

December 2021 Foxhunt

The December foxhunt was held Saturday, December 4th. Robert, WA6FBA, and Byron, KK7BFL, were the foxes.

There were four teams for this hunt:

1	Jeff, WB7RFY, Keith, KJ7GTX, and John, WB9VGJ
2	Pete, K6VVR, Jerry, KF7FPD, and Gary, K6JXM
3	Don, KI7IOM, and Richard, KG6TRD
4	Mike, WU7V, Steve, KG7SDY, Richard, WB7NRM, and Sharon, no call sign

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team	Time
1	3	1 hr. 3 min.
2	2	1 hr. 4 min.
3	1	1 hr. 11 min.
DNF	4	----

The foxes chose a good spot for hiding the transmitters. It was at a trailhead on the south side of Acker Park. One of the teams did not finish, but the other three had close times with the winning team taking just one minute less than the 2nd place team.

Our team had some trouble finding just how to get to it. I took many bearings with the SigTrax app on my smartphone. Some were somewhat off of where the transmitters were, but several were very close with a couple crossing each almost right at the primary transmitter: See the screenshot I took of the app on my cellphone in the pictures below.

One problem is they seemed to indicate the transmitter was on the west side of the park or in the cemetery; you can see several bearing cross points on my screenshot showing the west side of the park. We checked that out and discovered we were still west of the transmitters. It took a bit of driving to go several blocks back north and a few blocks east and then south. Then, it took a couple of readings to figure out we were east of the transmitter. I then noticed the parking lot at the trailhead on the app and figured that was the location of the transmitters, which proved to be correct.

You can see pictures of the hiding site here:

tinyurl.com/YARCFoxhuntDec2021

We went to the Prescott Junction for after-the-hunt socializing and telling of tall tales.

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