November 2023 Foxhunt

The October foxhunt was held Saturday November 4th. Andy, N7AAW, and Damon, N7DMF, were the foxes.

There were five teams for this hunt:

1	Jeff, WB7RFY, Keith, KJ7GTX, John, WB9VGJ
2	Byron, KK7BFL
3	Pete, K6VVR, Gary, K6JXM, Jerry, KF7FPD
4	Robert, WA6FBA
5	Rich, WB7NRM, Sharon, KK7NNK

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team	Time
1	1	27 min.
2	3	32 min.
3	4	83 min.
4	5	94 min.
5	2	DNF

The foxes hid the transmitters in the parking lot of Mountain View Park off of E. Nance Lane in Prescott Valley.

The signal was very weak at the starting point. For our team, the signal remained in the noise level until we got a few blocks north of Rt. 60 on Navajo Drive. As we approached the park, the signal improved significantly. We first drove to Robert Rd. on Lakeshore Drive and entered a parking lot on the north side of the park off of E. Loos Dr. We decided the transmitter was on the south side of the park and drove around to E. Nance Ln. and into the parking lot. We made a phone call to KK87BFL not long before the ending time to see if he was still hunting. He was on Glassford Hill Rd. and was having some trouble with the Doppler setup so we gave him our location so he could come and see where the transmitters were hidden

Congratulations to Team 1 on winning the hunt!

You can see pictures of the hunt here:

https://tinyurl.com/YARCfoxhuntNov2023

We went to the Prescott Junction for socializing after the hunt. In a discussion there, K7VVR informed us that there had been some testing done in Prescott Valley and, due to Glassford Hill and other terrain issues, that foxhunting in Prescott Valley is far less than optimal. All in attendance agreed that we should confine the hunts to Prescott. As a result, the December hunt will be the last foxhunt in Prescott Valley.

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