Hi gang, Lets start this KAR off with something special. Norm sent the following to be published in KAR so you can rejoice with them in this once in a life time occasion.

"Norm, N0JCC and Phyllis, N0MJB Dillman are celebrating their 50th wedding on August 10 in LaBelle, Florida where they have retired near all their children. Norm and Phyllis were both active in Ham radio at KSU and the Manhattan community in the 1990's." You can contact them at dillman@ksu.edu

Orlan,
I've been learnin' how to be retired in Florida. You should try being retired sometime. About the only hamming I do is during hurricanes and have given a couple of classes. I was in the EOC of our county during hurricane Wilma and that was interesting and impressive. A lot of folks knowin' what they were doing. Wilma took my HF antennas and I have not gotten them back up. I must admit that cell phones have replaced the radios for the six hams in my family living down here. We're so lucky to have all our kids here.
Our anniversary is August 10 so maybe the next newsletter will work OK. Either will be fine. I don't expect many KS hams to make it to our little celebration here. Feel free to "doctor it up" if you like. Norm NØJCC

Editor note: Norm taught Electrical Engineering at KSU in Manhattan and was the year 2000 recipient of the Kansas Amateur of the Year Award. Agn, congrats 2 U es URS on this memorable occasion. Orlan

We're just 40 mile "upstream" from Ft. Myers in LaBelle. Stop by the next time you're down this way.
Thanks, Norm n0jcc

Please welcome June Jeffers KBØWEQ, KS & Western MO Division S.A.T.E.R.N. Coordinator to KAR. See her mug shot below and her Satern news column. She was VERY active in the last Ks Disaster as U know.

Field Day is behind us again and below are several URLs with photos you will enjoy and don't forget our KSN web page >>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS for photos taken by our SM as he visited several sites.
There are just 5 weeks before you jump in the car and head for Salina for the Ks ARRL State Convention. See the info below with schedule and map. I look forward to seeing you all there on the 19th. Don't miss the ARRL forum/Ks Section meeting at 9:00 AM Sunday and the presentation of the 2007 Ks Amateur of the Year.
During the tornado disaster last month, KAR sent out many requests for radio operators to all the KAR readers. I believe KAR is the only state-wide email able to reach into all parts of Kansas with request of this nature. I received a "Special Recognition Award" certificate from the Salvation Army for KAR's dissimulation of help needed from.............

Dee Smith
Divisional Director
Emergency Disaster Services
Kansas & Western Missouri Division
and
June Jeffers, KBØWEQ
Satern Emergency Coordinator
Kansas & Western Missouri Division
I replied to both with a "Thank You" letter.

I need the help of our KAR readers. KAR has the potential of reaching all Ks hams by email in a single mailing to let them know there is a disaster that needs their help. It would be nice to have several hams from all 104 counties on the mailing. All I need are the email addresses of those hams who would like to be put on the KAR mailing so they can know when they are needed. SOoooooo, you know someone who would like to help their fellow Kansans in a time of need if they only knew? Have them send w0oyh@arrl.net an email to be put on the KAR mailing. Just think of it..................With just one click of the mouse, hundreds of Ks hams will know when they are needed "state-wide."

FLOOD: The following is a response to the KAR Special sent our for June KBØWEQ of "Satern" Thanks for the info.
I came through Independance, KS yesterday on hwy 75. A few of the fast food places had their drive through working but none had lobby's open due to no water. We finally found a restroom facility open at the Wal Mart store. I would say all of Montgomery County is in a bad way.
73, Bill WS4Y

I posted a KAR Special of the repeater carried aloft by a balloon a few weeks ago. I don't have much to report. I heard from 2 hams............
Orlan,
Thanks for the 2 m repeater high altitude balloon launch information. It was a great event with a lot of traffic on the repeater. I was able to make a contact and watch speed with direction on APRS. I also sent this information to the local hams and some were able to make a contact. Thanks again!
Vic, ABØUO

