

The Rumble

Next Meeting June 7, 2023 6PM

Program *TBD* Meeting Location: Northern AZ Fire Station #31, 2600 Northern Ave

From the Pres:

I would like to welcome all new members to this great group of ham radio operators. HARC is the oldest radio club in Kingman and this year we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary in July, so let's all make this a year to remember. Please join us in our activities that the club puts on and please be a participating member of the club. Don't forget we carry Andy Devine's call sign and we should be proud of that and honor the call sign by using WB6RER during every event we do.

Fox Hunting:

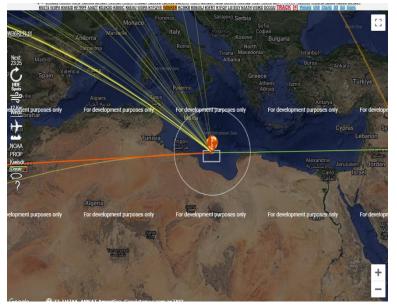
On June 2nd we had a fox hunt practice session and we all learned a little more about our equipment and how the transmitter hunt process works. On Saturday the 3rd we had the actual fox hunt and we had 6 members hunting for the fox. Don and Jerry were the hiders of the fox transmitter as they enjoy doing that for the hunters. Scott KK7KBQ was the winner finding the fox first. He enjoyed a 50/50 split of the entry fee of \$5. We had pizza at the park afterwards and Jerry KC7RCB paid for that. All had a good time chit chatting in the shade. Looks like with the warmer wx coming we will do the Fox Hunts earlier in the morning instead of 10am.



HARC-4 Balloon:

Looks like a shorter antenna was not a good idea and altitude is not everything Hi Hi. Spots of the balloon were very sparce so the next balloon will have a full size 20 meter dipole antenna. Design and construction is eveolving as we learn more on each flight. HARC-4 was last spotted on 5-31 near Eygpt and was still at altitude. Telematry data was hit and miss probably because of the lack of quality spots on the balloon. I feel we just might hear from it again when it flys over more ham populated areas. The solar conditions for 20 meters have been "poor" for a few days now and could be a factor in the loss of spots currently. Maybe solar conditions at 45,000 ft are worse than on the ground. All in all it was a great long flight of 13 days and a record for our efforts so far.

If anyone wants to sponsor a balloon using their own call sign please talk to Craig KK7JDL or myself Rick K7CNT. Cost of materials is \$110.





From the Secretary:

It's time to get ready for Field Day 2023. The Field Day Planning Committee got a lot done at the May 5th meeting. We will be in the lot next to Mother Road Harley Davidson again. I know we wanted to possibly go up into the mountains where it is cooler, but that just didn't pan out this year. (Perhaps next year?) When I called and asked for permission to use the lot again this year there was absolutely no hesitation with the yes. That says a lot about how we have conducted ourselves there in the past, so let's keep up the good work.

We will have the club trailer on site, as usual (thank you again to Tom, Tony and Pete for getting it sorted), running two transmitters, our President, Rick Cooper (K7CNT) has offered to bring his trailer out as well, which we will use for the GOTA (Get on the Air) station.

As we voted a few months ago, we will only be out there for one day, Saturday, so we will setup first thing in the morning and tear it all down that evening. If you can help with the setup and/or tear down, please come on out, we'd love to have your help.

We need someone to be our Safety Officer this year, having served as the Safety Officer last year I can tell you that it's an easy job, but an important one. If you're interested, please let one of the club officers know.

On another note, Vicki Zumwalt (N6KLS) will not be heading up our Route 66 on the Air participation this year, she's taking a much-deserved break. So, we need someone to head up our Route 66 on the Air efforts and to be the point of contact for Citrus Belt ARC, who oversees the event. Please let me know if you are interested.

That's all that I have for now, so 73 and I'll see you at the next meeting.

73 de KG6ECW

https://www.flagstaffhamfest.org/

The Amateur Radio Council of Arizona and the Northern Arizona DX Association are proud to announce that we are bringing a ham radio festival back to Flagstaff on July 15th, 2023. The event will be held at the Sinagua Middle School, which is located at 3950 E Butler Ave Flagstaff, AZ 86004.



Northern Arizona DX Association Presents the FLAGSTAFF HAMFEST Sponsored by The Amateur Radio Council of Arizona

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Here are some of the activities you can expect to find at the Flagstaff Hamfest

- Workshops planned so far
- _Exploring 10 Meters
- ___Summits on the Air (SOTA)
- Parks on the Air (POTA)
- ____EME (Bouncing signals off of the moon)
- _____"Array of Light" by Author Tom Schiller, N6BT
- Mesh Networks
- _____Amateur TV

_____RadioSport Headsets, Dave Bottom, WI6R

- Raffle!
- License Exams
- Navajo Code Talkers Table
- ARCA Table
- ARRL Table
- DXCC Card Checking
- VE Testing
- Vendor Tables
- Tailgate/Swap Meet
- Food and drinks available on site

Up and Coming Operating notes

Contests/operating events

June

- 2 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest
- 3 Kentucky QSO Party

ARRL International Digital Contest

- 10 VK Shires Contest ARRL June VHF Contest
- 17 All Asia DX Contest, CW West Virginia QSO Party
- 24 His Majesty King of Spain Contest, SSB 2023 ARRL Field Day

DXpeditions

VP6A Team will be active from Ducie Island, IOTA OC - 182, 10 - 24 June 2023

T31TT Team will be active from Kanton Island, Phoenix Islands, IOTA OC - 043, starting 1 - 12 June 2023. Team - Rebel DX Group.

Yuris, YL2GM will be active as VU7W from Minicoy Island, IOTA AS - 106, Laccadive Islands, 6 - 18 June 2023.



Dino, KX6D, installing the refurbished Force 12 C-3S triband Yagi at Dorothy Grant Elementary School in SoCal; originally installed in about 1994. Way to go, Dino!



