Hi Gang, SET is behind us. I did not see as much National interest in SET as we have had in the past which requires the use of HF nets. Each year I see more local SET activities than state wide or National. As “communicators” we need to be able to handle messages not just to some one across town but across the state and nation. Our disaster plans should have provision for an active ORS who is active in ARES and in the NTS.

Chuck KØBOG ARRL Hq

Here is another of interest to hams, especially if you are from Mo. Wireless History on East McCarty Street [http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2008/09/24/10349/?nc=1](http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2008/09/24/10349/?nc=1)

Let me know if you build this one and how it works. Build your own digital TV indoor antenna. From “LL” - Robin, WØFEN, sends this. Pretty interesting.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWQhlmJTMzw>

**I had this question come in and asked Chuck at ARRL to reply to it............**

Orlan

> **A quick question.**
> I found a local individual who is a ham who took his Novice test
> probably prior to 1986.
> He is still listed on the FCC roll as a novice, when he renewed his cert
> in 2006.
> Can that be changed to a Tech license?
> Thanks
> 73
> Herm wv0r

Herm,

I don't know what the FCC licensing laws are for Novice to Tech.

Let me CC Chuck at ARRL he works with staffers who would know.

Chuck, can U click UR "Reply to All" button on this one?

TU, Orlan w0oyh

Herm,

Sorry, there is no direct conversion from a Novice to a Tech. Before the code requirement was dropped, Novices could claim code credit for the 5 WPM, but even that is no longer required. To become a Technician now, he would have to take the Tech written test.
There never was a time they allowed credit for the written portion of the Novice exam for an upgrade. I haven't seen any petitions asking the FCC to grant credit for the written Novice portion.

73,

Chuck Skolaut, KØBOG
Field & Regulatory Correspondent
ARRL - The national association for Amateur Radio
860 594 0239
cskolaut@arrl.org

Orlan, As you probably remember the League did propose reviving an HF entry level license similar to the old Novice license when the changes were being considered, but the FCC thought the Technician Class license served that purpose. It’s great that Herm will be helping his friend and others study for the Technician, I wish him well with that.

We do have a number of study materials available for prospective hams and instructors (elmers), this site lists them: http://www.arrl.org/catalog/?category=Help+for+Beginners&words=
They even used my picture along with others on the front of the License Manual this time! If Herm is interested he can register and qualify for a discount on the books as an instructor.
http://www.arrl.org/es/register/instreg.html

73,
Chuck, KØBOG

The September 2008 issue of the CKARC's QSP is now on-line at:
http://www.centralksarc.com
Click on the QSP link!

73 de Sid N0OBM QSP Editor

Recently, I sold an E.F. Johnson Viking 500 transmitter to a ham in California. The xmtr AND power supply/modulator weigh (together) a total of 173 lbs... most of which is the power-supply/modulator, which is well over 110 lbs. The ham in CA used an online shipping service that essentially "auctions" the job to folks that travel around the country, and have spare seats or room in their vehicles. www.uship.com is the one.

A young man who turned out to be a professional moto-cross rider came by my house, helped me load it into his Toyota PU, and after we told motorcycle stories for a few minutes, was on his way. The buyer (and payer of the shipment) is paying $150 to have these VERY LARGE and VERY HEAVY "packages" delivered to his DOOR, and they'll never be subjected to dropping, slamming, crushing, or other abuse. In addition, they WILL NOT be out in the weather at all.

If you need to ship a boatanchor (and these sure WERE), this is the way to do it.

Tom - WØEAJ

Reply to the “ed” from Tom WØEAJ on his skies.
Actually, those two poles I'm holding, while on Cross-Country skiis, are in reality, phased verticals for 6m. They're close spaced, so don't have a lot of gain, but the cardioid pattern is very useful - if you've fallen down, you can change to horizontal polarization.

**Here is one that is very interesting to watch.** I highly recommend doing so. ed
This film takes 33 minutes, 10 seconds to view, and typical of British works of "information", the detail is somewhat endless. Still, it provides a view into the past as to how vacuum tubes were/are produced - valuable information for the new ham... and old, as this is the way "it used to be", in the golden age of "Radios That Glow In The Dark".  [http://www.techtubevalves.com/about_us/film_reels.php](http://www.techtubevalves.com/about_us/film_reels.php)

Tom - WØEAJ

**Morse coders challenge texters** on Ham Radio Day By Ragan Robinson | Hickory Daily Record
[http://www2.hickoryrecord.com/content/2008/sep/10/morse-coders-challenge-texters-ham-radio-day/news/](http://www2.hickoryrecord.com/content/2008/sep/10/morse-coders-challenge-texters-ham-radio-day/news/)
<snipped> from “LL”

Printable ARES map [CLICK>>>](http://www.cenkares.org/)

- Kansas Section News [Click >>>](http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS)
- Keep up with the world of ham radio, [CLICK >>>>](http://www.arrl.org/)

KAR newsletter published on or about the 8th of each month. KAR ARES Reports published in 4 more.

