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March 2007

LBARA AIDS THE 2007 MARCH OF DIMES WALK AMERICA

Once again LBARA assisted the walkers participating in the March of Dimes Walk America. The following Club members helped provide communication for this event:

Bob Gilbertson, K6BBB

Don Sgro, KF0YP

Garry Fisher, K9YCG

Bruce Hunt, N6BRH

John Fisken, KA9TCN

Lee St. Clair, W7AX

Reiner Schick, KD5MBA

Jim Gould, KF7X

Russ NYblom, K7RUS



LBARA MEETING SCHEDULE

MONTH	BOARD	REGULAR
MARCH	NOTE: BOARD	3/15
APRIL	MEETINGS WILL NOW	4/19
MAY	TAKE PLACE ONE	5/17
SEPTEMBER	HOUR PRIOR TO THE	9/2
October	REGULAR MEETING	10/20

LOCAL HAMS UPGRADE

Ed Gillespie and his VE team held a test session on February 23 enabling a number of local hams to take advantage of the new codeless licensing requirements. The following were successful:

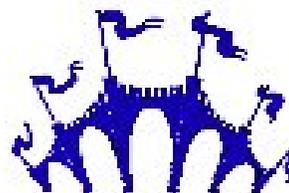


Here's Sharon Fisher smiling because she has just upgraded to General. Congratulations Sharon!

- Dave Holmes, N7DRH, upgraded to General
- Jon Ward, KE7BMU, upgraded to General
- Sharon Fisher, KC9CTX, upgraded to General
- Bill Eschelbacher passed his Technician (call is pending)

Monday Night Net (7 PM)

System	Location	Freq	Offset	PL
MCARS	Bullhead City	145.27	-	131.8
	Kingman	146.76	-	131.8
	Kingman	448.25	-	131.8
	Lake Havasu	146.62	-	131.8
	Willow Beach	147.12	-	131.8
CRRRA	Lake Havasu City	146.96	-	162.2
	Lake Havasu City	224.24	-	156.7
	Lake Havasu City	146.64	-	156.7
	Lake Havasu City	449.95	-	141.3
BARN	Lake Havasu City	447.54	-	136.5
	Las Vegas, NV	449.95		136.5
	Onyx(Palm Springs)	449.34	-	136.5
	Orange County, CA	447.54	-	100



**2nd ANNUAL
SEVENTH AREA QSO PARTY**

MAY 5 - 6

The inaugural Seventh Area QSO Party (7QP) was held last May. It turned out to be the most successful first QSO Party in the history of these types of regional operating events. A lot of this success can be attributed to the clubs that promoted the event and had active members, you folks.

Of the 259 counties in the 7th Call Area, 209 were activated. Here in AZ we had 14 of our 15 counties active.

The 2007 version of 7QP will be held May 5-6,2007. It will again be an 18 hour event with stations outside of the 7th area trying to work te stations in the 7th area. That makes stations in our rarer counties very popular.

Complete Rules can be found on the 7QP webpage: <http://www.codxc.com/new/Page.asp?Content=DRYLAND7S&Page=1>

Please let me know of any planned operations, fixed or mobile. You will be hearing from me several other times before the contest.

TNX and GL

73, Bob K8IA

Arizona Capt - 7QP

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ever thought about contesting? Want to give it a try and see what all the fun is about? This is a fun, easy paced contest where your 7th area call is in demand. It's kind of like being the DX station everyone wants to contact. See me if you would like to get started with this contest, but keep in mind, you could become addicted!

W7ZR IS ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Dick Zalewski, W7ZR, is off to Casablanca to operate in the CQWW WPX Contest at 5C5Z (Morocco) on 20 meters, March 24 and 25. He'll also be on CW and RTTY before the contest as CN2ZR. He'll be looking for 7's. Give him a call. Good luck Dick..

Don Prouse, KB7UNO , SK

Don passed away on March 1st. Don had been a long-time member of LBARA and will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Marti and the rest of Don's family.

Rest In Peace Don

**BRUCE HUNT ASKS THE QUESTION:
TELL ME THIS WON'T HAPPEN TO US!!!!**

LOST IN THE DARNDDEST PLACES:

An elderly Floridian called 911 on her cell phone to report that her car has been broken into. She is hysterical as she explains her situation to the dispatcher: "They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator!" she cried. The dispatcher said, "Stay calm. An officer is on the way." A few minutes later, the officer radios in. "Disregard." He says. "She got in the back-seat by mistake."

FAMILY

Three sisters, ages 92, 94 and 96, live in a house together. One night the 96-year-old draws a bath. She puts her foot in and pauses. She yells to the other sisters, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94-year-old yells back, "I don't know. I'll come up and see." She starts up the stairs and pauses "Was I going up the stairs or down?" The 92-year-old is sitting at the kitchen table having tea listening to her sisters. She shakes her head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful, knock on wood." She then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door."

"I CAN HEAR JUST FINE!"

