Hi gang, I have had the walking pneumonia the last two weeks and my heart catheration for today was set for this coming Tuesday. Been having some unstable angina so they will be looking for blockages to balloon or stint.

**This month I would like** to hear from you who check the KSN "Kansas Section News" page on the ARRL server at >> [http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html](http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html) << Send me an email to >>> w0oyh@arrl.net.

**I hope you are using** [http://www.arrl.org/](http://www.arrl.org/) as your computers HOME page so you know when an emergency hits.

**If you have not visited Steve and Pam's** web page for a while, you need to see their new home. They moved from Kansas a couple of ears ago. Click >> [http://home.carolina.rr.com/spmcatee/](http://home.carolina.rr.com/spmcatee/)

For more on Kansas Amateur Radio, click >>> [http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html](http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html)

Don't be a local yokel, support Kansas Ham Radio and not just your local community and hamfests.

73, Orlan w0oyh UR ed

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**THE KANSAS SECTION MANAGER:**

For the full story click >>> [http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html](http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html)

Ron Cowan KBØDTI >>> KBØDTI@arrl.org

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**KANSAS SECTION EMERGENCY CORRDINATOR'S REPORT:**

From the desk of K0BXF ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator Kansas

Time really flies by when you are sick. Spent the biggest part of the past week sick, not feeling like doing a thing. Old age??? Not really, HI.

We had 15 EC reporting for the month of December 2004 with 66 Net in session, 679 QNI and 83 QTC. However only 7 of the Zones reported any activity.

I have had contact with several persons recently reference considering taking on an EC job, so hopefully in the next couple of months a few more Zones will become active.
If any of you would consider taking on an EC assignment be sure and drop me a line. I accept Email at RSUMMBXF@aol.com or of course the US Mail is still delivered to 3045 N. 72nd Street Kansas City KS 66109-1743 and the tele 913-299-1128 always seems to find me sooner or later.

Time for the annual reports for all EC to be made. If I do not receive yours and an acknowledgement is not in your hand, then perhaps it is time to try again.

Mar 3, 2005
From the desk of K0BXF ARRL SEC KS
Jan 2005 activity

Zone 1E --- 4 Nets, --- QNI 49, - QTC 0
Zone 1G --- 5 Nets, --- QNI 44, - QTC 0
Zone 2B --- 4 Nets, --- QNI 58, - QTC 0
Zone 3A --- 0 --- 0 - 0
Zone 3C --- 3 Nets, --- QNI 32, - QTC 0
Zone 3E,--- 3F 1 Net,-- QNI 12, - QTC 0
Zone 4A --- 25 Nets, -- QNI 231,- QTC 13
Zone 4B --- 8 Nets, --- QNI 88, - QTC 1
Zone 4C --- 12 Nets, -- QNI 98, - QTC 16
Zone 4D --- 16 Nets, -- QNI 96, - QTC 16
Zone 4H --- 4 Nets, --- QNI 47, - QTC 0
Zone 6B, 6C,
6D --- 1 Nets, --- QNI 2, - QTC 0
Zone 6E --- 4 Nets, --- QNI 31, - QTC 0
Zone 6F --- 5 Nets, --- QNI 32, - QTC 0

totals
17 Zones 92 Nets, QNI 820, QTC 46
73 for now
Bob Summers K0BXF

KANSAS STATE RACES:
Kansas RACES/ARES Net is held on the First Thursday of the month at 7PM on 3.940 MHz.

Check in
and make sure YOUR county and group are represented.

The following is the March RACES report.
The following people checked in on 3-3-05
10 QNI 1 QTC
CALL COUNTY
AAØIQ Cloud
KBØAMY Brown
WØTQ Cloud
KØFNI Harvey
WBØQGH Johnson
WØPBV Riley
KBØDTI Linn
KØNK Johnson
KØBXF Wyandotte
KANSAS REPEATERS

Well the temperature has finally started to reach the levels where I begin thinking about climbing towers.

