



# K7LED Relay

## The Prez Sez

I believe that winter is on its way, man has it been cold in the AM. From what I have been hearing and the fact that there has already been flooding, I think this is going to be a rough winter. Now is the time to make sure all your gear is ready for an emergency.

Our club is growing; it seems that every meeting we are voting in two or more new members, which is great. I hope that the new members jump right in and get active with a committee of their choice. To the new members if you have any questions please ask its the only way to learn what is going on.

I have a concern/request with so many people of different backgrounds there is bound to be personality differences. We have had some incidents were something was said by someone as a joke or sarcasm and was taken wrong by another person. My request is that before you bring it up at the regular meeting or the board meeting or complain to anyone that will listen please question the person that made the comment first. Find out what they meant first let them know that you did not like it. Then if you did not get a satisfactory answer, come to me and I will try to help. Another area of concern is people copping an attitude when things don't go their way. Remember it takes time to make changes and what you think is very important may not be that important to others this is part of being a club.

Change does not happen over night. This is something that as President of two clubs I have personally found out. When I first became President I had grand ideas but as time went along things didn't happen as I would have liked. At first I was upset but I have learned to be happy with what did get done. I did not quit but kept on going. Remember this is a club for fun and friendship. Just because things don't happen as fast as you think they should, don't quit or get an attitude.

*Alan Hughes, KB7SVU, President*

## General Meeting Minutes, 9/16/00

**Officers Present:** President - Alan (KB7SVU); Vice President - Wayne (KB7ORB); Secretary - Jan (K7YH); Treasurer - Jim (KC7BAT); Activity Manager - Tressie (KC7BAL); Trustee #3 - Jim (W7FKI); and Trustee #5 - Dan (N7QHC).

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM with all members and guests repeating the Flag Salute at the Salvation Army Building in Renton. It was moved, by Sam (N7RHE), seconded by Jo (KB7UFM), and passed to approve the minutes of the July meeting as printed in the Relay.

Introductions of members and guests were made. President made announcements regarding taking breaks on the West Side of the building at the request of Salvation Army. The coffee and donut fund is self-supporting. Alan asked everyone to donate. We are an affiliated club, please be a responsible member and join the ARRL. Please sign the rosters at the table. Visitors are asked to refrain from voting on club matters requiring a vote.

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## Officers Reports

**President:** Alan (KB7SVU) thanked everyone for attending.

**Vice President:** Wayne (KB7ORB) presented the following individuals for membership in the Mike & Key; William Summerwerk (K3QXL), Steven Smith, Charles Sundberg (KD7KSY), Scott Robinson (AQ7T) and Virgil Andrews N7TCS. All were approved by the membership.

**Secretary:** Jan (K7YH) reported correspondence had been received. Two copies of the 'Loggers Bark'. One copy of the Maple Valley ARC newsletter, and proceedings and newsletter from the WWARA Repeater group. All were available for inspection.

**Treasurer:** Jim KC7ORB: reports books are in good standing. Books available for members to see.

**Activity Manager:** Tressie (KC7BAL) announced that there was no program scheduled for today. She has tickets for the raffle.

**Radio Officer:** Absent

**Relay Editor:** Absent

## Committee Reports

Those committees not reporting in the RELAY are asked to report now.

**Education:** No report

**Public Services:** No report

**Flea Market:** No Report.

## Good of the Order

Casey (K7JX) asked why he had not received his 10-year certificate, as he has now been a member for 12 years. He also presented information regarding the Northwest VHF contest for those interested.

There being no further business, it was moved, by John (WA7QHG) seconded by Dick (K7NEX) to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 AM.

*Attested:*

*Jan M. Van Allen, K7YH*

*Secretary*

## November Relay Deadline

Submittals for the October Relay are due to the editor by *November 8th, 2000*. Early submittals would be appreciated.

## New Tech Class

The Mike and Key ARC Education committee, in cooperation with the Boeing Bears ARC, will hold a class for those interested in obtaining a Technician Class amateur radio license.

The class is scheduled for Nov. 18th & 19th, 2000 to cover just one week end: Saturday 7:45 AM – 5:00 PM, and Sunday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, you need to bring a lunch both days.

The cutoff date for registration will be Nov 11th, (or when class is full, which ever takes place first), on a first come first registered basis, with checks and registration in our hands. The class size is limited to first 16 students to sign up

The class will be held at the:

Boeing Kent Recreation Center  
22649 - 83rd Ave. S.  
(West of East Valley Road near 224th),  
Kent, WA

The instructors will be using the book "Now You're Talking!" with additional class notes and videos. The cost is just \$45 and includes the book "Now You're Talking!", a copy of the class notes, twelve hours of instruction, and one VE-license testing session, Sunday afternoon. If you already have a copy of the book, the fee is \$27.

