

**TONTO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION**  
**BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT OUR CLUB**

Hello and welcome to the Tonto Amateur Radio Association. We're glad you're here. For without you and your participation, this group may not exist. We would like to provide you with a quick overview of some of the things we offer. If you would like to help or add something that you feel may be of interest, please let us know. We are always open to new ideas and concepts.

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Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 765 Payson, Arizona 85547
Our web site is:	N7TAR.ORG, members have access to our website.
Please contact:	Woody Phillips, KJ7YYI, TARA webmaster for additional information
WINLINK email over radio – VARA-FM RMS N7DDT-10 145.070 MHz	

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**Team dues** are currently **\$35.00 annually** and deadline for payment is January 31<sup>st</sup>.

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**- 2026 TARA OFFICERS -**

President	J. Patrick McDonald "Pat"	KD6PZB – 760-415-3024	
Vice President	Steve Hersey	K7OFG - 858-610-1231	
Treasurer	Curt Arndt, KK7JAL	Web Master	Woody Phillips, KJ7YYI
Secretary	Jim Blackshire, KK7LFL	Repeater Trustee	Felix Brandt, KF7LB
P.I.O.	Rick Lovdahl, KJ7ROX	Trustee	Todd Longfellow, N7TWL
		Trustee	Bob Mell, KJ7ZTF

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**- MONTHLY MEETINGS -**

We have our general monthly meetings every second Saturday of the month, unless that Saturday falls on a major holiday, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter. Meetings start at 0900 and normally run for about 2 hours +/- . Our meeting location is held at the **Payson Center For Success – 514 W. Wade Lane in the town of Payson**, right behind the Payson high school.

**- MONTHLY FAMILY & FRIENDS BREAKFAST -**

We have a "Family & Friends" monthly breakfasts every fourth Saturday of the month, unless that Saturday falls on a major holiday, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter. Breakfast start at 0800 and normally runs for about 2 hours +/- . We meet at **Tiny's Family Restaurant 600 E. Hwy. 260 in the town of Payson**. Bring your family and friends and let's enjoy each other's company. Normally, we meet in the back room.

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**- WEEKLY RADIO NETS -**

1. The Gila County Breakfast Net, Mon. – Fri. Mornings at 0800, H/F 40 Meters, **7.240**
2. The Tonto Amateur Radio Association – Trivia Net Thursday Evenings at 1930
3. The Tonto Amateur Radio Association – Round Table Net Thursday Evenings at 2000

Both of the above Nets (2. & 3.) can be heard on: **147.390 + PL 100.00**

If you would be interested in participating. Please, come and join us. Or, if you would like to host your own net, please let Pat or Steve know and we will help you get that done.

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**- IMPORTANT DATES -**

1. Monthly general membership meetings – The second Saturday of each month, 0900 hrs.  
Payson Center For Success, 514 West Wade Lane in Payson
2. Monthly Family & Friends Breakfast - The fourth Saturday of each month, 0800 hrs.  
Tiny's Family Restaurant, 600 East highway 260 in Payson (in the backroom)
3. Installation of 2026 Club Officers – January 10 at 1600 Tiny's Family Restaurant
4. Winter Field Day January 24 & 25 Contest, 36 hours / Start 10 AM
5. Pine Trail Run May 02 Service Event C.P. Rick, K7ROX
6. Summer Field Day June 27 & 28 Contest C.P. ?
7. Fire On The Rim Sept 26 Bicycle Race, C.P. ?
8. TARA Swapfest October 03 C.P. ?

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**- IMPORTANT LOCAL RADIO FREQUENCIES -**

1. **147.390 + PL 100.0** The Tonto A.R.A. Repeater, 2 Meter
2. **447.425 – PL 77.0** The Tonto A.R.A. Repeater, U.H.F.
3. 146.460 Simplex The Tonto A.R.A. BACK UP
4. 146.520 Simplex National Travel Channel
5. 147.360 + PL 162.2 The A.R.A. (Mount Ord, No.: 5 – RIM Link)
6. 122.800 AM Payson Airport
7. 151.550 & 151.745 Simplex Tonto Rim Search & Rescue
8. 154.4525 Simplex C.E.R.T. Team, Pine & Strawberry
9. 162.425 National Weather Service, N.O.A.A.
10. 164.625 Tonto N.F. Car To Car
11. 167.550 (F-1) / 168.675 (F-2) / 168.775 (F-3) All Forests, Common Use
12. 170.475 Tonto N.F. Administration
13. 170.500 Tonto N.F. Forest Net 2
14. 460.475 Department Of Public Safety, DPS, Payson
15. 462.575 + PL 82.5 GMRS, CH. 16 – Diamond Point
16. 462.6125 Simplex GMRS, CH. 3 - Emergency Channel