

K7LED RELAY



The RELAY is the official tabloid of the Mike and Key Amateur Radio Club. The Mike and Key is dedicated to the growth and betterment of Amateur Radio. We meet the third Saturday of every month at the Salvation Army Renton HQ, 720 Tolbin St., near the SE corner of the Renton Airport. The Club operates repeaters on 52.05-53.05, 146.22-146.82 (PL 103.5), and 222.52-224.12 under the call K7LED. The following nets meet on 146.82: Club Net, Wednesdays at 7:30PM; Public Service Net, Thursdays at 7PM. The Club mailing address is: PO BOX 2121, Kirkland, WA 98083. All persons interested in Amateur Radio are invited to participate in the Mike and Key Amateur Radio Club and it's activities.

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

April 5 7:30PM
Omni Restaurant
188th So, City of SeaTac

NEXT BREAKFAST

March 20 @ 7:30AM
Riverside Inn
14060 Interurban So, Tukwila

NEXT CLUB MEETING

March 20 @ 10AM
Salvation Army Renton HQ
720 Tobin St, Renton
Doors open at 9:30AM
Program - Officer and Board Elections



ELECTIONS - VOTE!
ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET - APRIL
SEASIDE CONVENTION - JUNE
FIELD DAY - JUNE



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The Prez Sez

Submitted by Chuck, WA7EBH



This month is a major activity month for the Club, Flea Market and elections. By the time this has been published, we will have had our Electronics Show and Flea Market extravaganza and will be soaking sore feet, hands, and other body parts. I wish to thank those that helped put this major event on, you gave your all to make this event the Dayton of the Northwest, and hopefully had some fun in doing it.

Elections!!! We will be holding our annual elections at this months meeting. Last meeting, nominations were taken from the floor for all officers positions and trustee positions 1, 3, and 5. Nominations will remain open until a position is up for voting. Before nominating a person, please make sure that the person is really willing to commit and not just taking the position for status. This past year we have had to replace several people on the board because they could not commit to the meetings and responsibilities. If you are elected you are expected to attend all Club meetings, Board meetings, major activities of the Club, be involved on special committees and supply the Relay with articles on Club activities and events. This involves 8 to 10 hours a month.

If you don't feel that you can make the commitment, feel free to say NO when nominated. Taking an office without total commitment is unfair to the Board who guides the club and to the club as a whole. In reality it's a lot of hard work but it's also a lot of fun. Enough soap box.

During the first part of April we will be holding our annual Awards Banquet to honor our outstanding members and newly elected officers of the Club. Plan on attending and having a good time.

Field Day will be coming up at the end of June. Have you made your reservations for camping yet?? If not better get them in as the park fills up fast this time of year.

For those that ordered the emergen packs, they have been ordered and I hope will be available at the meeting. If you haven't paid for yours yet, they are \$29.00 each payable to Mike and Key ARC club. Enough ramblings...See ya at the meeting

Notes from the VP

Submitted by Nils, WB7TJK

Looks like we had 10 visitors last month and a full house with Club members to boot. The jackets and T-shirt order was ready last month and I would certainly appreciate those who ordered them to pick 'em up. (else, he will have to carry them back and forth and I don't think that will last long - ed.) Badges can be ordered through me also.

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Jack, KB7ZS

The Financial report for two months is noted below:



INCOME/EXPENSE

INCOME

Dues	\$	462.00
Raffle Profit		182.00
Badges & Pins		16.00
Fleamarket		5,213.00
Miscellaneous		10.00
TOTAL	\$	5,883.00

EXPENSE

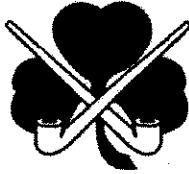
Relay		370.00
Field Day		13.00
Hall Rental		387.00
Fleamarket		2,215.00
Exchange		681.00
Misc		178.00
TOTAL	\$	4,545.00

EXCESS/DEFICIT \$ 1,338.00
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All requests for checks should be presented in writing, at the next general or board meeting. Please include your call on all requests, checks, when paying your dues, and any other correspondence.

Club Activities

Submitted by Chuck, N7STR



The following programs and activities are scheduled for the benefit of Mike & Key members and their guests...

