

# YAVAPAI SIGNAL

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## From the Desk of the President

The February YARC meeting was well attended and interesting. There were several items of interest discussed, the primary one being the organization of an amateur license class to be set up and taught by Chuck, K7QO. I am pleased that it is now scheduled to begin the first week in March, see announcement elsewhere in this newsletter for the details. I think this is a great opportunity for YARC to help get some new people in the hobby and at the same time provide the opportunity for currently licensed amateurs to upgrade their licenses. The club has gotten several new members to join since moving the meeting from the third Thursday of the month to the first Thursday. This has allowed some Yavapai County Sheriff's Posse members to join. It has also resulted in the Posse providing a facility for the license class.

Also, Rex, N7NGM, is spearheading the effort to get an Echo Link/IRLP capability set up. I am pleased at these events and the interest being shown, which I believe bode well for YARC. These are the kinds of things that make for a vibrant, active club.

I am still looking to club members



to offer ideas and suggestions on any program they might like to see and to consider having any club they belong to present a program. Steve, KC7TIL is going to be looking into having someone from the radio control airplane club give a program. So, please contact me with any ideas on programs you might have.

73,

*John, WB9VGJ*

## Welcome To The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club

The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club (YARC) is an ARRL affiliated club. The club participates in many activities in the tri-city area by providing communications for local events, emergency communications, and promotion of the hobby throughout the community. Membership in the YARC is open to any interested amateur or non-amateur alike. Dues are \$20.00/yr. The YARC meets at 7:00 PM local time on the first Thursday of every month at the Granite Mountain Middle School, 1800 Williamson Valley Rd. in Prescott. It is about 1/2 mile north of Iron Springs Rd and all amateurs and non-amateurs as well are invited. Programs of interest are included as part of the meeting. The weekly NET is held every Wednesday at 7:00 PM local time on the 146.880- repeater. All amateurs are invited to participate and visitors are always welcome. The Yavapai County ARES/RACES NET is held on Monday nights approximately at 6:45PM local time on the 147.220+ repeater on Mingus Mtn.

## Club Repeater

The local 146.880- mHz repeater is the official adopted repeater for the YARC. It is located on the hill above Willow Creek Rd and requires a PL of 100.0 Hz. If you hear a 1400 Hz pulsing tone, the repeater is on backup battery power and usage should be limited to necessary communications. The 147.040+ (100.0 PL) repeater is back up and running in Prescott Heights. Many thanks to Bill Kafka, W2YAV

## YARC Officers for 2005

<i>President</i> John Broughton, WB9VGJ <i>wb9vgj@arrl.net</i>	<i>Vice President</i> Bob Rosevear, WB7RRQ <i>rosevear520@cableone.net</i>
<i>Secretary</i> Joe Oliver, AC6AA <i>joliver@commspeed.net</i>	<i>Treasurer</i> David Passell, K6UWV <i>davidrex@northlink.com</i>

### YARC Board of Directors (includes Club Officers)

Rex Mauldin-N7NGM  
Terry Pemberton-KB7TRE  
Jack Ragen-W3IVQ  
Walter Schumann -KF6SPS  
Weekly Net Control-Tom Ivan  
, KF7GC, et al

Newsletter Editor-Hal Tritel, N6OVE

*Minutes of February 3, 2005 Meeting*



John, WB9VGJ called the meeting to order at 1900. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Visitors:** Rich Bozeat; Rose Clark; Roy Jackson; Larry Lowe and Vi Hughes.

**New Members:** Doug Nicholson, KB6TWC; Larry Lowe; Roy Jackson, KF4IVG

**New Licenses:** None

**Meeting Minutes:** The Minutes for December were approved on a motion by Bob, WB6ODR, and seconded by Lloyd, WA6ZZJ. January's Minutes were approved on a motion by Bob, WB6ODR and seconded by Al, KD7MTJ.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave, W6UWV reported a balance of \$15348.44. The report was approved on a motion by Jack, W3IVQ and seconded by Jim, N5RO.

