

Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio Society

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Club Address: EAARS, PO Box 398, Solomon, AZ 85551



November, 2024

JOIN EAARS on Facebook

EAARS has a presence on Facebook and you are invited to **JOIN** the page. This is a great media to quickly share news, photos and events that are EAARS related or might be interesting to the members. If you utilize "Notifications" on the EAARS Facebook page, you can receive club updates AS THEY HAPPEN.

To reach the page, please visit **facebook.com/groups/eaars** and **JOIN** the page. You must have a Facebook account to be part of the EAARS group.



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, 447.8250 Not Linked

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

Downtown at Tucson, AZ

147.28 Output

146.26 Input, PL 127.3

Gals on the Air!

EST. June 2015

Calling all Gals of any class ... Join us every Monday night for the
Gals Night Net @ 7:30 pm (AZ) on the EAARS system!

Facebook.com/groups/galsnightnet

Upcoming Events

*Would You like to see your event posted for the membership to see?
Email your information to emberfire@cox.net.*

2024

Nov 2 ----- HARKfest -----Wickenburg
Nov 9 ---- Tucson Hamfest -----Tucson
Dec 7 ---- Superstition Superfest -----Mesa

2025

Jan 19-25----- Quartzfest 2025 -----Quartzsite
Feb 14-15 ----- Yuma Hamfest ----- Yuma
Mar 8 ----- GV Hamfest -----Green Valley

Clubs, send me the events you would like shown here.

WEEKLY EAARS' NETS

Every day:

Down Under Net - 4:15 am

Weather Net - 5:30 am

NTS Traffic Net - 6:30 pm

**All times are noted on
Arizona time.**

Sunday:

EAARS Net - 7:00 pm

Monday:

Gals Night Net - 7:30 pm

Wednesday:

Skywarn Net - During Monsoon, Every Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Off Season, every third Wednesday of month at 7:30 pm.

EAARS Officers and Staff

Board Officers

President	Dan Quaintance	AF7EF
Vice President	Joe Montierth	K7JEM
Secretary/Treasurer	Larry Griggs	N5BG

Staff

Site Trustee	Joe Montierth	K7JEM
Net Manager	Chris Buchanan	N7JND
Newsletter Editor	Angie Buchanan	N7EMB

Net Control Operators

Rick	W8YBM	1st Sunday
Larry	KG7VLN	2nd Sunday
Chris	N7JND	3rd Sunday
Angie	N7EMB	4th Sunday

ARRL RADIO CONTESTS

November 2024

- 2-4 Nov Sweepstakes-CW
- 16-17 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz
- 16-18 Nov Sweepstakes-Phone

For details on all ARRL contests and for non-ARRL contests,
visit <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>

New EAARS Members!



*EAARS would like to wish
you and yours a Very
Blessed Thanksgiving!*



Greetings EAARS members!

First of all, we wish to thank everyone for their continued support of the club. We cannot continue to do what we do without the support of you, the members.

EAARS membership dues run on a calendar year basis. IE January – December. Dues continue to be \$24.00 per calendar year.

We desire to collect dues in a timely manner. Therefore each year we have a campaign, that if dues for the following year are received by December 15th of this year, 2024, you will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate to Ham Radio Outlet. The drawing will be held at our January 2025 membership meeting. You DO NOT have to be present to win. Everyone paying their 2025 membership dues by December 15th, 2024, will be entered into this drawing. Yes, this is an incentive to pay your dues in a timely manner. This helps the club administratively. Thank you all for your understanding, and good luck.

There are several ways that you can pay your EAARS membership dues.

- 1.** Bring cash or check to our next EAARS meeting to be held on Tuesday, Nov, 19, at Search & Rescue building in Thatcher. Meeting starts 6:30 pm.
- 2.** Write a check and mail in, made payable to EAARS or spell it out: Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio Society. Make sure to put your CALLSIGN on the check, or a note along with your check. We keep our club data base by call sign.
- 3.** To pay by PAYPAL. There is a \$2.00 fee to cover the transaction costs. IE \$26.00 will be charged. This is most convenient to many members.
To pay by PAYPAL: Go to the link below, which will take you to the pay pal page on EAARS web site. Be sure to enter your CALLSIGN and name in the lower left corner of the page. Then just click on BUY NOW. Very convenient for you and EAARS.

www.eaars.com/pay.htm

Mailing Address:

**EAARS
PO Box 398
Solomon, AZ 85551**

Again, we wish to say thank you all for your continued support of the EAARS club

73 for now.
Larry N5BG
EAARS Secretary & Treasurer

Hams Helping With The Alzheimer's Walk

On Oct 26, 2024, a core group of Hams met at Reid Park in Tucson AZ to provide safety communications to the annual Alzheimer's Walk. It was a cool morning which warmed up very quickly when the sun peaked over the Rincon mountains.



The Ham Radio Operators which included Angie N7EMB, Fred WW6F, Stan WE7DOG, Chris KG7EXA, Paul KK7MOK, Dave AG7JG, Rosie KG7QWR, John KI7YWO and Chris N7JND. These Hams are so appreciated for helping out with this event year after year. The team is put together by Angie N7EMB.



