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MAY 2004

CLUB PARTICIPATES IN THE 2004 SARA SMILES 5K RUN

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LBARA GOES DARK

**PLEASE REMEMBER THERE ARE NO MEETINGS
DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE—AUGUST**

SEE YOU NEXT SEPTMEBER 16TH

MAY 20th MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER

**Bryon Steward From
The Mohave County
Emergency Management
Office Will Speak To Us
On Our County-Wide
Emergency Needs And
Preparation**

LBARA MEETING SCHEDULE

MONTH	BOARD	REGULAR
MAY	5/18	5/20
JUNE	DARK	DARK
JULY	DARK	DARK
AUGUST	DARK	DARK
SEPTEMBER	9/14	9/16
OCTOBER	10/19	10/21
NOVEMBER	11/16	11/18
DECEMBER	12/14	12/16

ARRL CALLS ON WHITE HOUSE TO WITH- DRAW SUPPORT FOR BPL

The ARRL action was triggered by statements made by President Bush during an April 26 speech in Minneapolis, MN. During his speech, Bush advocated changing technical standards to encourage BPL deployment in the USA. Responding on behalf of ARRL's membership, President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, told Bush that while the League supports universal and affordable broadband access, BPL is the wrong direction to take. (Full story at: <http://www2.arrl.org/news/stories/2004/04/27/1/?nc=1>)

YOUR LEAGUE ISSUES CALL FOR MEMBER SUPPORT

ARRL Members are encouraged to contact the White House with messages supporting ARRL's position on BPL. Maybe you haven't contacted the White House before, but we're going to make it easy for you to do the right thing. Go ahead, give it a shot - who knows, you might become "Dubya's" favorite pen pal.

HOW WOULD YOU SEND A MESSAGE?

That part's easy - go to: <https://sawho14.eop.gov/PERSdata/intro.htm> Read the introductory paragraph and decide if you want to send e-mail, US Mail, or FAX.

1. Click on "Continue" to send e-mail
2. Select "write a differing opinion"
3. Select "Science & Technology" as your subject
4. Click on "Continue"
5. Enter name, address & e-mail address
6. Click on "Continue"
7. Enter your message, click on "Continue"
8. Edit and/or send your message

WHAT WOULD YOUR MESSAGE SAY?

Here's one example: Our country will benefit from a reasonable National Broadband Internet Access Policy. There are several ways to achieve universal access, such as DSL, Cable, Wireless, Satellite and Fiber. One technique, Broadband over Power Lines (BPL), does not deserve a place in our national policy because, by polluting the radio frequency spectrum, it destroys much more than it accomplishes. Please drop BPL from your broadband internet access policy.

IF BPL WERE TO POP UP IN OUR AREA, WHAT WOULD IT SOUND LIKE?

Several of you have asked what BPL sounds like over the air. You can listen to BPL interference on the ARRL website. Go to: <http://www2.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/> Then scroll down to the sections marked "Video" and "Audio" to download the files you're interested in. BTW, take a moment to scan the rest of ARRL's BPL information page to remind yourself what's at stake.



Have a Great Summer and...

Well it is that time of year again. Most of our members that spend the winter here but the summer someplace else have either already taken off or will be leaving very soon. Those of us that stay here for the summer have started up the coolers and A/C units. Whether you are spending the summer here in Lake Havasu or somewhere where it is a little cooler, take a look at your planner. Do you have an afternoon free one or two days a week? Do you have Internet access? Here's an idea. Why not sign up for a class. You can now not only sign up for the class without ever leaving the comfort of your home, but you can take the class there as well.

The ARRL offers a number of very interesting classes. Some of the classes offered are:

Emergency Communications (Levels I, II and III)

Antenna Modeling

RFI

The classes are typically \$45 (for ARRL members), but many are supported by government or private grants and upon successful completion, your tuition is refunded. To see a complete list of the classes and the fee structures go to the following URL:

<http://www.arrl.org/cce/calendar.html>

In addition to the ARRL, FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) offers a number of on-line courses as well. To see a list of these courses go the URL:

http://www.fema.gov/tab_education.shtm

Come the fall you may not only be a little older, you may be a little wiser as well.

See you in the fall!

73 de N6BRH (Bruce)

MEMBER PROFILES:

ROGER PERRY

A HAM FOR 73 YEARS

Some of you may recall a meeting last year when a poll was taken to find out how long some of the members had been licensed. When the dust settled we learned that Roger Perry held the honors as the longest licensed ham in our Club. This is a look at Roger's long career in amateur radio and the broadcasting industry and the first in a series of Member Profiles.