March 20 - Election of Officers

April 3 - Mike & Key Awards Banquet

April 17 - Club meeting subject, Video and meeting about introducing new and potential Hams to Amateur Radio

May 15 - Club meeting program, Packet Radio and an introduction to the NorthWest PacketCluster - WA7UVJ

June 19 - Club meeting program, Field Day preparations

June 25/27 - Field Day, Fort Flagler State Park

July 17 - Club meeting program, 'New Items in Amateur Radio', presented by ICOM.

August 21 - Club Meeting program, Antenna Tuners by Ken Glanzer/K7GCO

August 28 - Club Picnic

PARS Earlybird Mini-Programs

Submitted by Lori, N7LCO

The Puget Amateur Radio Society (PARS) is starting earlybird discussion groups on Thursday, March 18 from 7 to 7:30 PM, immediately prior to their regular business meetings at the Puget Power Auditorium, 10608 N.E. 4 Ave., Bellevue (located behind the main office building.)

These discussion groups will be of particular interest to newly license HAMS, although anyone is welcome to attend.

MARCH 18 - introduction of session leaders, topics, question/answer/survey

APRIL 15 - Now That I've Got It - What Do I Do With It? Bill Bingham, WA7VEH

MAY 20 - Grounding - John Black, WA7HIL

JUNE 17 - Future Trends - Jerry Sampont, WA7BUY

JULY 15 - Coax/Connectors - Chuck Graff, K7CHV

AUG 19 - Impedance - Tom Grotte, WB7TEJ

SEPT 16 - Stuff Procurement - Jim Hossack, W7LS

These earlybird sessions will be followed by the regular business meeting and program. For further information please call Lorie Graff, N7LCO at 392-5846.

ELECTRONICS SHOW AND PLEA MARKET RECAP

Submitted by Chuck, WA7EBH

Well, we pulled off another successful flea market this year. From the comments and complements that I have been receiving, it looks like we did a BANG UP JOB.

I have received numerous praises on the way that things went, well folks, I couldn't have done it without your help and cooperation. My personal thanks to each and everyone of you that helped on the event. And thanks to the various other clubs that had representation, their members working along side of the M&K members. I like to see the cooperation and companionship between clubs growing. I don't feel that we should be in competition with each other, but in cooperation and support of each others programs, for the betterment of ham radio. It has been suggested that possibly a donation to some of the other clubs that helped out might be in order, something to think about. After all, that's how we got our treasury pumped up, with a kick back from the ARRL Division and National conventions in the mid and late 70's. Comments?

This year we didn't have the construction to contend with and our new traffic flow patterns seemed to work good. While we had our

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share of complainers, most didn't take the time to read the information that we sent to them, but they were in the minority. We had several small crisis that the work force rose to the occasion and mad executive decisions to correct, way to go! Each year we seem to get a little better and use new ideas. Some year we'll get it all right and not know what to do.

The Fair people gave us high marks, Bill and the gate guards said that this is one of the best run events that they have using the Fair grounds. For handling about 3000 people and 250 plus cars in and out of the grounds, they said that they were impressed. Way to go to the ticket sales, registration and pallet crews. You did good. And way to go to the rest of you that helped out during the event, you did good too.

There will be a critique meeting after the regular meeting on March 20th to review the operation. If you have any comments, good or bad, about the flea market, please write them down or give me a call, as we need the information for next year. Thanks again for all of the hard work and dedication to this years flea market work force.

Elmer Needed
Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ

One of our Clubs members is looking for an Elmer to coach a young lad (about 12 or 14 years old) who appears to be interested in Amateur Radio. The Club member doesn't feel he has the resources to play Elmer himself.

The boy has a Puyallup address and I have his phone number as well. Anybody in the Tacoma/Puyallup area want to give this a try? Let me know soon as the boy is waiting for an answer. I'll assume that no inquires by the Club meeting is a no.

FOR SALE

AEA PK-232MBX with PC-PACRAT II software. August 1991 Firmware. Excellent condition \$250.

Hamkey Iambic Paddles, \$45

Contact Eric/N7DLV @ 246-8571

It's my turn to flip the burgers!
Submitted by Vaclav, AA7EJ

On the surface, it seems I capitulated under the incessant barrage of pleas for a Field Day chairman. Not! My yielding to the time honored art of "railroading" was MY OWN DECISION, a result of numerous seemingly minor and disjointed events.