Dave also described the benefits of the ARRL Club Commission Membership Program and explained how the club is implementing this Program.

Committee Reports:

**ARES/RACES:** Lloyd, WA6ZZJ reported that two calls were received from the Red Cross for communication. Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> will be the first training meeting of the year, to be held in Prescott City Hall, in the basement, which also is the State of Arizona alternate emergency operating center. Under public service, the Desert Storm Rally is scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup> and the Whiskey Row Marathon will be held on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – volunteers will be needed. Lloyd recommended everyone purchase the ARRL Emergency Communications Handbook.

**Newsletter:** Hal, N6OVE asked that material for the Newsletter be submitted within 10 days after a club meeting, and no later than 2 weeks after a meeting. He once again invited members to send photos and some words about themselves,

to be included in a regular column featuring one or more members every month. The members applauded Hal for the work he has done on the Newsletter.

**Patches & Badges:** Bob, WB6ODR has club Patches and Name Badges available for purchase.

**K7A Operation:** On February 14<sup>th</sup>, students will setup equipment at the Goldwater Display in Charlotte Hall, where they will be celebrating Arizona's birthday.

**Old Business:**

**Certificates:** Dick, W6CCD received a certificate of appreciation for serving as an officer last year. Also, Lloyd, WA6ZZJ and John, WB9VGJ presented a certificate of appreciation to Dale, N7XFD last week for his service to the club.

**Amateur Radio Class:** John, WB9VGJ has been exchanging e-mail with Chuck, K7QO, who has volunteered to teach a five month, Monday night Amateur Radio Class for new Hams and anyone wanting to upgrade. To take advantage of this opportunity, John discussed other class requirements, such as location, incentive prizes, etc., and asked for a volunteer to work with Chuck. Bob, WB6ODR and Jim, N5RO offered to form a committee to help Chuck establish and maintain the class. John, WB9VGJ to contact Chuck to firm up plans with the committee.

**Echolink/IRLP:** Establishing an Echolink or IRLP repeater for the club was discussed. John, WB9VGJ will continue to pursue setting up a 440 MHz repeater for IRLP with Rex, N7NGM.

**Club Brochures:** Brochures are available, but need updating. Changes to be determined next month, but old ones are still usable for distribution.

**New Business:** None.

**Announcements:**

**License Plates:** Steve, KC7TIL can get front license plates with your callsign for \$10 each. Plates are similar to the rear Arizona scenic plate. Solid copper colored plates also are available for \$15. Anyone interested, contact Steve, KC7TIL at 778-0502 or e-mail him at [kc7til@cableone.net](mailto:kc7til@cableone.net).

[net](http://www.cableone.net).

**Programs for next meetings:** March program will be given by John Markham from Wulfsberg Electronics, on the Linux operating system. April program on kit building, will be given by Chuck Adams, K7QO. Members were asked to suggest sources for additional programs.

**Radio Lab Changes:** Terry, KB7TRE announced some minor changes in their school radio lab.

**Vote Required for New Members:** In accordance with our bylaws, new members must receive approval by the club before joining. Doug Nicholson, KB6TWC was approved on a motion by Terry, KB7TRE and seconded by Lloyd, WA6ZZJ. Roy Jackson, KF4IVG was approved on a motion by Terry, KB7TRE and seconded by Tom, W2JKG. Larry Lowe was approved on a motion by Terry, KB7TRE and seconded by Bob, WB6ODR.

A motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at 1950 was made by Terry, KB7TRE and seconded by Lloyd, WA6ZZJ.

The meeting was reconvened at 2005. Jack, W7JLC won \$16 in the drawing.

**Program:** Jack, W7JLC presented a slide show on Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast (ADS-B), which is similar in some ways to APRS. He described a system used for general aviation. Additional information can be found on two websites, [www.ads-b.com](http://www.ads-b.com) and [www.faa.gov/safeflight21/](http://www.faa.gov/safeflight21/).