NEKSUN has a LOT to accomplish this spring & summer

First let me say thanks to those folks that are working on the K0HAM and K0SUN machines in their basements right now. Bob, N0EUH, Brian, K0BSJ, Rob, WV0S, Steve, WA0VRS, Godfrey, KC0AUH, and I are all working on machines that will be seeing use in the field later this year.

We have 3 areas of operations to focus on:

1) K0SUN: These are the turnpike network of machines that K0BSJ is creating turnkey replacements for. 4 of the new machines will need to be deployed without tower work, and 2 with. A major priority for NEKSUN 2005 is to have this network up & running.

2) APRS: Our main focus here is to expand the K0SUN network in western Kansas to ensure good statewide coverage. We work with many local groups to make this happen. KC0AUH has taken the lead on this effort, and is doing a great job.

3) K0HAM: 3 major projects await these machines. 224.54- installation at Basehor (I have fixed controller) which requires tower work. 147.135- move from Herington to Hoisington, which requires at least 2 days of tower work. 146.985- new hardline install and antenna adjustment, which requires tower work. 147.315- TX PA fix that BSJ is working on, no tower work. 146.94- N0EUH is working on a Micor for this repeater, the new antenna requires tower work.

As you can see we have a lot to do, and need your help. If you have any expertise with GE or Motorola commercial equipment, and are able to assist or lead one of these efforts, please let me know. Also, if you are a tower climber, we need those too. We hope to see everyone come to at least a couple of our tower work sessions. Fortunately, they do end up being a lot of fun, even though they are a lot of work! Lastly, as you can imagine, making all these things happen requires money. We are nearing the end of our time for fundraising this year, and our goal is $1500.

Can you imagine trying to do all the projects above with only $1500? It is amazing to me, the number of things we can do, with our limited budget. It is thanks to the hard work of our members, and the savvy buying skills, free tower space, and bankrolling by WV0S that this is possible. If you have been helped by any of the APRS work we have done, or used any of the repeaters listed, please consider making a donation. For a sideline user, the normal amount we ask is $25 (plus 79cents for paypal) each year. If you use the machines more frequently, and are able, please consider a larger amount. If you are unable to give, I understand. Please consider helping us in some other way, either by donating equipment (see list below) you no longer have a need for, or by coming to our tower parties and helping there. Finally, we have had several great friends become SK's this year. All of them have contributed to this club substantially during their life, and upon their passing donated equipment to us that continues to make our operations possible. Perhaps you would consider doing the same?

We are looking for the following equipment:
Motorola MSF-5000's,
DB-224 Antennas,
DB-420 Antennas,
7/8" or larger hardline runs longer than 200 feet,
35+ amp 12v power supplies,
UHF Motorola Radius M100/M120's or UHF GE Rangr or Delta S radios,
50 Gal or less Diesel Tanks,
starting Batteries,
Large working UPS's,
100 AH or better gel cell batteries,
older PC's (Pent III vintage) for Igates.

We also need Diesel Generator experts to provide some TLC to the generators on sites we have access
to.

So far, we have raised $275. Please contribute what you can, or send along your commitment to help
before March 31, so we can plan our activities accordingly.

You can donate at http://www.k0ham.com or send a check to: WV0S, ROB NALL PO BOX 5307
TOPEKA KS 66605-0307

Thanks again for all your help in the past. We look forward to working with you in the future!
best 73
de Brian, KC0BS & Rob, WV0S

913-638-7373
785-266-3999

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n9xtn@cox.net wrote:

> I've sent announcements regarding GPSL to the club > contacts I could get from the ARRL site for
eastern Nebraska, southwest and central Iowa, and northwest > MO. I also sent it to the Nebraska
section manager (will do so for Iowa's too).

