



# Arizona Section Newsletter June 2019



## Arizona Section Manager, Rick Paquette W7RAP

**ARRL-Arizona State Convention** - The ARRL Arizona State Convention and Prescott Hamfest at the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, in Prescott was held on 31 May, and 1 June. The weather was perfect and many attendees were entertained with lots of presenters and indoor vendors and outdoor tailgaters. Bob Heil (Heil Sound), Fred Lloyd (QRZ), Bud Sermon (N7CW) and many more excellent presentations filled both days with outstanding topics. Our ARRL Southwestern Division Director Dick Norton (N6AA) was at the ARRL booth both days and also led the ARRL presentation that capped off the slate of seminars on Saturday.

We had an ARRL celebration party in the main exhibit hall Saturday to recognize the success we have had in getting the Distracted Driving Bill enacted that holds Amateur Operators exempt from using their equipment while driving, as well as the Commendation issued by the Governor, making June Amateur Radio Month in Arizona. The excitement grew as the cake almost slid off the tray and onto the floor just before being served. Quick action by nearby Hams saved the day. There was enough cake for over 100 including a portion that was reserved for the Hamfest Volunteers. Even the ANSR Balloon launch was exciting when the initial attempt had the balloon drifting into nearby trees. Quick action saved the package and the relaunch was successful. For more results and hamfest activities go to: <http://hamfest.w7yrc.org>



Many more hamfest photos have been posted on the ARRL - Arizona Section Facebook page. [https://www.facebook.com/pg/ArrlArizona/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=2405404589524368](https://www.facebook.com/pg/ArrlArizona/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2405404589524368)

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**ARRL Field Day** - Don't forget that Field Day is almost here. The weekend of June 22 and 23 is the time when we all practice our ability to communicate from remote locations and using hardware and facilities that simulate real emergency conditions. That doesn't mean we don't have fun and Field Day is a great time to brush up on friendships and techniques at the same time. Like last year, ARRL will be conducting a tour of Field Day sites across the state. Last year we crossed the northern part of Arizona. This year, we will visit sites along the southern route, starting in the east and working west towards Yuma. Be sure to log your Field Day site on the ARRL web page so we (and everyone else) can be aware of your operations, location, and amenities. Go to: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> to register your site.

**White Mountain Hamfest** - Many were disappointed when we saw the notices that the White Mountain Hamfest was being canceled for this summer. This is always a favorite trip for many of us and a good excuse to escape the desert heat in the middle of July. The Kachina club has had a hard time recruiting volunteers again this year and did not think they could manage to assure that the hamfest would be of the quality they want to provide. ARRL-AZ has been working with several individuals as well as the Rim-Country ARC to see if we can provide support and assure the Kachina club that sufficient support will be provided. It looks like there will be no White Mountain Hamfest this year, but we hope that the initiative to activate a new club to sponsor the event next year will succeed.

**New Hamfest Announced** - The Tonto ARA has announced their new hamfest to be held October 5th in Payson, AZ. There is NO entrance fee for attendees and Sellers only pay a \$5 fee. This is a good way to escape the desert heat and meet fellow hams in the tall cool pines of Payson. Following the Hamfest, there will be a BBQ - Potluck which sounds like a GREAT idea. Go to the ARRL Facebook pages or to the ARCA website to download the Hamfest Flyer.

**ARIZONA QSO Party** - Don't forget the AZQP is coming! Mark your calendars for the weekend of October 12-13 for this year's QSO Party. Last year's events will be even greater this time. ARRL has doubled their awards for this event. Be sure to go to the website and download the rules and awards. <https://www.azqsoparty.org>

**Section Emergency Coordinator, Dennis Bietry KE7EJF**

Field Day is fast approaching. In preparation for Field Day, use this opportunity to check out your equipment. Don't just check what you need for Field Day, but also the equipment you may need for a disaster response. Your HT's, batteries, antennas, portable stations and GPS.

Last month I mentioned the lack of wildfires. As I write this there are at least 6 wildfires in Arizona that are in progress. Some are much closer to 10,000 acres than not. Take this time and treat Field Day as a response to a disaster.

Wherever you may be setting up your Field Day station, be aware of your surroundings, what is going on around you and most of all, be safe.

