

SOCORRO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

SARA NEWS

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MEETINGS

The minutes for meetings are at
www.socorroara.org/sara/minutes.

The agenda for meetings is located at:

www.socorroara.org/sara/agenda/agenda.pdf

The October meeting will be at the County
Emergency Management Conference Room at
198 Neel Avenue on Oct. 10, 2018

SARA REPEATER

SARA supports a VHF repeater located on Socorro
Peak immediately west of Socorro. The repeater is
“open”. The autopatch is currently inoperative.

146.68 (-)

100 or 123 Hz required

123 Hz on output

SARA also supports a UHF D-STAR module ‘B’
operating at 444.500 MHz + 5.000
Registration instructions are at
[www.socorroara.org/sara/repeaters/D_STAR_Gate
way.pdf](http://www.socorroara.org/sara/repeaters/D_STAR_Gateway.pdf)

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COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 19 2019

SARA/TARA Hamfest Banquet
<https://goo.gl/maps/h1yniYWHBPH2>
Fidel Center Ballroom 6 pm

Socorro Hamfest and ARRL State Convention
Saturday Oct. 20, 2018
<https://goo.gl/maps/VzgP3Q56atu>
At the NM Firefighter Training Academy
600 Aspen, Socorro, NM 87801

2018 Jansky Lecturer: Prof. Roger D. Blandford
Workman Center, Room 101, New Mexico Tech
Friday, November 9, 2018
7:30 pm

HAMFEST SCHEDULE!

Friday Oct. 19:

Ham's Tour of the VLA: Friday, Oct. 19,

1: 00 PM, at the VLA site, 50 miles

West of Socorro on Highway 60

Google Maps link:

<https://goo.gl/maps/8sN2WRDmGRG2>

Hamfest Banquet & Award Ceremony

Friday, Oct. 19, 6: 00 PM;

Guest Speaker, Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Saturday Oct 10:

0730 Tailgate/swap-meet setup

0800 Open

1000 ARRL Forum

1000 Fox Hunt

1100 State ARES meeting

1100 VE registration

1200 VE exam (ARRL VEC)

The Hammel Museum will be open at 1:30 for those who would like to visit it.

<https://goo.gl/maps/kfFDMgsEHDM2>

IN CASE YOU WERE WANTING A NEW OSCILLOSCOPE!

Hackaday (<https://hackaday.com/>) reports on the tear-down of a \$1.3 million dollar oscilloscope:

<https://hackaday.com/2018/09/24/tearing-into-a-1-3-million-oscilloscope/>.

HAMS HELP OUT DURING HURRICANE:

<https://fox61.com/2018/09/12/ham-radio-operators-amplify-messages-in-face-of-hurricane-florence/>

<https://www.wcpo.com/news/local-news/butler-county-west-chester/ham-radio-operators-could-play-important-role-in-potential-hurricane-florence-disaster>

NOT EXACTLY AMATEUR RADIO BUT INTERESTING

ANNE BOWMAN, AD6UY

I do not usually describe a science book as

“charming” but **Welcome to the Universe** by Neil deGrasse Tyson, Michael A. Strauss and J.

Richard Gott certainly is. If you want to learn about butter guns, mixed nuts and how to turn a hard drive into a black hole this is your read.

NEW SPRAYABLE ANTENNAS COULD MEAN THINNER, LIGHTER MOBILE DEVICES

<https://www.extremetech.com/extreme/277960-new-sprayable-antennas-could-mean-thinner-lighter-mobile-devices>

BAOFENG IN HOT WATER?

This Hackaday article discusses the problems with Baofeng radios and has a link to the FCC .pdf of its actions.

<https://hackaday.com/2018/09/25/buy-a-baofeng-while-you-still-can-fcc-scowls-at-unauthorized-frequency-transmitters/>

And more information:

<https://radioaficion.com/news/fcc-ordered-a-halt-to-the-selling-of-baofeng-radios/>

AND ON A LIGHTER NOTE

<https://hamhijinks.com/> It's like The Onion.