HABITAT SKY LAB: High Altitude Basic Investigation Testing And Tracking)

No KS clubs? ;-)
I'm sure Orlan Cook W0OYH, would put it in his KAR, Kansas Amateur Radio. It is his ARRL
Section newsletter. I know there is interest in KS too. Orlan, our next balloon launch is scheduled for
3/13/05 10 a.m. at Joe's place (normal launch site).Just a suggestion, I know you can't send it to
everyone,
Don KA0JLF

ATTACHMENT part 2 message/rfc822 >> Date: Tue, 15 Feb 2005 18:57:08 -0600
Below is an announcement for this summer's GPSL. Please feel free to forward to other interested groups, cut/paste into club newsletters, etc.

At the moment, we expect at least seven simultaneous flights on launch day, and could have as many as ten. Since each balloon needs 4-5 helpers to ensure a successful launch, we can use all the help we can get on launch day to make this a success. Everyone is invited to attend the conference, launch, or both. This should be a fun event for kids too. More details such as locations, frequencies, and sites will be published later in the spring as they are finalized.

73 de Mark N9XTN

Long version: The fifth annual Great Plains Super Launch (GPSL) will be held July 1-3, 2005, in Omaha, Nebraska, hosted by Nebraska Stratospheric Amateur Radio (NSTAR). GPSL 2005 will bring together Amateur Radio High Altitude Ballooning groups to share information and participate in simultaneous flights.

Friday, July 1st, features a conference which will cover technology, techniques and accomplishments in the community. The Super Launch on Saturday morning will involve several simultaneous flights which will be launched, tracked and recovered all within a few hours. Sunday is the alternate flight date if Saturday is unfavorable.

Amateur Radio High Altitude Ballooning uses lightweight balloon-borne payloads which are tracked by radio, recovered and then reused on future flights. Payloads usually contain GPS receivers and report position to ground stations using Amateur Radio's APRS (Automatic Position Reporting System). Payloads can also include cameras, scientific instruments, and radio equipment for communications experiments. Many ballooning groups fly student-designed experiments as part of their missions.

Flights frequently achieve near-space altitudes of 80,000 feet or higher, endure very cold temperatures often lower than -70°F and atmospheric pressure less than 1% of that at the earth's surface. Flight distance can vary from a few to several hundred miles depending on winds aloft, and the flight's path is predicted before launch. Amateur Radio High Altitude Balloon flights in the USA adhere to FAA regulations for unmanned free balloons.

Participation in GPSL 2005 is open to everyone interested in Amateur Radio High Altitude Ballooning regardless of experience in either Amateur Radio or ballooning. Updated GPSL 2005 information will be posted at http://www.superlaunch.org/. Direct questions to Mark Conner, N9XTN
HAM RADIO LICENSING TESTING

Amateur Radio Tests Sessions
Hi Orlan! Good job with the most recent KAR. I have an announcement for the next newsletter.

MO-KAN, in conjunction with the Jayhawk ARS, hosts amateur radio test sessions the last Saturday of odd numbered months (January, March, May, etc.) at 10:00 AM, in Auditorium B, West Wyandotte Branch, Kansas City, Kansas Public Library, 1737 N. 82nd Street, Kansas City, KS Although walk-ins are welcome, candidates are encouraged to register in advance with Bernie Wyman, NCØM, 913-262-0631, BJWyman1@aol.com For more information visit >> http://www.jayhawkars.org

73, Marshall AAØFO Many TKS, glad to put the info in KAR.

HEY KIT BUILDERS:
Here is a URL that is worth investigating if you like to build kits. These are "home grown" right here in our back yard in Kansas. Click >> http://www.aldenmcduffie.com

SILENT KEYS (SK)

WØIND Vernon Kalivoda of Belleville Kansas became a SK January 21, 2005. Obituary in the February 3, 2005 Scandia Journal. When I was 18, Vernon caught me in a barber chair and talked me into joining the National Guard and he was my commanding officer until I moved to KC. He and I got our licenses in March of 1952. Orlan w0oyh

Orlan: Just to let you know of the passing of Willard Epperson, WBØCEF, some time this morning. I received the news from Bob Sauvan, WØSDT. There will probably be funeral info in the Star tomorrow.

Mac, W0LQV TKS Mac. Bill and I taught Novice classes several years. He did a lot for our club and ham radio.

http://www.legacy.com/kansascity/LegacySubPage2.asp?

