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September 2014

## It's Picnic Time!

The annual picnic for EAARS members is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 13th starting at 2:00 PM at Discovery Park in Safford, AZ. We will be celebrating the 40th year anniversary of the organization of EAARS.

The club will be providing meat and sodas for the event. If you wish to bring a dish to share, i.e. salad, desert, etc. that will be great. Suggest you bring your own metal dinnerware, to cut the meat. We will have plastic available and paper plates.

This picnic is solely a benefit of current EAARS members and their immediate family. If your membership is not up-to-date you can use Paypal to quickly bring it current! (See Paypal news elsewhere in this newsletter)

Please reply RSVP via EMAIL to <a href="mailto:lgriggs@aznex.net">lgriggs@aznex.net</a> prior to September 4th 2014 of your intent to attend and how many will be in your party. LAST CHANCE!

(map to picnic is on last page of this newsletter)

## **Breaking News!**

Following the picnic at 6:30PM in the Discovery Lecture Hall, EAARS very own Milt Jensen, N5IA, will be giving a lecture on the 2008 VP6DX DXpedition to Ducie Atoll in the South Pacific. Milt was a member of this record setting adventure. I for one can not wait!

http://ducie2008.dl1mgb.com/index.php
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ducie\_Island



#### **EAARS OPEN REPEATERS**

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PINAL PEAK AT GLOBE, AZ: 145.410 LINKED

SOUTH MT AT ALPINE, AZ:

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CABALLO MTN AT TORC, NM: 145.470 LINKED

GREENS PEAK AT SHOW LOW, AZ:

146.700 LINKED LITTLE FLORIDA AT DEMING, NM:

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MULE MT AT BISBEE, AZ:

147.080 LINKED

MT. LEMMON AT TUCSON, AZ:

147.160 LINKED

GUTHRIE PEAK, AT CLIFTON, AZ:

147.280 LINKED

# EAARS Accepts Paypal

Yes, you heard it right, EAARS has moved into the 21st century!

New members can use Paypal, but they must still fill-out, and mail in a membership application form. The club will then send them a invoice for the correct amount.

Current and former members can simply select Paypal and and renew or extend their membership.

EAARS still prefers cash or a check, but this is a wonderful new member convenience. It's fast, simple and easy, what more could you want?

Please note there is a \$2.00 convenience fee for using Paypal.

You will find the Paypal option by going to the club website, www.eaars.org, under *Join EAARS*.

Thanks to Larry, N5BG, and Dave, N7AM for working hard to implement this.



## SOTA Activity Weekend

North America SOTA (Summits On The Air) Activity Weekend 2014 is a casual event involving tiny battery-powered radios on mountain summits. It is not a contest but is intended to introduce "Summits on the Air" to newcomers with home stations who try to work summit operators during one or two days. There

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are no rules regarding power levels, modes or number of bands worked, but please be courteous when more than one station is trying to talk to a SOTA operator on a summit. The SOTA operators have just climbed mountains as high as 14,000 feet; they use low power; and they don't receive on split frequencies.

Check SOTAWATCH.org to spot who is on which mountain. Summits are numbered, and you can hover your cursor over the number to see the name and point value for each summit. Expect the website to show activity near 7.032, 7.185, 10.110, 14.342, 18.095, 18.155, 21.350, 24.905, 24.955, 28.420, 146.52, 446.00, and 61 Khz up from the bottom of 20, 15 and 10 meters CW. Participants are invited to collect points toward certificates and trophies offered by the twelve-year-old international SOTA group (SOTA.org.UK). As we learned in past years, this is a barrel of fun for both hill climbers and home operators.

## **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...

- EAARS Picnic: Sept 13 @ 2PM
- SOTA Activity Weekend: Sept 13-14
- Tucson Hamfest: Nov 8

http://www.tucsonhamradio.org/tucson-hamfest

• SpringFest: Mar 28, 2015 http://www.rstclub.org/index.html

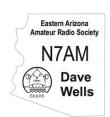
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Send Event and Calendar additions to newsletter@eaars.com

## **EAARS Badges**

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





### Tucson Area News...

Steve, *KY7K*, will be giving a presentation on SOTA (Summits on the Air) on Friday, October 17 at the OVARC (Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club) regular meeting. This same presentation was given at the RST August meeting and was well received. See http://www.tucsonhamradio.com for more information.

D-STAR happenings...

Recently, three new D-STAR repeaters came online in the Tucson area, RST's Sahuarita VHF module and OVARC's Oro Valley and Tucson Mountain UHF modules. Tucson now has great citywide D-STAR coverage.

See the RST and OVARC websites for details.