Jack also presented an overview of a balloon flight at Embry Riddle on January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. The launch was part of a ceremony to open a new academic complex building on Embry Riddle campus. ANSR equipment flew on the balloon, along with a rubber chicken. The balloon traveled 120 miles, reaching 62K feet, and was tracked using APRS. The balloon successfully landed near Globe, AZ, and was good publicity for Ham Radio and Embry Riddle. More information on ANSR activities can be found on [www.ansr.org](http://www.ansr.org) and [www.kd7lmo.net](http://www.kd7lmo.net).

The Program concluded at 1933.

*Respectfully,*

*Joe Oliver  
Secretary*

**Minutes of Board Meeting, February 3, 2005**

A Board meeting was held February 3, 2005. Present were John, WB9VGJ; Bob, WB7RRQ; Joe, AC6AA; Dave, K6UWV; Jack, W3IVQ; Terry, KB7TRE and Walter, KF6SPS.

John called the meeting to order at 1830. John received a copy of Robert's Rules of Order, and asked that Bob, WB7RRQ be the custodian and to act as "parliamentarian" at our meetings.

John obtained a sympathy card for WA6JBV's wife, and will pass it around for signatures at the general meeting.

Main item on agenda for the night was discussed. Chuck, K7QO has offered to teach an Amateur Radio Class. John will present Chuck's ideas at the general meeting, and try to determine suitable facilities, obtain helpers, etc.

The Board approved the pursuit of an IRLP repeater for the club. John will contact Rex, N7NGM for the establishment of a 440 MHz node.

John asked Dave to explain at the general meeting, how the ARRL Club Commission Membership Program was being handled. Joe, AC6AA to create a PDF file of the special ARRL Application form, and send it to Bob, WB6ODR to post on the YARC website.

John discussed other agenda items to be covered at the general membership meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1847.

*Respectfully,*

*Joe, AC6AA  
Secretary*

**ARES/RACES.....**



The first training meeting of 2005 was held Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> with 16 members in attendance even with the rainy weather. The meeting topics were EOC Operations and Set-Up and Operation of the CommVan.

Those attending were: WB9VGJ, N6LSA, K7YTI, N6BDC, KF6SPS, W6CCD, KB7TRE, AB7NK, KA7JAS, KC7NVN, WA6AQK, W7JLC, N5RO, KD7NGB, KB6LAK and WA6ZZJ.

The next training meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> and it will be held in Cottonwood at the Cottonwood Public Safety Building. More on this meeting will be coming out later.

**YARC PUBLIC SERVICE.....**

The Whiskey Row Marathon will be coming up on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. 18 to 20 operators will be needed for this event and four positions are best reach with a high clearance vehicle. The Prescott YMCA is sponsor of this event and they greatly appreciate the support that the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club gives. Last year for the first time the YARC Logo was on the Marathon T-shirts as a major sponsor.

A sign up sheet will be available at the March and April meetings for this event so be sure to get your name on it.....

Watch the newsletter for upcoming public service events.....

*Lloyd WA6ZZJ*

**Heaven**

> On their way to get married, a young couple are involved in a fatal car accident. The couple find themselves sitting outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven.

> While waiting, they begin to wonder: Could they possibly get married in Heaven? When St. Peter shows up, they asked him.

> St.Peter says, "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he leaves.

> The couple sat and waited for an answer. . . . .for a couple of months.

> While they waited, they discussed that IF they were allowed to get married in Heaven, SHOULD they get married, what with the eternal aspect of it all.

> "What if it doesn'twork?" they wondered, "Are we stuck together FOREVER?"

> After yet another month, St. Peter finally returns, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informs the couple, "you CAN get married in Heaven."

> "Great!" said the couple, "But we were just wondering, what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?" St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slams his clipboard onto the ground.

> "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple.

> "OH, COME ON!!" St. Peter shouts, "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have ANY idea how long it'll take me to find a lawyer?"

