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AARC MEETING

The AARC meeting will be thursday, October 5th at 7:30 pm, at the Alliance Community Hospital, in the cafeteria. PLEASE JOIN US !! Visitors are always WELCOME!!!

COUPLES IN OUR CLUB

Dave & Kitty Buckwalter	KC3CL	&	K8BDUW
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This is great, seven husband & wife teams. Five of these hams came out of the clubs last novice class. Next month we will have, ALL IN THE FAMILY, which will include the story behind our couples and why? We also have quite a few other family members in the club. I hope to have a list of them next month. I hope I haven't missed anyone, if I did please notify me.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Kitty Buckwalter--K8BDUW on her recent upgrade to tech.

ROUNDTABLE

September's over and October's here and I am trying to figure out where the summer went. Some of the things that I wanted to do are still not done, so I'll just put them on the list of things to get done for next year. Now that most of the outside activities are winding down, things like camping, fishing, golfing, and vacations. Kids are back in school, your busy life is slowly returning to a more normal speed & after you catch your breath, I sure hope that each and everyone of you will come to the club meetings and check into the net's on thursday evenings.

The last club meeting was short but interesting. Jim--NBDZA gave a short program on fox hunting. I think all the programs these last few months were of interest to everyone & I am looking forward to the next program what ever it will be.

I think everybody knows I finally passed my general exam & yes Gladys has been given the tapes. Now she's got something sticking out of her ears that looks kind of funny, like earphones. HI HI.

A few day's ago I got a surprise. I passed my first piece of traffic as a ham. To most of you it is old hat but to me it was some thing new and interesting.

Jim--KBBGHZ & Gladys--KBBGIA

LAST MINUTE OHIO NEWS

Ohio license plates will again carry the words "Amateur Radio" beginning with the 1991 hard plate reissue. Those words were carried on ham plates in Ohio until 1985 when a county of residence sticker was required. New hard plates will be issued in 1991 and the county sticker will no longer be required on ham plates. Ohio's ARRL Section Manager influenced Senator Richard H. Finan to have the Ohio BMV make the change.

(from TSRAC B-N-T bulletin)

Novice classes have started, KDBMQ--John and NBDZA--Jim are teaching. There were seven people that came to find out about being a ham and what it is about. The first class was on types of licenses and there qualifications, the different bands, modes and different kinds of keys.

Halloween is coming fast, but don't let the goblins get you. Just like everybody else, Gladys made pumpkin pies, one year she tried something different, pumpkin cake. We thought maybe you would like to try it for halloween, or any time. So here is the recipe.

PUMPKIN CAKE

1 1/2 cup	flour
2 1/2 tsp	baking powder
1/3 cup	shortening
2	eggs
1 cup	pumpkin
3/4 cup	sugar
1/4 tsp	salt
1 tsp	cinnamon or nutmeg
1/2 cup	evaperated milk

Mix together--put into buttered and floured cake pan. Bake in preheated oven at 350 for 50 min.

Im running down so until next month remember, even if the world is your oyster you have to open the shell.

BATTERY ALERT

SMARC SPARKS publication

Using alkaline and carbon zinc batteries in combination can create a pressure explosion great enough to split and blow the end cap off an explosion-proof flashlight!

Of seven different styles inspected, Eveready Alkaline Energizer was the only battery that incorporated a warning label concerning the hazards of mixing battery types. This is especially disconcerting in view of the fact that major manufacturers are reportedly converting from carbon zinc to alkaline. Be particularly careful with the green jacketed military batteries which contain no warning labels or chemical description.

Play it safe. Whenever you use more than one battery in combination, have them all from the same manufacturer.

(from TSRAC B-N-T bulletin)

ANTENNA DISMANTLER FALLS 180 FEET AND SURVIVES!

This is the strange, fateful story of a person working on an antenna, falling 180 feet & surviving. Alvin Glaze, a Louisiana Forestry Ranger was dismantling an antenna on a radio tower at Baton Rouge, LA. His safety belt was around something that was not secure and he fell backwards from the tower but landed on one of seven sets of guy wires on the tower. He rode this guywire down forty feet before letting go do to severe burn pains, then landed on another set of guy wires, managing to slide to the ground. He was cut and severely burned about his arms, hands, and legs but suffered no broken bones in his 180 foot fall.

(from TSRAC B-N-T bulletin)

BRITISH POLICE ASK DX HAMS WORLDWIDE FOR HELP ON SOLVING A MURDER!

This is directed to hams that work DX. Look in your logbooks and see if you worked G0HFQ between June 29 and July 5th. Can you recall the QSO? Something that Peter Dixon, G0HFQ may have said may give British Police a clue as to whom may have murdered Peter and his wife, Gwenda.

The story: They were last seen alive on Thursday, June 29, when they left on a camping trip to Howstone Farm near Little Haven in Pembrokeshire. Their bodies were discovered July 5th. Both had died of gunshot wounds and investigators say they were killed within a half mile of their camp site. Dixon's car was equipped with both HF and VHF Amateur gear.

