



The Rumble

Next Meeting
Sept 6, 2023 6PM

Program
Route 66 On the Air, a little tech and more

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

From the Pres:

I would like to welcome any new members to this great group of ham radio operators. HARC is the oldest radio club in Kingman and this year we celebrated our 50th anniversary in July, so let's all make this a year to remember. Join us in our activities that the club puts on and be a participating member of the club. Don't forget we carry Andy Devine's callsign and we should be proud of that and honor the call sign by using WB6RER during every event we do. Please make an effort to use the club repeater. We went to a lot of trouble to have it at its new great location. Your repeater - make use of it!

Jerry Fisher KC7RCB, one of the club's oldest members has moved to the Sacramento area to be closer to his family so they can take care of him. Jerry is 91 years old. He was always monitoring the local chat frequency 146.580 and always said hi when he would hear you on the air. He participated in all the club activities. I will miss him.

Thank you, Rick/K7CNT 73

From the HARC Secretary

It's time for Route 66 on the Air! This year the event will run from Sept. 9 – 17 and is dedicated to the memory of one of the event's founders, Dr. Jerry Conover, NE7I, who became a SK in August 2022. You can read more about him over at the Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club website, <https://w6jbt.org>.



Once again, we will be operating as W6F, thanks to our Club President Rick Cooper, K7CNT, who secured the call sign for us this year. As in years past, we really need your help to make this year's event a success for our Club. You can operate from the comfort of your own shack, and you can also come out to the Powerhouse where we will have the club trailer set up on one of the Saturdays (which Sat. TBD).

Using the Club's *groups.io* to coordinate operations worked well during our 50th Anniversary Event, we don't want to have two stations working the same mode on the same band at the same time, so we will continue with that for Route 66 on the Air. Using this method is very simple, just post a message to the Club's *groups.io* with the subject in the following format: [YOUR_CALL_SIGN]-W6F-[BAND]-[MODE]-[TIMES]-[DATE] e.g., KG6ECW - W6F - 20m - CW - 1900-2000 - 09/16/2023. There is also an example pinned to the top of the *groups.io* page, so you can always refer to that.

Please submit your logs to me (kg6ecw@gmail.com), preferably, in ADIF format, but if you don't do computer logging, contact me and we can make arrangements for me to collect your paper logs. Once I receive your logs, I'll add them to our Club logger and compile the info to send to Citrus Belt ARC.

We made 6,180 contacts last year; can we beat that number this year? 6,500? 7,000?

In other news, we have two big votes coming up, one to amend our Club Constitution and By-Laws, and the other is the annual election of Club Officers and our Board of Directors.

The vote on the amendment will occur at the October meeting; I'll be posting the proposed amendment on the groups.io in the next couple of days, so you'll have a month to mull things over. To summarize, the amendment more clearly spells out the requirements for holding an office or being a member of the Board, defines the role of the Board, and makes Board membership a two-year term.

Finally, the Officers and Board of Directors elections will take place in November. Please consider running for an office or a seat on the Board. You need to be a member for at least a year to hold any of the positions.

That's all I have for you this month; I'll see you at the next meeting. 73 DE KG6ECW (dit dit)

The new HARC Repeater – de Robin, et al

August saw the long months of effort for a new repeater come to a conclusion.

Club president, Rick Cooper, started the effort off earlier this year, leveraging some of his contacts at the Kingman Regional Medical center, and starting negotiations for the club to construct a repeater at the Hualapai Mountain Campus facility. After much effort and several clarifications of occupancy conditions, the club was granted permission to begin building the new repeater with, I might add, an eager approval from our KRMC contact. A parallel phase to this was to obtain a coordinated frequency pair.

We needed to do this and I know many are wondering why. It is because the last frequency pair was not eligible for what this new facility was offering in the area of coverage. After plotting many projected coverage scenarios, combined with a tone of paperwork for the club and KRMC, a coordination request was filed and granted to the club a few weeks back.



The new repeater is:

145.490 (repeater transmit – our receive frequency)

144.890 (repeater input – our transmit frequency)

CTCSS access tone of **131.8**

The digital (C4FM Fusion) side is currently not available as we are waiting for an internet

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connection. More on that when some progress is made on that effort.