## Attention, YARC Members New QST Series

I have talked to Chuck Adams, K7QO. He is all excited about getting the license class underway. He's still shooting for the first Monday in March. He'll be contacting KB7TRE and, perhaps KD7RMV, to firm up the class location(s) and time. He will then develop a syllabus and lesson plan, which he will post on his Web site: <http://www.k7qo.net/>

He currently has lots of useful stuff there, including many Morse code practice files. The information will be useful for those who want to upgrade their licenses as it will advise when the time will be to come to class for that. He's designing the class for those who never had a license as well as those who want to upgrade.

I would encourage all members to spread word of the class and give Chuck the name, phone number and e-mail address of any potential student. I have passed along the list of folks who signed up for interest in the class at the Feb. meeting. Chuck can be reached at:

[k7qo@commspeed.net](mailto:k7qo@commspeed.net)

I'm not publishing his phone number as he doesn't want a rush of calls in the evenings. Feel free to call me at 775-2259 if you have any questions or need more info.

Chuck has had lots of experience in teaching amateur license classes and he really loves doing it. I am expecting this to be a very successful venture for YARC.

Once the class is firmed up, I'll let everyone know so they can help get the word out as well as have all the pertinent information.

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John L. Broughton  
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<http://www.commspeed.net/wb9vgj>

Scheduled to begin with the April issue of QST there will be a new series called "Getting to Know Your Radio," by Joel Hallas, W1ZR, ARRL Assistant Technical Editor. The series of short articles is useful to mentors helping new hams unravel the mystery of "all those knobs on my new rig."

## Web Features

A current feature article running on the ARRL web page is on NLI Section's "Ham Radio University."

<http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2005/01/23/1/?nc=1>

The NTX Section had a similar event in the fall called "Mentorfest."

<http://www.ntxinfo.org/mentorfest/>

Both of these events had venues where education and information were the offerings to the hams who attended. The feedback from these types of information fest has been very positive. Attendance numbers show that there is large contingency of enthusiastic hams that are looking for new information. Any club interested in organizing an event of this type should contact ARRL at [clubs@arrl.org](mailto:clubs@arrl.org) or your SM to ask about interest in a mentorfest. The ARRL Mentor page has resources on the right side for mentors and for new hams.

<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/mentor/>

One resource, in particular, is the link to the Technical Information Service (TIS). This page offers a search engine as well as links to QEX articles, QST reviews and the "Doctor is In" column.

The very first link takes you to the Technical Information Pages and TIS Page menu.

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/tismenu.html>

Here, mentors will find links to resources on everything from AM and antique radios to digital modes, to Morse code and QRP to repeaters and satellites.

Please visit these pages and feel free to

publish these links in your club newsletters so that your members will know where to find information quickly. As always we try to keep all pages current, however, if you find that a particular link is not working or is no longer valid, please contact the page author at [tis@arrl.org](mailto:tis@arrl.org)

## Introduction to Ham Radio and Advanced Licensing Classes

Starting March 7th, 2005 two classes will be offered to help those who are interesting in getting their amateur radio license(s) and for those who already have a license but either wish to upgrade or refresh their knowledge of the hobby. The introduction to amateur radio class will assume no previous experience with electronics or amateur radio and should, in 8 weeks, enable individuals to get the Technician Class amateur radio license.

The second hour of class will cover more advanced material for the General and Extra class license examinations.

These classes will meet every Monday at 6:30 p.m. for the intro course and 7:30 pm for the advanced material. Meetings will be held at the Sheriff's posse center located near the new ADOT facilities. Directions to the facilities will be provided on [www.k7qo.net](http://www.k7qo.net) a week before the classes begin.

There will be optional Morse code training using material developed by the instructor and currently in use by hundreds of individuals worldwide.

These classes will be taught by Chuck Adams, K7QO, an experienced and tenured college professor of many years and a licensed amateur radio operator for more than 40 years. He is also the holder of several world records in Morse code and an experienced contesteer who designs and builds his own radio equipment for low power HF communications operation.

He is also the author of several books and also numerous papers. No students or animals were ever injured in any of his classes. :- ) So don't be scared by the credentials.

