

February 2022 Foxhunt

The February foxhunt was held Saturday, February 5th. Robert, WA6FBA, Rich, WB7NRM and XYL Sharon were the foxes.

There were three teams for this hunt:

1	Jeff, WB7RFY, Keith, KJ7GTX, and John, WB9VGJ
2	Pete, K6VVR, Gary, K6JXM, and Byron KK7BFL
3	Don, KI7IOM, and Sherwin, WB7NFX

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team
1	2
DNF	1
DNF	3

The foxes hid the transmitters in Flinn Park on the SE corner of Linwood Ave. and Josephine St. one block north of West Gurley Street.

It was a frustrating hunt for our team. Our first reading taken from the Arizona Pioneers Home Cemetery indicated the transmitter was SW of there. However, as we continued and took more readings, many indicated the transmitter was to the east. We got faint signals at times and no signals at times. We did go west of the transmitter but didn't find it so we went downtown Prescott. We finally went back to the west side and took a reading 1 ½ blocks away and that allowed us to hone in.

However, after we arrived, we were walking all around the transmitter and didn't discover it. The foxes had made a sign on a short hollow tube that said PARK CLOSES AT 10:00 P.M. I looked down the tube twice but it was dark and I did not see an antenna. Finally, time ran out and we gave up. Then the sign was lifted and we saw the transmitter. We had thought the sign was a real one the park officials installed. We really got fooled. Team 3 quit the hunt about the same time. They were within a few blocks of the park when they did that. It was a challenging hunt for sure.

You can see pictures of the hiding site here:

tinyurl.com/YARCFbruary2022foxhunt

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