Hurricane Andrew was at the start of all. Some of you may remember my soapbox speech and challenge to the club members to become better emergency communicators. During the same meeting, Julian KA7MCB, made an announcement, he has been asked for a list of club members who could be called upon during an emergency. I volunteered to establish such a list.

Chuck N7STR, seized the opportunity, rightfully so, and asked both of us to make a presentation to the club about emergency preparedness. In the very next issue of Relay, Chuck WA7EBH, said something about keeping the meeting together and griping about things which cannot be changed. His statement was not directed to anything specific, but I thought he was talking about the scuffle during my impromptu speech, when opinion about "nobody wants ham radio operators involved in an emergency" was expressed.

Julian and I talked several weeks later. He was going to cover general emergency preparedness, my subject was about ham radio emergency operations. After some research and participation in a field meeting with another group of ham radio operators, I wrote a script

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for an emergency net operation, just to give us an idea where we need to work on our skills. I summarized my findings, and published them in the Relay! Big mistake! Got a call from Chuck N7STR, he told me that the subject of the operating procedures is on the next meeting program. I was ignorant about another emergency preparedness program. I was advised to just talk about station setup and general emergency preparedness - supplies, blankets, etc. I told Chuck that Julian is going to cover that subject and I really do not have time to redo my presentation. On top of that, as mother nature did not cooperate on the meeting day, I decided to scrap the whole idea, with an understanding that it may be presented another time, if there is an interest, of course.

Getting conflicting messages, I decided to go to the club board meeting, to apologize for my "no show" and find out what is expected from me. Well, somehow, I did not get the answer, just an advise to talk to Chuck WA7EBH, and find out what was on his agenda. I declined the offer!

Why? Something to do with hot dogs and the general quantity of food stuff on various club's gatherings. You better believe it! The members of the board had a lengthy discussion about the subject and amount of money (and lack of accountability) spent by the club on various picnics. Being responsible for the club's financial affairs is not an easy and gratifying job, but somehow the contribution of a person volunteering to burn the hot dogs and flip hamburgers was nonchalantly overlooked by all present. The importance of meetings' protocol (somebody had the guts to speak out of turn during the general meeting! - I missed that one), questions of who is running the club - members or board (?), methods of public flogging of members who signed up for an event and did not show up, changing the club constitution - by club members (!), led me to believe that it is simply time for somebody else to flip the burgers.

I believe that the majority of members in this club belong to this VOLUNTEER

organization because of their common interests. They give their elected representatives a one year mandate to insure somewhat organized approach to club operations. These representatives have an obligation to recognize that in this voluntary organization, the value of member contribution cannot be measured by money alone. They must also recognize that the members contribute to the operation of the club with their time and skills of varying degree. Measuring club member contribution by suggesting that the amount of hot dogs consumed during the picnic does not commensurate with the amount of green stuff allocated for the event is not my idea of recognizing member's contribution.

There is another time honored managerial philosophy - complainers will be delegated to participate in the disputed task!

Modifying this approach, ANYBODY has the golden opportunity to VOLUNTEER for the task in question. The truth is, since I DID NOT like SOME of the things on our last Field Day, I want to have my turn at the fire pit!

CQ FD K7LED!!!!!! 73 de AA7EJ



Don't Forget
April 4th

FOUND!

One white Mike & Key ARC jacket.
Left in the PARS trailer flea market
weekend.

One name badge, white with
Washington State insignia.....
whoops! Diane tells me that belongs to the
person who's name is on the front. (hihi)
I guess that be Betty Flener.

Both items may be picked up at the
March Club meeting.

BYLAWS UPDATE

Submitted by Carolyn, WV7Q

As your Trustee #2, I have been serving on the By Laws Committee. Reports have been sketchy to this date, so I felt I should report to you what changes are being proposed to the Committee. If you have an opinion on any of these issues, please feel free to attend the next By Laws meeting on March 30th at 7:30pm at the Salvation Army.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

- Was - 5.01 "5 elected officers"
- Proposed - 5.01 "There shall be four (4) elected officers"
- Proposed - 5.02 "The Treasurer and the Radio Officer shall be appointed by the Executive Board and shall serve until relieved."

ARTICLE VII - MEMBERS

- Was - Article XI Section I
 - A. Active Membership
 - B. Family Membership
 - C. Special Membership
- Proposed - 7.01 Members
 - A. "General Membership for an individual who actively participates in Club activities." (includes family membership)
 - B. "Associate Membership for non-participating members. The Executive Board may place a member in this category for non-activity. A member placed in this category will be notified in writing. This membership has no voting rights and may not hold office. General Membership may be reinstated by the Executive Board. The member may apply to the Executive Board for reinstatement."

