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ZERO BEAT



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Guest editor is chosen

Due to computer problems, your editor for this issue of the ZERO BEAT will be Pam Myers, N8IAK. Pam was the editor of the Zero Beat from January, 1987-May, 1989. Thanks Pam! (WX8G)

AARC CLUB MEETING

The AARC club meeting will be September 5, 1991 at the Alliance Community Hospital in the Cafeteria at 7:30. Jack Bennett W8WEN will be in charge of a "mini" program on decibels. Come out and hear Jack!

CLUB PICNIC!

As you have heard, the club picnic will be August 31st. There has however been a change in the cabin and park. Seems that the park made a mistake and put us in Thompson Snodgrass park, which we didn't want. They have switched us to the BOY SCOUT CABIN at SILVER PARK. The time is the same (6 to 10 p.m.), and since they goofed, we get it free of charge. Please bring your own table service, and any games you'd like to play, ice chests, a covered dish (preferably with something in it to eat), and of course the family. Come out and have a good time!

ALL CHECK-INS PLEASE COME NOW

The Eastern Stark County News & Information Net, now has a new manager, and with a new manager, comes a new name. The net manager is John Myers, WX8G, who took over on June 13'th. The net is now the Tri-County News & Information Net. New net formats will be distributed at the September meeting. So far the new name has been pretty well received. We hope to expand on the News & Info format with news of coming events, and other items of interest to hams. The net still meets on Thursday nights (except the 1'st Thursday of the month), at 9 PM on 145.37- (N8DZA/R). See you there. (WX8G)

CLASSES

Novice Classes begin September 4, at the Alliance Community Hospital in Room E. Larry Ashburn and Jim Ferguson have offered their expertise and will be teaching the class this year. Contact them for more information.

POLICY STATEMENT?-YESSIR!

By Gerald H. Wetzel, W3DMB, Editor of the Butler County Amateur Radio Association, Inc., Tell-A-Ham

Butler, PA(ARNS)-It is very difficult for an editor to print any news if he is afraid of having someone disagree with his editorials. Therefore, in the future, any BCARA member who disagrees or is upset by anything that is in the TELL-A-HAM can bring his/her copy of the TELL-A-HAM to the next regular meeting. The editor will have a pair of scissors and will cut out the offensive article from that persons copy of the TELL-A-HAM.
73 DE W3DMB

Incidentally, W3DMB uses the phonetics in the TELL-A-HAM W3DMB(Doing My Best). WX8G

FIELD DAY '91'

Well, Field Day '91' is just a fond memory for most of us (and a nightmare for some-HEE HEE). The AARC set up camp behind Marlinton Middle school again this year, where we had acres of room, plenty of shelter for the food, and eyeball QSO's, and of course, from the rain. (Rain is a requirement for all field days). Setup began promptly at 8 AM, and progressed pretty smoothly this year. We quickly erected the clubs newly sandblasted & painted towers, along with a variety of wire antennas, and a couple of trap verticals. A tri-band beam was also erected, to which the nickname P.O.S. #1 was found to be especially descriptive. We ran five stations this year, and used WI8T for four of them, and KB8LJN/N for the Novice/Tech station.

The highlight of Saturday was the low altitude fly-by of a Navy F-14 with wings extended. The covered dish dinner was great. The turnout was a little low due to the weather, but that meant more than enough food was left over to tide the operators over until the end of field day.

We made 657 QSO's this year (302 CW/355 SSB) for a total score (before bonuses) of 1918 pts. We worked 65 sections, 45 states, and 3 DXCC countries. The best band this year was 40 meters with 35% of the total CW QSO's, & 20% of the SSB QSO's being made there. We were short on operators in the wee hours of the morning, but some people just don't know what they're missing.

Dan(N8LVO), did a super job again as publicity chairman for the event. we got a real nice article in the Canton Repository, about a week before the event, followed by a visit to the site by a photographer, which resulted in a real nice 10" X 7" color picture a few days later of KC3CL, & his son, KB8LJN.

In closing, a big thank you to everyone who pulled together to make this event fly. (de WX8G)

AARC FOX HUNT

AARC FOX HUNT will be held on September 21, 1991 (sat). We will meet in Grove Refrigeration's parking lot on or about 2:00 p.m. with the hunt to start around 2:30. Larry Ashburn KE8VE will be the fox. More information at the September club meeting.

THIS & THAT

--Congratulations to Dave KC3CL, who walked away with 3rd prize at the warren hamfest. The prize was a ICOM 229 H Mobile rig. Good job Dave!

--While we're congratulating the Buckwalter household, we can't forget Dave & Kitty's Daughter Kris Toney who will be graduating from Navy Boot Camp with Top Honor Recruit award in Orlando Florida. Kris then goes to Monterey California to study at the Defense Language Institute! That's why we've been seeing Dave, Kitty and little brother David smiling so much!

--From The Amateur Radio News Service Bulletin(May 91)The new laser printed FCC Form 660s (license) have started to arrive. They are very clean, net, and easy to read, but they smudge. Don't put it in the little envelopes in your wallet. The ink comes right off. Make a copy of it and then carry the copy. If the 'VE team can't read it, it will slow up any testing/upgrades.

--From Massillon ARC "Feedback"--New DX Country. The ARRL awards committee has accepted the findings of the DXAC that North Korea meets Point 1 of the ARRL Countries List Criteria. North Korea will be added to the ARRL DXCC Countries List after the first accredited operation. The present Korea will remain on the Countries list under the new name of South Korea, as recommended by DXAC.

--SPECIAL EVENTS STATION! (From ARNS Bulletin per James Yoder KB8LDG.) On September 6, 7 & 8, members of the Oliver Hazard Perry Expeditionary Force will operate from Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial at Put-In-Bay, Ohio to commemorate the 178th anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie. KB8BN will commence operations September 6 at 2100Z. Suggested frequencies: 28.365, 21.365, 14.265, 3.965 MHz. For a commemorative certificate, please send a QSL and a large 9x12 SASE to Commodore Don Willis, 30372 Bates Rd, Perrysburg, OH 43551.

--SET Slated For October 19-20. Wonder if we could get something going for this by October? Is our ARES going anywhere?

--The 20/9 ARC will be setting up an Amateur Radio booth at the Canfield Fair. If the fair is part of your summertime plans, be sure to stop by and check this out. (WX8G)

SWIM-RUN-SWIM

Due to the low water level, those were the prevailing conditions for the swim portion of the Carnation City Triathlon. The triathlon was held on Sunday August 18'th, and started at West branch state park, with a swim. This was followed by a bike ride back to alliance, and topped off with a run through the streets of alliance.

The Red Cross asked for our help again this year. We managed to round up more than enough help this time. Thanks to all the hams that assisted: W18T, N8LVO, KA8LKQ, KB8LPW, N8HHV, & WX8G. Extra special thanks go to Don, K8OMO, whose loan of a portable 4 element beam, enabled Dan, N8LVO to solidly access 5.37 from the beach. To my knowledge, that was the first time that feat was accomplished during the triathlon.

We received a very nice thank you card from the Red Cross, commending us for our efforts. (WX8G)

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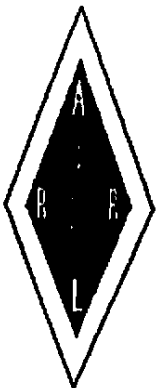
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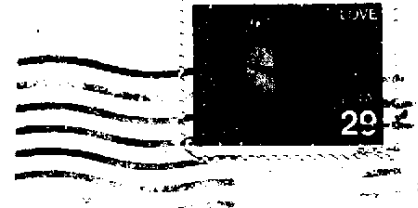
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