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SHORT SKIP

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CLUB CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY	JAN 3	MEETING, ST CLEMENT SOCIAL HALL, SC, 7 PM
SATURDAY	JAN 6	LICENSE EXAMS, De VRY INSTITUTE, PHX, 8 TO 10 AM
SATURDAY	JAN 13	CLUB BREAKFAST, TIVOLI GARDENS, SC, 8 AM
WEDNESDAYS		2m HAM NEWSLINE NET, 147.30 MHz, 6:45 PM
THURSDAYS		BRUNCH, COCO'S, 98th Ave. & Bell Rd., 10:00 AM
DAILY		CALL-IN NET, 147.30 MHz, 9 AM

MEMBERSHIP IN WEST VALLEY ARC is open to anyone with an interest in Amateur Radio. One \$10 annual fee includes all family hams at same address; only one Short Skip mailed to each address.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 3 MEETING:

The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm at St. Clement of Rome church located at 15800 N. Del Webb Blvd. About three quarters of a mile south of Bell Rd.

Richard Nankin, AC7RN, will discuss and show us pictures of some STEALTH Antennas.

Please note that the January meeting will NOT be held on the first monday of the month since that is New Years Day. It will instead be on Wednesday, January 3rd. Time and location will be the same.

Election Results from the December 4th meeting:

President	Ron Rasmussen	K6OP
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*Directors elected for a 2 year term

CLUB NOTES**New licenses and license upgrades:**

Art Fisher, W7UFP: Amateur Extra

Call Sign Changes:

James Wooten, W7DJ was KK7DS

Fred Jones, N7QV was KC5AC

Mike Steinhauer - KD7KQU - Technician

NEW MEMBERS:

KB0RUL	Augie Allen	20278 N 104TH AVE	Peoria AZ 85382-5373	(623)572-4102
KD7FVB	Marylyn Atherton,	14444 W Moccasin Tr	Surprise AZ 85374-9624	(623)546-0546
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KC7CHI	Edward Davis	9923W W Concord Ave	Sun City Az 85351-4534	
KB6OKG	Jay Frizzo	12717 Maplewood Dr	Sun City West AZ 85375	(623)584-4395
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Consult Web edition of Roster for email addresses

RETURNED EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Email sent to the following members has been returned as undeliverable. If the member wishes to have his email address appear in the Roster send an email to wb2lku@arrl.net:

Howard Barnes, K6QWH

Charles Buell, N7WXO

George Falter, K7YKD

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Dan Heffner, WB2SQE

John Holz, KB7RRF

John Laue

David Sundquist, N0GRL

Ross Vanasco

Chuck Waldron, K0VEB

YEAR 2001 DUES:

If "1/01" is printed on the address label of the mailing envelope, your membership in WVARC has expired. Send in your dues payment now to reinstate your membership for 2001. The 2001 Roster committee has been activated; volunteers are needed to get copies mailed to Club members. To assure the accuracy of your personal data, please view the Web edition of the Roster where member data have been compiled from 2001 application/renewal submissions. Email corrections to wb2lku@arrl.net or mail to the Club's PO Box before March 2001.

SILENT KEY:

Our good friend Al Gross, W8PAL, passed away at 18:00 hours, Tuesday, December 21, 2000.

Services were held at ST, CLEMENTS of ROME on December 27. Al was a member of the WVARC and is survived by his wife Ethel and Family. We will miss him.

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The ARRL-VEC has set the exam session fee to \$10.00 effective January 1, 2001.

HAM RADIO LICENSE EXAMS at DeVry January 6. Register 8 to 10am; all tests must be completed by 10am. Bring photo ID, original and copy of appropriate licenses or CSCEs. Form NCVEC 605 is available at Registration. Fee is \$10.00; please have correct change. For this fee you are entitled to one test in all desired Elements; a second charge is made for a repeat test in any Element.

The VE Team will not accept FCC Forms 610 and 605. Applicants will be given Form NCVEC 605 to fill out at the sessions. Applicant's social security number or FCC license identification number must be supplied. The new license structure is in effect. Sections 97.501 and 97.503 of the FCC regulations specifies the following examination element standards and operator qualifications: Element 1: 5 words per minute; Element 2: Tech class - 35 questions 26 minimum correct; Element 3: General class 35 questions 26 minimum correct; Element 4: Extra class 50 questions 37 minimum correct.

Requirements for an operator license are Elements 1,2,3,4 for Extra; for General class, Elements 1,2,3; Technician class Element 2.

VE session at DeVry 12/2

Nine candidates were served. License classes earned: Tech, 2; General, 2; Extra, 4. Exam element passed rate: Element 1 (code) - 100%; Element 2 (Tech) - 100%; Element 3 (General) - 50%; Element 4 (Extra) - 100%.

One candidate took and passed all exam elements. He answered 129 of the 130 questions correctly and earned an Amateur Extra license.]

Administering VEs:

Edward Beyer, WU7A
Ken Ehrhardt, KK7NU
Robert Knight, N7LPD
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Joe Cutitta, W0SLL
Stan Kieffer, N7QB
Shelly Newman, AB7LQ
Glenn Wade, N7JWF

PUBLIC SERVICE NOTES

No Public Service Notes to report this month.

Club badges (black on yellow, AZ-shaped) are \$5. See Lou Bennett, K7LOU to order.

Thanks to all of you and the xyl's who brought goodies to the Christmas party on Dec.4th. Your cookies , cakes, etc. made the party a success and thanks to all the helpers for presenting it. Now to worry about our weight gain!!

FOR SALE:

Aluminum Tower in 3 10' Sections with rotor plate - \$325
Mosley CL-36 Six Element Broad Beam 10 - 80 meters - \$325

For more information contact Robert, KA9AHK 623-875-7717

OBTAINING A MARICOPA COUNTY BUILDING PERMIT

BY MARTY COLBURN, K4VM

My recent experience with obtaining a Maricopa County building permit.

You need 2 copies (probably, just to be sure) of your engineering drawings of the tower, and specifications on the antenna(s) you are putting on top.

You need 5 copies of your lot layout (Obtain the first copy from PORA). Upon which you have drawn the tower location, showing all the setbacks. AND showing the turning radius of the antenna and setbacks for it. If your tower is over 30 ft. tall, you need to have it set back from the property one foot for each additional foot in height, I think! Looks like you could put a 30 ft. tower right on the property line, as far as the county is concerned. I am sure SCW wouldn't permit that. Check your CC&R's.

CC&R's: all they asked was: is the antenna allowed, as the CC&R's supercede the permit. I said yes. They apparently don't check.

You need to know the cost of your project.
Pay the lady \$141

Allow about an hour, and remember that you must be there after 8:00 am and before 2:30. You sign in at the first desk, and wait in the chairs to be called to the first desk. After that first one checks you out and gives you an application to fill out, you are passed to someone else. Then you wait a while, and then see the actual person who will give your permit.

The office is located on Bell Rd., near Dysart, just to the east of the Sheriff's office.
I hope building the tower is this easy. Thanks to one and all for their help and encouragement. Antenna Party Soon, I hope.

Marty Colburn K4VM

*I Hope Everyone had a Great Holiday Season
and a
Happy New Year*