The purpose of this team is to have Ham Radio Operators stationed at various points within the path of the walk. These locations usually include water stations or vital points along the route. Our main reason is to provide safety to the walkers and notify Net Control who is near the Start/Finish line if there are any issues.

There are many paths to go down with this great hobby. The one the most rewarding paths, is participating with other Hams at organized events and provide vital communications. Check your local Ham Clubs and ask how you can help or contact Angie N7EMB (QRZ for email) and let her know you would like to be part of her team.

RST HAMFEST A GREAT SUCCESS

On Oct 6th, 2024, the Radio Society of Tucson held their Fall Hamfest on Tucson's east side. This is a "Twice a Year" event put on by RST. As always, folks started showing up at the break of dawn to set up for this great event.



Held in the east parking lot of the Calvary Church on east Speedway at Camino Seco, the selling area is mostly covered by large solar panels providing some shade to the sellers and buyers. This years event had three full rows of good folks providing their no longer needed treasures, to the treasure hunter.

Scout Troop 157 provided great food including coffee, donuts, soda, water and burritos to all for a very decent price plus the money goes to a great cause.

Many go to a Hamfest to look for that one treasure while others go mainly to socialize and see old friends and meet new faces they've only put a voice too. Hamfests are a vital part of the Ham community. It's kind of like a club meetings of all clubs.

Good job RST. We are looking forward to the spring.



Great Fun!

Great Raffle Prizes!

Indoor VE Session!

Pre-registration for VE testing preferred but not required.

Email licensing@tucsonhamradio.org

Interesting Seminars!

See website for Seminar Schedule

**ARRL Booth with Award Card
Checking and Logbook of the
World assistance!**

**Food Truck for Breakfast and
Lunch**

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

November 9, 2024

**Marana Middle School
11285 West Grier Road
Marana Arizona 85653**

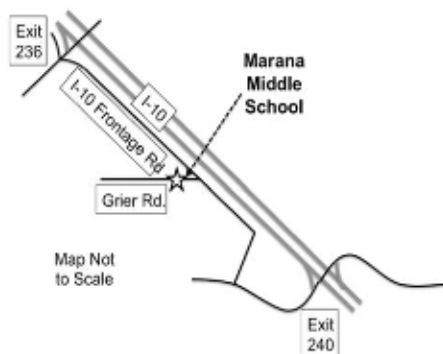
**Gates open at 7:00 AM (5:00am for
sellers) and close at 1:00 PM**

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

Students free with any AZ school ID

Sellers: \$10 per space (includes the seller)

Contact hamfest@tucsonhamradio.org for
more information



**www.tucsonhamradio.org
Pick "Our Hamfest" from Menu**

Per AZ State Law, no smoking or firearms are permitted on school property including parking areas



Saturday, December 7th, 2024 from 07:00-14:00 SuperFest.info

Mesa Community College

Southwest Parking Lot
1451 S Dobson Rd, Mesa AZ 85202

Take US 60 Exit 177 North on
Dobson Rd. Stay Right.

Sunday, December 7, 1941

A Day that will
Live in Infamy

USS Arizona Memorial

Special Event Station
K7A

Club Row

Ham Radio Clubs, to set up a booth:

Store.SuperstitionARC.org/contactus

Tailgaters and Vendors

Register Your Space Online at

Store.SuperstitionARC.org/vendor

Tailgate: \$5.00; Vendors: \$10.00 or \$15.00

Admission

\$5.00 / Children under 12 are Free
Beat the Line! Buy Online! At:

Store.SuperstitionARC.org/attend24

**Show Your Ticket On
Your Mobile Device!**

Free! VE Testing!

≈Laurel Amateur Radio Club VEC≈
In Room TC425 from 9:00-10:30 AM
Walk-Ins Accepted:

- Must Bring Valid Photo ID
- FCC Registration Number (FRN)
- Bring Two Pens (if one runs dry)

Event Activities

ARRL Card Checking
Get On The Air Station

Parks On The Air and
Summits On The Air Demonstration

Presentations
Live Music and Food

Hourly Prize Drawings

Must Be Present to Win the
Hourly Prizes ...

Grand Prize Drawing

Your Presence is Not Needed
To WIN!

[Buy Tickets Online at
Store.SuperstitionARC.org/tickets](http://Store.SuperstitionARC.org/tickets)



HAM RADIO Operator RV'ers/Tenters...



QUARTZFEST* 2025

What? Quartzfest® is an annual HAM Radio RV and tenters Boondocking event which is held in late January every year with dates coinciding with the Quartzsite Arizona "RV Show".

When? January 19th thru 25th of 2025 (make sure you add these important dates to your 2025 calendar)

Where? 7 miles south of Quartzsite Arizona - on US 95 at La Paz Valley Road

Who Can Attend? ANYONE! If you don't have your Amateur Radio Operators License yet, you'll be able to take your Amateur Radio Operators License Exams at Quartzfest®

Cost? FREE!!!