Bill was one of the nicest people I've ever known. I knew it was just a matter of time but his passing still comes as a shock. I'm in Colorado now but I'll be there to attend his funeral.

Gary, W0TM That was a long drive but it was good to CU Gary. Orlan

Ronald D. Partin - N0XFO
SPECIAL EVENT STATION
This is a heads up. There will be a Special Event Station operating from the National Guard Museum at Forbes Field on 16 April 2005 from 0800 hrs till about 1700 hrs local time. This is commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Kansas National Guard. This is put on by local hams in the area and is open to all operators, family, and other interested parties. Weather permitting, we will have some hot dogs on the grill, and whatever any one would like to donate. This should be a fun event, as we sent notices to as many Kansas ham radio clubs as we could find addresses for. We have all ready received request for information from one club to join in this event and hope more will join in. If your club didn't receive this information, please contact me and we will give you further details. This event has also been approved by the Kansas National Guard as well as the Kansas National Guard Board of Directors. This event will also serve multiple functions, keep the served agencies that we are still a viable option, promote amateur radio, pay tribute to the Kansas National Guard members past, present, and future and the main reason, just to have some fun on the air. If any one has any questions, comments, suggestions, please feel free to contact me, or John, kc0adp, or Karl, w0npk, for more information. As it gets closer, reminders will be sent out on this reflector and on the local ARES Tuesday night nets.

73
Steve KBØJYL/AAR7BB
ARRL State Government Liaison
ARRL Official Observer
WWW.ZONE13A.COM
WWW.QSL.NET/KSARMYMARS

CONGRATULATIONS TO SPECIAL SERVICE CLUB

February 24, 2005
Pilot Knob Amateur Radio Club
Mike Stewart, AB0VM
PO Box 632
Leavenworth, KS 66048
Dear Mike:

We are pleased to report that the Pilot Knob Amateur Radio Club has been officially renewed as a Special Service Club. The next renewal for the club will be in two years. Through the work of its members, this club is recognized for its continued efforts on behalf of Amateur Radio and services to its community.

You are to be commended for your work with the club in helping it realize and maintain its potential. Because you have been so closely associated with the club during the development of its SSC commitment, we want to give you the opportunity of informing the club directly of its success. The club will continue to receive periodic mails of materials and information from Headquarters. Please be sure to keep your contact information up to date and current.
THE KANSAS STATE ARRL CONVENTION:

We have received word from ARRL Headquarters that the League has approved our holding the ARRL KS State Convention. Put August 15th on your calendars. Once again, the CKARC will host the ARRL Kansas State Convention. As for the last several years, the convention will be held in the Salina Bicentennial Center in Oakdale Park. There is free parking, spacious rooms for vendors and air conditioning for the Sure-to-be-hot Kansas August weather. This year the convention will be held on Sunday, August 15, 2004. The hours are from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Admission to the convention is $5.00 per person. Vendor and Flea market tables are $15.00 each. Electricity is included with each space, as is one admission fee per table.

Ron WA0PSF - Convention Chairman Website: >>> http://www.qsl.net/ckarc/
Support Kansas Ham Radio. Be there. Put this on your calendar, do it now and don't put something else on top of it...! Schedule it now as you do your vacations. BCNU there, Orlan w0oyh

TO: Ron Tremblay, WA0PSF February 18, 2005
112 North Douglas Drive
Salina, KS 67401

Dear Ron:
We’re pleased to tell you that the ARRL Executive Committee has approved the holding of an ARRL Kansas State Convention on August 21, 2005 in Salina, KS under the sponsorship of the Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club.
Good luck! We wish you the best for a successful event.
Let us know if there is anything else we can do to help with your convention plans
Sincerely,
Gail Iannone
Convention Program Manager
HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA

Orlan, I know you like these. I received these from a good friend. This should give you material for awhile...

