

## January 2022 Foxhunt

The December foxhunt was held Saturday, January 8th. Don, KI7IOM and Sherwin, WB7NFX, where the foxes.

There were three teams for this hunt:

1	Jeff, WB7RFY, Keith, KJ7GTX, and John, WB9VGJ
2	Pete, K6VVR, and Gary, K6JXM
3	Robert, WA6FFBA, Richard, WB7NRM, and Sharon (No call sign)

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team
1	3
2	1
3	2

The foxes hid the transmitters at Solstice Mesa where the petroglyphs are off Solstice Drive which runs north and west from E. Smoke Tree Lane. The transmitters were hidden there on the November 2021 foxhunt, but the two foxes did not realize that.

There are no times in this report for the finishes as due to a technical glitch, the finding times were not recorded. However, I and WA6FBA found the primary transmitter at the same time. As his team left the starting point two minutes after my team did, his team won by two minutes. Team 2 arrived quite a while after that.

Our team had honed in on the mesa and got to the parking lot. We did not recognize the only car in the parking lot and did not think the transmitters were there due to that being the hiding place in November. We drove around for another 10 to 15 minutes but concluded the transmitters must be at the mesa due to the signals we were getting. To save a walk up the mesa, WB7RFY honked his horn a few times in quick succession to see if one of the hunters would come and look down on the parking lot. It worked; one of them did, so we walked up to the top of the mesa and began the clos-in hunting. If only we had done that when we first got there, we would have won.

You can see pictures of the hiding site here:

[tinyurl.com/YARCFoxhuntJan2022](http://tinyurl.com/YARCFoxhuntJan2022)

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