73, Orlan w0oyh UR KAR ed and ARRL Ks Ast. Section Mgr.  w0oyh@arrl.net

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I went down to the Wichita area hamfest hosted by Valley Center,Wichita and Tec-Ni-Chat Clubs.
Weather was great. Much warmer than usual. Good turnout. I was told 250 attended.
KIØNN from Great Bend told me about the storm that knocked out his antennas in late spring.
I wondered why we hadn't been hearing him. It was nice to see Jerry-KØJAL. Jerry’s in Shawnee Co. but does not have a good location for antennas. There appeared to be interest in our Kansas Nets as well as the Field Organization. Maybe we'll hear some new operators before long.
Chanute's hamfest was the same day but I have not had an opportunity to hear how it went.

When the show wrapped up and D&L was packing up I headed over to Towanda where their city fair was going on. Half a dozen of the Flint Hills ARC members were participating in a lost child patrol in town. I stayed until it was verified there were no funnel cakes in town. I'll have to start the search again next summer. Having enjoyed the Magician's act for too long, I waved good bye to the Flint Hills gang and trophy dashed home so I could make the Sideband net at 6:30, after all, it was the S.E.T. weekend and I had missed the other nets that day.

Our Slow Speed Network has fired up for fall. Held Mondays at 7:32 PM on 3547KHz this is a training net for message handling but we end up chewing the rag most of the time. Look for QKS SS.

Johnson County RAC Auction is October 25th at the Ensor Museum and Farmsite. Maybe I'll see you there.

73,
Ron

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Orlan's newsletter goes out tomorrow(probably in the morning).
Anything to report from or about your hamfest ?
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From WA5FLV

CAARC Annual Hamfest went well. In spite of the economy and high gasoline prices attendance, although down from previous years, was good. Items in the silent auction and donation table were a huge success. It was fun to watch as folks played out their bids. Nervously watching the item they wanted as bids were placed. Great to visit with old friends and even made some new ones. --- At the next meeting officers of the club will report on all the results. Looking forward to the coming year!
73
Gary

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You will find Ron on the Ks Weather Net on 3920 kHz at 6:00 PM and on the Ks Sideband Net at 6:30 kHZ.

Visit the “Ks Section News” page for more from Ron and lots of photos, CLICK >>>

http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS

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Bob is coming along slow but sure recovering from his surgery. His head is not hurting now but it is still swollen to where the pressure on his eyes distorts his vision.

Keep him in your prayers and don't forget his wife who needs extra strength at time to do the job of two.

73, UR ed

Printable Ks ARES map. CLICK>>> [http://www.cenkares.org/](http://www.cenkares.org/)

Bob can be found on the 3920 kHz Kansas net at 6:30 PM.

73, Bob Summers KØBXF ARRL Ks Section Emergency Coordinator

**A Communicator**

A ham radio communicator is able to cause others to think the thoughts of another even if they are hundreds of miles apart. ed
JHOK net is still growing. The repeaters have a wide coverage area. Please check in and support this great net. Non-hams are welcome to check in, too. (just make sure a control operator is present!)

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) 2008 is October 18-19. You can look at all the information at this website <http://www.scout.org/jota/> Be sure to check in and make contacts with all the scouts on the air.

I'd like to ask for your help in getting material for a major news article about youth in Kansas. This article will highlight recruiting Kansas youth into the hobby and things youth are doing to gain experience as amateur radio operators. I would welcome material from both clubs and individuals. Examples include youth-oriented nets or participation in field day, SETs, JOTA, public service events, or emergency preparedness training. Some have done presentations to schools and clubs. Let me know about these. Local examples of young net controllers and youth outreach coordinators are also needed.

I want to make sure that every part of Kansas is fairly represented, so please let me know about your individual or club contributions. Please send your information by October 15th to KC0PTL at beastar@kc.rr.com.

73,

Emily
KC0PTL
Hello All. It was nice again this month to have such a good number of check-ins. Learn what is going in the Counties around the State. Check in and represent your County and exchange information. All stations are welcome. You don’t have to be RACES.

The Kansas RACES Net meets every month on the first Thursday at 7:00 pm 3940 KHz. Mark your calendar now!