Use Burma Shave For those who never saw the Burma shave signs, here is a quick lesson in our history of the 1930s and '40's. Before the Interstates, when everyone drove the old 2 lane roads, Burma Shave signs would be posted all over the countryside in farmers' fields. They were small red signs with white letters. Five signs, about 100 feet apart, each containing 1 line of a 4 line couplet and the obligatory 5th sign advertising Burma Shave, a popular shaving cream. Here are more of the actual signs:

God Bless. Mike, NØHM Thanks Mike...! I know all will enjoy them. Orlan

Remember these? Some of you may be too young.

TRAINS DON'T WANDER       SHE KISSED THE HAIRBRUSH       DON'T LOSE YOUR HEAD
ALL OVER THE MAP           BY MISTAKE                     TO GAIN A MINUTE
'CAUSE NOBODY SITS         SHE THOUGHT IT WAS               YOU NEED YOUR HEAD
IN THE ENGINEER'S LAP      HER HUSBAND JAKE                YOUR BRAINS ARE IN IT
Burma Shave                Burma Shave                      Burma Shave

Hal says see more by clicking >>> http://grantmcl.tripod.com/burmashave.html

Christian Humor: Sent to me by Don, a customer of mine who moved to North Dakota.

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk."Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

Electronic Humor: Supplied by Tom WAØEAJ

1. Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married.
   The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.
2. Two hydrogen atoms walk into a bar. 'One says, "I've lost my electron."
   The other says, "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive..."  Yah Tom, "+" Orlan
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:  
Send to >>> orlan@postcomp.com

I will be giving a radio merit badge course on Saturday morning for the Boy Scout it is for the trailhead districts scouts. It will be on Saturday morning 02-05-2005 at the united Methodist church at 137th Roe.

KA0FMZ
Danny m. Lane

Hey, Nice to see you at the hamfest..........!
Phil Anderson, W0XI
Alden McDuffie Inc
Lawrence KS 66049

Orlan: I heard you running the QKS net on 3610 last night, and wanted to say "hello" after all these years. I would have tried to contact you after the net, or even checked in, but I can't transmit on 80 because of an antenna problem. I have just gotten back into HF after a long absence.

You might not recall me (Jim, WB0KWJ) from the 1970s and early 1980 when I would occasionally run the QSK-SS net and check into QKS. I was a member of the Johnson County Club back then along with people like Paul Sykes (who was then WB0KWI) and Don Warkentien. I see that Don has got a new call sign. Paul and I got our licenses
young, at age 14. I don't know what happened to Paul, I know he went to GMI. I ran into him once in 1988 or so when I was teaching electronics at General Motors. He didn't remember me.

I am now a psychology professor at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Michigan. I was even an Associate Dean for a while. The faculty life is much less stressful. I do basic conditioning and learning research. We study excessive running and drinking in rats. These correspond to anorexia and obsessive-compulsive behavior in humans. Before that, while in college at KU in the 1980s, I was an engineer at KANU radio--the big public station at KU. I also taught electronics at Kansas City Area Vocational-Technical School and at General Motors. Because of my electronic skills, I build all my own equipment for my research. This has come in very handy given that we have no funds for a lab tech. Thus, I should not forget to thank you and a few others whose names I don't recall anymore for the start in radio and electronics with the novice classes there at the Johnson County Club when it was still back in the old Red Cross building.

I won't keep you any longer, but I wanted to say that it was great to hear a familiar call on my first day with the new rig and antenna all set up. I hope all is well down there in Kansas, and perhaps we'll have an on-air QSO sometime.

Thanks again.

Jim
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James T. Todd, Ph.D. TU Jim for the email. I think it has been over 20 years sense I last saw you. Department of Psychology Hope U get the HF antenna going so we can hear UR fist on the old net again. Eastern Michigan University 73, Orlan Ypsilanti, MI 48197

All, Haven't heard some of you on the nets lately, so I wanted to remind you of next Saturday's Build A Blob event. As you know from Rick's (KF4LM) Blobology series, the Blob is a Tiny Trak 3 APRS encoder. We saw some examples of the TT3 at Brian Short's presentation at the February meeting. It's not too late to order a TT3 for next Sat. Mine arrived three days after ordering. You can order from www.byonics.com. A TT3 with case and shipping goes for $39. If you want to use an Altoids tin or other case, the cost is a bit less. Even if you don't want to build a blob next weekend, you're welcome to participate. You're certain to learn something about how easy it is to build ham gear (that works!). We will begin at 0830 on Saturday, Feb. 19th at Red Cross. Doughnuts (or doughnut substitutes) and coffee will be provided. Hope to see you there.