Orlan,
I made contact with Harry-K4PAT in Tarkio, MO via the Balloon-Repeater on 06-20-07 during the Balloon Mission.
Bill......ABØRG
A local listing here in KC, "LL list" provided by WØAIB, said the balloon rose to 101,000 feet and had 93 QSOs Any one wishing to let Kansas know you were able to work the balloon repeater, just email me w0oyh@arrl.net

I received this in an email & thought of you http://heavens-gates.com/ruthgraham/ Notice
it ends in a ham

♦ Orlan, Things are changing around here lately.
  Some links to video .......... FD in Newington: http://www.arrl.org/blog/Field%20Day%202007
If you go to page 3, you will see the NARL gang with a poster for SK John Hennessee, N1KB.
Chuck KØBOG HQ

♦ Field Day Pictures:
Pictures of Lake Perry Field Day: http://www.k0ham.com/fd
Pictures of Independence RACES Field Day: http://www.kcdstar.org/ indp_2007_FieldDay/
For friends of Bob Roske, N0UF: http://www.qsl.net/n0uf/2007fd.jpg
Field Day at Ensor, Santa Fe Trail ARC: http://www.w9bsp-w9ua.org/2007-fd.htm
Pilot Knob ARC: http://tinyurl.com/2v3ray <sniped> from "LL"

♦ ATTENTION RADIO HISTORY BUFFS -----
Dave, N0WLA, sends this very interesting site, Canadian navel radio history:
  http://jproc.ca/rrp/aldergrove.html
If you click back to: http://jproc.ca/rrp/index.html you will find a lot of very interesting
historical information.
Tom WØEAJ

♦ If KAR stopped coming to your mail box, maybe you have a new email address and did not
inform the ed.
♦ Printable Ks ARES map. CLICK>>> http://www.cenkares.org/
♦ Our Kansas Section News (KSN) has had almost 64,000 hits this year. I hope UR one of
those. Click >>>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS
♦ Keep up with the world of ham radio, CLICK >>>> http://www.arrl.org/
  73, Orlan w0oyh UR KAR ed and ARRL Ks Ast. Section Mgr.
ARRL KS SECTION MANAGER - Ron KØDTI

To hear from your SM........
Go to >>>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS
Ron KØDTI
ARRL KS SECTION MANAGER
From: Robert Summers K0BXF
SEC KS
Twenty-one (21) EC reporting activity for the month of May, 2007. 167 nets were in operation with 1995 checkins and 109 pieces of traffic handled.
Of course there were several emergency sessions held because of the bad weather, most of those reported activity directly to Ron, KB0DTI and the results have been published elsewhere so there is no need of repeating.
Many thanks goes out to all those who helped directly and to those who helped with supporting rolls. As the old saying goes, Kansans do stick together when the going gets rough. In fact, sometimes it is just routine and we think nothing about the effort put forth. Again Thanks to all. N0LL reports 4 net sessions of the Chapter 110 QCWA net with 34 QNI. Why not join the group on Saturday mornings, 3920 at 7:30 AM after the Weather net. WD0DMV our State RACES Officer report 17 checkins with 12 counties being represented on the monthly RACES net. Brown, Harvey, Johnson, Linn, Mitchell, Neosho, Phillips, Osage, Montgomery, Saline, Shawnee and Wyandotte being the active ones. Let each one of us recruit another new comer to join us on each of the state nets. Makes our jobs a bit easier if we have more people public service oriented.
Printable Ks ARES map. CLICK>>> http://www.cenkares.org/
73, Bob Summers K0BXF ARRL Ks Section Emergency Coordinator

ARRL KS ASST. SECTION MANAGER "Youth" - Emily K0OPTL
Click to >> [http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS](http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS) for the latest from Emily.

73, Emily, KC0PTL ARRL KS Ast. SM - Youth

**KANSAS STATE RACES OFFICER - Joseph WDØDMV**

July 5th Kansas RACES Net at 7:00 pm 3940 KHz

Thanks all that check-in and support the RACES program.

Stations heard.