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The RACES Net meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm on 3940 kHz

Joseph can be found on 3920 kHz at 6:30 PM as the Ks Sideband Net Control Station on Monday evenings.

73, Joseph WDØDMV - State RACES Officer wd0dmv@arrl.net
June Jeffers KB0WEQ
KS ARRL DEC - Liaison to The Salvation Army
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WEBSITE: http://home.kc.rr.com/saternkansas

SPECIAL EVENT STATION:

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/1999/03/29/1/

Yep... Jimmy Flanders (OOG) is a terrific guy... typically they meet on 14.343 thereabouts (used to be on .243)... My first Russian was UAØKKC (Uri, a Radio Operator at the Soviet Sub Base in Vladivostok... at the time I was a Radioman at the Fleet ANTI SUBMARINE warfare center, San Diego - karma, huh?)

Tom WØEAJ

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, NBØZ  I am Net control on Monday, Fridays and Saturdays at 10 PM. Been doing that for 30+ years... Orlan

SILENT KEYS:

It is with great regret that I have to inform you that Tom Rose (KØZM), passed away Monday morning from a heart attack. He was on vacation with Sandy his wife and had been snorkeling. He was on the snorkel boat when it happened. I will let you know when I get more information on his funeral.

Mike Costello KBØISQ - EMM

Thomas M. Rose, K0ZM 65, of Overland Park, Kan.,
died unexpectedly of a heart attack in the Galapagos Islands on September 9, 2008, while vacationing with his wife Sandra and enjoying two of his many loves -- the sea and the natural beauty of the world. A California native, Tom and Sandy came to make Kansas their home in 1976 and it is here that they raised their cherished family and became active members of the community. Tom lived life to its fullest potential and will be missed for his outstanding attributes, one of which was his truly unique sense of humor. Tom spent many years as a financial planner and recently retired from Robert W. Baird. He looked forward to further pursuing his life dreams, continuing his dedication to community service, and enjoying his myriad of hobbies which included ham radio, target shooting, and model making. A devoted and cherished husband, father, grandfather "Poppy," and brother, Tom leaves behind his beloved wife, Sandra; son, David Rose and wife Stacy and their children Morgan, Jordan, Jackson, and Emma; daughter, Dyana and husband Brian Daniel and their children Austin and Addison; daughter, Danielle Rose; sister, Janie Rose; mother-in-law, Janet Barnes; his treasured companion, Slippers; and countless other relatives, friends and colleagues. Tom will live in all of their hearts and memories forever. The family invites you to a celebration of Tom's life followed by a reception on Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 3 p.m. at the Ritz Charles, 9000 W. 137th Street, Overland Park. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate that any memorial gifts be made in Tom's name to the following organizations that he supported during his lifetime: Sertoma Scholarship Fund, Attn.: Steve Murphy, 1912 E. Meyer Blvd., Kansas City, MO, 64132 (816) 333-8300. Heartland School of Therapeutic Riding, PO Box 391, Stilwell, KS 66085, (913) 897- 3939. Arthritis Foundation, Juvenile Arthritis Focus, 1900 W. 75th St. Ste 200, Prairie Village, KS 66208 (913) 262-2233. Overland Park Rotary Club, PO Box 7558, Overland Park, KS 66207-0558. Arr.: D.W. Newcomer's Sons Johnson County Chapel (913) 451-1860.

<snipped> from “LL”
Mike L. Novak, K0DWF 85, Kansas City, Kan.,
left this world on September 12, 2008. He was born on Feb. 27, 1923, to Mike and Anna Novak. He was preceded in death by his parents and his only brother, George J. Novak. Having completed his education at Bishop Ward High School, he became a radio operator for North West Airlines until he enlisted in the US Air Force serving as a flight and ground radio operator and instructor in the Tokyo Army School and achieving the rank of sergeant. He spent 27 years of his career as an engineer at WDAF radio and television. He was an avid ham radio operator with call letters K0DWF. He leaves his wife of 60 years, Martha A. Novak, KCK; his son, Michael S. Novak (Karleen), Lenexa, Kan.; his daughter, Rebecca L. Myers (Thomas), Overland Park, Kan.; his brother-in-law, John S. Adams (Jean), St. Joseph, Mo.; and six grandchildren, Brian Novak, Patricia Myers, Chris Myers, Kendra Menke, Kathleen Pirie, and Kolleen O'Brien; and 11 great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorial contributions to St. Patrick's Catholic Church School Fund. Visitation is 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, where the Rosary will be prayed 5 p.m. at Mary Butler Meyers Funeral Home, 6300 Parallel Pkwy, KCK. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 94th and State Ave., KCK, with interment at the Resurrection Cemetery, Lenexa. Arr.: Mary Butler Meyers Funeral Home (913) 334-6300.

