

Welcome to the Week 45 edition of the QuartzFest e-Newsletter. The latest news follows below with links to more information on the QuartzFest website.

My QuartzFest Packing List – Here's some info to consider as you prepare for your trip!



please remember to bring a hat and sunscreen. Tee-shirts or a long sleeve shirt are typically all that is needed to be comfortable in the day, but with night temperature dipping down into the 40's and 50's it is a good idea to bring a heavy coat and maybe a lap blanket if you will be enjoying some of the many "after-dark" activities at QuartzFest. While it doesn't rain a lot in the Sonoran Desert it is possible to have a day with occasional rain, so bringing some rain gear just in case, is always a good idea.

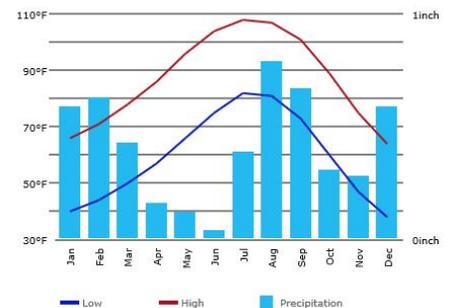
What to Bring - Some QuartzFest Essentials

- ✓ Shorts & tee shirts for days and a heavier coat and lap-blanket for nights
- ✓ Flashlights for walking safely at night
- ✓ Hats & sunscreen for warm sunny days
- ✓ Rain gear - "just in case"
- ✓ Shoes or boots - flip-flops can be challenging with desert sand and rocks
- ✓ Comfortable folding chairs to be used at each seminar or around the campfires at night
- ✓ Musical instruments and your singing voices for the QuartzFest Hootenanny
- ✓ Telescopes and binoculars for stargazing or wildlife spotting.
- ✓ 5-10 logs for the community fire pit. Firewood is not readily available here and it's easier if we all pitch in a little.
- ✓ Bring your old pictures of QuartzFest and your cameras to help capture new memories and to participate in the QuartzFest 2016 Photo Contest! We need your help to collect some great photos for our 20th Anniversary Video!
- ✓ Bring your old or new ham radio kits for the "2016 "Kit-In-A-Can" Contest.
- ✓ Two (2) nights will be group pot-lucks and a lot of fun but otherwise please bring your own food and water.
- ✓ Bring your Questions for our new "Ask The Experts" session.
- ✓ Bring any interesting accomplishments for our new "You Are The Experts" session to share with others.
- ✓ Solar Panels - QuartzFest is a solar panel lover's dream with systems everywhere and a great chance to learn from each other.
- ✓ Medications. There is a pharmacy in the nearby town of Quartzsite but it is somewhat limited.
- ✓ And... some good stories for around the campfire are always appreciated!

The Weather - What to Expect

January is a great time to be at QuartzFest, located in the Sonoran Desert. Days are typically sunny and clear with high temperatures in the 70's, perfect for shorts and tee shirts. Temperatures at night may drop into the 40's and 50's making it perfect to sit around the campfire, stargaze, enjoy a warm drink, and share time with friends.

The desert sun in the winter is great but



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