73,
Mike Stewart

The FEBRUARY 2005 issue of QSP, The Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club newsletter, is now available on the following website. http://www.qsl.net/ckarc

Thanks,
73 - Don - KA0EIC

Hi Orlan, Nice to read the Kansas news again. Things remain busy here, we just welcomed a new Chief Operating Officer this week. See this web story.
In his past position he was acquainted with Mary Hobart and Debra Johnson in our Development department. Earlier you probably read about a fellow Mid-westerner from up north, Minnesota way winning the International Humanitarian Award. Keep the "KAR" coming! Spring is only a little over a month away.

Chuck KØBOG ARRL HQ TKS 4 the URLs Chuck...! Always appreciate UR input for KAR.

Hi Orlan, Hope things are well in Kansas. I just saw this story on the web and thought of your newsletter.

Special call sign on air for Kuwait Nationak Liberation Day (Feb 21, 2005) -- Each February 25 and 26, Kuwait celebrates its National and Liberation Day. To mark the occasion this year, members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) will be on the air with the special call sign 9K44NLD. Operations will take place from the KARS headquarters. 9K44NLD will be active on all bands and modes starting at 0000 UTC on Friday, February 25 (February 24 in US time zones) and ending at 2359 UTC on Monday February 28 (February 27 in US time zones). QSL via Faisal Al-Ajmi, 9K2RR, PO Box 1124, 80000 Al-Farwania, KUWAIT http://www.kars.org/

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His flight is going OK so far evidently. http://www.virginatlanticglobalflyer.com/Home/index.jsp
I did see an article in the local paper here Sunday, but it didn't mention any amateur radio operation.

Bill gave me my novice exam. I remember taking it at his kitchen table! His wife provided the cookies!
That was 1973.

John K0RW (ex-WN/B0KXZ) Lomax, ILL Yep, he did LOTS of em. Not long after that U were club Pres.

I will forward this as brings back many memories of days past. Open your speakers.
Enjoy, Hal

Orlan maybe you will have some new ones now. http://grantmcl.tripod.com/burmashave.html
Thanks Hal and I highly recomend this site
and thank you very much for your contributions
to the KAR newsletter. Orlan w0oyh

ARES ALPHA 1 NETS 145.27 MHZ TOPEKA, KS. 2005
TUESDAYS AT 8:30 PM LOCAL
WAØVRS EC
JAN. 4 16 QNI 4 QTC QNI = check-ins
JAN. 11 14 QNI 3 QTC QTC = messages
JAN. 18 17 QNI 2 QTC
JAN. 25 11 QNI 5 QTC
FEB. 1 12 QNI 3 QTC
FEB. 8 11 QNI 3 QTC
FEB. 15 17 QNI 4 QTC
FEB. 22 15 QNI 3 QTC

ARES DIST 6F
FEB Report
2-6-2005 1 Net QNI-8 QTC-0
2-13-2005 1 Net QNI-7 QTC-0
2-20-2005 1 Net QNI-7 QTC-0
2-27-2005 1 Net QNI-7 QTC-0

No SKYWARN activity

Steve Benson
NØBTH
ARES EC Dist F6
Liberal, KS

**Orlan, this was sent to K5BCQ, who is one of the two** guys who run the "HBR" receiver website [http://www.qsl.net/k5bcq/HBR/hbr.html#Q](http://www.qsl.net/k5bcq/HBR/hbr.html#Q)
The HBR series of receivers (8, 11, 13, 16, & even an 18 [ # of tubes] ) were originally designed by Ted Crosby - W6TC SK, back in the early 60's. The original articles appeared in QST of 1963, and many of these EXCELLENT receivers were homebrewed by amateurs throughout the country and the world. A testament to their quality is reflected in the fact that they're still being built, restored, and used. Although mine is not very pretty, it works FB, and I regularly use it on Straight Key Night with a restored Heathkit AT-1 transmitter (and the original straight key that I bought at B-A in 1959, for $2.95). It hears as well, or better than a Kenwood TS-430S or IC-706 MKII/G.

