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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 20

7:30 AM Board Meeting, The Turkey Inn, Southcenter Parkway

10:00 AM General Business Meeting, United Good Neighbor Center

September 10-11

September VHF QSO Party

September 17-18

Salmon Derby - See Pete Hedberg for details and to volunteer your services and/or radio.

September 17

7:30 AM Board Meeting, The Turkey Inn, Southcenter Parkway

10:00 AM General Business Meeting, United Good Neighbor Center

Calendar of Events (continued)

October

(Date unscheduled at this time) ANNUAL MIKE AND KEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB AUCTION. Save your goodies and as soon as you get the word on date, time, place, etc., pass the word to every ham you know, even if you think they might already have the information. It is up to you, each and every club member, to put forth the effort involved in making this the biggest and best auction to date. Can we realistically expect to have at least a 75% club effort and turnout this time? Remember your white elephant may be somebody somewhere's goldmine. Hal Goodell, W7DNU, Chrmn.

October 15

7:30 AM Board Meeting, The Turkey Inn, Southcenter Parkway
10:00 AM General Business Meeting, United Good Neighbor Center

November 12

7:30 AM Board Meeting, The Turkey Inn, Southcenter Parkway
10:00 AM General Business Meeting, United Good Neighbor Center

NOTE: This is a calendar change to the SECOND weekend of the month of November on a one-time basis only. Please mark your calendar accordingly.

November 19 and 20 - Phone Sweepstakes

December 3

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY with the Associated Sound band. As of this writing, no Chairperson has stepped forward. Come on, this is your chance to do something for the club. Lets make this yet another occasion to remember.

December 10-11 10-Meter Contest as a Club Activity

Contact Dick Radford, WA7NIW, Activities Manager for further information.

BOARD MEETING 6-18-1977

Meeting called to order at 8:10 AM. Members present: Dave, WA7TOM; Linda, WB7DVX; Jim, WA7HCP; Dick, WA7NIW; Gib, W7JIE; Jay, K7BNN, Clay, WA7WMC; Dick, K7PKB, Chris, WA7RJW and Pete, K7WTG.

Dave announced new editor is Karon, WA7WVJ.

Lew Rambo, WA7ELI, would like new delegate for the Puget Sound Council.

It was asked if a \$25 donation should be put towards Little John's (WA7HQG) son's memorial. It was suggested instead to dedicate a page in the paper for such things.

New Constitution and Bylaws are being worked on for new members.

Pete, K7WTG, wants a Constitution meeting on June 28 at 7:30 at Ken, K7YR, location.

BOARD MEETING 6-18-1977 (continued)

New 10 Meter band chairman for field day is Dave, WA7TOM.

It was suggested to plan a weekend outing, possibly in August or September, to the ocean. Dick, WA7NIW, to check further.

Applications for membership were reviewed and approved.

Debbie Holt asked if everyone was pleased with the banquet at the Edgewater.

Dick, K7PKB, asked about interference committee. He will head committee.

Motion to adjourn at 9:05.

Approved 7-16-1977

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING 6-18-1977

Meeting called to order at 10:05.

Dave welcomed visitors and started introductions.

K7MPZ reported he used club call mainly on 147.81-147.21 repeater.

Dale, K7MPZ is picnic chairperson.

New editor is Karon, WA7WVJ.

Membership was asked for new delegate for Puget Sound Council - no response.

New bylaws will be typed by Linda WB7DVX.'

Ed Stevens passed away on March 29.

Jim, WA7HCP announced that dues that are expired will be published in the Relay.

Discussion was held about the bill for the banquet. Jan, WA7HWX will investigate the differences.

New members were voted in: Steve, W7LLJ; David, WB7FEF; Mike, WA7OMP; Jerry, WA7MIF; Al, WB7NXI.

Club call was drawn and given to Charlie, WA7ZLV.

Constitution meeting is scheduled for June 28 at 7:30 at Ken Rau, K7YR, location.

Karon, WA7WVJ, suggested we try to attend activities we schedule.

Gib, W7JIE, offered code tapes for those who want to upgrade.

Mary, W7QGP, has preregistration tickets for the SEA-Q-DX Convention.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING 6-18-1977 (continued)

Pete, K7PP, announced .81-.21 repeater had been experiencing frequent downtime due to jamming problems.

Memories were refreshed about friendship award.

July activity will consist of aftermath of field day.

Karon, WA7WVJ, suggested Tom, WA7TBP might check into old location for picnic on Lake Sammamish. Seconded by Jan, WA7HWX.

Pete, K7WTC, made a motion that we go to the same place for the Christmas party if we don't find another place by July meeting. Seconded by Jan, WA7HWX.

Pete, K7PP, asked about auction.

Clay, WA7WMC, asked about club trailer for field day.

Chuck, WA7EBH, needs information about operators for the convention before July.