**Call County**
- WAØSRR Brown
- NØENO Johnson
- WØCCW Mitchell
- N7MC Osage
- KBØDTI Linn
- N6ZOP Sedgwick
- KØKSI Marshall
- NØSTV Cloud

KCØNFG Lyon
WDØDMV Shawnee NC

10 Counties 10 QNI Ø QTC

**State RACES update.** In Kansas there are 14 Counties out of 105 registered with RACES with the State. State RACES in Kansas is present but not being used. With all the weather related storm damage from tornadoes and flooding, the State RACES has never been activated. This is nothing new for State RACES. With today’s communications available, the State has not seen a need for Ham radio. This can be further noted by the fact that there is no HF Ham antennas at the State EOC. This has been this way now for over four years. They are always working on the request. The State EOC does have 2M and 440 antennas for local communications but the need has been to reach SW and SE Kansas, best done by HF. All the radios and communication equipment at the State EOC is still stacked in a corner with remodeling once again occurring in the communication room. This equipment has not been set up and used now for years. The communication tower trailer, which due to funds and other reasons, was not totally operational., but could be used, now has been stripped of its generator and radio equipment which has been placed inside a storage area. The trailer itself is stored outside at the State EOC location. There is talk of releasing the trailer and radios to another group. I know a number of State RACES personnel worked hard to get it operational and were ready to deploy it if called upon to do so.

**BUT.**

Overall, Amateur radio in Kansas is doing very well. Groups like SATERN, ARES and MARS has shown excellent service to the damaged weather areas. Observing Field Day activity this year, Hams are more than prepared with equipment and training to handle emergency communications. Even if the State does not use RACES, I feel Hams groups in Kansas can, if called upon, can supply the needed emergency communication required

Thanks for all your support.

73 Joseph WDØDMV
State RACES Officer Proud to be a Ham

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The following is the net report for the June RACES Net.
June 7th, 2007 - 3.940 MHz 7:00 p.m.

Check-ins:
K0BXY - Atchison
K0KSI - Marshall
KC0EH - Montgomery
K0BXF - Wyandotte
K00GWK - Sedgwick
KU0B – Montgomery Net Control
Out of State
W0DLR - Dave - Branson, Mo.
7 QNI 0 QTC 5 KS Counties 2 States

73 Joseph WDØDMV - State RACES Officer wd0dmv@arrl.net
KS & Western MO Division S.A.T.E.R.N. Coordinator

KSANSAS - SALVATION ARMY TEAM EMERGENCY RADIO NETWORK [SATERN]

I wanted to share this press release which gives you some idea of what The Salvation Army does during a disaster.

Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services (EDS) personnel are responding in southeastern Kansas after torrential rains caused flooding in at least 13 counties. Many residents have been forced to evacuate their homes and multiple areas have no running water.

In Coffeyville, Kan., where the city remains 20 percent under water, The Salvation Army is providing assistance in emergency shelters and has served 443 meals so far. Salvation Army EDS teams worked with the National Guard to distribute 20,736 bottles of water and 8,640 bottles of Gatorade to those impacted by an oil refinery storage tank that leaked at least 71,000 gallons of oil into the Verdigris River.

In neighboring Chautauqua County The Salvation Army distributed 8,640 bottles of water in the town of Notaza when its water supply was cut-off due to flooding. The Salvation Army again worked with the National Guard to distribute 34,560 bottles of water in Wilson County which was almost entirely underwater. As flood waters begin to recede in Wilson County, The Salvation Army is providing social service assistance to residents returning to their homes.

With pumps operating 24 hours a day in Osawatomie, Kan., local officials aren't sure when
the city will be clear of water. In spite of the dismal situation The Salvation Army is providing hope and help by assisting with shelter, feeding and offering social service assistance. Salvation Army flood relief efforts continue in Franklin, Allen, Neosho, Cherokee, Coffey, Labette, Anderson, Linn and Bourbon counties.

In addition, The Salvation Army continues to assist residents devastated by an F5 tornado that tore through Greensburg, KS in May. Next month I will discuss the interface of ARES and SATERN in Greensburg for the 19 days we were activated in May.

