



Coconino Amateur Radio Club

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News and Information Concerning
Amateur Radio in Northern Arizona and
Beyond

Welcome to the Coconino Amateur Radio Club (CARC) Monthly Newsletter. CARC is a non-profit club devoted to providing communication services to local volunteer agencies and events. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at the East side Sizzlers Restaurant Highway 66 at Fanning Dr. Flagstaff, at 7:00PM. All persons interested in amateur radio, whether licensed or not, are welcome to attend.

Coconino SkyWarn meets 1900 every Monday evening on the 146.98 repeater and at 1930 on the Navajo Mountain CACTUS repeater and 146.480 simplex.

Coconino ARES meets 1900 every Wednesday evening on the 146.98 repeater and at 1930 on the Navajo Mountain CACTUS repeater and 146.480.

Officers:

President: Dan Shearer, N7YIQ

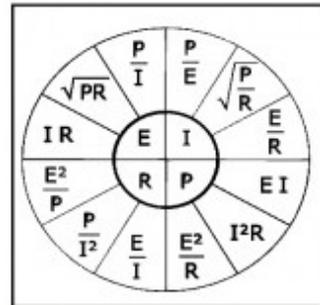
Vice-President: Janice Enloe, KI6WCK

Secretary: Erv Perelstein, KE7QFI

Treasurer: Pat Traber, KE7QFG

PIO: Dan Shearer, N7YIQ

Newsletter: Janice Enloe, KI6WCK



E = voltage I = current
R = resistance P = power

Calendar of Events for 2018:

Coconino Amateur Radio Club TENTATIVE 2018 Schedule:

July

- 4 Munds Park Parade
- 12 CARC Meeting -
- 21 Amateur Radio License Exams at North Country HealthCare

August

- 4 Toys for Tots/Fat Tire Bicycle Ride
- 7 National Night Out
- 9 CARC Meeting -
- 11 Big Brothers/Big Sisters Run for the Magic
- 26? Arizona Trail Marathon at North Rim

September

- 3 Williams 10K Labor Day Run
- 13 CARC Meeting -

22-23 Flagstaff to Grand Canyon 100 Mile Stagecoach Run

October

- 11 CARC Meeting -
- 13 Soulstice Mountain Trail Run
- 20 Amateur Radio License Exams at North Country HealthCare
- ?? MARS COMEX

November

- ?? MARS Comex
- 8 CARC Meeting -
- 10? Girls on the Run

December

- 1 SkyWarn Recognition Day at NWS Belmont (UTC date)
- 9? Christmas party

Next Business Meeting:

Our next business meeting will be July 12, 2018 at the East side Sizzlers at the corner of Highway 66 and Fanning. Dinner @1800 and meeting starts @1900.

From the President:

Another summer – Another Field Day

June has quickly come and gone. I am writing this in the waning hours of the month and the days are already starting to get shorter as we move towards the end of the year. It was a very busy June. Our summer is not over as we have more public events to support.

Field Day: Wow! That's about what I can say. We did well and I appreciate the efforts of everyone who gave their time. Our club did very well in our points total and we should do very well in our section this year. Ron's email stated we did better than Oro Valley, but I will wait for the official totals to be published in QST before I celebrate and then we will see how well we did as a club on the state and national levels.

Talking with members, we had some speed bumps we encountered for the event. Some of these speed bumps are the same speed bumps we've hit many times before and other new ones we had pop up. I won't get into the nature of these speed bumps now, but they need to be addressed before the planning stage next year. I hope that a summary of the event can be made and as an organization we can learn and improve upon what we have done. As individuals and as a club, we need to move past our differences and make the situation better. I hope that this will be our mantra.

As my term as president winds down and new leadership takes over, I thank all of you for your continued dedication to the many things we as a club performs.

Dan

Thank you and Help Wanted:

Thank you to all who have run the Monday and Wednesday night nets:

Flagstaff: Erv KE7QFI, Mike KD8RQV, Mary Lou Hagan, KG7TPK
Mike Clever, KD8RQV, Glen KG7YDJ

Page: Eric KG7UNI, Nancy KG7WKS and Vince WB7UWW

If anyone one would like to help with the nets, please let Glen know. It is good practice for radio skills and the script is written for you to use.

Licensing Exams for 2018:

Remember to bring your HAM license and a copy (if you are upgrading your license), a government issued picture ID, a black ink pen, calculator with memory erased and fifteen dollars (exact change is appreciated).

