May, 2017

PARC News

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

Here's The Latest

PARC Christmas Party Set

I confirmed our reservation for our PARC Christmas Party at the Outer Limits near Valley for December 9th at 5:30 pm.

We will order off the menu and I will bring copies to the November meeting or if you want to view the menu in the meantime go to:

www.outerlimitsbarand grill.com/dinnermenu.html

Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP

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Bruce's Hamvention Trip And More

My Dayton Hamvention trip with K0CA was in Act II when the curtain came down. The curtain in this case was tearing in my retina. I became one of the 1/t1000 severe myopes (-11.25 diopter) whose vitreous gel ages, separates and tears the retina. This was Saturday morning and after consulting K0FW, OD by phone twice I determined to enjoy the day, attend the DX Dinner with K0CA, KJ4UY, IV3VSC and the Begali folks (hearing KM4LAO's great program!) and see the Spurious Emissions song-perversion gig.

Cliff drove me to Hannibal Saturday and I then drove myself to Hastings NE, hotbed of retinal repairs and only 3+ hours from Colby. Removal of humor, flattening and laser welding of my multiple tears, and refill with hi-tech fluid and gas took 90 minutes.

I'll spend 2 weeks head-down 90% of daytime, and sleeping on my belly or side for 9 weeks (not an onerous constraint in my case). Notice my lovely social media nerd...... I mean nerve center.

My thanks to <u>Cliff Ahrens</u> for driving and reasonable counsel, <u>Philip Shu-</u> <u>man</u> and Janice for pooling to retrieve me from Hastings, and the staff at the hospital there. PARC Organization

- > MEETING
- > Thursday,
- > May 25th
- > Supper 6 p.m.
- > Meeting 7 p.m.
- > Hero's
- > Gambino's
- > 1900 E . Military
- > Fremont, NE

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PARC Minutes



Pioneer Amateur		
Radio Club		
Treasurer's Report		
May, 2017		
Savings	\$ 130.68	
Checking	1,979.15	
Petty Cash	60.00	
TOTAL	\$2,169.83	
Income:		
TOTAL INCOME	0	
Expenses:		
Drawing	10.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 10.00	

PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR APRIL 27, 2017

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for April 27, 2017, was called to order at 7 PM by President Dan Steinhoff, W7UP. 24 people were present. Everybody introduced themselves.

MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT: The March minutes and April Treasurer's Report were approved as printed in the April *PARC News.*

MOTION to PAY BILLS: No bills.

HOSPITALITY: Nothing to report.

EDUCATION: Nothing to report.

FIELD DAY: June 24-25, 2017 at Izaak Walton Park in Fremont with Don Renze, K0OM as chairman and Wes Chrisman, KD0PGV and Cory Hull, KE0IBU assisting. Don handed out a chart detailing potential station interference and how it can be reduced with a proper location of antennas. He proposed that the Field Day antennas be installed as in the layout. Then all operators would have to do would be to connect their rigs to the proper antenna. This may require antenna set-up on Friday evening. He will have more information prior to Field Day.

FLEA MARKET: St. Charles Parish in North Bend on July 8, 2017 with Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ as chairman. Rich handed out the new flyers. The Heil PRO7 headset will be the grand prize. D&L Antennas will be there. All other plans announced in March are still valid.

PICNIC: 530 PM Sunday, September 24, 2017 with KB0TVB and Dave Theophilus, W0NRW as chairpersons.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP reported on some possible restaurants for the party. After discussion it was decided to go to the Outer Limits in Valley at 530 PM on Saturday, December 9. The restaurant does not charge for the party room. Linda will make the arrangements.

NET MANAGER: Mel Cunningham, K0VLA thanked everybody. He can use additional Net Controls as he is down to three.

ARES: W0NRW reported on the Dodge County Spotter Training on April 4 at First Lutheran Church in Fremont. Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN won the grand prize of two tickets to the first Nebraska football game this Fall. We also participated in the Tornado Drill on March 29, for which two Dodge County ARES nets were activated.