Kees asked for HBR stories, so I sent him this one - thought your KAR readers might enjoy reading it as well. I encourage all to visit the website, and if you're interested in putting one of these critters together, you can still find all the parts. I have all of the QST articles, "HBR Notes" (construction hints), & original spec sheets on the tuning capacitor and IF cans.

Anybody who might need copies would only have to pay for the copy paper and postage, but most all the info is on the website. ZUT de WAØEAJ AR

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Hi Kees,

My HBR-11 came to me via an ordinary flea market in Denver. It was bought, along with several other pieces of "junque" from a seller, by KGØHS (Carl) out here. After a few weeks, Carl asked me to look at "this thing", as it was missing a tube, and had no markings as to what it was. Finally, he just gave it to me, as he felt he’d never get around to messing with it. I kept it under the bench for about 6 months, until one day I noticed the slipped Dymo label, under the lip of the cabinet, saying "HBR-11". I had figured out by this time, that HBR meant "Home Brew Receiver", but still didn't know much about it.

About that time, I received yet another complimentary copy of *Ham Radio Trader*, which was still being printed back then. In it, I found an ad by Charlie Brenner (WB9GW) for an "HBR-16". Figuring it had to be a cousin of the "11", I emailed him. Charlie was WONDERFUL
enough to send me: the ORIGINAL QST articles, a copy of "HBR Notes" (original version), A Full schematic, and copies of the ORIGINAL cut-sheets of the tuning capacitor; & the J.W. Miller I-F cans. Armed with this info, I determined the missing tube, and brought it up s-l-o-w-l-y with my variac... Joila’... NOISE! After repairing about 14 different problems, mostly solder joints, 2 tubes, and loose hardware, I aligned it with an HP-606 (one of the few that will do a 100 kc signal), and it was terrific. I should mention, that all I had was the 40m coil-set.

About a month later, I found another piece of Dymo tape under the wiring, and it read "WAØLJO". I looked the call up in an old callbook, and found that it belonged to Everett Huizinga - listed in Denver, CO. (HEY! That’s where I LIVE!) I looked up the name in a Denver phone directory, and sure enough, there was still a Huizinga at the old address. After attempting to explain why a total stranger was calling her about an old radio, the lady ultimately informed me "Oh my, that's my son... I think he was a teenager when he built that old radio!". She gave my number to Everett (who now lived in Golden, CO - about 10 miles from me), and we spoke on the phone, finally promising to try to run into each other at the next hamfest.

It gets better...

At the Jefferson County hamfest, I was walking up to the front door, and I saw my friend Carl, with another guy. Carl says "Hey, you wanna' meet the guy who built that receiver?"... I said "Sure!". We spoke, and it came to light that Carl actually WORKED WITH EVERETT! Imagine that... you buy an old radio at a "civilian" flea market, and it turns out that a guy you work with, is the guy who built it, back in 1965! Everett and I spoke, and he said to come over to his house later... I did.

Arriving at the house, Everett came out of his old garage bearing a small cardboard box... it still had the "ALLIED RADIO" label on it, postmarked 1965. Inside was the treasure... the coil set for 20m, and 2 of the 3 coils for 80m, along with several BRAND NEW National 5-pin coil forms. I've just found some No. 26 wire, and cut down an old 100 mmfd APC variable to 55 mmfd, so will be winding the last coil this weekend.

So, how’s that for a story. The amazing circular world of Ham Radio, and how Ted Crosby lives on.