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Was - 8.01 " Executive Board shall consider, promote, & transact business subject to instructions of the club as expressed by the membership."
- Proposed - 8.01 "The affairs of the Mike & Key Amateur Radio Club shall be managed by a Board of Directors, hereafter to be know as the Executive Board."
- Was - 8.02 "The 6 officers and 5 trustees shall serve as the Executive Board All have equal voting rights."
- Proposed - 8.02 "The executive Board shall consist of 4 officers, 5 elected trustees and 2 appointees. All have equal voting rights."
- Proposed - (New) 8.04 Special Meeting

"Special Meetings of the Executive Board may be called by or at the request of the President of the Executive Board or any 3 Executive Board members. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix any place as the place for holding any special meetings of the board called by them."

"Notice of any special meeting of the Executive Board shall be given at least 2 days previously thereto by Radio, Phone, or written notice delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each Board Member at his address of record."

ARTICLE IX DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

- A. "and shall maintain Club membership records."
- Was - Vice President
- Proposed - Treasurer

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B. Budget Committee

Was - when approved by Executive Board, budget will be submitted to the membership, for adoption at regular December Meeting.

Proposed - omitted, now approved by Executive Board only.

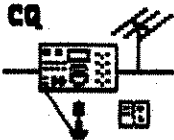
C. Duties of Treasurer

This section of the bylaws is totally rewritten with the contents taking up 3/4 of a page.

If you've read this far let me thank you for caring so much about the Future of your Club.

Not Yet

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ



I am sooooo disappointed. Nobody took up my Novice Roundup challenge. Nobody wanted that unique and distinctive prize which shall remain unmentioned. Doesn't anybody in this Club like a challenge? Well, I do so I ain't giving up, not yet.

I know that somewhere in this Club is a small group of budding contesters who just need a little help getting that first BUZZ (that shot of adrenaline as the rate meter hits 100 p/hour). Somebody who can take over when my hand is permanently shaped in the form of a claw from too much CW. Someone to defend the honor of K7LED in the pileups..... (Wow! next I'll be writing screenplays for Hollywood.)

What will it take? Do we need a few programs about the subject? Would a hands on demonstration be of use if we could find a suitable location and contest? (Heck, I'll even do SSB contest.) Or did we turn into a repeater group and someone just forgot to tell me? Nahhhhh!

Speaking of challenges, yours truly got wrapped up in one with some WWDXC members in the ARRL DX Contest - CW style. Three of us fought over hamburger and brew rights at a local Tavern and I definitely came out on the bottom. I knew things were bad when the contest started at 4PM local and I couldn't even get to the rig by 11PM - and then for only an hour. Anyway, congrates to Jack/WAORJY who severely wiped my ... across the ionosphere. However, there is always next year.

VOTE

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ

It's been said before and, having never been known for to much originality, I'll say it again.. the Club would like your participation in the Officer Elections this month.

The Club needs a couple things from YOU. One, we need you to vote of course. Two, and more importantly, we need your input. You need to find fellow members that represent how you feel and present them before the membership. You can even present yourself as a candidate if you don't wish to trust those important decisions to someone else. (Actually, I highly recommend the later if you've got the time cause it can be a blast if you approach it right.)

The Mike & Key is one of the larger ACTIVE Clubs in the area. We put on a flea market that dwarfs anything else in the NorthWest, an active and varied membership (even if you won't contest), a well rounded social calendar, and good public service participation. However, there is always room for improvement and maybe YOU are the one who can provide the leadership for that improvement.

It will take commitment. Several hours a month on average and more when special projects come down the line. You will need a special attitude that will allow you to work (argue, fight, compromise, win and lose graciously) with your fellow officers. In the end however, you will find it an enlightening experience and you'll have a good understanding of how this Club ticks.

Think about it. Nominations remain open until the fat lady sings..... I mean until the gavel falls at the March meeting.

**MIKE & KEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB GENERAL
MEETING MINUTES, February 20, 1993
Submitted by Lee, KG7OW**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by the President Chuck, WA7BBH. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all followed by the introduction of members and visitors.

Officer's report:

President: Chuck, WA7BBH reminded everyone to please contribute to the coffee and doughnut fund.