Our Annual Amateur Radio "get together" is called "Quartzfest®" and is open to ALL to attend. Quartzfest® is not a club, no officers, no budget and no dues...and is absolutely FREE!! During the week of Quartzfest®, RV's are everywhere across the desert, as far as you can see...every make and model you can imagine!

There are hundreds of groups that meet in Quartzsite every year in different parts of the desert who share like interests. Our group, Quartzfest®, started out in 1997 as just a few HAM RV'ers getting together, camping in their RV's in the middle of the desert...no power, no running water. Solar Panels and Generators are in use everywhere (Porta-Potties are available for our tent campers and day visitors).

Quartzfest® is similar to a Hamfest but lasts an entire week and is packed full of scheduled Seminars and Activities (no vendors are allowed on BLM land though). Talks range in topics from Genealogy and Crafts for Non-HAM's to Solar Power and Battery Information. Technical information for the seasoned HAM, and introductory information for the new HAM. Also included in the week's activities are Amateur Radio License Testing, Antenna Walkabout (touring other HAM's RV Antenna installations), Solar Walkabout, 4x4 Off Road Trip in the Desert, Prospecting, Campfires (some with musical entertainment), Pot Luck dinner, Hootenanny and lot's more!

We Camp on BLM (Bureau of Land Management) land which is FREE, but you can only camp there for 14 days at a time.

For more information, drop a note to our
Quartzfest® Organizer
Kris - KR1SS
kristynweed@gmail.com
or visit us on the web
quartzfest.org

Yuma Hamfest & Southwestern Division Convention

Yuma, Arizona
Feb. 14 & 15 2025

Yuma County Fairgrounds
2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona

www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information

Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon	Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm	Hamfest Dinner & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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HAMFEST

At Valley Presbyterian Church 2800 Camino Del Sol, Green Valley, AZ.
March 8th, 2025 from 8am - Noon.

\$5 table setup with fee going to the Valley Presbyterian Church.

Bring your own table, chairs & canopy.

www.gvarc.us

7am SETUP

REFRESHMENTS

FREE ADMISSION

TALK IN FREQ. 1-45.290

GATES OPEN AT 8am

HANDICAP ACCESS

TAILGATING

Continental Rd.

Camino Del Sol

2.9 Miles

Valley Presbyterian

Other Club Stuff

From Diane AA3OF: RST VE Testing will be held at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Witherspoon Hall, 9252 E 22nd St, at 7pm.

2024

November 11
December 9

If you live in the Graham or Greenlee County and are interested in a VE Testing Session, please feel free to contact Dan Quaintance AF7EF, (928) 235-1152.



Rise and Shine!!! with the

Made it through the Night Gang Weather Net

**0530 Mountain Standard Time Daily
on the EAARS Repeater System**

**Weather and
Conversation**

Get a handle on the local weather from your fellow HAM operators around the EAARS coverage area and get to know them better.

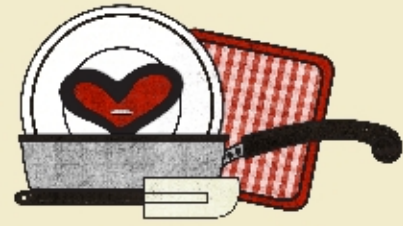
We do a technical question of the week on Wednesday
and the "Flea Market of the Air on Fridays

**W7GSP – Steve
Net Control
K1VM/N7CDW
Keith/Carrie**

Radio Society of Tucson (RST) is now conducting two monthly events for new operators. 1) Radio Days in the Park will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday, Reid Park, Ramada #22. 2) Newbies Net on Thursdays, 8pm on 147.000 MHz. Listen on 147.000 MHz, transmit on 147.600 MHz with a tone of 110.9 Hz.

**Do you have any club news to share? It can be posted on this page.
Send your info to Angie - emberfire@cox.net.**

Cooking up
Some Magic



Cheeseburger Soup



Prep Time: 30 min
Cook Time: 25 min
Yield: 8 servings (2 quarts)

Ingredients

1/2 pound ground beef
4 tablespoons butter, divided
3/4 cup chopped onion
3/4 cup shredded carrots
3/4 cup diced celery
1 teaspoon dried basil
1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes
1-3/4 pounds (about 4 cups) cubed peeled potatoes
3 cups chicken broth
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
8 to 16 ounces Velveeta, cubed
1-1/2 cups whole milk
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/4 cup sour cream
**Optional: Onion rings and thinly sliced green onions

Directions

In a large saucepan over medium heat, cook and crumble beef until no longer pink, 6-8 minutes; drain and remove from pan. In same saucepan, melt 1 tablespoon butter over medium heat. Saute onion, carrots, celery, basil and parsley until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Add potatoes, broth and ground beef; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until potatoes are tender, 10-12 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small skillet, melt remaining 3 tablespoons butter. Add flour; cook and stir until bubbly, 3-5 minutes. Add to soup; bring to a boil. Cook and stir 2 minutes. Reduce heat to low. Stir in cheese, milk, salt and pepper; cook until cheese melts. Remove from heat; blend in sour cream. If desired, serve with onion rings and green onions.



*Courtesy of
Taste of Home*

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