

May 2021 Foxhunt

The May foxhunt was held Sunday May 9th. The fox was Robert, WA6FBA.

There were two teams for this hunt.

1	Jeff, WB7RFY, Keith, KJ7GFX, and John, WB9VGJ
2	Pete, K6VVR, Jerry, KF7FPD, and Gary, K6JXM

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team	Time
1	1	1 hr. 4 min.
2	2	1 hr. 13 min.

WA6FBA hid the transmitters in a cul-de-sac at the end of Lear Lane in the industrial area adjacent to the Prescott Airport. Jet air tankers fighting the fire near Crown King were landing and taking off. They were very loud taking off.

It was an interesting and challenging hunt. As we hunted, the signal was always coming from the north. As we progressed north, the signal got stronger and we discovered it was near the airport on the SE side of the runways. However, we would drive east to the end of a street and the signal would be from the west. We'd drive west to the end of that street and the signal would be from the east. We were north of the transmitter. We finally took a side street and as we headed south, the signal was coming from the west and I saw that Lear Lane was in the direction the signal was coming from about a block west of us and that it was a dead end street, so we headed there and found the fox. What was interesting is that the signal strength did not seem to vary much whether we were two blocks or four to five blocks from the transmitter.

We saw the other team drive along the street running alongside the airport trying to figure out how to get to the transmitter. They had seen us from that street. They got to us just a couple of minutes after we saw them.

You can see pictures I took of the hunt here (Copy link and paste into your browser.). You can click on a picture to enlarge it and click on it again to zoom in:

<https://tinyurl.com/YARCfoxhuntMay2021>

We did go to the Taco Bell on Willow Creek Rd. near the Fry's store afterward. It was nice to once again socialize a little after the hunt.

We invite anyone interested in foxhunting, especially anyone who has not done it before, to join us. Those new to the hobby can ride with an experienced hunter. We always have a good time, win, lose or draw.

73,

John, WB9VGJ