June Jeffers KB0WEQ
KS ARRL DEC - Liaison to The Salvation Army
KS & Western MO Division S.A.T.E.R.N. Coordinator
Gardner, KS 66030 [Johnson County]
Email reply: KSSATERN@kc.rr.com

QKS - THE ARRL KS CW TFC NET OF THE NTS:
Net operated daily at 7 and 10 pm on 3547 kHz. 7 pm is the out going tfc into the NTS system and incoming at 10 pm. You are welcome to check in with or without tfc. Our manager is James, NB0Z

ENSOR MUSEUM - W9UA and MEMO Club:
Hello all,

The field day weather in Kansas was pretty good and the ample space on the grassy lawns was well used. So were the many shade trees. They supported several wire antennas. In addition, there was quite a mix of beams and verticals. Everyone had a fun time from start to finish. We put this event onto the ARRL Contest Site soapbox for you to see. <http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox/index.html?con_id=133&call=&ofst=20>

The local Santa Fe Trails arc continues being active at Ensor on Field days, and also have become the museum's tour guides this year.

Things keep getting better at the museum. Buildings are repainted this summer, and our club station has a second antenna for use on HF. It is a full wave LOOP for 160M. We hope it will become useful for use of the 1920s w9ua rig now and when the night time propagation improves. AND we are finally getting a NEW BROCHURE to entice visitors.

73-have a good summer,
Larry Woodworth W0HXS
Enson Museum Mgr
Field Day at Ensor, Santa Fe Trail ARC: http://www.w9bsp-w9ua.org/2007-fd.htm

STRAYS:
Hi Orlan, Just a few more notes on Phillips County Amateur Radio Club activities. On May 24, we had testing again with 1 getting a new technician license and 1 upgrade to general class. Don't know when the next testing session will be. Either field day or in the fall.

Have also been busy with the local repeater. 147.120+. Our antenna at one time WAS on the top of the elevator head house. Some years ago, the local emergency management
director took it upon himself to commandeer our antenna and hardline and put us on an antenna lower down. Of course that meant less range and very directional as it was behind the head house. Since that time, we have obtained another antenna and had an anonymous donor of new hardline. Several of our members worked hard and got the new antenna secured on top of the elevator and new hard line installed. Also notification was made to the State repeater coordinator. Still having a bit of trouble with ranging but better than it was.

Will be setting up for field day on the 23rd at the Phillipsburg Rodeo Grounds north of town. Having a pot luck supper in conjunction with the next meeting. Have invited operators from the surrounding counties to come up if they aren't engaged elsewhere.

More after field day.
Bill AA0OM

Dear List Member:

Matt, KC4WCG, tells us that there is a new repeater on the air – it is a dandy! 147.03 (positive offset) with tone of 88.5 It seems to have tremendous range. It is near Lawrence, Kansas. Try it!

Chuck, K0XM, says: "442.55 repeater is back on the air .... let me know how it is doing? It has the same tone as before, 186.2.

Let me know of other repeater developments.

73,
Larry Staples - W0AIB

If you have NASA Channel on your cable or dish network, you can see it there also.

NASA TV is providing live coverage of STS-117, Space Shuttle Atlantis mission to the International Space Station.

Click on other viewing options and select Windows media and then full screen.
http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/live_tv.html

Larry WØAIB

Dear List Members:
This evening I received this message from Mary Hobart, K1MMH:
Congratulations to Larry and all who contributed to honor Beryl and Bill. We are humbled and excited about your generosity.

73,
Mary K1MMH
Mary M. Hobart, K1MMH
Chief Development Officer I believe Beryl's call was WBØEJJ and very ARRL well known in the KC area.
Again, many thanks to all of you who contributed to the "Beryl Brick Fund." I will wait for one more day's mail delivery before I send the checks in to Mary.

73,
Larry, W0AIB

P. S. This afternoon ARRL HQ was visited by the young man, Barry Preston, KC0YDZ, the originator of this idea for Beryl.

**SILENT KEYS:**

These are responses to the KAR SK Special published in memory of Emma Berg, W0JUV a couple of weeks ago.

