



West Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc

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SHORT SKIP

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WVARC CALENDAR

Saturday	December 6	VE Exams, DeVry		7:45 AM
Monday	December 1	Monthly Meeting	St. Clement Catholic Church Social Hall	7 PM
Saturday	December 13	Club Breakfast	Lou's Tivoli Gardens	8 AM
Monday	January 5	Monthly Meeting	St. Clement Catholic Church Social Hall	7 PM
Saturday	January 10	Club Breakfast	Lou's Tivoli Gardens	8 AM
Wednesdays	2 meter Newline Net	147.30 MHz		6:45 PM
Thursdays	Breakfast, Coco's	98 th Avenue & Bell Road		8:00 AM
Daily	Call-in Net	147.30 MHz		9:00 AM

COMING UP IN DECEMBER

ELECTIONS AND PARTY—DECEMBER 1

The December meeting is not only election night, but also our traditional Christmas party. If at all possible please bring two dozen cookies to contribute.....preferably grandma's favorite homemade recipe, to help make our party a success. Your spouse or "significant other" is always welcome!

NEW MEMBERS

Leister W Bowling Sr **AC7YK** Sun City
 Dana Franklin **KD7YUS** Surprise AZ

Further info –consult Online Roster.

HAM OF THE YEAR!

It was a great night at the Palmbrook Country Club, where 58 Hams and their wives honored **David Cain, AC7CS** as "Ham of The Year"! He started life in Michigan, but moved to Phoenix in the 8th grade, and later graduated from ASU. He worked for the FAA in LA, Denver, and for 12 years in Seattle. In 1994 he retired, and moved to the West Valley, having received his first Ham ticket just 1 year before retiring. It should also be noted that he went from Tech Plus to Extra in one day! Among his many activities, Dave has played a crucial role in the testing of the emergency communications system provided by Hams for the area hospitals.

PREZ SEZ

First, I want to apologize for the foul up on our Nov. program. The original program presenter was called out of town on business and the substitute presenter failed to show. However, we did have an interesting talk and slide show on the upcoming S.W. Convention in Az. in August of 2004.

As the year draws to a close, I wish to thank the members for your patience and support during my term as your President. I will continue to work with the Board during 2004 for the improvement of our Club.

I urge you to be present at the December meeting for the election of new officers and to enjoy all the good Christmas cookies.

See you on Dec. 1st.

73 Stan K7PLO

NOVEMBER 1 EXAMS AT DeVRY

- 11 candidates were examined
- 3 earned element 1
- 3 earned Technician licenses
- 5 failed element 2
- 1 earned a General license

Administering VEs

Robert Miner KA7NPQ Liaison

VE Team:

Robert Knight	N7LP
Shelly Newman	AB7LQ
Edward H. Beyer	WU7A
Stan Kieffer	N7QB
Richard Piggott	WB2LKU
Joseph Cutitta	W0SLL
Kenneth J. Peloquin	AB7GV
Glenn Wade	N7JWF

A special thanks to Joseph Cuttita –W0SLL for doing the exam reading and Glenn Wade – N7JWF for doing the scoring on a special VE exam session, on October 28, 2003 at the home of Vern DeWitt – KA9TAA . Also congratulation to Vern DeWitt, who just passed his Extra class.

PALO VERDE SIREN TEST

The first Siren test at 12 noon on November 5 went off with no siren problems. The second test was to go off at 12:30 PM, but instead went off at 12:34 PM, because of a computer problem. The catered food by “El Passo’s Barbecue” was good, and this year’s gift for the participants was a toolbox.