Duane F. "Mike" Eyman, W0XM 78, of Ottawa, Kansas, died on Thursday, September 25, 2008, at his home. He was born on July 28, 1930, in Topeka, Kansas, and was the son of Earl and Birdie (Freeland) Eyman, both of whom preceded him in death. Mike entered military service at Ft. Leavenworth in January of 1945. After 12 weeks of infantry training at Camp Fannin, Texas, his true age (14) was discovered, and he received an Honorable Discharge in May, becoming Kansas' youngest veteran. At age 16, he rejoined the Army and was sent to Puerto Rico. His Army career ended on Christmas eve, 1949, when he was discharged. He was recalled to active service in 1950 and entered the USAF as an airborne radio operator, flying in Korea during the war. Air Force assignments included Brady Field, Japan; Memphis Municipal Airport; Tachikawa, Japan; MacDill AFB, FL; Wheelus AB, Libya; Wethersfield, England; Carswell AFB, TX; Kadena AB, Okinawa, and Richards-Gebaur AFB, MO. Some of his more interesting experiences included being a part of the first team sent to retrieve the bodies of the crew of the Lady Be Good which was lost in the desert during WW II, flying the Queen of Libya to various destinations, and serving with the United Nations during the Congo rebellion. Mike retired from the Air Force in 1975 and moved to the Bush City area, south of Garnett, where he lived until moving to Ottawa earlier this year. He attended college after
retirement from the USAF, graduating from Allen County Junior College in 1977, with an A. A. degree, and earning a bachelor's degree at the University of Kansas in 1979. He enrolled in Pittsburg State University's master's program in electronics, and while attending classes he began teaching technical seminars for the American Institute of Professional Education, based in Madison, NJ. In 1983, he and his wife started a seminar business, and Mike taught microprocessor troubleshooting and repair seminars in cities across the country and conducted on-site seminars for many companies and government agencies for 11 years. After serving many years on the Anderson County Planning Commission, he served as Director of Planning and Zoning for Anderson County. Amateur radio was an important part of his life, and his callsign was W0XM. He was first licensed in 1954 and held licenses in the U. S., Libya, Greenland, Guam, Hong Kong, and Okinawa, and he enjoyed being on the air, collecting and repairing equipment, and meeting other hams in this country and around the world. He traveled to Germany, Ireland, Sicily, and New Zealand to attend ham radio meetings. Mike was a very outgoing and social person who loved gatherings of family and friends. He was also a motorcycle enthusiast and enjoyed riding his BMW motorcycle. Mike was an AF MARS (Military Affiliated Radio System) member for many years and served as Chief, Affiliate Members, while at Richards-Gebaur AFB. He belonged to the American Legion, VFW, DAV, and was a longtime member of national amateur radio organizations, including the ARRL and QCWA. He was past chair of Anderson County Republicans. Mike was united in marriage to Laverna Hicks and later divorced. They had one daughter, Karen Louise Eyman. On November 5, 1968, Mike married Kay (McHenry) Green in Naha, Okinawa. She survives of their home. He is also survived by his brother, Donald E. Eyman and his wife Doris, of Oregon City, OR; his mother-in-law Orpha Joyce McHenry, of the home, his daughter Karen Adams, of Rosedale, CA; step- daughter Caren Rugg and her husband Terry, of Ottawa, KS, step-son Billy Green and his wife Toni, of Garnett, KS, and four grandchildren, Amy and Bobby Adams, Josh Young, and Molly Rugg. Mr. Eyman has been cremated and an inurnment service will be held at the McHenry Family Cemetery in La Plata, Missouri, on October 18. A Celebration of Life will be held at the family home at 321 W. 3rd St, Ottawa, KS, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 19. Those who enjoyed hearing his stories are invited to attend and share stories of their own about him. The family suggests memorial contributions to Centerville Community Church Building Fund or East Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging, c/o Dengel & Son Mortuary, 235 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas 66067. Condolences may be e-mailed to the family through dengel mortuary@sbcglobal.net.

