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FIELD DAY Fanatics Frantically Finalizing Finishing Touches

No longer mere rumor that for the first time in the history of Mohave Amateur Radio Club's participation in the ARRL Field Day, the Club will be operating a beam antenna, courtesy of the hard work and ingenuity of a number of active members of the Club. Charlie Abernathy, KE7PYK, has been hard at work putting the final touches on a 20 meter 3 element mono beam, attached to a rather fine looking trailer that will serve as a multi-use unit. Charlie, who is well known in the Ham groups for his somewhat "luxurious" operating areas during Field Day operations has undertaken this task with the help of a few of the Club members, and I am told the results are well worth the effort. Kudos to Charlie and all the members that had a part in getting this done!



Rock Steady and Ready to Roll!

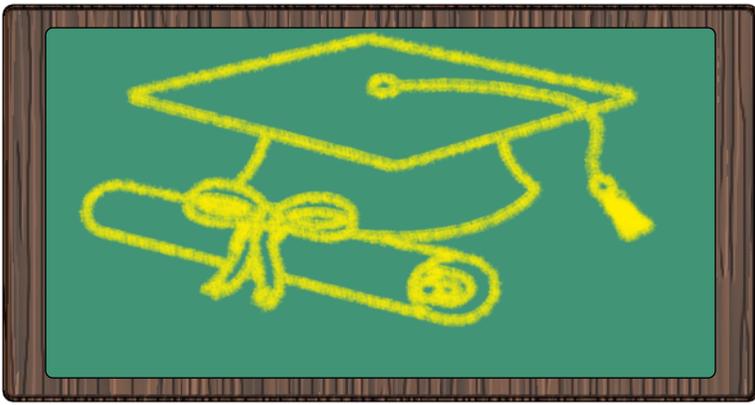
Carolyn Krick, K7CK Steps Up as 2nd. VP of BHC Chapter

The indomitable Carolyn Krick, K7CK a well-known personality within the Mohave County area Amateur Radio has consented to step up and take over the slot of 2nd. VP of the BHC Chapter, taking quite a load from the shoulders of V.P. John Euler. Carolyn has extensive experience with drafting grant proposals, and has applied for, and been given a grant from Western Competitive Solutions for a \$2000.00 grant to be used to purchase educational materials to further the educational aspects of M.A.R.C. within the Kingman, Bullhead City and Lake Havasu areas. This will allow the Club to hold more classes, provide more and better quality of the educational materials that are so much a part of "spreading the gospel" of Ham Radio throughout the community, and getting yet more people interested, licensed, and "On The Air". Thank You, Carolyn!

FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to do a number of jobs during the annual Field Day June 24-25 at Lewis Kingman Park. Among the jobs that need to be filled are Operators, both phone (voice) and CW; we also need people to help with set-up and tear-down, help at the visitors table, etc.

Spend A Few Hours With Friends In The Park!
Call Bill Smith or any Club Officer to sign up.



Technician Classes Announced

M.A.R.C. President Bill Smith, KD7MIA has announced that classes for the Technician license will be starting Thursday July 6th, 2017 beginning at 7:00 PM at the Mohave County Fairgrounds Office Building, Kingman, Az. Classes will be about two hours each night, and the entire course will be thoroughly covered in four Thursday night sessions. It will be required that all participants obtain a copy of a certain textbook that the course will be based on. Further details on this will be available on the Club's Facebook page "Mohave Amateur Radio Club" in a few days. The Mohave County Fairgrounds Office is located at 2600 Fairgrounds Blvd., Kingman, Arizona, 86401

We Hope To See Many Sign Up For This!

CHECK THIS OUT!

In a closely related bit of news, for all those that currently hold General class licenses, are Registered VE's (Volunteer Examiners) and are looking to upgrade to the Amateur Extra license, this very community-minded company, www.hamradiolicenseexam.com is looking to do the right thing, and save you some bread too! They are offering a \$35.00 Extra Class instruction FREE for all Registered Volunteer Examiners **with at least 3 confirmed VE sessions** under their belt. Check Them Out, Today!



TX5EG Hiva Oa Island Marquesas Islands

Serge, F6IPT informs us that F6BCW, F6DTZ, F1TCV, K3EL will active from Hiva Oa Island, Marquesas Islands, IOTA OC - 027, 29 July - 6 August 2017 as TX5EG.

They will operate on 80 - 12m CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK.

QSL via F6BCW.

Ads for direct QSL:

Didier Cadot, Grande Rue, 71460 GENOUILLY, France.

Operating freqs CW, SSB:

CW 3527, 7027, 14027, 18077, 21027, 24907.

SSB 3677, 7127, 14127, 14227, 18127, 21227, 21277, 24927.

DXCC Country - Marquesas Islands FO.

LA/SP7IDX Vannoya Island

Waldi, SP7IDX will be active from Vannoya Island, IOTA EU-046, 1 - 10 June 2017 as LA/SP7IDX.

He will operate on 40 - 10m SSB, RTTY.

Equipment - IC7300, PA, RS-60CF.

Antenna - Hexbeam, HyEndFed.

QSL via home call direct, buro, LOTW.

Ads for direct QSL:

Waldi - P. Waldemar, P.O.BOX-85, Staszów 28-200, Poland.

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(An Occasional Column) by

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Here is some information on ARCA and ARES, which are allied but very different aspects of Ham Radio in Arizona. Both are great resources for Hams, but each with a slightly different focus and function. Amateur Radio Council of Arizona, Inc. (ARCA) provides a lot of services in Arizona, including repeater coordinating committee, and helping clubs advance technology. Thanks to AZ hams and lawmakers, ARCA will soon receive about \$18,000 per year from Ham Radio license plate revenue! My club, LBARA, pays \$25 a year for membership in ARCA. Charlie KØTAN (me) is the LBARA delgate to ARCA, and I try to make meetings when possible. All hams are welcome! ARCA meetings are fascinating - some tech talk, plus good frequency coordinating info. Mohave ARC member Tammy Smith, KD7MIB is ARCA VP. When our Mesh Network design is complete, I will present it to the club board, then request an ARCA grant for our work. I will have an article next month on Ham Networking with AREDN (Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network). ARES is an ARRL program - Amateur Radio Emergency Services. ARRL provides resources and equipment to ship over-night to support hard hit areas in an emergency. Leadership of ARES a hierarchy of volunteer hams who are ARRL members, have several FEMA Certs, and who activate in an emergency. RACES is a slightly different bird, and we don't have a RACES here in Mohave County. Our ARES is written into

the emergency action plans of Lake Havasu Police and Lake Havasu Fire departments.

We have an HF and a VHF/UHF station at the Police Station. Our Emergency Coordinator, Tom K7TJH and I need to get on the police department roof and work on our HF antenna before it gets hot. Our 146.700 Yaesu Fusion digital repeater is located on city property.

The LBARA Emergency Communications trailer is located at a Fire Station. ARES is written into the Mohave County Emergency Action Plan, and we work closely with the County Emergency Manager to activate for emergencies and drills at local, State, and Federal level. We always need new ARES members, and I encourage anyone interested to contact their own Amateur Radio Club for further information on these services.

Amateur radio has two purposes: to provide emergency communications and as a hobby. Our ham bands are very valuable frequency spectrum! Other services are always drooling over our bands, so the hobby aspect may not keep our allocation, while our continued participation in emergency services can tip the scales in our direction.

Links to the ARCA and ARES web sites are:

<http://www.arca-az.org/>

<http://www.arrl.org/ares>

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