John Kornbeck, WA9HBT,
Public Service Coordinator

Participants this year were:

John & Mary Kornbeck	WA9HBT
Ted Walker	KJ7V
Reuben Deerhake	W7RD
Mike Smith	KD7MM
Paula Jones	KD7TNB
Charles Thompson	KD7BJK
Steve Early	KC8PJ
Jerry Basso	W9JIF
Steffanie Basso	KD7NAN
Ron Wamsley/Diane	W8QVG
Richard Taubert	KB7NLI
Ron Rasmussen	K6OP
Frank Baldrige	K2ATV
Joe Cutitta	W0SLL
Earl Klingston	
Bob Tastet/Kathleen	KD7YBK
Jerry Ferguson	WF7F
Donald Bastien	K7UGO
Mit Thompson/June	K9CCX
Alfred Diebel	KB8NSN
Bert Davidson	W2GOB
Ken Hopper	KD7KH
Lew Kimble	KE2GG
Harold VanDyke	KD2PH
Augie Allen	KB0RUL
Gene Melton	AK9N
Walt Schwiebert	W8EPO
Richard Jackson	K7VCI
David Cain	AC7CS
Allen Heneman	K0HOZ
Pat Regan	KD7TFD
David Morrill	N7TWT
Marilyn Waite	N7DFH
Loyd Waite	N7IAU
Jack Yarger	W7ADZ
Dennis Arend	KC7HLX
Robert Wilkins	W7DZK
Dick Koch	WB7PGI
Calvin Cruse	KA7BET
Brad Dassonville	AA7YG
Lois Dassonville	AA7ZQ

CALL SIGN CHANGE, LICENSE UPGRADE

Vern Dewitt **AD7AM**, Amateur Extra was KA9TAA General Class

Donald Bastien **K7UGO** General was KD7UGO Technician

Dana Franklin **KD7YUS** Technician

LICENSES EXPIRING SOON

N6XCC	Jim Russell	Jan 04
W9MVB	Ben Logan	Jan 04
K9IVB	Richard Faust	Jan 04
KB8NSN	Al Diebel	Jan 04
KF2PW	Al Cohen	Jan 04
N7JB	Jim Bradley Jr	Jan 04
KA9TAA	Vern De Witt	Jan 04
AB7BD	Doc Greene	Jan 04
K7VZP	WilliamThissell	Feb 04
W4DGL	Rocky Lewis	Feb 04

NEXT FCC LICENSE EXAMS

Next exam session at DeVry University Saturday December 6. Exams start at 7:45 AM and all tests must be concluded by 9:45 AM. Check-in at the Library on the second floor, southeast corner of the School. Bring photo ID and the original operator license and CSCEs and photocopies of each if applicable. Exam fee is \$12 for all elements taken once. An additional fee applies for a retest of any element. Retest is at the option of the VEs. **Pay fee by check to ARRL/VEC or exact amount in cash – Volunteer Examiners cannot make change.**

CHANGES OF ADDRESS ETC

Bob Tauxe – **W6JTA** –623-214-0532

Allen Heneman **K0HOZ** Surprise AZ

COMING EVENTS

HAMFESTS

December 6 Superstition Hamfest Mesa Community College 6 AM-2 PM \$2.00 per walk-in or vehicle entry \$10.00 tailgate; <http://sky.prohosting.com/wb7crk>.

January 17, 2004 Westfest, Glendale Community College, Sponsor: Thunderbird ARC; www.geocities.com/tbarc2001/

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

Letter from William Allroth, Director of Corporate Telecommunications Sun Health Corp, for participation in emergency preparedness drill.

Certificate and letter from ARRL President Jim Haynie W5JBP and Mary Hobart KIMMH ARRL Chief Development Officer, for donation to 2003 Spectrum Defense Fund to fight Broadband Over Power Lines.

SELECTED CONTESTS

ARRL 10-Meter Contest Dec 13-Dec 14
www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2003-meters.html

Hunting Lions in the Air Jan 10-Jan 11
www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/lionita.asp

International Naval Contest Dec 20-Dec 21
<http://users.skynet.be/jdl/intnave.htm>

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS

N0W (November Zero Whiskey) Dec 6.
Grand Junction, CO: Western Colorado Amateur Radio Club, National SkyWarn Day. 28.360 21.260 14.260 7.230. QSL. Bob Vogel, W0RY, 155 Ponderosa Dr, Fruita, CO 81521. <http://www.wcarc.ws/>.

W3GR. 1300Z Dec 6-2100Z Dec 7.
Historical Electronics Museum Amateur Radio Club

Commemorating the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. 14.241 14.041 7.241 7.041. Certificate. W3GR-HEMARC, PO Box 746, MS 4015, Baltimore, MD 21203. www.qsl.net/w3gr.

