# NM SECTION

Serving Turkey Radio Operators throughout New Mexico

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### Section Manager's Note

Ed James, KA8JMW - ARRL NM Section Manager

I wish a happy Thanksgiving to you and your families! For this one day only, we are all proud turkey radio operators!

Remember: If you are planning or hosting a hamfest, tailgate or other amateur radio specialty event, consider registering your event as an ARRL Sanctioned Event.

Events sanctioned by the ARRL receive special benefits such as:

- Your event will be listed <u>online</u>, in QST and in the ARRL Letter.
- You will receive ARRL prize certificates for use at your event.
- You will receive selected ARRL handouts and display materials. <u>View standard package.</u>
- We will provide <u>mailing lists and labels.</u>

For more information on becoming a ARRL sanctioned event checkout <a href="http://www.arrl.org/arrl-sanctioned-events">http://www.arrl.org/arrl-sanctioned-events</a>.

### **Turkey Population Report**

	Novice	Tech	General	Advanced	Extra	Total
NM	48	3574	1373	370	1241	6606
USA	10210	369629	172300	45598	143484	741221

### **Upcoming Events**

1/28/2017 | Amateur Ham Radio Winter Tailgate Swapfest

CNM Advanced Technology Center

See flyer at the end of this month's newsletter for more information.

### American Radio Relay League - W1AW

Judy, WB5LYJ

What does a Maxim silencer and an engine muffler have in common with amateur radios? They were invented by Hiram Percy Maxim, a co-founder of the ARRL. The ARRL's struggle to standardize the relaying of messages stands in stark contrast to the ignoble origins of the word "ham". Today, we use the term "ham" interchangeably with amateur radio operator; but, the term had a bumpy beginning, as noted by G. M. Dodge:

"The first wireless operators were landline telegraphers who left their offices to go to sea or to man the coastal stations. They brought with them their language and much of the tradition of their older profession. In those early days, every station occupied the whole spectrum with its broad spark signal. Government stations, ships, coastal stations and the increasingly numerous amateur operators all competed for time and signal supremacy in each other's receivers. Many of the amateur stations were very powerful. Two amateurs, working each other across town, could effectively jam all the other operations in the area. Frustrated commercial operators would refer to the ham radio interference by calling them hams."

Hiram Percy Maxim (the prolific inventor mentioned above), co-founded the ARRL with Clarence D. Tuska in 1914 as a response to the need for an organized group of relay stations to pass messages via amateur radio. Relaying messages allowed them to travel farther than any single station's reach at the time. It also had the added benefit that messages could be sent more efficiently and reliably over long distances as the stations were following the same protocol.

Some of the major milestones achieved by the largest national non-profit amateur radio organization include: in 1919 the amateurs banded together to revoke the Navy's control over the radio waves and return the airwaves back over to the amateurs, in 1921 the first transatlantic message traffic was achieved, and by July 1960, the first two-way contact via the moon took place on 1296 MHz.

ARRL's strong foundation consists of Public Service, Advocacy, Education, Technology, and Membership. Hams all around the world enjoy the hobby of amateur radio via packet, TV, PACTOR, CW, phone and other modes. Thanks to the co-founders of ARRL, Ham Radio operators can be proud of a great positive legacy, and continue the tradition into the future. Hiram Percy Maxim would be proud.



Throughout 2016 Amateur Radio is helping the National Park Service celebrate their 100th anniversary. Hams from across the country are activating NPS units, promoting the National Park Service and showcasing Amateur Radio to the public. This month's top 15

leaders in NM are:

Activator Leader Board				
Call Sign	Score			
NM5RC	21			
KE5AKL	20			
NM5AE	18			
W6SLZ	17			
W5PDO	16			
N5FO	11			
AE5VM	10			
K1RAX	6			
WD6DCD	5			
NM5DX/M	4			
WB7EGF	4			
AI6KK	3			
KM5XX	3			

Chaser Leader Board			
Call Sign	Score		
LETA	4.45		
K5TA	445		
WB2RIS	406		
W5IL	312		
AI5P	272		
W5PDO	236		
K8TE	206		
W5ABA	194		
W5RDL	175		
NI5W	167		
NM5WB	167		
K1RAX	138		
N5KUC	131		
KC7QY	128		
N9KW	120		
N5WMQ	93		

### **Net Report**

To ensure inclusion in this monthly report, please forward all net reports to Don Grab K5BIS@ARRL.net and Alden Oyer AG5S@ARRL.net - thank you!