I am convinced, as well as we can be that ere' we press the key and send the spark so shall it continue, ...long after that key goes silent.

RIP Emma... 88

Tom WØEAJ

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Thanks Orlan.

George and Emma were a great inspiration to me as a young man growing up in Topeka in the late 1960s while checking into the Army Mars Nets. I will never forget visiting them at there home back then.

Terry Reim

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She was a good operator and good natured. We enjoyed her on the air with Army MARS until they moved her into the apartments about two months ago. 73s

John KAØJMO

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**WAØNPK -SK**

Karl W. Pruett, 59, of Topeka, passed away on Wednesday, June 27, 2007 at his residence. He was born on January 17, 1948 in Heidelberg, Germany, the son of Roy W. and Mary A. Hofstaetter Pruett. He graduated from Junction City High School in 1966 and attended Lowell Technical Institute in Lowell, MA from 1966-1967. Karl was an Air Force Veteran during the Vietnam War. He has been a member of the Kansas Air National Guard since 1975 and attained the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. He has resided in Wichita from 1979 - 1984 before moving to Topeka in July of 1984. He was employed by Northern Telecom from 1978 - 1987 and has been employed by the Kansas Air National Guard since 1987, serving as a Mission Systems Chief, ANG. He was an amateur Ham Radio Operator since the age of 17 and was an avid member of the Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club. Karl married Patricia Sue Roepke on March 31, 1984 in Manhattan. She survives. Other survivors include two daughters, Kelly Pruett and Kimberly Evans and husband, Lee all of Topeka, two granddaughters, Saige and Mallory, and three sisters, Susan Smith of Manhattan, Sandra de Rusha of Colorado Springs, CO and Judy Pierson of Topeka. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Penwell-Gabel Southeast Chapel where the family will receive friends one hour prior to service time. Inurnment will take place in Sunrise Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club Repeater Fund, 1221 S.W. 17th St.,Topeka, KS 66604. Sent by Cindy NØYUR Topeka, Ks TU Cindy
Roland Edward (Ron) Burke, 66, passed away Tuesday, July 3, 2007 at his home. Funeral services will be 4:00 PM, Sunday, July 8 at the Amos Family Chapel of Shawnee. Friends may call from 3-4 PM, Sunday at the chapel. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM, Monday July 9 at the Johnson County Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Diabetes Assoc., Memorial and Honor, PO Box, 1132, Fairfax, VA 22038-1132. Roland was born Nov. 23, 1940 in Kansas City, KS to Earl and Mildred (Hutchens) Burke. He was a veteran of the US Navy during the Vietnam War. Roland earned a BA degree from National University, Kansas City, MO. He was a police officer for 25 years with the Shawnee Police Department, retiring in 1995. Roland was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, American Legion and Hamm Radio enthusiast WBOUZM. He is survived by his brother, David Nick Burke of the home and sister, Barbara Shadwick, McFall, MO. Online condolences may be expressed at www.amosfamily.com (arr. The Amos Family Chapel of Shawnee, 913631-5566).

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KANSAS STATE CONVENTION:

Sunday 19 Aug 2007 Put it on your calendars..!

Central Kansas ARC >>> http://www.centralksarc.com

CONTACT:
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112 North Douglas Drive
Salina, KS 67401
Phone: 785-827-8149
Email: rtremblay@cox.net
Salina Bicentennial Center
800 The Midway
Div: Midwest

Attentive schedule:
If you wish to reserve a space for a meeting, e-mail rtremblay@cox.net

First come First served. The times listed have been requested by their respective organizations.

0800 Doors Open to the Public
0830 to 1000 VE Testing Room 203 C
0800 to 1600 Ladies Activities Room 201
0900 to 1100 ARRL and Kansas Section meetings Room 203 AB **2007 Ks Amateur of the Year presentation.**
1100 to 1200 Salvation Army (SATERN) meeting Room 203 AB **June has lots to tell us about the disaster we had.**
1200 to 1300 QCWA Meeting and Lunch in Room 200-202 ABC
1200 to 1300 Lunch. Either on your own or in the hall. Concessions provided by the Bicentennial center.