W4B. Dec 12-Dec 17.

Kitty Hawk, NC: North Carolina Special Events Group (NCSEG), 100th anniversary of the Wright Brother's First Flight. 21.330 14.260 7.260 3.860. Certificate. W4B Special Event, PO Box 3228, Shelby, NC 28151. <http://ncseg.org>.

W1C Dec 17,18

Aeronautical and Maritime Radio Club of California 100th anniversary of Wright Brothers First Flight (from aircraft in flight if weather permits). 28.475 14.272 7.250 3.972. Certificate: Bill Alber, WA6CAX, PO Box 799, Suisun City, CA 94585.

KC5OUR Dec 18-Dec 25.

Celebrating Christmas Season from Bethlehem (aka Belen), NM. 28.370 21.370 14.270 7.270. QSL. KC5OUR, Valencia County ARA, PO Box 268, Peralta, NM 87042.

www.qsl.net/kc5our/belen.htm

FOR SALE

TELREX TRIBAND ANTENNA, 5 element
Mod. TB5EM, manual incl. Freq.- 10, 15, 20M, Balun
fed \$200 + S&H

TOWER-- E-Z Way Products Mod. RB-40, manual incl.-
Tilt-over crank installation, 2 sections with Ground Post,
No guys required. \$150 + dismantling + freight

MFJ Antenna Tuner- Mod. 989C, Versa Tuner V,
manual incl.-Cross Needle meter, SWR/ Watt-meter- Hi
Power up to 3 KW PE Built in 50 ohm, 300w Dummy
Load - \$250 + S&H

Drake Co.- Mod. T-4XC Transmitter, 200w, SSB, CW,
RTTY - Mod. R-4C Receiver
Mod. AC-4 Power Supply - Manuals incl.
Mod. MS-4 Speaker - Astatic Mic. - Mod.10-2A
\$400. + S&H

Telex HAM IV Rotor System w/ 120v Control Unit - \$300.
+ S&H, manuals incl.

For viewing or purchase, contact: **Bill Young W5TGW**
623-974-2620 bjyoung@juno.com

Anixter Mobile antenna (40-20-15-10) meters and
magnetic mount \$100.
WA9RKI - 623-972-0923 or e-mail rudstro@aol.com.

MFJ Voice Keyer Model 434 with remote key pad, all
cables and manual...\$100. Westmountain Rig Blaster
complete with software & manual.....\$50 All in great
shape --selling because my new rig has all this built in.
Ron-K6OP ronk6op@juno.com or 623-546-5710.

Alinco DX 70T HF& 50MHZ All mode Transceiver -
\$450.00, like new condition.

Robert Miner, KA7NPQ, Phoenix. 602-997-2465.

Kenwood TH-F6A, charger, soft case, spkr/mic, book,
box...\$285.

52' crank down, fold over tubular tower \$200

2 element 10 meter Raibeam...\$90. OBO. **Ted Walker**
KJ7V, email kj7v@cox.net

Kenwood 930 with desk mike, manual, \$375

2600 President with hand mike, manual \$75

June Snyder KC0XZ, 623-972-3342

Butternut HF6V vertical antenna. 80 thru 10 meters.
Includes Model A-17-12 meter kit. \$75.00 OBO.

Richard, KB6TI 584-4116

Donated to the Club by **BOB NORTON**
K17OI

Transceiver	Kenwood TS520
Mike,	Kenwood MC50
Speaker,	Kenwood SP520
Transceiver,	Azden PCS-4000 2Mtr.
Antenna Tuner,	MFJ 900
Phone Patch,	Heathkit HD15
SWR/Pwr meter	Lafayette 99-26411
Digital Freq . Display	DFD/K

For Sale - due to health problems

Yaesu FT 840 Xceiver Purchased 6/30/03

Astron RS20A Power supply 6/30/03

AM-Com Clear Speech Spkr CCS-11 7/21/03

Iron Horse 20 M whip & RS mount 7/3/03

USED items

Straight key

LP Filter KW

MFJ Tuner 982-C 1.5 KW Versa III

\$847 Cash bundle.

Call **Rich Kemp W7JIH** - 623-974-2711

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