Net	Check-	QSTs
1400	ins	2313
NM Roadrunner Traffic Net:	1266	43
NM Breakfast Club	936	59
Caravan Club Net	88	14
Yucca Net	440	65
Four Corners Net	607	48
SCAT Net	1049	230
Rusty's Raiders Net	480	61
Valencia County ARA Net	59	31
Tri-County ARES Nets	99	16
Tri-County ARES Simplex Net	9	2
KC5JBO Memorial Simplex Net	60	0
East Mountain FM Simplex Net	21	4
NM D-Star Voice Net	43	5
432 Mhz. SSB Net	19	0
144 Mhz. SSB Net	34	0
NM Department of Health Net	197	11
Great Shakeout VHF Net	155	4
NM ARES/RACES Statewide EMCOM Net	21	13

### **New Mexico NPOTA Challenge**

The year-long ARRL National Parks on the Air (NPOTA) operating event wraps up in December! The event coincides with the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service.

New Mexico has 18 National Park Service monuments, parks, trails, and preserves that are ready for activators to visit and put on the air (or chasers to work from their shacks) between now the end of 2016. A complete list of these units can be found here <a href="https://npota.arrl.org/nps-units.php">https://npota.arrl.org/nps-units.php</a> (search under New Mexico).

The ARRL New Mexico section NPOTA sidechallenge within the New Mexico Section. It is to encourage getting out into the field to activate our state's NPS units for everyone participating in NPOTA to work and enjoy.

#### The rules are simple:

- 1. Open to all licensed amateur radio operators who reside within the New Mexico Section.
- 2. Duration: January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 (same timeframe as NPOTA)
- 3. Operating categories:
  - 1. Individual
  - 2. ARRL-affiliated New Mexico Club
- ARRL's National Parks on the Air Activator leader board will be utilized to determine winners.
- 5. Awards:
  - 1. Top Activator Award (Individual).
  - 2. Top Activator Award (Club).
  - 3. Activated all New Mexico NPS Units Award (Individual).
  - 4. Activated all New Mexico NPS Units Award (Club).

### **New Turkey Report**

Call	Name	City	
KG5PYQ	Ethan Wade	Cedar Crest	
KG5PYA	Belarmino Jacquez	Grants	
KG5PYL	Nathaniel Pfeifer	Los Lunas	
KG5PXW	Wilfred Myers	McIntosh	
KG5PWG	Russell Herring	Tijeras	
KG5PYN	Benjamin Metzner	Albuquerque	
KG5PWI	Ricardo Martinez	Albuquerque	
KG5PVM	Clayton Norris	Albuquerque	
KG5QAK	Rex Hoeltke	Albuquerque	
KG5PYP	Julianna	Albuquerque	
	Khenaisser		
KG5PYB	Shane Ruzinksky	Albuquerque	
KG5PXZ	David Kittell	Albuquerque	
KG5PRF	Mary Fertig	Gallup	
KG5PRE	Daniel Vanderiet	Gallup	
KG5PZX	Richard Francher	Farmington	
KG5PWH	Kenneth Rayburn	Bloomfield	
KG5PXR	Jerome Paul	Santa Fe	
KG5PXP	James Whitehead	Los Alamos	
KG5PXQ	Corey Ruth	Los Alamos	
KG5PTO	Robert Dunbar	Mora	
KG5PYO	Owen Parkins	Socorro	
KG5PYJ	Wesley Smith	Socorro	
KG5PYM	Camille Bryant	Socorro	
KG5PYK	Anthony Salazar	Socorro	
KG5PVK	Jeremy Eckhart	Las Cruces	
KG5PVJ	John Montoya	Las Cruces	
KG5PPX	Ryan Parks	Las Cruces	
KG5PPW	Chanda Parks	Las Cruces	
KG5PYI	Ronald Hasenbeck	Deming	
KG5PYH	Glenn Persons	Mimbres	
KG5PZC	Jeremy Michaels	Clovis	
KG5PZD	Krystal Mailman	Clovis	
KG5PVI	Justin Ruthstrom	Carlsbad	