Three retirees, each with a hearing loss, were playing golf one fine March day. One remarked to the other, "Windy, isn't it?" "No," the second man replied, "it's Thursday." And the third man chimed in, "So am I. Let's have a beer."

LITTLE LADY:

A little old lady was running up and down the halls in a nursing home. As she walked, she would flip up the hem of her nightgown and say "Supersex." She walked up to an elderly man in a wheelchair. Flipping her gown at him, she said, "Supersex." He sat silently for a moment or two and finally answered, "I'll take the soup."

OLD FRIENDS:

Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards. One day, they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now don't get mad at me .. I know we've been friends for a long time, but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is." Her friend glared at her. For at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

SENIOR DRIVING

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!" "Heck," said Herman, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!"

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND HAMFESTS

March 10— SPRINGFEST - sponsored by ACRA & Scottsdale ARC, Scottsdale Community College, 9400 East Chaparral Road, Scottsdale. <http://members.cox.net/sarc2007>

April 14—2007 Springfest sponsored by ARCA and Scottsdale ARD. Scottsdale Community College, 9000 East Chaparral Road, Scottsdale, AZ

May 5—2007 Cochise Amateur Radio Association Hamfest in Sierra Vista, AZ

BAKER TO VEGAS RELAY RACE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

I received a request to support a Public Service Event over in California/Nevada in April. It's for the Baker to Vegas Relay Race, and they are asking for hams from around the division to assist if they can. I am enclosing some correspondence I have received from their coordinator (Joy) regarding our potential participation.

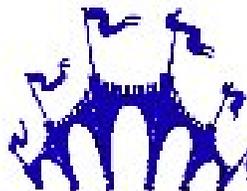
The Race is on the weekend of 21st of April. We have an event that weekend, so many of you are already committed to assist Mike Pulley that weekend. Our first obligation is to our own events, however if you aren't already signed up for that weekend, you might want to consider the B2V event. Mike knows about this request for the B2V support and is comfortable with anyone not already signed up supporting it.

If you are interested, please let me know, I think it's best if we look at car pooling to minimize the cost to all. It would appear they would like us to man stage 16 which is almost due west of Vegas. In looking at the maps, more than likely we would drive to Vegas on Saturday (Leaving in the early to mid morning) and then work our way to our assignment. We would need to be there by 8pm (safety margin), and man the overnight shift from 11pm until about 9am Sunday. I expect we'd need to get some sleep and head back to the valley. If enough people volunteer, we might be able to work shifts and all of us get some sleep while it's dark. I am told we'd need about 8-12 hams to adequately man the stage.

For more details, visit www.b2v.org or contact Rick Aldom, W7STS, ARRL AZ Section Emergency Coordinator.

FOR SALE/TRADE

ALINCO DX70 MOBILE TRANSCEIVER - 100 w, 166-6m, CW filter, Removable Face Plate, Jim Varner, AE6N, 680.7259



The new Arizona ham radio callsign plates are now available. Check out the website at:

<http://www.azdot.gov/mvd/vehicle/mvdplate.asp>

If you missed the February LBARA meeting you missed a great program put on by Kirk Koch from the BLM. We all learned many new things about the history of Lake Havasu, just how important the lake is to the economy of Lake Havasu City, and what is in store for the future of the lake.



Visalia International DX Convention 2007

The 2007 International DX Convention will take place April 27, 28 & 29, 2007 at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center in Visalia, California. This is an ARRL sanctioned convention that is sponsored this year by the Northern California DX Club. It is expected to draw visitors from around the World and will feature programs from recent DX-Peditions and contest operations.

The Convention theme this year is, "Elmering New DXers is Job Number One!" Accordingly, a portion of the programming will be devoted to helping new DXers learn about how to be noticed in a pile-up, snag a "new one" and get that elusive QSL card.

Other Convention offerings will include: DX, Top Band and Contest Forums, technical talks, many door prizes, both Friday and Saturday evening "attitude adjustments", Saturday Barbecue Lunch, Saturday night banquet, Sunday morning "power" breakfast, Vendors Exhibits and QSL card checking.

Current information and registration forms are available on the Convention web page, which can be found at www.dxconvention.org. Additional registration information can be obtained by contacting Convention Registration Chairman, Dick Letrich, W6KM via Email at dlw6km@aol.com.

MARCH SPEAKER

Rick Aldom, W7STS, ARRL AZ Section Emergency Coordinator, will fill us in on TARS (Tethered Aero-stat Radar System). TARS is a balloon-borne radar system whose mission is to provide radar data in support of the nation's drug interdiction program. Rick works on the TARS located in the Yuma area. Be sure to attend as this promises to be an informative and interesting presentation.



A BIG THANK YOU:

We wish to thank the following members of the London Bridge Amateur Radio Association (LBARA), on behalf of the WARC members for their work on the club repeater.

Dave Holm, N7DRH, for donating the used repeater.

Dick Jernigan, W7DXJ and Doug Spreng, W7MCF for their work on putting it together.

Cliff Baril, W7IRC
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Bullhead City, AZ

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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.

