



Goat Notes
September 2021



ARRL September VHF Contest

There will be a VHF contest in September 2021 for VHF radio frequency. All the details may be found at the ARRL website.

Dates: The second full weekend in September (**September 11-13, 2021**)

Contest Period: Begins 1800 UTC Saturday, ends 0259 UTC Monday.

<http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>

FCC License Fee

ARRL Board Establishes Program to Cover Initial FCC License Fee for Young Applicants

Program Goals:

- Expand the reservoir of trained operators, technicians, and electronics experts in the amateur radio community
- Remove the financial obstacle to young people who wish to acquire an amateur radio license
- Encourage potential careers in STEM; Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.

For more information use the link below:

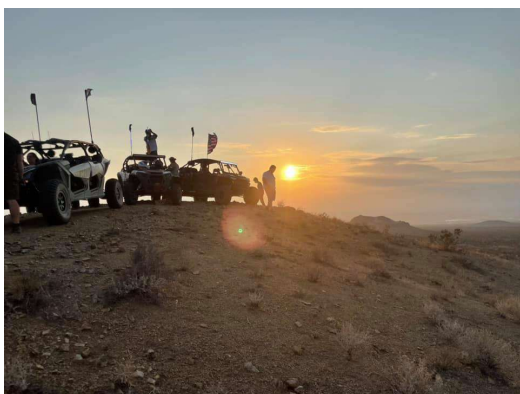
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-establishes-program-to-cover-initial-fcc-license-fee-for-young-applicants>

ARRL UPDATE ON Haiti

08/14/2021

In a statement received by ARRL on August 14, 2021, Region 2 of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU-R2) has requested that radio amateurs in the Americas keep the following frequencies clear to support emergency communications in Haiti following an earthquake this morning: 3750 kHz, 7150 kHz, and 14330 kHz. The statement came from IARU-R2 Emergency Coordinator (EMCOR) Carlos Alberto Santamaría González, CO2JC.





Shaun, K6CT and Mike, KE6LKV meet up for an Off-Road Adventure

Some of the best people that I have met and hang out with are from different hobbies I have had interest in over the years.

It just so happens Shaun and I were able to meet up for a 111-mile night ride from Apple Valley to Kramer Junction off Hwy 395.

We had a late dinner at a local diner and flew back to our starting location.

I think besides the little bit of motion sickness Shaun got during the ride; he had a great time! Thanks for joining me!

Radio In the Park

Consistency is Key. The GOTAHAMS love to exercise their skills at Radio in the Park. I was not able to attend Radio in the Park this month.

But Saturday I did get the itch to turn on my HF setup and low and behold I heard the WG6OTA call sign being used. It threw me off a little bit when I heard it, But Jim KE6FVN did a fantastic job contacting the Indiana State Fair on 20M. After hearing him I mustered up the motivation to contact them as well.



Radio in the Park-Cedar Creek, Eastvale, CA

Gotahams Ken KC6WOK, Craig KM6EIC with Jim KE6FVN & David KE6OPK Brackett set-up a 31foot non-resonant vertical antenna with an AH4 Tuner
The IC-7300 radio set up to make contacts.



Event was attended by Craig, KM6EIC;
Bruce, KM6WBI; Edward, W6ABW;
David, KE6OPK; Jim, KE6FVN;
Ken, KC6WOK; Mark, KM6AHY;
Kathi, KD6CAF; Kenny, KN6JWK;
Shaun, K6CT; new members
Lewis Siegler, K2VGE and
John Suardini, KK6MXW



Gotahams attended Elocution at Eleven
with TCARA by Zoom chat





Humidity with low clouds, blowing wind and rain transmitted radio signals across the country.