Published in the Kansas City Star on 10/5/2008

Glenn G. King, (K0GG) 82, Topeka, KS passed away Friday, September 27, 2008 in the Brewster Place Health Care Center, Topeka. He was born February 23, 1926 at Clay Center, KS, the son of Vernon D. King and Phoebe E. Mottin King. He grew up in Manhattan, where he attended the local schools and was a 1944 graduate of the Manhattan High School. He also attended Kansas State University. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the National Guard. After the war, he continued in the Kansas National Guard as a Warrant Officer in maintenance at the State Arsenal. He retired in 1981 and had been a Topeka resident since 1953. He was a member of The American Legion Post #1, MARS Radio Club, ARRL, the Amateur Radio Relay League and the Academy of Model Aeronautics. He was united in marriage to Helen L. Smith on May 13, 1949 in Aberdeen, MD. She survives of the home. Other survivors include two sons, Karl E. King, address unknown and Martin A. "Marty" King, and his wife, Christie, Topeka; two daughters, Anita K. Coker, Lenexa, KS and Connie L. Kraus, and her husband, Mike, Topeka; five grandchildren, Jarrod D. Coker, Brett A. Coker, Jennifer M. King, Heather M. King and Travis M. Kraus; two great grandchildren, Cameron Coker and Zoey Skinner-Coker; and sister-in-laws, Mabel A. King, Manhattan and Jean Brown, Burlington, KS. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Loren "Corky" King and Francis V. King. Graveside services will be at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 30, 2008 in the Valley View Memorial Gardens, Manhattan with the Rev. Larry Hardin officiating. Burial will be in the Valley View Memorial Gardens. The family of Mr. King will receive friends at the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home, Manhattan from 12:30 p.m. until forming a procession to the cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association and left in care of the funeral home. Online condolences can be sent to www.irvinparkview.com.

Published in the Topeka Capital-Journal on 9/29/2008


Thanks to Gary, KC0VYP, for this message.

Larry’s List mailing list

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Be sure to keep your Section Manager informed of any silent keys in Kansas so he can get them published in the QST. Please CC me while you are at it for the KAR newsletter.

73, Orlan w0oyh – w0ouh@arrl.net
HA - HA - HA - HA - HA

It is that time of year again, watch our for the kids!!

Don’t drink and fly………. John NØEI

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Florida senior citizen drove his brand new Corvette convertible out of the dealership.

    Taking off down the road, he pushed it to 80 mph, enjoying the wind blowing through what little hair he had left.

'Amazing,' he thought as he flew down I-95, pushing the pedal even more.

    Looking in his rear view mirror, he saw the state trooper behind him, blue lights flashing and siren blaring. He floored it to 100 mph, then 110, then 120.

Suddenly he thought, 'What am I doing? I'm too old for this,' and pulled over to await the trooper's arrival.

    Pulling in behind him, the trooper walked up to the Corvette, looked at his watch and said, 'Sir, my shift ends in 30 minutes. Today is Friday.'
If you can give me a reason for speeding that I've never heard before, I'll let you go.'

The old gentleman paused. Then said, 'Three years ago, my wife ran off with a Florida State Trooper. I thought you were bringing her back.'

'Have a good day, Sir,' replied the trooper

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

My congratulations to Mr. Wessel for quite an accomplishment.  
Jerry Snyder – Miami FL We sent out a special on his 95th birthday and 70 years ARRL.

Thanks for forwarding this Orlan, we sent Pete a belated birthday wish ourselves as a former Kansan. That is a special event.

Chuck, KØBOG

Thanks again Orlan for a superb KAR.

John...KAØJMO

In the Navy, the Chiefs have an expression meaning "Well Done"... BRAVO ZULU

A hearty BZ to you and them.

Tom

That's pretty neat! They make a really cute couple, and young at that!
I work on a 'special care' unit at the nursing home in Inamn, and see all too many 'younger' people (late 60's to 70's) that haven't been as fortunate. It gets a little scary (for my future) and sad, so it's exciting to see some one like them, and gives hope for myself.
My personal theory is thinking young and enjoying life. My Grandfather was much the same.

73's Roger, WB0UUB –McPherson

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I loved the Sunday paper story! That is me through and through!
Roger WB0UUB

Some of you old timers may remember the CQ Serenade, but the many newer hams on this list have likely never heard it. So, here are three web sites:

<http://www.zerobeat.net/cqsong.html>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1MgOyWW5uG8>
Thanks to Chet Hallberg, K0TCB, for motivating me to send this to you

73,

Larry, W0AIB “LL”

Orlan, Thanks for the word about Bob, we certainly wish him a speedy recovery.

All’s well in Newington, we’re having nice weather.

73,

Chuck, KØBOG

**SORRY TO HEAR OF BOB'S BLEEDING PROBLEMS, ORLAN.**

WE BEEN BUSY KEEPING THE DOCTOR'S AND HOSPITALS IN SOME SPENDING MONEY DOWN HERE WITH PAT.

IT IS ONE DAY AT A TIME FOR ALL OF US.