Motion to adjourn, seconded by Jay, K7BNN.

Approved 7-16-1977

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WA7HQG, Little John will be K7LED until August meeting.

The August raffle will make up for the past three.

WR7ABP changed frequency to 52.29 in and 53.29 out as of August 1, 1977. This will conform to the ARRL band plan which is being supported by the W.W.A.R.A. Jon, W7FHZ, is continuing to extend his invitation to all to use it. (Ed. Note: Repeaters do not pay for themselves. There are always expenses of some sort being incurred or muscle power being needed.)

Welcome to Debbie Ross, WB7SET as of the July meeting. Debbie is the newest club member and is the fiancee of Mike, WA7OMP, also a recent addition to the club roster.

MIKE AND KEY club members were in heavy evidence the week ending July 31 all over Seattle. Many were involved in or attending SEA-Q-DX Convention and many others were helping Seafair escort floats to the staging areas for parades and stationed along parade routes to supply communications where needed. Many of you will have worked 8 Seafair-associated parades by August 7. All I can say is several jobs well done by all concerned. Congratulations.

EXPEDITE RETURN OF RECOVERED STOLEN EQUIPMENT

ID your radio equipment using your State abbreviation (CA-California, WA-Washington) followed by your driver's license. Police computers will much more readily identify the owner by this method. Use an electric etching pencil to mark your equipment in the appropriate manner.

SHORT BURSTS: FOR SALE - one hamshack belonging to WA7NKE by his XYL, first come, first served...also, one pretty, galvanized steel trellis 48 feet tall with a funny metal tree hanging off the top. See all this at the auction.

Chris Holt, WA7RJW, is growing a beard for the "season"? Bought a boat too.

Sue Needham, WB7DBZ, has been appearing on TV lately. Seems she has really "gone to the dogs". Sue is now specializing in canine psychology.

Dick, WB7BOR, is starting a vacation after having worked 7 days a week for a couple of months. Its about time you became reacquainted with your family, Dick. Your Boy's name is Ritchie and your girl's Danielle in case you have trouble remembering their names.

For those members who are new to the club and those who did not contribute previously, Jan, WA7HWX, is still collecting recipes for the club cookbook. It may never get published but if they continue to dwindle in from new sources perhaps we may someday meet our goal of 150 contributors of 300 recipes. That is 1 or 2 recipes per person. You don't have to be female to contribute.

Your editors are awaiting your comments, letters, projects, articles, etc., for publication. We need your help to make this rag interesting. Come on, push a few pencils (or whatever) and submit!

WA7UWU, John, who runs the plates (or should I say makes them) for the Relay has finally recieved the addition to his family in the form of a 9lb+ boy. Congratulations to you and the family, John.

As of August 2, Pete and Karon have officially survived 9 years together. By the time you read this, we will have celebrated appropriately.

July was the month for rare DX on 2-meters. We frequently heard K7YR at Issaquah at our QTH in Federal Way. Not only that, but we caught a glimpse of K7MWC/KL7 at the convention site. We also heard K7PZX on a couple of repeaters in the area during the month a couple of times.

Back to Field Day 1977. What did you think of our private communications system on .81-.21? The link antenna was initially laying in the grass and only got 2 feet up in the air because we were afraid someone might not see it and trip over it (or something worse.) The recieve antenna was a 5/8 Larsen whip. Worked quite effectively I thought. Even from inside some of the bunkers.

From H. R. REPORT Number 159 of July 29, 1977

"Communicator License was Knocked Down but not entirely out by the Commissioners last Thursday afternoon. As proposed, the Communicator privileges would have been phone only on 220-225 and 420-450 MHz, reserving 435-438 for satellite communications. The Communicator would become the entry level license, with element 2 (the present Novice written exam) reoriented to include phone, and Field Office administered. To upgrade to Novice, a Communicator would pass a volunteer-administered CW exam."

"The Commissioner's Final Vote was unanimous against funding the Communicator in next year's budget. Their rejection was tempered, however, by a recommendation that the concept be re-coordinated with the objectors and then resubmitted at a later date. Rejection as of this time pretty well pushes the time-table for the Communicator back another year, until early 1980."

"Comment Date for the WARC 5th Notice of Inquiry received a last minute extension until August 15, with Reply Comments now due September 2. If you have not already filed supporting the proposed expanded Amateur bands but asking for reinstatement of the previously proposed new bands at 160-190 kHz and 10 and 18 MHz, do it now! As Amateur ranks grow we'll need these new bands badly, and if we don't convince the Commission to reinsert them now there's essentially no chance of doing it later. Your original plus 19 copies are required for this submission on Docket 20271."

See H.R.REPORT #159 for more complete details on these subjects.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and those of you we don't see at the picnic or the regular August Meeting on the 20th, we'll see in September. Take care and mobile safely.

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