To register contact:

Chuck Benefiel - N7STR 253-227-6367  
Or

Jim Etwiler - KD7BAT 206-633-1512.

A copy of the flier announcing the class with schedule, location, and registration is available through the Club WEB page at:  
[www.mikeandkey.com/education.htm](http://www.mikeandkey.com/education.htm).

Any questions about the class can be e-mailed to:  
[info@mikeandkey.com](mailto:info@mikeandkey.com)

Or  
[cbenefiel@sprynet.com](mailto:cbenefiel@sprynet.com)

You may register by sending a individual check or money order payable for each participant to the following address. Please include your name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address (optional).  
Send to:

Jim Etwiler KD7BAT  
Treasurer  
3935 Interlake Ave. N.  
Seattle, WA 98103

Thank you for your interest, and if you have any questions you may e-mail me at:

[cbenefiel@sprynet.com](mailto:cbenefiel@sprynet.com)

Chuck Benefiel, N7STR, Education Committee  
Chairman

## More Public Service Events

Hi Everyone. I hope that all the new hams are enjoying their licenses. I am writing to ask if anyone would be interested in using his or her radio for public service events. An example is the American Heart Associations walk that is coming up on November 4th.

My Husband and I are coordinating hams for this event and need a few more people. We do several events like this through out the year and would love to add you to our list if you are interested in helping out e-mail me back at.

[dizbeth@attglobal.net](mailto:dizbeth@attglobal.net).

The only details that we have, as of right now for the 4th is that it leaves from Safeco Field at 9 am. But as we get details we will fill you in more. Anyway mail me if you are interested and I hope I hear you on the air.

Elizabeth Atkins  
KD7KFN

## Events Calendar

### October

**October 19th**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

**October 21st**, Saturday - Mike & Key Net, 9:15 AM on 146.82 repeater

**October 21st**, Saturday - Mike & Key General Meeting, 10:00 AM at Renton Salvation Army HQ

**October 25th**, Wednesday - Mike & Key Board Meeting, 7:30 PM at Renton Salvation Army HQ

**October 26th**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

### November

**November 2nd**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

**November 9th**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

**November 16th**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

**November 18th**, Saturday - Mike & Key Net, 9:15 AM on 146.82 repeater

**November 18th**, Saturday - Mike & Key General Meeting, 10:00 AM at Renton Salvation

**November 23rd**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

**November 29th**, Wednesday - Mike & Key Board Meeting, 7:30 PM at Renton Salvation Army HQ

**November 30th**, Thursday - Public Service Net, 7:00 PM on 146.82 repeater

## Rosters Available

Mike & Key ARC rosters will be available at the October General meeting. Each roster contains both a sort by last name and a sort by callsign suffix. Change of information forms will be available from the Vice President Wayne Heath (KC7ORB) at the meeting.

*Jack Grimmert, N7IHS, Relay Editor.*

## Board Meeting Minutes, 9/27/00

**Officers Present:** President – Alan (KB7SVU), Vice President - Wayne (KB7ORB), Secretary - Jan (K7YH), Treasurer – Jim (KC7BAT), Radio Officer - Harry (W7JWJ), and Activity Manager - Tressie (KC7BAL).

**Board Members Present:** Trustee #1 (COB) - Jack (N7IHS), Trustee #2 - Steve (N7MUT), Trustee #3 Jim (W7FKI), Trustee #4 Mary (W7QGP), and Trustee #5 - Dan (N7QHC).

**Visitors:** Nils (W7RUJ)

### Officer Reports

**COB:** Jack (N7HIS) opened the meeting at 7:00 PM, Alan (KB7SUV), made a motion the minutes for August, 2000 are approved with call signs corrected, seconded by Tressie (KC7BAL). The motion carried.

Jack discussed the need to complete several items of old business, and asked the board to suspend discussion from committee reports, as there was only one that would report at that time.

**President:** Alan (KB7SVU) reported that Chuck (N7STR) would be remaining in the area indefinitely and the need to store club equipment located in his trailer could be delayed.

**Vice President:** Wayne (KC7ORB) presented an application from Gregory Pietrucha (W7HRC), Michael Jurisec, Mr. David Mitchell, Debbie Mitchell, and Sylvia Burns (KD7BMD), for membership. The Board approved all applicants.