Shaun, K6CT, contacted K3PAX Chesapeake Wireless Society, Severn, Maryland and W7PDK, Bridger, Montana

Jim, KE6FVN, contacted W9ISF, Indiana State Fair Amateur Radio Club

Jim, KE6FVN and Shaun, K6CT contacted W9IMS Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club and W3LL, Maryland QSO Party, Phoenix, Maryland



Construction of a Hy-Gain, TH-2MK3 two element Tri-Beam Yagi picture here: John, KK6MXW; Edward, W6ABW, Ken, KC6WOK and Mark, KM6AHY was another park project



New VE- Craig Borchard, KM6EIC

The GOATS have another VE in the Group.

I would like to congratulate Craig KM6EIC on successfully completing his VE training and obtaining his certificate.



Gee Golly Wiz



Yaesu is releasing the new FT5DR handheld radio.

From the specs its very similar to the FT3DR radio.

It looks like there are some minor molding modifications to make it look slightly different in comparison to the FT3DR.

I'm sure this radio is (hopefully) packed with some new and improved features.

Check it out on the Yaesu website: <https://www.yaesu.com/>



Claremont Amateur Radio Society (CARS) Swap Meet
Granite Creek Community Church, 1580 N. Claremont Blvd. Claremont, CA

The Gotahome arrived at the Swap Meet at 5:30am



canopies set-up, coffee brewing and fresh donuts ready
Saturday Amateur Radio Swap Meet was the place to be third Saturday of the month

Gotaham David Wood W6OOD
stops by to say Hello

Free
Coffee and Donuts,
Mark, KM6AHY and
Kathi, KD6CAF



Ken KC6WOK, Jack KM6UNQ
and Donnie N6ZOL
enjoy the Gotahams Lounge



Swap Meet Vendors



RCA Victor Memorabilia



Astatic D104 Lollipop Microphones



Saturday morning Hams and Eggs

After Saturday Swap Meet,
Casa Jimenez for Hams and Eggs-
Gotahams, Ken, KC6WOK; Kathi, KD6CAF;
Mark, KM6AHY; Craig, KM6EIC;
John, AC6FJ and James, KN6IPL



(left) Our Host Gotahams member,
Scott, KG6ABF,
walks around checking on everyone



James, KN6IPL,
shows us a magic trick
and he drew a picture of the Gotham



Ken, KC6WOK logs
into Saturday morning,
TCARA Zoom
Elocution at Eleven



Huntsville Hamfest
“The World’s Friendliest Hamfest”
Saturday, August 21 – Sunday, August 22

Check-In Desk at Huntsville Hamfest



2021 Bill Pasternak WA6ITF
Memorial Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham
of the Year- Congratulations to Faith Hannah
Lea, KD3Z,
Palm Coast, Florida



Vendor Hall



Bob Heil, K9EID, on right, joins the
Hamfest group



Lionel the Lizard by Kathi KD6CAF



Lionel the Lizard lives with his friends in the mountain foothills among the evergreen trees and silver-tasseled scrub bushes.
His home is an abandoned telegraph shack. An old, tattered picture of Samuel Morse hangs on the wall next to a copy of the Morse Code alphabet.

A decorative railroad car sits outside the shack.
He uses his long lizard snout to tap out his message.
CQ, CQ, This is L6ZRD, Lionel, QSL?



A message was transmitted back to Lionel announcing the Huntsville Ham fest in Alabama. He hurried to the railcar car to get everything ready for the long journey to the World's Friendliest Ham fest. His friends Kanga, Kangaroo Rat and Gwen, Gopher Snake said they wanted to go on the adventure too.



Shortly, the 4014 Big Boy Steam Engine pulled up and hitched to the railcar to pull them across the country. Lionel and his friends gathered outside excited they would be going on this adventure together.



They arrived in Huntsville, Alabama. The vendors were friendly, they won a door prize and learned a lot about Amateur Radio from Faith Hannah Lea, KD3Z, the Young Ham of the Year.



When Lionel arrived home with his friends, he transmitted his signal telling everyone about the fantastic adventure at Huntsville. CQ, CQ, this is L6ZRD, Lionel, QSL?



In Memorium

Scott McWhorter, KM6TKF/SK, member of the K6PIN group became a silent key. He expressed an interest in Gotham and had recently moved his family to Texas.



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