Vice President: Two applicants were presented for membership, Lloyd M. Kelly, N7YNU and Victor L. Garter, N7YPB. Both were approved.

Secretary: Lee, KG7OW ask that when members addresses the group or are called on to please state their name and call so it can be entered in the recorder. Also reminded everyone of the club sending out get well & sympathy cards. Contact Lee for cards to be sent out.

President: Chuck, WA7BBH called for a motion to approve the minutes as published in the RELAY with date correction for the General Meeting. Jan, N7WJB made motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Jack, KB7ZS stated the financial statement was published in the RELAY and books are open to the membership.

Activities Manager: Chuck, N7STR; Today's drawing will be the regular gift certificates plus two subscription to World Radio.

Radio Officer: Ken, K7YR discussed interference on the 2 meter repeater and also procedure & requirements for accessing the repeater.

Chairman of the Board: Ralph, WX7T gave an update on the Antenna Ordinance SB 5697 and ask that Representatives be contacted to get this Bill out of Committee and on the floor of the State Senate by March 3. Also reminded everyone of the Flea Market and ask for members to sign up for jobs.

Committee Reports:

Public Service: Wayne, K6DOW & Chuck, WA7BBH; Winter Special Olympics is February 26, 27 & 28 in Wenatchee, N7N2J is in charge. Need skiers & non-skiers, see Chuck, WA7BBH in interested in helping.

Relay Editor: Mike, WA7UVJ in need of more articles, had a real supply for the last issue. Discussed the DX context the week end of February 27 & 28th.

Flea Market: Chuck, WA7BBH will discussed the flea market after the business meeting. Next flea market meeting will be at 7:30 on March 4th here at the Salvation Army building.

Banquet Chairman: Jan, N7WJB will be selling tickets for the banquet at the flea market. Plans are not finalized as to where the

banquet will be held. Nils, WB7TJK presented to the club a trophy to rep the large green Alligator which is awarded to people timing out the repeater. Jan the last recipient of the Alligator award made the Alligator presentation to Ken, K7YR. Chuck, WA7BBH suggested that as Radio Officer Ken should store the Green Alligator.

Constitution & By-Laws: Ray, WA7BBH; Will be having a meeting in the near future as he had just returned from vacation and just received a copy of the Long Range Planning committee's recommendations.

Old Business: Chuck, WA7BBH announced for those who had signed up at the last meeting for the survival packs that the price is \$29.95 per pack and to make checks payable to the Club and give these to the Treasurer. The packs should be here before the flea market.

Nominations: Chuck, WA7BBH announced that nominations for Officers of the club and 3 Trustee position (1, 3 & 5) would take place today and closed and voted on at the March meeting. The present Trustees in those Positions are Ralph, WX7T; Mike, KG7MX; Wayne, K6DOW. The nominations were as follows: For President: Chuck, WA7BBH. For Vice President: Nils, WB7TJK; Carolyn, WV7Q. For Secretary: Jo Hallstrom; Wayne, KB7OTS. For Treasurer: Jack, KB7ZS; For Activity Manager: No nominations. For Trustee Position #1: Chuck, N7STR; Casey, W6PKW. For Trustee Position #3: Wayne, K6DOW. For Trustee Position #5: Mike, KG7MX; Jim, WA7PMT. Chuck, WA7BBH: The nominations will remain open until next month at which time nominations will be taken from the floor. Jack, KB7ZS discussed the responsibilities of the Trustees.

Nils, WB7TJK: Announced that the Tee Shirts and Badges are in.

New Business: Chuck, WA7BBH discussed the proposal made at the Board meeting to have a question and answer barrel. Also ask for some one to take on the chore of answering the questions. Gib, W7JIB & Sam, N7RRB volunteered, Gib will be in charge as he was the first volunteer.

Chuck, WA7BBH: The Salvation Army has started a youth group program 7 to 13 years of age and the club has been asked to make a presentation to these young gentlemen on Electronics and Ham Radio. If you're interested in helping out with the presentations, they'll meet on Thursday evenings from 5:00 until 7:00 PM here at the Salvation Army building.

Chuck, WA7BBH: Discussed the situation of a Ham in Centrailia who lost his home in a fire during the wind storm. Casey, W6PKW made a motion that the club donate something & ask for help from others at the Flea Market. Gib, W7JIB amended the motion to limit the contributions of the club to \$500.00. Amendment carried. Motion Carried. Monetary values will have to be set by the Trustees as this is not in the budget.