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### **Affiliated Club Coordinator, Mike Boger W7IJ**

Now that the summer is almost upon us, please take time to go up on the ARRL website and review your club information. It's fast and easy to do and you'll probably gain some members by having accurate information! A lot of folks will stop by the ARRL web site and look for clubs in the area and being able to contact someone straight away is a great start! Contact me and I can send you a "how to" document in PDF format to help you along.

If you have any upcoming events- VE testing, Special Events, Hamfests – ANYTHING HAM RELATED – Send it over to myself Mike ( [mike.azhamradio@gmail.com](mailto:mike.azhamradio@gmail.com) ) and Virgil ( [k7vz@arrl.net](mailto:k7vz@arrl.net) ) and we'll help you get it listed on the Section Newsletter AND the ARRL website! If there's one thing that hams love to do (besides yakkity-yak on the radio) is travel and attend functions- This FREE advertisement is all part of your ARRL affiliation. Again, contact me or Virgil and we'll show you how to get the info out there.

Lastly, FIELD DAY 2019 is right around the corner in a couple of weeks (June 22-23)- If you haven't already, please take a moment to update the Field Day Locator ([http://www.arrl.org/field\\_days/add](http://www.arrl.org/field_days/add)) with your Field Day site and contact information. So far, there are 13 FD sites registered. I hope each of you have a great summer and a safe field day! Take lots of photos!

ARRL Field Day 2019 - Field Day is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC (11:00am AZ) Saturday, June 22nd, and running through 2059 UTC (1:59pm AZ) Sunday, June 23rd. The Field Day website already has updated content for 2019, and more is planned. While there are no substantial changes from prior years, some website text has been updated and clarified. With appropriate software versions and proper setup, the Field Day exchange can now occur using FT8. Make sure the software you are using (e.g. WSJT-X) can support the Field Day exchange, and is set up to do so.

<http://www.arrl.org/field-day>



### **Arizona Amateur Radio Month – June 2019**

Governor Ducey declares June 2019 as **AMATEUR RADIO MONTH IN ARIZONA**

The Governor has again issued a proclamation declaring the month of June as "Amateur Radio Month" on Arizona. The recognition by the head of the state government acknowledges our efforts and success we attain across all of Arizona. We can be proud of the efforts each of you make and we applaud the recognition that Amateur Radio receives. Help us celebrate by sending your planned activities and any photos to [w7rap@arrl.org](mailto:w7rap@arrl.org) so we can highlight what hams are doing each month.

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GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

# STATE OF ARIZONA

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# COMMENDATION

**WHEREAS**, on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the National Amateur Radio organization in the United States, will hold its 2019 Arizona State Convention in Prescott, Arizona. Amateur Radio operators from all over the southwestern U.S. will gather to share knowledge, train, and exchange equipment among themselves; and

**WHEREAS**, in the month of June, the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona (ARCA) will announce awards for Ham of the Year and Young Ham of the Year to individuals that have made notable contributions to Amateur Radio over the previous year. ARCA will also announce Scholarship awards to deserving Amateur Radio operators throughout the state of Arizona, to help them further their education; and

**WHEREAS**, during the fourth weekend in June, the nationwide ARRL Field Day emergency exercise is held, where many thousands of Amateur Radio operators throughout North America set up temporary transmitting stations in public places to demonstrate ham radio's science, skills, and emergency service capabilities to our communities and to our nation. ARRL Field Day combines public service, emergency preparedness, community outreach, and technical skills, all in a single coordinated event; and

**WHEREAS**, Amateur Radio operators train for emergency communications year round with organizations such as Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) and Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). Volunteering their time and equipment, Amateur Radio operators are ready to help in situations such as the 2018 Tinder Fire where life-saving information was relayed to areas on the fire line with poor cell service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby recognize June 2019 as Amateur Radio Month, benefitting more than 40 ARRL affiliated clubs and over 20,000 FCC licensed Amateur Radio operators in the state of Arizona.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

*Douglas A. Ducey*  
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this first day of May in the year Two Thousand and Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