Students will need to supply one spiral notebook with a few hundred pages, a scientific calculator, the ARRL "Now You're Talking" (5th Ed.) book for the Technician course, and a few hours of free time per week outside of class for study. An email address and computer access to the Internet would help a great deal. The author can pick up a copy of the book for the student for \$20 from HRO in Phoenix the week before class starts. Just email



## Watch for these Upcoming events

March - John Markham on the Linux operating system.

The program for the April meeting will be about kit building and will be given by Chuck Adams, K7QO.

We've gotten the current VE testing schedule from Mark Coker, KC7JOG, for 2005. I thought we would publish the schedule each month in the newsletter (it may be too late for January's session). Here is the schedule:

March 4  
 May 6  
 July 15  
 September 9  
 November 4

All sessions are on a Friday night and the time is 7:00 p.m. They are held at:

Montezuma-Rimrock Fire Department  
 3240 E. Beaver Creek Rd.  
 Lake Montezuma, AZ 86335

For details, contact Mark at (928) 567-5446

k7qo@commspeed.net with the request and contact information. Book is also available direct from the ARRL (www.arrl.org) for \$19.95 plus shipping and handling.

During the course the instructor will have hands on demonstrations of electronics and actual operation of equipment to contact other radio amateurs. Open completion of the course(s) each student will be awarded a certificate suitable for framing and display.

Courses are open to all ages and there is no charge for the course. An examination for the license will be scheduled the week following the course completion and requires a small fee.

*NOTE: If anyone needs Chuck's phone number (he chose not to put it in the notice), please contact me via e-mail or at 775-2259.*

## YARC TREASURER'S REPORT

February 2005

### INCOME

#### New Members *(see applications for additional information)*

Roy L. Jackson	KF4IVG	02/03/05 to 02//06	cash . . .	20.00
Douglas Nicholson	KB6TWC	02/03/05 to 02//06	cash . . .	20.00
Lawrence Reginald Lowe	not yet	02/03/05 to 02//06	cash . . .	20.00

#### Renewals *(Update Roster)*

Richard Hughes	W6CCD	02/03/05 to 04//06	6980 ..	20.00
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#### ARRL Renewals

None

#### Other

50/50 Drawing		02.03/05	cash ...	34.00
Badges	5 @ \$3.00	02/03/05	cash ...	15.00

**Total Income** . . . . . \$129.00

### EXPENSES

Joe Oliver	Stamps	02/03/05	797 ...	37.00
David Passell	Cookies	02/03/05	798 . . . . .	3.56
Jack Crabtree	50/50	02/03/05	cash ...	17.00

**Total Expenses** . . . . . \$57.56

**Cash Flow *(Income - Expenses)*** . . . **+\$71.44**

**Deposits** 02/11/05 . . . . . \$112.00

**Previous Checkbook Balance** . . . \$1548.44

**Current Checkbook Balance** . . . **\$1619.88**

*Treasurer: David W. Passell, K6UWV 02/11/05*



## Amateur Call Sign Front License Plate

Steve Peterson, KC7TIL, is taking orders for amateur call sign front plates for those who don't care to spend the \$25.00/yr Arizona charges for regular call sign plates (set for front and rear). There are two choices of plates:

Scene plate – this is the standard AZ plate and costs \$10.00

Copper plate – this is a plain, copper colored plate and costs \$15.00

The scene plate will have different colors for the call sign than the 'real' plate and the thin, raised border will be painted. Otherwise, it is exactly the same as the real plate.

If you are interested, contact Steve at 778-0502 or kc7til@cableone.net

## Plan to Join the ARRL or



## Renew Your Membership?

YARC now is accepting ARRL membership applications. ARRL Affiliated Clubs receive a commission for every new ARRL membership and renewal they submit to ARRL Headquarters. We can retain a portion of the dues for each regular or senior membership submitted to ARRL Headquarters:

- \$15 for each new membership or lapsed membership (of two years or more). A NEW MEMBER is defined as any individual who has never been a member of ARRL, or any individual who has not retained a membership for two or more calendar years prior to the application submission.
- \$2 for each renewal. A RENEWING MEMBER can renew anytime, even before their current membership term expires.

Family, Blind or 21-and-under discounted memberships are not applicable for any club discount.