For the Good of the Order:

Frank, KA7QHC: Ask for more Net Controllers for the Wednesday night 2 meter net.

Vaclav, AA7BJ discussed Field Day.

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Chuck, WA7BBH read a thank you letter from the Good Neighbor Center thanking the club for our donation.

Break taken from 11:05 until 11:15 AM.

Chuck, WA7BBH; Wayne, K6DOW and Gib, W7JIE presented the remainder of the program on emergency preparedness communications.

Flea Market: Chuck, WA7BBH; Announced major changes made at the fairgrounds. Car passes are needed to get your vehicles car on the fairgrounds. The overall Flea Market procedure were discussed, gates to use, parking lot for workers, etc.

Activity Manager: Chuck, N7STR; Held the drawings. The following won gift certificates: \$10.00 Sam, N7RHE; \$15.00 Sandy, K7OZY; \$25.00 Ralph, WX7T. Recipient of World Radio subscription were: Nils, WB7TJK & Pete, N7UIP.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 PM.

MIKE & KEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOARD
MINUTES March 2, 1993
 Submitted by Lee, KG7OW

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM by Ralph, WX7T, Chairman of the Board. Present were: Chuck, WA7BBH; Nils, WB7TJK; Lee, KG7OW; Jack, KB7ZS; Ralph, WX7T; Carolyn, WV7Q; Wayne, K6DOW; Jan, N7WJB; Mike, KG7MX; Chuck, N7STR; Mike, WA7UVJ. Absent was Ken, K7YR. Visitors were: Mary, W7QGP, Eric, N7DLV; Frank, KA7QHG; Ray, WA7BKH, Diane, KB7DNE; Dawn Humphrey; Dan, N7QHC; Gene, WA7TAI; Lew, W7QMP.

Old Business:

Ralph, WX7T reviewed the status of SB 5697 (Antenna Ordinance). The Bill died in Committee according to Senator Sutherland. Discussion followed.

President: Chuck, WA7BBH reminded everyone of the Flea Market meeting Thursday Night at 7:30 PM.

Treasurer: Jack, KB7ZS bank statement will be in at the end of this week. Jack gave a break down of expenditures, mostly Flea Market. Books are open to members.

Vice President: Nils, WB7TJK presented 6 applicants for membership. George Aldridge, N7XCX; Robert Crooker, KN7PBC; John M. Fisher, KA7QQR; Carl Glimpse, N7ODP; Charles D. Hare (Chuck), ED4KWW; Floyd Lee Sandifer (Tres), KB7PLW. All were approved to present to the members.

Relay Editor: Diane, KB7DNE for Mike, WA7UVJ ask for articles

for the RELAY. Mike, WA7UVJ came in late.

Trustee: Wayne, K6DOW didn't have anything to report.

ARRL: Mary, W7QGP still in need of help at the ARRL booth. Mary also discussed the Antenna Bill (National level). The spectrum Bill and the Antenna Bill has been combined into one. A discussion was held on information to give to the newly created District 9 Representative.

Trustee: Jan, N7WJB discussed the location for the Banquet. Will probably be at Barnaby's.

Trustee: Carolyn, WV7Q: Carolyn thanked the club for the support given during the illness of her Dad and the loss of her mother.

Activity Manager: Chuck, N7STR stated that programs are scheduled through the month of August.

Secretary: Lee, KG7OW nothing to report.

Trustee: Mike, KG7MX nothing to report.

Ray, WA7BKH: Ray will set up one final meeting for the Constitution & By-Laws Committee towards the last part of March. Discussion followed on recommendations of the Long Range Committee and the Constitution & By-Laws Committee & what to incorporate in the By Laws. One recommendation revealed is to make the Treasurer an appointed position.

Dawn Humphrey: Dawn brought a large coffee percolator for the use by the club for a fee of \$15.00. Frank, KA7QHG stated he was just informed that the Coffee Maker here at the Salvation Army building is available for club use & therefore the other will not be needed.

Dan, N7QHC reported on the Salem Flea Market attended by him & Dawn. There many empty booths and vacant tables. Attendance according to Mary, W7QGP attendance was down to about half of what was normally expected.

