

December 2013



# Merry Christma

Solomon, AZ 85551

Happy New Year!

The EAARS officers and newsletter staff would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

May your holidays be blessed and may 2014 be better than all those that came before.

I would also like to challenge each club member to try to be more involved in the club during 2014. Try to attend at least one club sponsored event, or you might even offer to head up and manage an operating event for the club such as Field Day.

Make it a point to get involved this coming year!

### **Hamfest Hints**

If you belong to another club that is putting on a Hamfest, **please** recommend that they put together a simple flyer with all the pertinent information and then email a PDF of that flyer to the other clubs around the state for inclusion in newsletters, websites, or to print out and leave around town. It **WILL** increase attendance.

# Dues Payments!

this is a reminder to get your dues payment for 2014 into the club by **December 15** in order to be eligible for the membership prize drawing.

Act now!

#### **EAARS OPEN REPEATERS**

PL 141.3 UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE ECHOLINK: 614350 IRLP: 7787 HELIOGRAPH PEAK, AZ: 146.860, 440.700 LINKED 146.900 145.010 PACKET 447.825 WITH CLOSED REMOTE BASE

**447.825** WITH CLOSED REMOTE BASE PL 100.0 OR 141.3

JACKS PEAK, NM: 145.210 LINKED

PINAL PEAK, AZ: 145.410 LINKED

SOUTH MT AT ALPINE, AZ: 145.270 LINKED

GREENS PEAK, AZ:

LITTLE FLORIDA AT DEMING, NM: 147.060 LINKED

MULE MT, AZ: 147.080 LINKED

MT. LEMMON, AZ: 147.160 LINKED

# Days in the Park

Saturday, Nov 30th, was another Days in the Park event sponsored by Radio Society of Tucson, and boy was it a fun one!

I would like to encourage anyone in the Tucson area, or who wouldn't mind a fun road-trip, to attend one of the Days in the Park events. These really are fun gatherings of outdoor radio operating and friendly camaraderie.

Days in the Park is the brainchild of Matt, NG2Q, and has just begun it's second year of monthly events, to try to publicize Amateur Radio. What a way to start off the new year. Mike, K7BUM, surprised everyone by supplying burgers and dogs with all the fix'ins for everyone. Even cooked up bacon for the burgers! Thanks Mike! This really reminded me of Field Day, one person operating a radio and the rest eating and chatting...

Besides the food, we had five portable stations setup to operate HF, 2m, 1.25m, 70cm, 33cm and D-star with a portable hotspot. All stations were running on portable power, all but one on battery power only.

http://rstdayinthepark.weebly.com

See photos on the last page of this newsletter.

# Newsletter Articles Needed!

As always we are looking for newsletter articles or ideas for articles. I know there are folks in this club that are actually active in this hobby so there is no excuse for not sharing your interests, latest DX conquest, contest score, photos, homebrew project, complaints, jokes, stories, hints, antenna project, etc. with the rest of us.

I know you have something to share! Like the ad says, "Just Do It!".

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Join us every Sunday night
at 7pm on the EAARS

Network repeaters for our
Sunday Night Net.

Everyone is Welcome!



Ye Olde Rumour Mill



New EAARS callsign badges will be available for purchase in the near future.

Scuttlebutt has it that these are very nice looking badges...

## **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

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Send Event and Calendar additions to newsletter@eaars.com



**www.salvage-1.com** buys up surplus lots at auction and re-sells it at attractive prices. The variety is constantly changing, check it out!

# Coming Events

Near and Far...

- Superstition Superfest: Dec 7 www.superstitionsuperfest.com
- Days in the Park: TBD rstdayinthepark.weebly.com





Dick, W0PZD, discussing his KX3/Magloop QRP setup with Don, KD7UIZ, and Tony, KC7JFC



Don, K NG2Q Mikes

Don, KD7UIZ; Glenn, KO6CG (mostly hidden); Matt, NG2Q; and Mike, K7BUM, chowing down in front of Mikes five star fine dining establishment.

102' G5RV and 2m/70cm yagi anchor Matt's, NG2Q, portable station.





Scott, K7ADX, explaining D-star operation to visitors.