1300 to 1400 Kansas Wing, Civil Air Patrol Room 203C
1315 to 1400 Kansas MARS Meeting in Room 203 AB
1400 to 1500 Kansas Skywarn Meeting in Room 203 AB
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1600 Convention closes

**MAP - ARRL KS CONVENTION Sunday August 19, 2007**

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An elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening of Church services when she was startled by an intruder. She caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables and yelled, "Stop! Acts 2:38! " (Repent and be baptized, in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven.)

The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done. As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you."

"Scripture?" replied the burglar. "She said she had an Ax and Two 38's!"

from Tom w0eaj

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

✦ Orlan my friend--- As usual, I enjoy browsing "KAR" and am amazed at the amount of effort on your part, to put the whole thing together. You are to be commended. Thank you again from a guy with absolutely no knowledge of HAM radio. You "HAMMERS" seem to be extremely dedicated.

Best regards, Jerry Snyder Miami, Florida TU Jerry..........  
✦ As they say in Italian, "dunjyaworry", you're doing just fine and remember this!! GOD loves you and so do I. Thank you for being my cyber space friend. I really enjoy KAR. Jerry

✦ Terrific job, Old Man!! Larry WØAIB

✦ Hi Orlan,

Just a note to let you know that we will be operating FD from our ranch in Chautauqua County in SE Kansas using my call WS4Y. We will be class 2A with a tent for cw, a tent for ssb plus a 6 meter tent. Using batteries and gensets and mostly wire antennas.. The QTH is located about 1/2 way between Cedar Vale and Sedan a mile south of 166. If any hams wish to joins us they would be most welcome. We will have a talk in Friday afternoon and Saturday morning on 145.19 or email me for diections or call. Our core group is WS4Y, W7JI, NZ0T, WA0VCE, and K0VET.

Thanks & 73
Bill WS4Y

Thanks Orlan, hope all is going well with you. Have gotten on the QKS a few times lately. Be on the road for a week, so won't be on there.

73s
John KAØJMO I did have you ck-in a few nights ago John. Do it agn........

Orlan, Last weekend was the ARRL June VHF contest. Again the goal was to place in the top ten. This was the 33rd consecutive June VHF contest dating back to 1974. In 2006 I was 9th in the 150 watt and less category as 6m was open much of the weekend. Not that way this year as only 347 Q's on the 5 VHF bands I have. Last year was 731 Q's. Local activity sure could be better.

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June is usually the month 6 meters is the most active for short skip. Lots of challenges and fun.

TNX Larry N0LL TU Larry for sharing your VHF expertise with your fellow Ks hams.

Want to see a real "Work of Art"? Check this out, a brand new, been in storage Marconi 1kW HF Amplifier with TWENTY 4CX250B Tubes. It uses 2 of the 4CX250B's as drivers, and the rest as a push-pull distributed amplifier. Check the many pictures of the inside of this, and you will see that it is indeed "A Work of Art"!!! I'd hate to have to "re-tube" this, but someone is going to have a very impressive KW amp. Be interesting to see what kind of money it brings. Here is the link to the Ebay listing: http://tinyurl.com/38d7zy If this link doesn't work, just go on Ebay and put the listing # into the search box. The listing # is: 120132266501 Better have something handy to wipe up the drool before you look at this!!!

Les KCØPTO Yah, ya know how to get to a guy.......

Orlan, Thanks for the KAR specials. I hope you get to do some operating for the big event. Our local club will be on the air again plus W1AW will be active, I will try to check out both. The NARL club will be using W1H in honor of John Hennessee.

Chuck, KØBOG HQ TU agn Chuck......

Orlan:

Thanks for the vote. Thank you for all the work you do on the KAR page and the other information pages you send to us. Stan, WAØCCW TU Stan and the Kansas-Nebraska AR Club for carrying on the Kansas Amateur of the Year tradition.

For those who missed Dayton 2007, here is a recapitulation of events as seen by an Australiian visiting it for the first time.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8_fYbu4z4FQ

Randy

KCØCCR TU Randy....!