### **Field Day Results**

Results for this year's Amateur Radio Field Day have been posted. In New Mexico, 222 participants reported 9,397 QSOs for this year's event. Time to start planning for next years event. Complete results can be found at <a href="http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event\_id=80253">http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event\_id=80253</a>

Rank	Call	Score	Category	Participants
1	W5YA	14,715	3AB	13
2	K5TQ	9,624	3E	5
3	N5FO	6,384	1B1	1
4	NM5EM	3,956	2F	20
5	K5OUR	2,350	2A	54
6	W5PDO	2,212	2A	15
7	W5B	1,920	2A	20
8	KE5MIQ	1,628	2A	14
9	K7IA	1,538	1E	1
10	W5WHN	1,414	1A	3
11	N5TMT	1,298	2A	22
12	NU7DE	692	2A	3
13	N5CNM	666	4A	8
14	W7CGA	634	1C	1
15	W5CSY	630	2A	32
16	WB5A	616	1E	1
17	NR5ON	420	2B2B	2
18	K0DRO	342	1B1	1
19	W5CF	320	1E	1
20	KC2LM	230	1E	1
21	N9WL	214	1E	1
22	W4SOF	188	1E	1
23	NM5WB	176	1E	1
24	NM5WB	176	1E	1
25	W5GZ	4	1D	1

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### **Assistant Section Managers**

Southern NM -Robert Truitt KE5OFK

Northern NM - Bill Boedeker NM5BB

Don Grab N5BIS

### **Section Youth Coordinators**

Bob Longoria N5JH

Phil Darling KF5LEF

Sue Darling KF5LEG

### Affiliated Club Coordinator

Art Priebe N5ART

### Official Observer Coordinator

Jerry Boyd WB8WFK

#### Section Emergency Coordinator

Bill Mader K8TE

If you are interested in an open leadership position, please contact Ed James.

### **June VHF Contest Results**

For the June VHF contest 17 stations from New Mexico participated and made 2,510 QSOs. Full results available at <a href="http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event\_id=79781">http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event\_id=79781</a>

Rank	Call	Score	QSOs	Mult	Class	Club
1	K5AM	132,396	644	204	В	
2	WB2FKO	64,148	391	158	В	
3	N7KA	43,974	347	126	В	
4	AI5I	40,166	302	133	Α	
5	W7QQ	37,752	265	132	В	
6	KK6MC/ R	20,274	201	93	RL	
7	NM5WB	6,695	103	65	Α	
8	WM5H	4,717	89	53	А	Louisiana Contest Club
9	KC7QY	3,498	65	53	3B	
10	K5LRW	850	34	25	L	Alamogordo ARC
11	K0CCM	690	30	23	Α	
12	KC5ESE	306	18	17	Α	
13	W5GZ	60	10	6	Α	
14	KG5KGY	10	4	2	3B	
15	N5ZGT	9	3	3	R	
16	KG5FHU	6	2	2	FM	
17	KC0LFQ	4	2	2	Α	

### **Silent Key Report**

We regret to report the following key is now silent:

Robert "Bob" Adams - KC5OO

Formally Albuquerque, NM; San Antonio, TX.

Passed 11/8/16

Age 93.

### **Community Contributions**

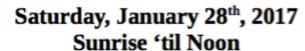
Please submit your club or event's flyer to ka8jmw@arrl.org to be included in the Section Newsletter.



## Amateur/Ham Radio Winter Tailgate Swapfest



An ARRL Sanctioned Event Sponsored by the 146.580 Simplex Group





No Admission Charge – No Vendor Space Fee –
Look – Buy – Sell – Trade – Visit

New location for 2017:

CNM Advanced Technology Center 4800 Alameda Blvd NE, Albuquerque NM

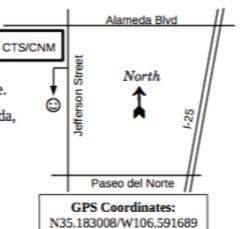
Southeast Parking Lot – Enter via Jefferson Ave.

CTS/CNM Entrance is 1 block South of Alameda,

then West off Jefferson.

Talk-In via the W5CSY Caravan Club Repeaters 145.330 – , 100Hz PL and 444.000 + 100Hz PL

Breakfast burritos and coffee will be offered on site. Bring your own table/tailgate and lots of stuff to sell.



#### DRESS WARM!

This is an outdoor event. No indoor facilities are available.

For more information contact Gary, KH6JTM - 505-401-3390