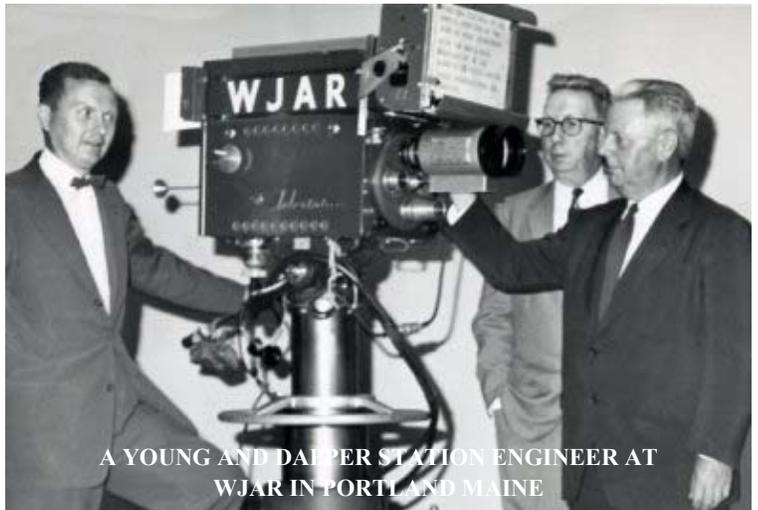
Roger was first licensed in 1931 in Lockport, N.Y at the age of 16 as W8KDX (New York was located in the 8th District in those days). His interest in electronics began while working in a small appliance repair shop while in high school and continued after joining the U.S. Navy in 1939. He was assigned as a radio operator at sea, making 17 North Atlantic crossings and while in the Mediterranean, the invasion of Sicily. Roger continued his naval career after the war in the Naval Reserve until he retired as a Lieutenant in 1960 at age 60.

Roger married his beautiful wife, Jeanne after the war and began his broadcasting career in 1946, helping to build WPOR-AM (later WPOR-TV) in Portland, Maine. Roger's ham call then became W1PGZ. His next move was to WJAR-TV as the station engineer for 25 years before retiring in 1960.

After retirement, Roger and Jeanne move to Lake Tahoe, CA and Roger became an Extra Class with the call AE7I. Roger and Jeanne moved to Lake Havasu in 1987 where they immediately became active in our Club.

Throughout his ham career he has been active in just about every aspect of amateur radio including DXing, contesting, Field Day, and many club activities.

Roger has passed this hobby on to his entire family. Jeanne became WA1VGK in 1972 and his "DX assistant" (when Roger was expected to return home from work, Jeanne would tune up the rig and tune in the latest exotic DX. When Roger got home from work, all he had to do was to sit down at the rig and work the DX!). The rest of his family is licensed too. His daughter, Janet, is W9HCJ, and his sons, Tom and Chuck, are KX7B and N9CXM.



A YOUNG AND DAIRY STATION ENGINEER AT
WJAR IN PORTLAND MAINE

MONDAY NIGHT NET FREQUENCIES

Several people have asked about which frequency they should use if they were out of Lake Havasu to check in to our Monday night net. Below is a list of frequencies. It is by system and city. The repeaters listed are to the best of my knowledge, are usually up. The frequencies are as follows:

<u>System</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Offset</u>	<u>PL (Hz.)</u>
MCARS	Bullhead/Laughlin	145.270	-	131.8
	Kingman	146.760	-	131.8
	Kingman	448.250	-	131.8
	Lake Havasu	146.610	-	131.8
	Willow Beach	147.120	-	131.8
CRRRA	Lake Havasu	146.960	-	162.2
		224.240	-	156.7
		449.950	-	141.3
BARN	Lake Havasu	447.540	-	136.5
	Las Vegas, NV	449.950	-	136.5
	Onyx (Palm Spngs)	449.340	-	136.5
	Orange County, CA	447.540	-	100.0

*N.B. "MCARS" is Mohave County Amateur Radio System

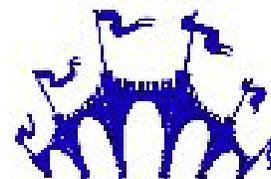
"CRRRA" is Colorado River Repeater Association

"BARN" is Bikini Amateur Radio Network

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

Kachina ARC Hamfest	June 4-5	Showlow
Arizona State Hamfest	July 2-4	Williams
2004 SW ARRL Convention	August 27-29	Chandler
Kingman Hamfest	September 18	Kingman

2004 SPRING PICNIC



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ATTENTION READERS

Please note that this issue represents a “work-in-progress” and there are a number of changes to be made in subsequent issues. I would greatly appreciate your comments, both good and bad, as well as any suggestions for future issues. This issue also begins our first attempt to deliver the **STATIC** to your doorstep electronically. Please keep me abreast of any email address changes you may have and I promise to have this delivered promptly and accurately. Also, I still have a number of articles awaiting publication and will do so in the future. This is your newsletter, so keep the articles, letters, and pictures coming. I can be reached at home (855.7941), at work (855.3081) or via email at grf@uneedspeed.net .

EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

EDITOR’S NOTE: List your items for sale here. Ham radio related only, please. Include a picture if you like (please use a jpg format). Email all to me at grf@uneedspeed.net) along with your name and phone number.