Hi Ron,

Just want to say U R sure doing a fine job with the Kansas Section News page >>

73, Orlan
♦ Thank you Orlan---> I have seen devastation like this through some of our Hurricanes. Andrew being the worst. Our area was hit pretty badly last year when we took a direct hit from Wilma. As we are once again into our Hurricane season (June 1-->Nov. 30) please say a prayer for the people in harms way. I pray the worst is over for Kansas. Please keep me posted. Best wishes and warm regards,
Jerry in Miami, FL.
♦ For a listing of local repeaters and amateur radio clubs, access:
http://www.ab8m.com/
And, thank Harry, AB8M, for making this available.
73, Larry, W0AIB - KC area.
♦ Having only submitted the site to Jim McDonald of the ARRL PR committee only recently, I was pleasantly shocked to see that the Newton Club site gets its week in the sun. If anyone is interested, I will forward weekly featured sites to those wanting to check out what the ARRL is checking out.
Last weeks featured site was PAARC or Pottstown Area Amateur Radio Club in the EPA section.

Temporarily, newtonarc.net is misconfigured, but www.newtonarc.org still works.
73,
Kent, KB0RWI
Newton ARC Web Designer
<<stepping off my soapbox now>>

Subject: [pr:8406] Featured Site of the Week
To: "pr list"<pr@reflector.arrl.org>

Hold on to your hats folks--this week we’re heading to Tornado Alley, or more precisely, Newton Kansas. Folks there seem to be pretty active in ARES® and RACES, and if you dig deep enough in their site for the picture page, they have a pretty neat trailer mounted tower.

Send me the link and a few sentences about your club or your town and we’ll get you added to the list. Remember, it must have the www.emergency-radio.org site linked to be eligible and truthfully, while I would prefer club sites, I have a couple of individual sites ready to go--only because they have so-o-o-o much amateur related material associated.
Best wishes for the remainder of the weekend and for the week ahead.

Jim McDonald, KB9LEI
ARRL PR Committee
Muncie, IN ARC Public Information Officer

When All Else Fails...
...Amateur Radio
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Tom's Key-StrokeS - WØEAJ:
Recently, I received an Email message, that listed various things we'd done as kids... you know, drinking from a hose instead of a bottle; eating dirt & worms; swimming in creeks and ponds; loading up on candy and sugar until they should have called me C&H, and other such silliness, for which NOBODY sued anybody, and to my knowledge, NOBODY died from the activities. It caused me to recall with fondness, my own childhood, and as I'm sure you can all think of your OWN stupid acts, these were a few of mine: Yeah... got my first bike at 8 years, on the farm, and promptly rode it to the end of the gravel road, where I dumped it AND myself into the gravel... I got skinned up, and it hurt - that's when I figured out the physics of leaning into a turn (and not going fast on gravel). Nobody sued Montgomery-Ward - I got a Daisy Model 100 (still looking for one) single-shot BB gun when I was 7, from my Uncle Henry. Having watched HIM shoot sparrows, so they wouldn't proliferate the barn and other places, I decided that this was a good thing to do. I had NO BB's, so collected tiny stones from the drive of the farmyard, and used those. Having successfully "destroyed" 3 sparrows with my newfound skills, I proudly presented my "kills" to my Grandpa Smatla, a small but mighty Czech immigrant man who siezed the opportunity to teach his grandson a lesson... In his Czech accent he said "Well, I see you have your dinner!" - when I stammered my reply, he explained the hunter's code.. i.e. if you kill it, you eat it. - Yep - I was forced to clean and prepare those 3 birds, and that's ALL I had for dinner (actually, I recall that they were mighty tasty - sorry about you squemish folk, out there)... I was darned hungry all night, but I never forgot the lesson.... ever. Nobody sued the Daisy company - (and I DID NOT put my eye out!) I recall that on very hot Summer days in Kansas City (where it can get MISERABLE), at the age of about 7 or 8, we once picked "clean" tar from a street seam and chewed it - gad... sounds awful now... I dunno - seemed like a good idea at the time; at least until my Mom found out what we'd done. Nobody sued the street department, or the City of Kansas City... and we didn't die. Or how about the "never come back" hammer trick for lofting an antenna on Field Day? How many hammers, wrenches, vice-grips, and other tools have climbed into the sky, only to wrap about a branch in a high tree... never to come down again, much less put our antenna up? A friend of mine a few years back threw HIS up, only to have it bounce off the trunk of the tree, and promptly come down ON HIS HEAD, causing a pretty good sized lump, and a
managable cut. We all laughed until we cried.
The stories are many and manifold - it would seem that we've become MUCH TOO "whiny" in modern times. It's time we had MORE dirt under kid's fingernails, and fewer spatulated fingers, from hammering on a keyboard or "texting" each other on a stupid cellphone.
After all - what happened to putting tin-cans on the ends of a string... for a telephone? Is that too "lame" these days?
'scuse me while I fix another old tube-type radio... maybe I'll come across the B+ voltage and get the snot shocked out of me again... it happens from time to time ...but I won't be suing the power company. **Tom, remember the 67 & 1/2 volt B+ batteries for portable radios?**