July 21

October 20

Arizona Newsletter: <http://www.arrl.org>

Tutorials: <http://www.arrl.org/tutorial>

Congratulations to:

Jacqueline KI7YQO
Kevin KI7YQM
Mylinda KI7YQN

who upgraded to General Class at the Williams exam.

and to new licensees:

Joe AG7OR who earned Amateur Extra Class
Juliet KI7ZNK who earned General Class

And a big thanks to our VE team:

Bill KG7TPM
Bill KB7LZ (formerly KQ1S)
Glen KG7YDJ
Jack KD7RCJ
Marylou KG7TPK

Bill and Marylou are brand new Volunteer Examiners

Minutes of the Coconino Amateur Radio Club

6/14/2018

Meeting Started: 7:00 pm

Secretary's Report: Since the minutes of the May meeting were published in the newsletter, there was no need to read them. Scott Martin made a motion to accept the minutes and Marylou Hagan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Pat Traber, our CARC Treasurer, reported that the closing bank balance is \$2,937.16. Membership is 52 members, consisting of 48 paid members and 4 lifetime members. Gary Loving moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Scott seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

President's Report: Dan Shearer, our CARC President, opened the business meeting with an introduction of all members. Janice talked about the upcoming picnic June 9 – at Raymond Park in Kachina Village. Joe and Janice coordinating. This is a Pot Luck event, starting about 10:00. All members and friends are invited.

Dan thanked all members who participated in the Sacred Mt. Prayer Run. Everything went smoothly, no serious injuries or runners lost. It was a good start to the season.

Dan brought the club up to date on the Hopi Point Repeater status. ARCA will not help with the upgrade and future maintenance costs. However, a new partner has volunteered to help. The Western Intertie Network offered to help us and they are interested in the UHF repeater. Joe and Janice attended a meeting with ARCA in Prescott last week where they learned about WIN's offer. They also learned that ARA is considering linking

Guest: Mark Christian, Office of Emergency Management

Mark thanked the CARC members who assisted in the Emergency Exercises and for our support in the Community Races. He said the Coconino County Emergency Management Office greatly appreciates the time and experience that the club brings to emergency exercises and that we contributed to the success of the last exercise. He presented us with a plaque as a token of their appreciation.

Old Business: Joe told us that he did not receive any responses to his offer to teach a CW Code class. We are dropping that project for the near future.

Dan reminded us that August is the month to vote for CARC Officers. All 4 officers need to be selected in August. Since the Secretary and Treasurer have volunteered to continue, we must publish the slate of potential officers for President and Vice President next month.

Last month someone brought up the idea of starting our CARC meetings at 6:00 pm instead of at 7:00 pm. After discussion, it was obvious that no one could support the meeting starting that early. It was officially dropped from consideration.

Ken told us that the additional items for the CARC Trailer would not be ordered until after the Field Day weekend.

Ron announced that Oro Valley Ham club has, once again, challenged us to competition in Field Day this year. He did not hear from Cochise County. We affirmed that we want to keep the trophy we won last year so the competition is on.

Ron called on each of the key members in charge of a Field Day sections:

Dan – PIO, has contacted the Sheriff's Office, the Mayor's Office, State Representatives and the County Supervisor Members. He is working on 8 ½" X 11" posters to advertise our location and will talk to radio stations.

Tom – Ops Chief, said he has things under control. We will be operating CW, SSB, Digital for a 3A again this year. We will also be using Satellite and a GOTA Station.

Julie Smith – coordinating Saturday evening dinner said cost is \$13.00/person, Big Foot BBQ will be providing the food. Everyone should bring their own chairs. Dan made a motion to accept Big Foot BBQ, Scott 2nd the motion, passed unanimously.

Bob Meadowcroft – Medical Unit – has 1st Aid Kits, but if members could bring additional kits it would be

appreciated.

Pat Traber – Finance – said everything was OK with finance.

Glen Davis – Planning – all under control.

50/50 Raffle: Mark Loving won the 50/50 raffle.

New Business:

All members have been invited to the August 7th meeting of the DX Club at 7:00 pm to hear Tom Schiller give a presentation about “Ray of Light”. It will be held at the Summit Fire Station 32 on Koch Rd off Silver Saddle Rd.

Joe and Dan asked all members to be aware of and follow all restrictions in the surrounding forests. We will probably have many Red Flag Warning Days because of the high winds and low humidity. Try to monitor the Mt Elden .98 Repeater whenever you can to provide assistance if needed.

ARES Report: We will hold Radio License Testing again on July 21st at the North Country Health Care facility starting at 9:00 am.

Joe reminded us that there will be a test of Oak Creek Canyon communications on June 28th. We will be testing using the .98 Mt Elden Repeater, handheld radios and base station radios.

Joe told us that we need a work party to move the Red Cross HF Antenna on their roof. It will take about 4 people to move it safely. Volunteers were Gary Loving, Ken Held, Dan Shearer, and Erv Perelstein. Erv will make arrangements with the Red Cross officials and let others know.

For those that didn't already know, the CARC repeater that Ken has on his property was changed from UHF to VHF, 145.17 MHz with a – offset and a PL Tone of 67.0 Hz.

There being no further business, Mary Lou moved and Bill seconded a motion to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

Meeting Ended: 8:25 pm.