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I thought you guys might enjoy this - reminded me of the good old daze....

WHAT WAS MY MOTHER THINKING?

My Mom used to cut chicken, chop eggs and spread mayo on the same cutting board with the same knife and no bleach, but we didn't seem to get food poisoning.

My Mom used to defrost hamburger on the counter AND I used to eat it raw sometimes too, our school sandwiches were wrapped in wax paper in a brown paper bag not in icepack coolers, but I can't remember getting e coli?

Almost all of us would have rather gone swimming in the lake instead of a pristine pool (talk about boring), no beach closures then.
The term cell phone would have conjured up a phone in a jail cell, and a pager was the school PA system.

We all took gym, not PE... and risked permanent injury with a pair of high top Ked's (only worn in gym) instead of having cross-training athletic shoes with air cushion soles and built in light reflectors. I can't recall any injuries but they must have happened because they tell us how much safer we are now.

Flunking gym was not an option... even for stupid kids! I guess PE must be much harder than gym.

Every year, someone taught the whole school a lesson [and provided comic relief by running in the halls with leather soes on linoleum tile and hitting the wet spot. How much better off would we be today if we only knew we could have sued the school system.

Speaking of school, we all said prayers and sang the national anthem and staying in detention after school caught all sorts of negative attention. We must have had horribly damaged psyches.

I can't understand it. Schools didn't offer 14 year olds an abortion or condoms (we wouldn't have known what either was anyway) but they did give us a couple of baby aspirin and cough syrup if we started getting the sniffles.

What an archaic health system we had then. Remember school nurses? Ours wore a hat and everything.

I thought that I was supposed to accomplish something before I was allowed to be proud of myself.

I just can't recall how bored we were without computers, Play Station, Nintendo, X-box or 270 digital TV cable stations.

I must be repressing that memory as I try to rationalize through the denial of the dangers that could have befallen us as we trekked off each day about a mile down the road to some guy's vacant lot, built forts out of branches and pieces of plywood, made trails, and fought over who got to be the Lone Ranger. What was that property owner thinking, letting us play on that lot? He should have been locked up for not putting up a fence around the property, complete with a self-closing gate and an infrared intruder alarm.

Oh yeah... and where was the Benadryl and sterilization kit when I got that bee sting? I could have been killed!

We played king of the hill on piles of gravel left on vacant construction sites and when we got hurt, Mom pulled out the 48 cent bottle of Mercurochrome (kids liked it better because it didn't sting like iodine did) and then we got our butt spanked. Now it's a trip to the emergency room, followed by a 10-day dose of a $49 bottle of antibiotics and then Mom calls the attorney to sue the contractor for leaving a horribly vicious pile of gravel where it was such a threat. e didn't act up at the neighbor's house either because if we did, we got our butt spanked (physical abuse) here too . and then we got butt spanked again when we
got home.

Mom invite the door to door salesman inside for coffee, kids choked down the dust from the gravel driveway while playing with Tonka trucks (Remember why Tonka trucks were made tough .. it wasn't so that they could take the rough Berber in the family room), and Dad drove a car with leaded gas.

Our music had to be left inside when we went out to play and I am sure that I nearly exhausted my imagination a couple of times when we went on two week vacations. I should probably sue the folks now for the danger they put us in when we all slept in campgrounds in the family tent

Summers were spent behind the push lawn mower and I didn't eve know that mowers came with motors until I was 13 and we got one without an automatic blade-stop or an auto-drive. How sick were my parents? Of course my parents weren't the only psychos. I recall Donny Reynolds from next door coming over and doing his tricks on the front stoop just before he fell off. Little did his Mom know that she could have owned our house. Instead she picked him up and swatted him for being such a goof. It was a neighborhood run amuck.

To top it off, not a single person I knew had ever been told that hey were from a dysfunctional family.
How could we possibly have known that? We needed to get into group therapy and anger management classes?

We were obviously so duped by so many societal ills, that we didn't even notice that the entire country wasn't taking Prozac!

How did we ever survive? Tom WAØEAJ

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