73 ARLEY & PAT – WB5NKC and D

As a still practicing RN, old NØLGY here in Colorado realizes what you have been through...:-(

Recovery quickly and fully Bob, and enjoy your time with Caroline and church friends in the process...:-)

Be safe...

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Jack and Mary in Rye, CO

Orlan Our prayers being offered for Bob Summers.
Please pass it on.
Thanks
73
Herm w0r

Orlan please let bob and his wife know that i will be thinking about them. i to just got out of the hospital last saturday from the cardiac unit up here at st joe hospital in bangor maine. got admitted the day before after being taken from work by ambulance for chest pains.

no more damage has been done, but still have to keep taking nitro if it happens again.

Kevin E Badger, N0UKM
Maine.... The Way Life Should Be

Thanks Orlan , We will certainly remember Bob in our prayers,
Jack ---W0VRU

Roger, thanks Orlan, not good. Will see if I can get down to visit, but doubt if he could visit at this time.
SOUNDS LIKE GREAT NEWS. THANKS ORLAN, IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT PRAYER STILL WORKS.

Jack--------W0VRU

Hello Orlan: Bob,K0BXF is on our prayer List. May the LORD be with him. Ray KXL

Consider it done. Being in the medical field, I've had contact with that kind of injury, and they don't always have such a good outcome as Bob's. I think God was with him on that one.

Roger
WB0UUB

The October 2008 Grounded Grid is online:  http://warc1.org/grid/2008/2008-10.pdf
And as always you can get the back issues at  http://warc1.org/grid/

David Hagood KAR readers, I have other newsletters I can share with you for the asking.  w0oyh@arrl.net

Tom's Key-Strokes  - WØEAJ Denver, Co.  Displaced Ks neighbor

Simply set the speeds - type in your text, and listen to the morse-code translation.

...great for truly different "ring tones" (just record them on your cellphone, then make them the RINGTONE)  Shortcut to:  http://morsecode.scphillips.com/jtranslator.html

TC  TU Tom for your “Key-Strokes!” Love to read of your experiences.  Orlan w0oyh
Subject: INT QBF K (Radioman Article)

Message sent to John Smale - K2IZ, re. his story about being a US Navy Radioman. - I too was one, thus my reply. I enjoyed the story, as it sure brought back some memories. I just thought the "Z" signal should be brought to light as to what is CORRECT.

NOTE: The Navy used not only "Q" signals, but "Z" signals as well. Many of the "Z" sigs were applicable to traffic-handling, and many pertained to teletype modes; clear text, encrypted for transmission only (EFTO), and fully-encrypted. You can read the meanings of the ones in my "traffic" at the bottom of the note...

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ZDG .. .. INT ZRL K

Just read your Radioman article for QST, and I have to correct you on something - ZES2 DOES NOT MEAN "PLACE A QUALIFIED CW OPERATOR ON THE CIRCUIT".

According to my copy of ACP-131 [Communication Instructions - Operating Signals] (in my hand), ZES2 means "YOUR MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED GARBED"

I think the "Z" sig that you're looking for is "ZBM2"... which does not deliniate what kind of operator to place on the circuit, but DOES MEAN -

"PLACE A COMPETENT OPERATOR ON THE WATCH"

Respectfully, 73, and Bravo Zulu

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(INT is the interrogative case - sent as diditdahditdah)

INT QBF - Are you flying in cloud? (we loved to send this one to shipboard ops)

ZDG - Accuracy of following message is doubtful

INT ZRL - Are you working on the correct code?

ZUG - Negative

Getting a "ZBM2" was a total insult - a clear slap in the face. We typically had to get PERMISSION to send one to anybody, although there sure were a few QLF's out there, alright

Once upon a time, I received "ZAA ZAC"... that meant "You are not observing proper circuit dicipline - cease using speed key" My response was sooooo sweet - I was able to send back the following"

"ZUG ZAC .. .. hand" Nothing more was heard. Oh, the sweetness of it.
It's time once again to break out those wonderful green, brown, gray, home-built, and crinkle-blac radios of yesteryear for the Fall 2008 Classic Exchange.

The AM - SSB - FM CX will run from 1300 UTC September 21 to 0700 UTC September 22, 2008.. (9 AM Eastern Time on Sunday to 3 AM Eastern Time Monday)
Call: "CQ Classic Exchange"

AM 1.890 mc. 3.880 mc. 7.290 mc. 14.286 mc. 21.420 mc. 29.000 mc. 50.300 mc. 144.300 mc.

