

MIKE AND KEY RADIO CLUB

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NEW FCC LICENSING PROPOSAL

If you haven't seen it, I am sure by this time you have heard about it. There are many sweeping changes proposed. I have studied some of the proposals, yet I have not seen the complete docket. It is my understanding this was caused by the many petitions received by the FCC for revisions to the licensing requirements. I think these proposals need much thought and studying. I see so need for all the fuss I have heard on just about every frequency. I have heard people so violently enraged to the point of almost stupidity. I definitely think it is necessary to make our view points known, but emotions should not be involved. Now is the time for action; that action should be in the form of your views made known to the FCC by and thru proper channels. Your views should be based upon logic and not emotions. Remember these are just proposals, but they surely will become laws if we don't voice our opinions. Ken, K7YRQ, has a copy of the complete docket. He will give you a copy if you will contact him. The Puget Sound Council is very interested in these proposals; you might give them your comments also.

WA7LWP

ELECTION OF OFFICE

You better believe it is almost that time again. Time to clear out our "dead-wood" and really get some "live wires" in office. You know who will make a good president, so get ready and nominate he or she. We can have our very own "Watergate". (I bet I get into trouble for those remarks.) All kidding aside, I really don't know anyone that can do a better job than the officers that we have had this year, but I know we have a lot of talent that we just haven't used. The problem always seems to be that to get these talented people to take an office you have to be quick. They are always in demand and you can only be in one place at one time. So lets be quick and get these people into office so we can use their talents.

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FIELD DAY 1975

Now is not too early to start planning. We should give thoughts to whether we want to operate 27 hours or 24 hours. (Pardon the mess, I just made a blob on the ditto). There are pros, cons, benefits and drawbacks. We have, for the past 3 years gone the 27 hour route; some feel 24 hours would be better. Make your feelings known. It is questionable as to whether we can get the Cougar Mt. location again this year; so if you have a site in mind, please get all the details and bring this info to the January meeting. Our club tends to make this our serious yearly operating event, but we haven't excluded family participation. So if you are a newer member to the club, get with some of the "older heads" and get the details. It always seems to be a serious, fun, relaxing, rainy weekend. So you and your family should join us there this year.

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AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

It has been proposed that the name of the club be changed to be MIKE AND KEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB of SEATTLE. The word AMATEUR is to be added. Because of the new proposed FCC changes, it was felt that AMATEUR should be added to insure that our club be recognized as a group of amateurs. Be sure and be at the next business meeting so we can make this change and get in with the new (annual) chartering of the club.

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ANNUAL BANQUET

To be held on Paril 26th at the Renton Sherdian Inn; price and times to be announced later. This our "biggy" social event of the year - so mark your calendars and plan to be there. I'm sure Chuck, WA7EBH, and his committee can use all the help they can get. Remember they are just as busy as you are and it sure takes more than just a few people to make these things go.

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POP BROWN AWARD FOR 1974

It is almost time for the award committee to meet. We would appreciate any input or recommendations you have. I have always strongly felt that this should not be the choice of just 3 or 4 people, but it will be that way again if we don't have any help from the membership. 1974 Committee - K7WTG, WA7LWP, K7KOT, K7IPQ, and K7LHY.

CHRISTMAS PARTY 1974

From all the comments we have heard, everyone had a good time. Special thanks to Jan and Bette for putting the green boughs together for us. Thanks to all the ladies and who ever else that brought all the good chow. You, too, Bette for spending your time buying all the material for decorations, etc. and all the running around you did. Thanks, to all the gang that put up all the decorations and help cleaning up the hall. (We saw many of the same old faces and a few new ones). THANKS GANG. Constructive criticism was: perhaps a different location next year and live music. What's your ideas? It's your party - it's only as good as you help make it.

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SANTA TALKS 1974

We had a great time at Mary Bridges in Tacoma and Childrens Orthopedic. The other hospitals we went to either let most of their kids out or some just didn't have any. We had some problems with getting the repeater, but they are not new ones, just about what we expected. These hospital's walls are thick walled and there is lead sheilding all over the place. Never the less, I think we all had a ball. This has always been a very personal thing with me, so I want to thank everyone personally for bringing a bit of Christmas to those special little folks that can always use a little extra special Christmas.

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	WHO
March 1 10:00 AM	Auction (WR7ACS Fund)	Kent CD	WA7EBH
March 15	M&K Business Meeting (Nomination of Officers)	Kent CD	
March 16 (Tentative)	St. Patrick's Parade (Details Later)	Seattle	K7VYX
April 5	M&K Activities Day	Kent CD	WA7EBH
April 12 9:30 AM	Wn. State Retarded Childrens Kike-A-Thon	Seattle	WA7LWP
April 19 9:00 AM	M&K Business Meeting (ELECTION OF OFFICERS ONLY)	Kent CD	
April 19	Skagit HamFest	Skagit	
April 19	M&K Annual Banquet	Renton Sheridan Inn	WA7EBH
May 3	M&K Activities Day	Kent CD	
May 17 10:00 AM	M&K Business Meeting	Kent CD	
May 18	Yakima HamFest	Yakima	
June 7	M&K Activities Day	Kent CD	
June 7 @ 8	Wenatchee HamFest	Wenatchee	
June 15	Father's Day NEW RADIO GEAR	Home QTH	XYL
June 21 10:00 AM	M&K Business Meeting	Kent CD	
June 28 @ 29	FIELD DAY	Marrowstone Island	WA7EBH

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT BILL BAKER SPENT SOME TIME IN THE HOSPITAL. HOPE YOU ARE FEELING BETTER, BILL, AND BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

73s THE CLUB

Looks like we will have a new 1975 Field Day site, Fort Flagner at Marrowstone Island. About 20 club members made the trip to the state park on Saturday Feb. 8th. After talking to the park manager we all toured the park and selected a real nice site to operate from. We expect good weather up there as the annual rainfall is only 15 inches; hopefully none will fall the weekend of Field Day. Come on - get on the band wagon and support your club. Contact the band chairmen with suggestions and most of all your HELP!