Amateurs worldwide that can relate the gist of any QSO conducted with G0HFQ may be of invaluable assistance in solving this case. Let the Police determine the importance of the QSO and times, locations, ect. CONTACT: Murder Incident Room, Pembrokeshire Police, Haverfordwest England 3721. The STD code is 0437. If calling from outside the United Kingdom request operator assistance.

(from TSRAC B-N-T bulletin)

BUSTED!

Remember the Atlas radio case last year? Someone was advertising uniden ten meter radios at a pretty decent price. Only problem was, that buyers stood very little chance of seeing the radio, or their money again. Well according to the ARRL letter, Michael D. Harrison, WB2PTI, of Oceanside, NY, has been charged with 50 counts of mail fraud in the case. Hope his victims can get some of their money back.

EVENT CALENDAR

OCT

- 1 Springfield hamfest
- 5 **AARC MEETING**
- 7-8 California QSO Party
- 7-8 VK/ZL Oceania SSB contest
- 7-8 IRSA Radiosporting Contest
- 8 RSGB 21/28 MHz Phone contest
- 8 Lima Hamfest
- 12 Eastern Stark County ARES Net-145.37 @ 9:00PM
- 14-5 PA QSO party
- 14-5 VK/ZL Oceania CW Contest
- 14-5 Jamboree on the air
- 15 RSGB 21 MHz CW contest
- 19 Eastern Stark County ARES Net-145.37 @ 9:00PM
- 21-2 Section Emergency Test
- 26 Eastern Stark County ARES Net-145.37 @ 9:00PM
- 28 VE Exams-Goodyear
- 28-9 CQ WW DX Phone Contest
- 29 set clocks back one hour

NOVEMBER

- 2 **AARC MEETING**
- 4-6 ARRL CW SWEEPSTAKES

NOVICE CLASSES are in full swing, and as this is being written, we have 8 students, who are learning all about ham radio. The class is being taught again this year by John(K8BMQ), & Jim(N8DZA).

CALLSIGNS-as of 9/1/89 are as follows:

W8BZ(13) KF8BE(16) N8LGA(67) KB8IBG(67)

The number in parentheses is the number of licenses issued during the month of August.

Bill Martikan, Director of the Alliance YMCA, has approached me with an idea to involve more kids in Amateur Radio. Some hams will be needed to help this get off the ground. A meeting is tentatively scheduled at the YMCA, on Thursday evening, October 12, to fully explain the program, and gather ideas. Once we have the date nailed down, we will announce it on the Alliance and Salem nets, and at the club meeting on October 5th. (K8BMQ)

The Deerfield Apple butter stir will be held October 14, 1989 in Deerfield Ohio. Why, you ask should you care? Because University Air Care from Cleveland will be there. They are called "life Flight". The doctors and operators will be on hand to answer questions and you'll get a "tour" of the helicopter. Who knows, it may save your life someday. Time will be between 12:30 and 1:00 for the landing (weather permitting). N8IAK

EDITORS NOTE

Sorry for the delay in printing, our printer decided it was not going to work this month. So we have been trying to find a way to fix it, short of buying another one. I am pleased to say, we got our other printer working.

Thank you to John--KDBMQ, for the labels, which saved me some four hours of hand writing. Someday I'll get my label printing program to be editor friendly. Thank you to everyone for helping to make this newsletter possible.

Anyone that would like to put an article in the newsletter, please call me and I'll come and pick it up, also cartoons, pictures, want ads, or anything you think would look good in the newsletter. My phone number is 823-1458.

Janice--KB8GCE

DEADLINE

The deadline for novembers newsletter is the 20th. If you have a want ad for the newsletter call me, I'll take it over the phone. I know somebody has to have something for sale, or needs something. Please give me a call.

GROUCHES CORNER

Well, some one somewhere on some frequency is always grouching, if not on the radio, then in some newsletter. You get those who are going to put the world right, or tie up a repeater, talking about inconsiderate hams who tie up repeaters. Personally, I cannot stand those who like to nitpick on little points like 73 or 73's. Who cares 73 may be correct, however, most people say 73's. The English language, or any language, code or abbreviation, came to be by usage. Codes that the pioneers of radio used, have changed many times over the years. So now that all those but the perfect use 73's, should not the law of usage change the meaning?

The same person who argues about 73's, may tell you that he and his wife ate out last night, she had a Petite Filet Mignon and he had a regular Filet Mignon. If we want to argue about correctness, then Petite and Mignon mean the same, so his wife had a Small Filet Small and he had a regular Filet small. It is the mis-usage of French in American restaurants that brought this about. But who cares, that is how it is used over here.

I will find something else to grouch about next month, who knows, you may find something to grouch about, I would not have to be grouching if I had something else to fill up the newsletter. Which brings up another GROUCH!!!!

Dennis--KB8GCF