SSB 1.885 mc. 3.870 mc. 7.280 mc. 14.270 mc. 21.370 mc. 28.390 mc. 50.125 mc. 144.200 mc.

For scoring details and full info see the CX website http://qsl.asti.com/CX/sept08announcement.html
CW weekend details at a later date.

Send logs and info for the CX newsletter to:

J.D. "Mac" Mac Aulay, WQ8U
at
WQ8Uat nc.rr.com
Or by mail to:
WQ8U
104 W Queen St.
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Questions? Contact me!

73 and see ya there

//Howie WB2AWQ

Listing of KENWOOD Service Bulletins, by model number.
NOTE: Some have more than 1 page / click "more" (after the initial listing) for the following page(s)
Shortcut to: http://www.qsl.net/bg4aaf/book/kenpic/kenwood.htm

Recently, continuing the seemingly endless train of curious gifts I seem to be blessed with [sic], I was presented with a home-brewed linear amp, using a pair of 813's in grounded-grid, as best as I can determine. The construction quality is quite good, laid out well, and
nicely finished, with the amp "upstairs", and the power-supply "down below". Bandswitching is accomplished with one of those really nice B&W 5-band tank-circuits, that has the round dial on the front (somewhat like their multi position antenna switch). Toggle switches control filament and B+, and there's ONE meter, with Plate Tuning, Coarse loading, Fine Loading, and previously mentioned band selection. It's in one of those really neat "National" looking BUD [short] rack cabinets, with a back AND top door, with lift-up latches.

What I'm attempting to find / locate / dig up... is a set of schematics or plans for this critter that may have appeared in QST, 73, CQ, or Ham Radio. I've searched the internet, but can't find any that fit THIS amp, as it was clearly designed and built from the 50's or so, based on it's looks and layout.

I'll see if I can take some digi-pics of it, but if any of you know of a popular design from "the day" that might fit... lemme know.

Tom - WØEAJ

Orlan, Here's yet another source for MANUALS and MODIFICATIONS.

Tom D. Shortcut to: http://www.kb2ljj.com/

The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:
Shortcut to: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iE_Jni7kkIM

UNCLE BILL'S RADIO

Long ago, when I was still facinated with a chunk of lead, that had a piece of galena (lead ore) stuffed into it, hooked up to a coil that was wound on a Quaker Oats box (the ONLY box to use), and using a sliding contact made from a piece of brass brazing rod I'd gotten from my other Uncle, crested with a silver-metal ball that just happened to have a hole through the center (made it easier to slide back-and-forth across the coil), I thought I had the cat's meow... and I did. Ultimately, Mr. Taylor - my 7th. grade shop teacher at Old Mission Junior High, sold me a 1N34 germanium diode (no diddling about with cat's whiskers (made out of safety-pins) anymore. It cost a whole 50 cents, and amazingly enough, I still HAVE IT. That opened up a whole series of crystal sets, some MOBILE from my bicycle (that's how I tracked down the ORIGINAL WØQQ on AM, in my neighborhood)

I moved on to REAL radios. I can't recall the tube now, but after saving my money up for the cherished 90v "B" battery, I got my 1-tube radio going, and much to my Father's chagrin, it used a LOUDSPEAKER. The sudden presence of WHB and KMBC in my room, was very counter-productive to my schoolwork, thus I was early on, to learn the meaning of "quiet hours", and not from the regular FCC, rather from "Father's Corrective Counsel".

It was later on that I got "grandma's radio", which was an RCA "Golden Throat Tone" transformerless AC/DC "All American Five" with a really big dial for the BC band, and now I was in the big leagues - superheterodyne... the word just DRIPPED from my lips........ aughhhhh. It sounded like something Tom Corbett would say on "The Space Cadets". "Secure the hatch Commander, I'm going to energize the SUPER HETRODyne!" Broadcast Band DX is something that I don't think is practiced much anymore, but to us kids, it was the beginning of a new, exciting, and different world of "ground wave" and "skip", fraught with KAAY (Little Rock, Arkansas)... KOMA (Oklahoma City)... WLS
(Chicago)... KNX (Los Angeles)...and more often than not - XERB in none other than Del Rio, Texas... with the ORIGINAL Wolf-Man-Jack spinning forbidden platters and selling pictures of Jesus that winked at you as you walked by. Nobody REALLY knew how much power they radiated, as the studios were in Texas, but the Multi-Megawatt transmitter was across the border in Mexico.