## New Hams and License Upgrades (May 2019)

**Please welcome the 69 new hams who recently earned their Amateur Radio license.**

KJ7GQH - Nari Palacios - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GMV - Benjamin Ammerman - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GQV - Sandy Gilbert Polintan - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GMR - Timothy Lijan - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GLO - Tessa Mateer - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GII - Christopher Thomas - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GMU - David Ford - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GLN - Joseph Cannon - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GLT - Dylan Carroll - Technician - Phoenix  
KJ7GIK - Edward Brittain - Technician - Anthem  
KJ7GMQ - Islas Francisco - Technician - New River  
KJ7GQK - Scott Svoboda - Technician - Apache Junction  
KJ7GQD - Sonia Alexander - Technician - Casa Grande  
KJ7GQN - Matthew Heath - Technician - Casa Grande  
KJ7GHK - Jerry Wilson - General - Maricopa  
KJ7GTO - Kurt Waibel - General - Maricopa  
KJ7GQE - Charles Gibson - Technician - San Tan Valley  
KJ7GQG - Christopher Stroh - Technician - San Tan Valley  
KJ7GQJ - Robert Kettle - Technician - San Tan Valley  
KJ7GLR - Michael Bryant - Technician - Queen Creek  
KJ7GIH - Andrew Mccarty - Technician - San Tan Valley  
KJ7GIJ - Trent Jensen - Technician - San Tan Valley  
KJ7GQM - Bradley Hartwig - Technician - Mesa  
KJ7GMT - Joshua Roelle - Technician - Mesa  
KJ7GLM - Yuxuan Zhang - Technician - Mesa  
KJ7GSI - Donald Snyder - Technician - Mesa  
KJ7GQI - Joel Burdsall - Technician - Mesa  
KJ7GLV - Stephen Doak - Technician - Gilbert  
KJ7GQL - Brandon Whitaker - Technician - Gilbert  
KJ7GSJ - Landon Gale - Technician - Chandler  
KJ7GSK - John Pham - Technician - Chandler  
KJ7GIR - Taylor Zahora - Technician - Scottsdale  
KJ7GVW - Nazim Bal - Technician - Scottsdale  
KJ7GMS - John Colquist - Technician - Scottsdale  
KJ7GLS - Anthony Cully - Technician - Scottsdale  
AG7UX - Wolfgang Schuster - Extra - Scottsdale  
KJ7GQF - David Maier - Technician - Fountain Hills  
KJ7GLP - Philip Villaire - Technician - Tempe  
KJ7GLQ - Jason Foskey - Technician - Gilbert  
KJ7GLU - Tamon Simonds - Technician - Gilbert  
KJ7GIL - Micah Strango - Technician - Glendale  
KJ7GMP - Daniel Gonzalez - Technician - Glendale  
KJ7GMW - James Hansen - Technician - Glendale  
KJ7GIS - David Marcoulides - General - Peoria  
KJ7GIT - Patrick Hayes - General - Buckeye  
KJ7GLW - Donald Spencer - Technician - Green Valley  
KJ7GLD - Daniel Weierman - Technician - Sierra Vista  
KJ7GLE - Paul Jordan - General - Tombstone  
KJ7GLF - Wayne Trader - General - Sierra Vista  
KJ7GLX - Thomas Kroger - Technician - Sierra Vista  
KJ7GLY - Keegan Ferris - Technician - Tucson  
KJ7GMA - Thomas Phillips - General - Tucson  
KJ7GMB - Christopher Hughes - Technician - Tucson  
KJ7GTN - Steven Caudle - General - Tucson  
AG7US - Joseph Lowney - Extra - Tucson  
KJ7GLZ - Barry Butler - Technician - Tucson  
KJ7GMD - Timothy Weimar - Technician - Tucson  
KJ7GMC - Nashia Horne - Technician - Tucson  
KJ7GQU - Jerry Holzwordt - Technician - Flagstaff  
AG7UZ - Stephen Hedrick - Extra - Prescott  
KJ7GUB - James Rider - Technician - Prescott  
KJ7GUC - David White - Technician - Prescott  
KJ7GTL - Amanda Wilson - Technician - Prescott  
KJ7GTM - Joshua Wilson - Technician - Prescott  
KJ7GUA - Matthew Mrdeza - Technician - Prescott  
KJ7GTW - Lilleann Bebb - Technician - Prescott Valley  
KJ7GTX - Keith Gosik - Technician - Prescott Valley  
KJ7GTZ - Neil Jonielunas - Technician - Paulden  
KJ7GIW - William Stephens - Technician - Lake Havasu City