PUBLICITY: W0NRW reported that the Fremont Tribune continues to list the meeting notices.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS: W0NRW read an email from Fred Eriksen, KB0LF detailing his and others participation in the Nebraska QSO Party. KB0ARZ announced that there will be a Hamfest in Norfolk on Saturday, November 4. W7UP had a laptop running DXHeat, which is available at: https://dxheat.com/dxc/

DRAWING: The winner of \$10 was Mike Campbell, KE0KAZ **ADJOURN**: The meeting was adjourned at 730 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

How To For DX CW Contest

To: ARRL Affiliated Contest Clubs

Re: 2017 ARRL DX CW Contest - Club Competition - Logs/Eligibility List Review

At the ARRL Contest Club Tools web page (<u>www.arrl.org/contest-club-tools</u>) we have just added the "2017 ARRL DX CW Contest" Excel file for Contest Clubs to review. This is only the CW event file at the moment

This file contains submitted logs and Eligibility List data for the 2017 ARRL DX CW Contest. File link <u>http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ContestResults/2017/2017%20ARRL%20DX%20CW%20</u>-%20Contest%20Club%20-%20Member%20Eligibility%20List%20for%20review.xls (Excel Spreadsheet)

This file has three sections:

The first section (sorted by Club Name) shows member log-submission information (sorted by Call Sign) for clubs that submitted an Eligibility List prior to the event. Number of submitted logs is shown (a minimum of 3 logs is required to compete). The residence requirement (mileage or section) is shown for each club. Residence information is shown for each member, if provided. Members not listed on a club's Eligibility List are flagged.

If there is no call sign in column A (Contest Call), these members operated at a station participating as a multioperator entry crediting the club. Multioperator entries are subject to the rule requiring 50% club membership.

The next section ("Ineligible Clubs") lists clubs for which an entry crediting the club was submitted, but the club had not submitted an Eligibility List.

• The final section ("Eligible Clubs") is a list of clubs that submitted Eligibility Lists showing when the list was submitted.

Please review the file and have your members bring any questions to you or your responsible club official or secretary.

Upon your completed review, club secretaries or responsible officials may contact the ARRL Contest Branch to discuss any adjustments to their club's summary results. For example, the club may request ineligible members be removed from the club total. The member could be ineligible because they weren't on the submitted Eligibility List, their location did not satisfy the mileage requirement, or they didn't reside and operate in the club section. Multioperator scores might not be eligible if the 50% member requirement wasn't met.

Challenges to scores submitted for a club may be made by contacting the ARRL Contest Branch with your concerns.

Responses will be accepted until 2300 UTC, May 15, 2017, by email to <u>contests@arrl.org</u> 73, Bart Jahnke, W9JJ Contest Branch Manager

ARRL-The national association for Amateur Radio™, 225 Main St, Newington CT,06111 860-594-0232 w9jj@arrl.org

PARC Officers & Chairpeople

President, Dan Steinhoff, W7UP V. President, Wes Chrisman, KDØPGV Secretary, Dave Theophilus, WØNRW Treasurer, Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Frank Veverka, KØAJA Jim Sweeney, KBØDYY Bob Kirchmann,WØICE & 2 Officers

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Hospitality: Sharon Martens, KBØTVB Field Day: Don Renze, KØDM Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey, KBØARZ Picnic: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW & Sharon Martens, KBØTVB Christmas Party: Linda Kirchmann, WØZIP & Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN Publicity & ARES: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW Education: Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN Net Manager: Mel Cunningham, KØVLA

Joining Our Organization MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Yearly: \$10. per member

<u>Family Yearly:</u> \$10 first member, \$3 each additional member

Paid between Jan. 1—March 1

After March 1, dues are prorated at \$1 per month for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10. whenever paid.

Life Membership: \$200.

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Check It Out

An Online Auction

This is an on-line only auction. It seems to have something for everyone. There are many vintage items, from radios, test gear, books and accessories. https://bid.schulmanauction.com/

The on-line auction is in Kansas City and includes Collins, Swan, Knight, World Radio, Heathkit and other manufacturer's vintage radios. In addition, there is a variety of test equipment. Also many ARRL manuals and QST magazines. This is only an on-line auction. Payment by credit card and shipping arranged with UPS. Appears to be something for everyone.

Lance WN0L

Dear Fellow Hams,

Recently, an app has been created that for the first time ever allows blind hams to participate in PSK31. The app is being given away to the world for free. Essentially, this app allows blind hams to use their computer's "screen reader" to work with DigiPan. Several members of the "Westside [of Los Angeles] Amateur Radio Club" participated in creating this app. We would be most grateful to you if you could forward this email on to your club members. Please help us spread this great news!

To support the continued creation of adaptive technologies for blind hams, a Go-FundMe webpage has been created. The link to it is below. You can learn a little more about this app there too.

https://www.gofundme.com/accessibledigipan-for-blind-hams

Please donate in whatever amount you can. Most especially, forward this email on to all of your friends and family, "Like" the Go-FundMe webpage on Facebook, "Share" it with all your friends, tweet it out and ask everyone to do the same!

73, Richard KK6MRH