZ:

147.280 LINKED

Ham Radio Represented at State STEM Conference

The Vail Vaquero's 4H Ham Radio Project has been invited to attend the 21st Century STEM: Integrate to Innovate Conference in 2016!

This is an exciting opportunity for Ham Radio and an honor for the students to be invited. They will have an opportunity to showcase the project and generate interest in Ham Radio! Way to go Vail Vaquero's!

Lani Dzicek N3IDN

Gals Night

Fall/Winter Net
Sept 7th – Dec 28st

Monday's 7:30 PM
Arizona time

On any of the EAARS repeaters

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2015 EAARS Picnic was Great!

If you missed the 2015 EAARS picnic you missed a great time! The turnout was high and the food outstanding!

Congratulations to Mike, K7BUM, for winning the \$100 HRO gift certificate drawing!

Milt's, N5IA, presentation on the 2008 VP6DX DX pedition to Ducie Island was wonderful and he was giving out signed shells from Ducie! How cool!

Thanks to the officers and other volunteers that helped make this picnic another experience to remember. See photos from the event elsewhere in this newsletter.









2015 EAARS Picnic















The following article and photos were intended to be in the September Newsletter but were left out by mistake.



KG7EXA and KG7IQO working the WN7BSA booth at the ARISS Contact STEM Event.

From Left to Right: Sage, *KG7IQO*, Chris, *KG7EXA* and Joe, *K3TYE*



WN7BSA and the Boy Scouts of America were well represented at the Vail Vaqueros' ARISS event. The Scouts were Chris (KG7EXA) and Sage (KG7IQO). Both boys were on hand to explain to the crowd various types of amateur radio equipment ranging from entry level VHF hand-held transceivers to some rather complicated home-brew equipment. Sage helped some of the younger crowd make some "earthly" radio contacts via the EAARS repeater system. Chris was occupied explaining the wireless MESH computer networking system. Both boys helped WN7BSA recruit students for our next amateur radio class schedule for January 2016. Thank you Lani for asking us to participate in the ARISS event. And thank you EAARS for allowing us the use of your repeater system. COOL Stuff!

Joe, *K3TYE*

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 licensing@tucsonhamradio.org

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 no fee VE testing on request, please contact Dave, N7AM, dwells@aznex.net

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...

- Arizona QSO Party: Oct 10 www.azqsoparty.org/rules.html
- Tucson Ham Radio Picnic: Oct 18 www.tucsonhampicnic.com
- Run for the Bacon: Oct 19 fpqrp.org/pigrun/
- CQWWDX-SSB: Oct 24 www.cqww.com/rules.htm

OCTOBER						
sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat
27	28	29	30		2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	12	13	14	15	16	17
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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!





For Sale

Kenwood TS-711A \$260.00

2M All-Mode with optional PL encode board Built-in Power-supply AC & DC operation Works great. Radio only, no mic included. Contact Steve, KY7K ky7k@arrl.net



HAM RADIO IN THE DESERT!

Saturday, October 17, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM 16000 Maricopa Road, Maricopa, AZ 85139





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While you're enjoying the exhibits, seminars, and checking out the bargains, there's something to do for the entire family. Laser tag. Bowling. Movies. Arcade Game Center. Dining. Hotel accommodations.

Commercial Exhibitor/Vendor Spaces -\$10.00 for 2 spaces (additional space \$5.00 each). Vendors Pre-register by e-mail: fest@copahams.org. Setup is 5:00 AM the day of the event.



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Food Truck for Breakfast and Lunch

An ARRL Sanctioned Event
Presented by the
Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club

November 7, 2015

Marana Middle School 11285 West Grier Road Marana Arizona 85653

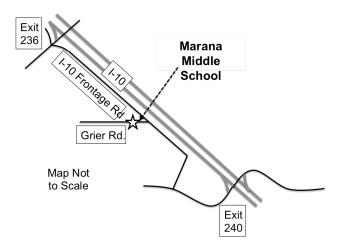
Gates open at 7:00 AM (5:00am for sellers) and close at 1:00 PM

Admission: \$5.00 includes a bottle of water (Children under 12 free with a paid adult)

Students free with any Arizona school ID

Commercial Vendors: \$30

Tailgaters: \$10 includes one personContact <u>info@tucsonhamfest.com</u> for more information



WWW.TUCSONHAMFEST.COM

Talk-In Repeaters 146.620(-) 444.100(+) 147.320(-) All PL Tones 156.7



RST

Radio Society of Tucson

TUCSON SPRING HAMFEST

Saturday, March 26, 2016 6 A.M. - 11 A.M.

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING!

Map and information: www.k7rst.org



- Vendors/Tailgaters pay \$10 per space
- * PRIZES: (1st) 50W Dual-band Mobile Transceiver
- ★ (2nd) Dual-band Hand-held Transceiver
- * Raffle Tickets: \$2 each... 3 for \$5... 7 for \$10!
- ★ Free VE Testing (get licensed all levels)
- ★ GOTA Station (demo fun Get on the Air!)
- * Hot Coffee, Tea & Donuts Available
- ★ Card checking by Ron Cade/W6QZ

NEW LOCATION LOCATION!!!!



Target

9615 E. Old Spanish Trail Tucson, AZ 85748 *****North parking lot ****

Talk-in:

Repeaters 146.800 PL 156.7 or 145.250 PL 156.7