Just ask our Treasurer for a special ARRL Membership Application, or download the appropriate application from the YARC website. Complete the Application, and return to the Treasurer with the applicable fee.

It does not cost you anything extra to apply through our Club, and we will benefit by retaining a portion of the dues.

## What's Her Type?

A man walked into the Women's Department of Macy's in New York City.

He told the saleslady "I would like a Baptist bra for my wife, size 36B."

With a quizzical look the saleslady asked? "What kind of bra?"

He repeated "A Baptist Bra -- she said to tell you that she wanted a Baptist Bra, and that you would know what she wanted."

"Ah, now I remember" said the saleslady. "We don't get as many requests for them as we used to. Most of our customers lately want the Catholic bra, or the Salvation Army bra, or the Presbyterian type."

Confused, and a little flustered, the man asked "So, what are the differences?"

The lady responded. "It is all really quite simple. The Catholic type supports the masses.

The Salvation Army lifts up the fallen, Presbyterian type keeps them staunch and upright."

He mused on that information for a minute, and asked "So, what is the Baptist type for?"

"They," she replied, "make mountains out of mole hills."

It was October and the Indians on a remotereservation asked their new

Chief if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild.

Since he was a Chief in a modern society he had never been taught the old secrets.

When he looked at the sky he couldn't tell what the winter was going to be like.

Nevertheless, to be on the safe side he told his tribe that the winter

was indeed going to be cold and that the members of the village should collect firewood to be prepared.

But being a practical leader, after several days he got an idea. He went

to the phone booth, called the National Weather Service and asked, "Is the coming winter going to be cold?"

"It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold," the meteorologist

at the weather service responded.

So the Chief went back to his people and told them to collect even more firewood in order to be prepared.

A week later he called the National Weather Service again. "Does it still

look like it is going to be a very cold winter?"

"Yes," the man at National Weather Service again replied, "it's going to

be a very cold winter."

The Chief again went back to his people and ordered them to collect every scrap of firewood they could find.

Two weeks later the Chief called the National Weather Service again.

"Are you absolutely sure that the winter is going to be very cold?"

"Absolutely," the man replied. "It's looking more and more like it is

going to be one of the coldest winters ever."

"How can you be so sure?" the Chief asked.

The weatherman replied, - - - - -

"The Indians are colleing firewood like crazy."

## Stopped for Speeding

A police officer pulls a guy over for speeding and has the following exchange:

Officer:

May I see your driver's license?

Driver:

I don't have one. I had it suspended when I got my 5th DUI.

Officer:

May I see the owner's card for this vehicle?

Driver:

It's not my car. I stole it.

Officer:

The car is stolen?

Driver:

That's right. But come to think of it, I think I saw the owner's card in the glove box when I was putting my gun in there.

Officer:

There's a gun in the glove box?

Driver:

Yes sir. That's where I put it after I shot and killed the woman who owns this car and stuffed her in the trunk.

Officer:

There's a BODY in the TRUNK?!?!?

Driver:

Yes, sir.

Hearing this, the officer immediately called his captain. The car was quickly surrounded by police, and the captain approached the driver to handle the tense situation:

Captain:

Sir, can I see your license?

Driver:

Sure. Here it is.

It was valid.

Captain:

Who's car is this?

Driver:

It's mine, officer. Here's the owner's card. The driver owned the car.

Captain:

Could you slowly open your glove box so I can see if there's a gun

in it?

Driver:

Yes, sir, but there's no gun in it.

Sure enough, there was nothing in the glove box.

Captain:

Would you mind opening your trunk?

I was told you said there's a body in it.

Driver:

No problem.

Trunk is opened; no body.

Captain:

I don't understand it. The officer who stopped you said you told him you didn't have a license, stole the car, had a gun in the glove box, and that there was a dead body in the trunk.

Driver:

Yeah, I'll bet the lying #!%\*# told you I was speeding, too

## Something We All Need To Know... is It A Stroke?

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke. Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

\*Ask the individual to SMILE (Is the smile crooked, when before it was normal?)