**Congratulations to the 29 hams who recently upgraded their license.**

K7RYE - Ernest Netter - General - Phoenix  
KJ7GEK - Anthony Cuttitta - Extra - Phoenix  
KJ7GEN - Klemens Pepel - General - Phoenix  
KE7PTW - Rhonda Eastin - General - Phoenix  
KI7NIS - Yolaine Heyse - General - Phoenix  
KI7VTY - Antonio Amaral - Extra - Phoenix  
KJ7EWS - Jason Liu - General - Phoenix  
KG5TOZ - Jason Milner - Extra - Phoenix  
KJ7CWN - Arturo Enriquez - General - Phoenix  
KM6GLK - George Alexander - General - Casa Grande  
KJ7AIT - Donald Price - General - Superior  
KE7OHK - John Lea - General - Chandler  
KJ7EQA - Paul Kloberdanz - General - Scottsdale  
KJ7FME - James Mclaughlin - General - Goodyear  
KI7WJR - Thomas Jordan - General - Wittmann  
KI7YWK - Brit Alsop - General - Arivaca  
KJ7DRV - Jonathan Yourgules - General - Hereford  
KI7YCR - Robert Marquardt - General - Sierra Vista  
KC7HBB - Lyle Davieau - General - Sierra Vista  
KI7IPI - Robert Stutey - General - Prescott  
KE6AZA - John Gera - General - Prescott  
KI7LXF - Thomas Sargent - General - Chino Valley  
KJ7EWQ - Rick Woodruff - General - Cottonwood  
KJ7CIP - Michael Rodriguez - General - Dewey  
KJ7FAW - Richard Johnson - General - Dewey  
KJ7DKM - Gary Pollan - Extra - Paulden  
KE6HHL - David Admire - Extra - Kingman  
KJ7CZE - Roderic Pace - General - Kingman  
KJ7FZY - Jamie Canning - General - Kingman

## Upcoming Hamfests and Events

Search for ARRL sanctioned hamfests: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar>

**See upcoming hamfest fliers attached at bottom of this newsletter.**

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### **Amateur Radio Classes**

Find upcoming classes: <http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-class>

### **Amateur Radio Testing**

Search for upcoming Amateur Radio exams: [http://www.arrl.org/exam\\_sessions/search](http://www.arrl.org/exam_sessions/search)

### **Arizona Nets**

**Arizona Traffic and Emergency Net (ATEN)** meets in the winter from October 15 to April 15 at 5:30 PM and in the summer from April 15 to October 15 at 7:00PM on 3986 kHz daily. Tommy Ivan KF7GC Net Manager, Arizona Section Traffic Manager kf7gc@arrl.net www.atenaz.net

**Arizona Emergency Net – Maricopa (AEN-MAR)** meets every Monday at 9:00 PM local time, for training and exercise in the public service communication arts on the following six linked repeaters. Shaw Butte 147.24 (plus offset), Mount Ord 146.92 (minus offset), Scottsdale Airpark 146.76 (minus offset), Utery Pass 146.86 (minus offset), Mingus Mountain 146.82 (minus offset), and Daisy Mountain 448.375 (minus offset). All of the 2-meter repeaters require a 162.2Hz tone and the 70-centimeter repeater requires a 100.0Hz tone. The repeaters are linked and cover most of Maricopa County and portions of Pinal, Gila, Coconino and Yavapai Counties in central Arizona. <http://www.aen-mar.org>

**Saguaro National Traffic System (NTS) Net** ([www.saguaronts.net](http://www.saguaronts.net)), meets daily at 6:30 pm MST (0130Z) on the Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio Society (E.A.A.R.S.) (<http://www.eaars.org/>) repeaters. The repeaters are; 146.86 and (440.700 Hub) Heliograph Peak 147.28 Guthrie Peak - Greenlee County 145.21 Jacks Peak New Mexico. Between Lordsburg & Silver City 145.41 Pinal Peak Near Globe AZ 147.16 Mt Lemmon Near Tucson 146.70 Greens Peak Near Springerville - Showlow 145.27 South Mtn. Near Alpine, AZ 147.08 Mule Mtn. Near Bisbee in Cochise County 147.06 Lil Florida Mtn. Near Deming, New Mexico 145.47 Caballo Mtn. Near Truth or Consequences, New Mexico 145.35 West Peak. West of Heliograph 12 miles All E.A.A.R.S. network repeaters operate with PL tone 141.3. For more information about this net, contact Greg Peters (kc5zgg@arrl.net)

**AM 2 meter net Greater Phoenix Metropolitan area**, 2 meter AM net, 144.450 MHz, every Tuesday night at 1930 MST. Antenna vertical polarization. The 144.450 MHz is a coordinated AM frequency in Arizona. This is an informal NET, most discussions are technical. All are welcome.

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