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N7UW - University Amateur Radio Club, Laramie, WY

September 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

September:

2nd: Club Meeting

6th: 6 Meter Net and

High Plains Roundup

21st: Summits on the Air, Jelm Mountain

October:

4th: Coffee Net

7th: Club Meeting – Elections!

31st: Ghost Towns on the Air



Message from the President – KK7QHS, Blake

On Thursday, August 28th, UARC had a booth at the Back to School Bash in Undine Park. For the second year in a row, we had the chance to chat with families and kids about the joys and possibilities with HAM radio.

Our booth had two radios set up: a 2-meter mobile connected to a dipole constructed from a metal broom handle, and a 6 meter connected to a Wolf Rive Coils antenna. Kids could chat on the 146.61 repeater or with the Scouting booth across the field on 6 meter. We had numerous future HAMs come by and enoity the radios.

Another great bonus for having a booth at community events is outreach to Laramie amateurs that didn't know about the club, or haven't been involved in some time. I spoke with several folks who stopped by to find out more about the club. This year we gave out 5 times more flyers than last year – wow!

As we approach the next round of UARC activities (October being elections and the "new year"), this is a good time to reflect on ways to bring more people into the club. We all have the ability to invite a friend or famliy member to a club meeting and show them the joys of our hobby.

Thank you everyone for a great year!



Blake, KK7QHS

ARRL News -

08/29/25

September is <u>National Preparedness Month</u>, which is a good time to look at your personal, family, and community resilience levels. For 2025, the National Preparedness Month theme is "Preparedness Starts at Home."

Amateur radio is a valuable resource for communication and community service before and during times of crisis, and can be a significant factor in your home's level of preparedness.

"Now is the time to make sure everything is in order," said ARRL Director of Emergency Management Josh Johnston, KE5MHV. For hams, it means taking the time to check their equipment – from the ground to the antenna, so that it is ready. "Many hams already participate in daily, weekly, and monthly nets that help them hone their communication skills, but if you're not already active in one, this could be a good opportunity to get into it," said Johnston.

To extend your personal preparedness into helping provide community resilience, Johnston invites operators to become active in their local <u>ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service®</u> (ARES®) activities. "ARES has been leveraging the utility value of the Amateur Radio Service for 90 years," he said. "We saw last year during Hurricane Helene how vital of a lifeline ham radio operators were for the affected areas."

From the Nets

Sunday Net Numbers

8/3 14

8/10 17

8/17 20

8/24 23

8/31 20

News from the Coffee Net

Our next 6m coffee net will be in conjunction with the High Plains Roundup. The plan is to have a station on Beacon Hill that can run relay between Laramie and Curt Gowdy. Any volunteers?

52.540 FM



UARC Annual Calendar

September: High Plains
 Roundup, Summits on the Air Club
 Event

October: Club Elections, Ghost
 Towns on the Air Club Event

- **November:** POTA Club Event

December: Holiday Party
 Potluck, Winter Field Day Planning

- **January:** Winter Field Day

- **February:** Arctic Fox Hunts Club
Event

March: EmCom Club Event –
 Readiness Game

- **April:** POTA Club Event

 May: Field Day Test Run and equipment maintenance, 7QP Event

- **June:** Field Day, Horse Race

July: Freedom has a Birthday,
 Bike Race

- **August:** Marathon, Back to School Bash

New Members, New Hams, License Updates

New Laramie Hams in 2025:

KK7WCG - Edward

KK7YEL - Scott

KK7ZBB - Brad W.

KK7ZEH - Lance

KM7ASX – Douglas

KM7ATF - Patrick

KM7ATG - Thomas

KM7ATH - Matthew

KM7BYR - Brian

License Updates:

NU7M - Ben Morgan, call sign update

NS7I – Charles

AJ7ER - James

NC7II - Robert

UARC Officers

- President: Blake McGee, KK7QHS
- Co Vice President, Lou Sims, WY7LS
- Co Vice President, Mike Sullivan, KF7UZF
- Treasurer, Doris Hutchison, KD7NAE
- Secretary, John Harrison, KD7RQX

Club News

Medicine Bow Rails to Trails Marathon

On August 9th, UARC members assisted with communications for the marathon that runs from the Colorado border to Lake Owen. Doris, John, Chris P, Thad, Mike, Liam, and myself all ran stations. With spectacular weather, we all enjoyed the chance to play radio in the woods!

First look at county repeater trailer

At the August meeting, attendees got a chance to check out the country repeater trailer that they are looking to rehome. Thanks to Thad for bringing it by! With a little TLC and some programing, this has the potential to become a great asset for UARC.







CB Radio Donation

Linda, of West Laramie, donated a Tram D201 CB base station radio to UARC. It belonged to her brother-inlaw and she's happy to see it go to a good home. It powers up, but probably needs some new tubes. Thanks Jim for agreeing to take a look at it!



Acknowledgementss

Thank you to everyone who participated in the trail marathon!

Thank you to Dave and Shamus for your help at the UARC booth at the Back to School Bash!

UARC Treasurer's Report September 2025			
Operating			
Beginning Balance		\$3,119.79	
Income			
Interest	\$0.67		
Dues			
Donation			
Expenses			
New Balance		\$3,120.46	
High Plains		\$751.39	