New Business:

Jack, KB7ZS opened a discussion on how to invest the club's money. Discussed by the board was: building fund, scholarships, Field Day equipment, lease land for building, acquiring a building and adding to, etc. Nothing finalized.

Ralph, WX7T: Discussed the fire in which the Melton family of Centraillia lost their house and belongings. The members voted in the last meeting to donate a maximum of \$500.00. Chuck, WA7BBH made a motion that the club match donations made by the members and at the Flea Market up to a maximum of \$500.00. Motion carried. The Board meeting recessed from 8:33 until 8:42 PM to give the Trustees an opportunity to vote on the feasibility of the club donating the \$500.00 as this is not a budget item. Ralph, WX7T reported the motion was approved by the Trustees.

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Nils, WB7TJK discussed the acquisition of pallets for the Flea Market every year. The Pallets have to be modified in order to get these in the elevator at the Fairgrounds. Nils, Frank, & a few others spend considerable time every year doing this. Nils asked if any one knew of a place the pallets could be stored for the following year. We have approximately 90 pallets. Names were given to Nils who will be contacting these people.

Ralph, WX7T inquired about the help at the Flea Market.

Frank, KA7QHG reported on the status of the Wednesday 2 meter net. We now have 4 net controllers, with the addition of Lew, W7QMP.

Nils, WB7TJK & Frank, KA7QHG commended the members for attendance and increased membership.

Jan, N7WJB discussed the reimbursement made by ARRL for members signing up for membership in the league through the club. Mary, W7QGP stated the reimbursement is \$2.00 per membership, regardless if it's 1 year or more.

Carolyn, W7Q discussed the possibly of adding to the repeater a voice recording telling about activities of the club and also have an Amateur Radio help information line listed in the phone book.

Chuck, N7STR discussed the recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee concerning having at least one Trustee serve on every committee. Followed by a Board discussion.

A motion for adjournment was made by Wayne, K6DOW.
Meeting adjourned by Ralph, WX7T COB at 9:00 PM.

WANTED

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ

WANTED - some old retired guys and gals with plenty of time on their hands and an IBM compatible computer that they know how to use.

I have about two thousand tickets from the 1993 edition of the Mike & Key ARC Electronics show and fleamarket and I would really like to get them entered into the database BEFORE the end of April. This job requires good eyesight, patience, and one whale of an imagination (is that and i or an e... whata ya mean it's a t?).

Here's the rub. I want it done a certain way and if ya don't want to do it that way, I'd rather do it myself.

I'll supply the program on a floppy y can execute off of (and store the data on) and the format will be already set up. It's a simple process - just tedious. Any takers? The more people doing, the less work there is.

Oh, the wise crack about old guys and gals, just wanted to get your attention. I'll take young 'ns too.

More Flea's

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ

Speaking of flea markets, wasn't that a great one we put on last week? I think we got the monkey off our backs from the 1992 construction disaster. You oughtta see the comment cards coming in (one in each vendors packet). High marks in a lot of areas and many went and put pluses (+) in each category. We do have some areas to work on but I give us a B grade overall. OK, maybe a B+ if you gloss over the hike a few people had to make to the yellow gate. (Many apologies to George/K7HBN C-COMM.) Another indication of our success; two booths are already reserved for next year (they even wanted to pay in advance). Watch out in '94.

A few puzzles though. Why could someone walk through the yellow gate without a badge but not through the gold gate? How did two sellers get unloaded and all their stuff to their tables without badges, passes, or packets - only to get stopped at the gold gate after parking? And the biggest puzzle of all, why do we punish ourselves this way every year?

Now, I am truly enjoying the sounds of the new Spring season....

not the birds,
not the bees,
nor grass mowers,
or even a breeze through new leaves....
just..... a silent telephone.

A special thanks to all you who are not Club members or members of other Clubs like PARS. We couldn't have done it without you. (Wasn't it was nice having the PARS trailer set up as a rest stop when the going got tough?) Join us next year, it'll be better yet.

Software Review - LOGic 3

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ



A couple years ago, I purchased LOGic 2 as my primary computer log. Actually, I purchased the Jr. version which didn't have all the features I wanted and I have always wanted a reason to upgrade. The reason arrived when Logic 3 was released in January of this year by Personal Database Applications of Duluth, Georgia.