\*Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS. (Can the person keep both arms at the same level for a period of time?)

\*Ask the person to SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Is the person unable to form words or are they speaking the wrong words in a sentence?)

If he or she has trouble with any of these tasks, call 9-1-1 immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

After discovering that a group of nonmedical volunteers could identify facial weakness, arm weakness and speech problems, researchers urged the general public to learn the three questions. They presented their conclusions at the American Stroke Association's annual meeting last February. Widespread use of this test could result in prompt diagnosis and treatment of the stroke and prevent brain damage.

## *Many non-living things have a gender . . . for example . . .*

1) Ziploc Bags -- are Male, because they hold everything in, but you can see right through them.

2) Copiers -- are Female, because once turned off, it takes a while to warm them up again. It's an effective reproductive device if the right buttons are pushed, but can wreak havoc if the wrong buttons are pushed.

3) Tires -- are Male, because they go bald and are often over-inflated.

4) Hot Air Balloons -- are Male, because, to get them to go anywhere, you have to light a fire under it, and of course, there's the hot air art.

5) Sponges -- are Female, because they're soft, squeezable and retain water.

6) Web Pages -- are Female, because they're always getting hit on.

7) Subways -- are Male, because they use the same old lines to pick people up.

8) Hourglasses -- are Female, because over time, the weight shifts to the bottom.

9) Hammers -- are Male, because they haven't changed much over the last 5,000 years, but are handy to have around.

10) Remote Controls -- are Female... Ha! You thought they'd be male. However consider this -- it gives a man pleasure, he'd be lost without it, and while he doesn't always know the right buttons to push, he keeps trying.

**Weekly Information Net**

Wednesday Nights @ 7:00 pm 146.880 (100 PL)  
 If you don't have PL, transmit on 146.880 simplex  
 when the repeater drops out.  
 All amateurs welcome

**Monthly Meeting**

First Thursday at Granite Middle School @ 7:00pm  
 (N 34°34'22.6" W 112°29'45.1")

**Next Meeting Thurs. April 7, 2005 @ 7pm**

Wednesday morning breakfast–Iron Horse Cafe  
 S. Hwy 89 in Chino Valley  
 (N 34°43'56.5" W 112°27'15.4")

Informal –All are invited

Thursday morning breakfast–Michael's Restaurant  
 in the Safeway Shopping Center,  
 Hwy 69 Prescott Valley  
 (N 34°35'13.33" W 112°19'44.6")

Informal–All are invited

Location data provided by Fred Zimmermann N7PJN, per WSG84



**YAVAPAI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

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Many thanks to Bob Smith, WB6ODR, our Webmaster



**AREA REPEATERS**

Frequency	PL	Location	Notes
52.560-	100.0	Mt. Union (-500 Khz)	CARS N7NGM
53.040-	C/S	Prescott Airport (-1Mhz)	KC7WBE
145.350-	C/S	Wildflower Mtn.	DAWN
145.370-	C/S	Towers Mountan	MMRG
146.780-	91.5tt	Bill Williams Mtn.	BWARC
146.880-	100.0	Prescott	YARC
146.980-	162.2	Flagstaff-Elden	CARC
147.000+	162.2	Mingus Mountain	MMRG
147.040+	100.0	Prescott Heights	W2YAV
147.140+	162.2	Flagstaff-Elden	ARA Link to Ord
147.220+	162.2	Mingus Mountain	VVARA
147.260+	103.5	Mt. Union	YC Emerg.Svcs.
223.960-	127.3	Chino Valley	NW7AZ*
442.150+	100.0	Mingus Mountain	Northlink
442.350+	100.0	Glassford Hill	N7KPU
448.475-	100.0	Flagstaff-Eldon	ARA
448.500-	100.0	Prescott	KB7TWC
448.875-	100.0	Flagstaff-Eldon	Northlink
449.175-	100.0	Towers Mountain	Northlink
448.5250-	127.3	Payson	K2YAW
927.3875	?	'P' Mountain	WB7BYV
			*off the air until further notice.