**Secretary:** Jan K7YH reported that a letter from the Washington Mushers had been received requesting support from the club during their three-day dogsled race. This correspondence was turned over to the President for coordination.

**Treasurer:** Jim KD7BAT reported he was still working on the financial reports.

**Activities Manager:** Tressie KC7BAL reported that there would not be a program this month, the Strategic Planning Committee would meet in that time frame.

**Radio Officer:** Harry W7JWJ reported that the repeater has been moved to the ICOM repair facility, and was being worked on. The cost of the repair is unknown at this time. Component failure in the last incident cost over \$540.00 and the same components

has failed this time. He recommended that the Club actively pursue obtaining a new repeater, and salvage our old backup, and start using our primary as a backup for a new primary. We would continue to use our present cavities. The board concurs with his assessment, and recommendations. Harry further reported that he has initiated a demographic, which indicated more that 25 percent of the membership are now Extra Class. He also related that he has discovered a major glitch in the ARRL database that lists officers and their area codes, and counties of residence. He is discussing the problem with ARRL Headquarters.

### Committee Reports

With Board concurrence reports this month were dispensed with, except Public Service as noted below:

**Public Service:** Dan N7QHC reported that the Public Service Committee had met and were starting to organize the Public Service Pamphlet for the coming year. He has four members assisting but can use more help. Any one interested should contact him.

### Old Business

Dan (N7QHC) moved that we adopt the white jacket with embroidered logo as the Official club jacket as submitted by W7SRZ Amateur Supply. Cost will be between \$50 and \$60.00. This motion was seconded by Jim KD7BAT and was carried by the Board.

### New Business

Harry W7JWJ made a motion; the content of this motion is to remain confidential until announced at the next General Meeting by the President. The motion was seconded by, Steve (K7MUT), and unanimously and wholeheartedly supported by the Board. This subject is confidential as it concerns a special award to one of our members, and the Board wishes it to be a surprise to the recipient.

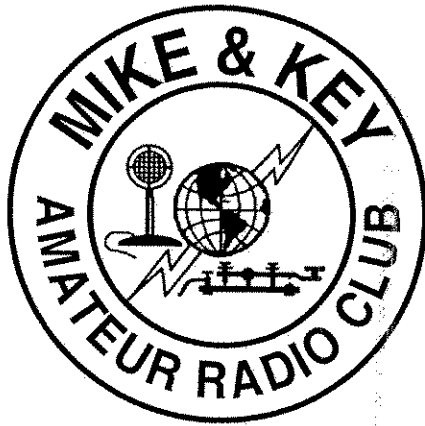
Nils W7RUJ presented the board with information concerning the acquisition of a trailer that may be of use to the club. The Board approved the acquisition based on a motion by Jim (KD7BAT) and seconded by Steve (K7MUT).

COB discussed the apparent conflict of personalities and is going to discuss the subject in the next Relay.

There being no further business a motion by Tressie (KC7BAL) seconded by Harry (W7JWJ) to adjourn was made, COB Jack closed the meeting at 2040 Hrs.

*Attested:*

*Jan M. Van Allen K7YH*  
*Secretary*



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The RELAY is the official tabloid of the Mike and Key Amateur Radio Club. The Mike and Key ARC 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 Tobin St., Renton, WA. The Club operates repeaters on 146.82 MHz (103.5 CTCSS) and 224.12 MHz under the call sign K7LED. All persons interested in Amateur Radio are invited to participate in the Mike and Key ARC and it's activities. Yearly dues are \$12.00 for individual memberships and \$18.00 for family memberships.

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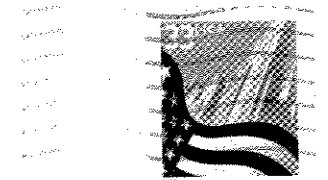
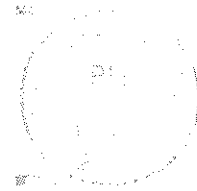
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**Next Club Meeting**

Saturday, October 21st at 10:00 AM  
Salvation Army in Renton  
720 Tobin, Renton  
Doors open at 9:30 AM for donuts  
Talk-in on 146.82 RPTR

Sam Sullivan N7RHE 7/1/00  
13626 - SE 232nd  
Kent, WA 98042

**Next Board Meeting**

Wednesday, October 25th at 7:00 PM  
Salvation Army in Renton  
720 Tobin, Renton

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