LOGic 3 is not like any program I have used before. It is designed only to run on 386/486 type computers, REQUIRES extended or expanded memory, and is normally used in the 50 line mode if you have a monitor that supports it. I actually run a version that executes primarily out of extended memory itself, leaving most of conventional memory for other things (that's nice within Desqview).

The program is designed (?) around the FoxPro database program which seems quite capable of manipulating my 6,000+ log entries easily. The program features full mouse support, with adjustable (resizeable, moveable) windows, and a myriad of features you would expect only from a Windows(tm) graphical environment but this is a text (character) based screen! (By the way, it will not run under Windows(tm) if you prefer that environment.) There is support for online QSL managers, Callsign databases and grayline propagation predictions.

I don't know if it is fair to review this software quite yet as I have only had it about a month. It is a complex program rich in features, some of which I haven't yet explored. However, I am happy enough with the program so far that I thought I would give it a mention. I have succeeded in connecting it to the PacketCluster(tm) and it beeped at me every time a country came up that I needed (I had to turn THAT off - too much beeping). Next, I want to interface it to the rig. It will interface with most CAT radios, rotators, and (as I mentioned) the Packetcluster(tm).

I have found a few bugs, mostly minor things that should be picked up in the next few upgrades. By the way, those upgrades (usually four a year) are free for a year after purchasing the program, just by sending a disk in.

Interested? If so, I would send away for the information pack that PDA supplies. It has lots of pictures of the screen layouts and maybe a demo disk will be available before long (there was one for the LOGic2). Unfortunately, my screen capture program only captures and prints half of the 50 lines so I couldn't publish any here. Of course, I would be happy to demo my copy for any interested lookers. The cost of LOGic3 is \$79 for the full blown version and \$39 for the Jr. version which has fewer advanced features. (A \$30 credit from the Jr version applies if you decide to upgrade later.) See the LOGic3 ads in QST and CQ.

For general logging, I feel that LOGic 3 will be able to serve my needs for quite some time.

Got some software you like or hate? Well, I am running out of stuff to review in my shack and the wife says I can't buy anymore (hihi). Why don't YOU write a review? I'm not looking for in-depth reporting, just your general impressions. (Actually, I take what ever I can get.)

From the Writers Block

Submitted by Michael, WA7UVJ





It's hard to believe, but but this is the 12th issue of this newsletter I've edited since taking over from Joyce and Chuck. Where does the time go? Four seasons, 52 weeks, 365 days - zip, gone, disappeared, and vanished.

I really want to thank those who have supported, critiqued, submitted, and commented on the results. It's been fun and I hope that doesn't change. Just remember, it is YOUR Club newsletter. Let it reflect what you think and write, write, and write some more.

MIKE & KEY ARC CALENDAR

March 14 - April 17, 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mar 14	Mar 15	Mar 16	Mar 17 <i>St. Patrick's</i> 7:30pm Club Net on 146.82 Repeater	Mar 18 7:00pm Public Service Net 7:30pm PARS Meeting	Mar 19	Mar 20 <i>Spring begins</i> 7:30am Club Breakfast 10:00am Club Meeting 1:00pm VE Exams
Mar 21	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24 7:30pm Club Net on 146.82 Repeater	Mar 25 7:00pm Public Service Net	Mar 26	Mar 27
Mar 28	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31 7:30pm Club Net on 146.82 Repeater	Apr 1 VE Exams (KF7QF) April Fools Day 7:00pm Public Service Net 7:30pm Flea Market Meeting	Apr 2	Apr 3 9:00am Boeing ARC Meeting 1:00pm VE Exams - Kent (KF7VG)
Apr 4  Daylight Savings Palm Sunday	Apr 5	Apr 6 <i>Passover</i> 7:30pm Club Board Meeting	Apr 7 7:30pm Club Net on 146.82 Repeater 7:30pm Issaquah ARC Meeting	Apr 8 7:00pm Public Service Net	Apr 9 <i>Good Friday</i>	Apr 10 8:00am SeaTac Repeater Group 10:00am VE Exams - Riverside Inn 1:00pm NAPRA Meeting
Apr 11  Easter	Apr 12	Apr 13 7:30pm WWDXC Meeting	Apr 14 7:30pm Club Net on 146.82 Repeater	Apr 15 7:00pm Public Service Net 7:30pm PARS Meeting	Apr 16	Apr 17 7:30am Club Breakfast 10:00am Club Meeting 1:00pm VE Exams