Tom

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**Orlan,**

Here's how WE do it in the DUMMY LOAD SOCIETY!

Okay, here are the coordinates: There is a description of what you're going to do, THEN the coordinate at which you'll DO IT! **Proceed West on I-70 until you're nearing the bottom of the Eisenhower Tunnel hill. (you're looking for Mile 205) That's the exit for Dillon/Silverthorne - you'll be bearing (and turning) RIGHT, which is NORTH. Should u need supplies, I'd suggest going LEFT into Dillon to the City Market, which is on the West side, THEN head back North.**

Turn from I-70 to Silverthorne: 39D 37.715 North - 106D 04.024 West
You'll now proceed NORTH up Highway 9 (approximately 7.5 miles North of Silverthorne), until you see the Blue River fishing spot - if you've reached the sign that says you're entering a National Forest - you've gone about 100 yards too far! You'll be turning LEFT up a gravel road, that's next to a gate to a ranch. There IS a sign that says Rock Creek Camping Grounds further North, but that's NOT the turn!.

Turn from Highway 9, West to First gravel road: 39D 43.497 North - 106D 07.830 West
The road goes up fairly steeply, and you'll make a couple of sharp switchbacks initially - you then go up along the left side of a hill (it's on YOUR right), with the valley down below, which gradually comes up to the level of the road - S-L-O-W down, as what I call the "Left UP DOWN" is a left turn off the road (there's a small parking area at the bottom of the creekbed), down into a dry creekbed, then up the hill onto a VERY ROUGH gravel road. At the top of the "Left UP/Down", you'll be bearing to the left. Watch for deep water-filled holes and very big rocks. This road winds through the woods, and eventually goes along the stream Turn from first gravel road to mountain road: 39D 43.285 West - 106D 08.868

**Proceeding on the ROUGH road, drive about a mile until you PASS an intersection (Bearing to the RIGHT)... should you err' and go left, you'll end up going down the side of a ravine, where you CANNOT be pulled out...when the creek is right next to the road at it's closest point, the campsite is very close. We'll try to have some kind of marker for you to see, but the actual campsite is set back from the road, to your LEFT - and at the tree-line of a field. i.e. turn LEFT off the road, come down the short dirt road and you'll see the camp site, slightly to the right.**

Field Day Site: 39D 43.060 North - 106D 09.351 West

**NOTE: If your GPS does NOT use decimal minutes (rather Degrees, Minutes, and Seconds), you must change the format to use these coordinates.**

This should get u there - we'll try to monitor **147.495 mHz SIMPLEX**, as I seem to recall that the only repeater I could access was the 146.61 Vail machine... sometimes, the
146.82 (w/123.0 Hz tone) Breckenridge one.

Tom

I replied to Tom that I had flown over his site with my MS Flight Simulator and noticed some steel towers supporting High Voltage power lines just west of his road. Tom replied, they were there.

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