There is still some additional (minor) cleanup work to be done, but the new system is operational and is living up to the projected coverage (and then some). Most, if not all users will find it far superior to anything we've ever had in the past, including the original site at Potato Patch in the Hualapai mountains.

I would especially like to thank Tom and Alice Ingle for hosting the old system as they have done for the past couple of years, much of it at their own time and expense. The club is eternally grateful to them for that!

I would also like to thank my fellow repeater team members, all of whom gave so much of the time and knowledge to make this happen. Rick Cooper, K7CNT; Tom Schiller, N6BT; Mike Risser KG6ECW; William Johnson, KK7FRW.

73, Robin - KR7CM

P.S. The pic makes it look simple, but it wasn't.



HARC SEPTEMBER BBQ

Saturday, the 16th of September...for... all HARC members and a guest.



Location is the home of past HARC President Vicki, N6KLS and Tom, N6BT on the north side of Kingman.

This is also the final weekend of Route 66 On the Air. You are welcome to come early and operate the home station with HARC's special call, W6F. Let us know when you would like to show up – there are two stations, so there can be two operators on at the same time.

Dave Admire, KE6HHL is the BBQ chef (that is an actual pic of Dave BBQing) and will be cranking up the grill early in the afternoon. HARC provides the BBQ food and Dave says the BBQ will be ready to eat at 3PM. **3PM – don't be late!!**

What to bring:

Last name A-H → salads

Last name I-O → deserts

Last name P-Z → drinks

Directions: just past mile marker 16 on Stockton Hill Road. Address is: 1943 E Fortuna Ct. Home phone is: 1.928.692.5048 As you go over the hill at marker 16, road will curve to the right and E Fortuna Ct is the second left (can only turn left). Go past the first house on the right with the black roof and through our entry gate (you will see lots of antennas).

Emergency Preparedness

The President of the Oakland Club (ORCA) arranged several AUXCOM classes in the Bay Area earlier this year. Both instructors were professional emergency responders (one lives on Oahu and the other in Southern California, directly in the path of Hiliary).

From the class - the first rule of disaster response: do not self-deploy. Instead, monitor and participate in the disaster nets. If you're willing and able to help in person and are part of a response organization that may be able to help, stay in touch with them.

Re: reports saying the Red Cross will pay a volunteer's way to Hawaii if they are willing to help. Maybe, but contact them. Remember, however, that the Red Cross and other such organizations typically require that you be pre-vetted by their process before you can deploy with them. That can take a significant amount of time. Instead, try joining disaster response nets to help needed information get passed to its destination.

September is National Preparedness Month, established by FEMA "to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time."

This year's theme is "Preparing for Older Adults." This means preparing older adults for disaster, specifically older adults from communities that are disproportionately impacted by the all-hazard events which continue to threaten the nation. More information is available at:

<https://www.ready.gov/september>.

OPERATING

A.R.R.L. EME Contest

Objective: To work as many amateur stations as possible via the earth-moon-earth path on any authorized amateur frequency above 50 MHz.

Dates:

Four full weekend 48-hour periods (0000 UTC on Saturday through 2359 UTC Sunday). Dates for 2023 are:

Weekends 1 and 2: 2.3 GHz & Up - August 12-13, September 9-10

Weekends 3 and 4: 50 to 1296 MHz - October 28-29, November 25-26

Alabama QSO Party 1500Z, Sep 9 to 0300Z, Sep 10

ARRL September VHF Contest 1800Z, Sep 9 to 0300Z, Sep 11

Texas QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 16 to 0200Z, Sep 17 and 1400Z-2000Z, Sep 17

Iowa QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 16 to 0200Z, Sep 17

Washington State Salmon Run 1600Z, Sep 16 to 0700Z, Sep 17 and 1600Z-2400Z, Sep 17

Maine QSO Party 1200Z, Sep 23 to 1200Z, Sep 24

Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest 0600Z, Sep 30 to 0559Z, Oct 1

http://www.mulandxc.com/index/index? locale=en_US

Peanut Power QRP Sprint 2200Z-2359Z, Oct 1

<http://www.nogaqrp.org/PeanutPower/rules.pdf>

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