Then I was ultimately presented with a Philco "American Overseas" version of the famous Philco Fiver. A buddy of mine has a wooden cased one that I restored for him, for the pure pleasure of SMELLING it again, and hearing HCJB, Quito, Ecuador in the same place, I always got it. It introduced me to the mystic world of SHORT WAVE, and it was as much a revelation for me, as it may have been for the likes of Armstrong, and Marconi. To hear the BBC, Moscow Radio, Peking (Beijing) Radio, and "The Voice of the Netherlands"..... whooooooah... beyond any description of "cool", that you can conjure up. I spent many hours in the basement, listening to that old ivory-cased beggar, to the great chagrin of my Mother, who saw me as a latter-day idiot, who would end up in a salt mine, as I had not learned my lessons well enough to work anywhere else. Her famous quote (often told to Orlan - WØOYH) was to me... "That darned radio junk will never make you a penny!" Oh, the sweetness of those words now, when we laugh about it.

but...

Out on the farm - securely guarded in a prison of corregated steel, and carefully locked against unlawful entry by evildoers, alien abductors, and other miscreants of nature, was THE RECEIVER. I didn't know what it was, but it looked REALLY COOL, was the very proper "wrinkle black", was obviously military in origin, and had come OUT OF MY UNCLE'S AIRPLANE! (Navy PB4Y-1 Liberator) I wasn't really too hip about such things at the tender age of 10, but I knew (like every other red blooded American Boy) what a B-24 Liberator was, and MY UNCLE was a crew-chief on a Navy one.... and therefore, our country was safe from the Reds. There must be a reason why HE has such a fine piece of craftsmanship on THE FARM... gee, maybe he's working for the FBI, or is a real spy against the Kremlin, or maybe because they just figured that he was such a good guy (Heck, I already KNEW that), they PRESENTED IT to him.

It was many years before I learned what kind of receiver it was, and then only got to turn it on, IN HIS PRESENCE. I learned it was a WW-II, 1942 manufacture, Wells-Gardner BC-342Q...... awwwwww, wow! These were used in nearly every multi-engined bomber that the USA had, and were usually accompanied with one or two AN/ART-13 transmitters. It had a real TOGGLE SWITCH on it for powering it up (real radio guys don't just "turn it on".. they "power it up"), and the tuning knob had a crank-handle on it, 'cause it took LOTS OF TURNS to take it from one end of the dial to the other. It went from 1.5 to 18 mcs (sorry - no mHz. on this radio), and had a beacon band from 200 to 550 kcs (still no kHz). I could hear beacons that said "D-O", and "T-O-P", and the "F-O" one (Dover, Topeka, and Forbes AFB)... late at night, they'd warble a bit, and it sounded really strange and mysterious... they had to threaten me to get me to come into supper, when I was on the farm - no matter HOW COLD it was in that unheated shop.

Through many years, that old receiver sat in the shop - once in a while, Uncle Bill would turn it on, and listen to a country station that was around 1510 kcs (the bottom of the next-to-lowest band), but typically, it just sat there on it's own shelf... a piece of wire with an alligator clip, hooked to a roof-nail, for an antenna. (corregated steel roof, too). I went off to the Navy in 1961, and he eventually returned to the farm, FROM the Navy - I became a Navy Radioman (gee, wonder how THAT happened?) and got to use astoundingly wonderful gear, and earned my ham license. I'd see the old "Black Box" in the shop, when I was "home on leave", but never thought much of it. Later on in
years, I'd turn it on, and tune around to the W1AW CW broadcasts when I was out there, but it just sat... the dust getting wiped off, once in a while...

I lost Uncle Bill a year and a half ago. He was my mentor, my teacher, my guide... my inspiration to good things and achievements. He was more like a big brother to me, than just an Uncle... so when it came time for my other Uncle (Ed) to sell the old family farm that Bill had lived on - I was given a few things in addition to my countless 56 years of childhood-through-adulthood memories...

I asked Ed about the "receiver"... he looked at it - forlorn on it's dusty shelf; a couple of salvaged rolls of old copper wire sitting atop it, intermixed with mud-dauber nests... and said "Sure Tom - go ahead and take the old thing - William would want you to have it, I guess... 'sides - you're the only one who'd want it, anyway" I delicately cleared all of the debris from the top, unhooked the alligator-clip from the roof, coiled up the power-cord (a helpful Navy avionics tech had installed the AC power supply), and carried it lovingly out to the car.

It now is all cleaned up, washed free of it's 66 years of dust, and sits once again on it's OWN shelf - the piece of wire with the alligator-clip is hooked to a random long-wire, and I love to listen to 75m AM nets on it. Perhaps the best thing is to snap up that toggle switch, "power it up", and spend an hour or two with myself and memories again - but I'm not alone... I have Uncle Bill's Radio.

73, Tom – WØEAJ