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Next Club Meeting/Activity

Saturday/Sunday 23/24 June 2012

ARRL Field Day Event Topic:



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PREVIOUS CLUB MEETINGS

3rd Saturday 19 May 2012

- (1) Golden Spike special event station W7G 2012 experiences
- (2) Field Day activity planning





NEXT CLUB MEETING

When: 3rd Saturday/Sunday 23/24 June 2012
Time: 12:00 noon Saturday to 12:00 noon Sunday

• please come help setup antennas @ 9:00 am Saturday

• Dinner 6 pm Saturday evening

• come help with take-down @ Noon Sunday

Location: Marriott Park (1065 S 1200 W)

(just north of 12th street on 12th west, west side

across from the main IRS parking lot)

Topic: ARRL Field Day 24 Hour Event

Activity: ARRL Field Day - sponsored by Ogden ARC

Note: Dinner main course and drinks provided ... 6:00 pm Saturday evening.

However ... Please bring a side dish to share (salad, fruit, desert, side dish, no chips please).

Don't forget to bring your own dinner-ware (paper-ware provided),

JOIN OARC

Renew your membership now!

Membership in the Ogden Amateur Radio Club is open to anyone interested in Amateur Radio. You do not need an amateur license to join us. You do not need to join the club to participate with us. Dues are used to operate the club, field day activities, and repeater equipment maintenance.

Joining is easy. Come to a club meeting or <u>fill out an application form from the club</u> <u>website</u>. Instructions for mailing it are on the form.

DUES: Dues are \$15.00 per person and runs September - August. Additional family members are \$8.00 each.

NOTE: New Hams >>> Membership in OARC is complimentary for remainder of 1st year licensed.

FROM KIM'S SHACK







Kim Owen KO7U - President

CQ ALL Members and Friends of OARC

Club meeting will be Field-day this month. We will be at Marriott Park, just west of the IRS on 12th street. Check the web page for the address. The contest starts at noon Saturday and ends noon Sunday. We will need help with setup and clean-up. If you never setup a station before, come out and help or just watch. We need some help with cleanup Sunday too. Also, don't miss the highlight of the night, dinner at the Field-day site Saturday night - bring your favorite side dish. Spend the night if you wish. The air waves are always busy. If you have a Technician License, this is a great chance to see the fun on the lower HF bands. We will be running on the club call sign W7SU. This is the biggest Amateur Radio event during the year! I hope to see you there!

A special thanks to Dave/WY7P for the coordination, work and time that he has put in for this event.

Just a couple more reminders, the meeting in July we will have our Fox Hunt Breakfast and August our meeting will be our summer steak fry and club elections. I want to encourage any club member interested club leadership to contact our club secretary Gary/KB7FMS for information.

For now,
73 de Kim/Ko7U

CLUB NEWS

Last months Golden Spike Special Event Station W7P QSL cards received are now posted on club website. Be sure to check them out.

Congratulations to the following HAMS that successfully licensed or upgraded during the most recent Weber County VE Test Session.

Willis, Scott L	KD7EKO	Extra
Dipoma, Dewey L	KF7KPQ	General
Mohr, Albert G	KF7WJH	General
Olsen, Jim E	K <i>C7GG</i> Q	General
Tracy, Aaron M	KC7MLE	General
Alexander, Robert W	KF7WIL	Tech
Dowell, Scott D	KF7WII	Tech
Dowell, William L	KF7WIJ	Tech
James, Michael K	KF7WIH	Tech
Jones, Daniel D	KF7WIK	Tech
Sohl, Ian A	KF7WIG	Tech

Utah Hamfest July 2012 (bryce Canyon - Ruby Inn) www.UtahHamfest.org

Club Badges

OARC Club badges are still available for all club members and non-members.

The cost is \$8.00 each. You can order the badge with either a "PIN" clip or a "MAGNETIC" clip.

Badge includes your Call Sign in large letters and your First Name in a somewhat smaller font in white lettering on a pitch black background. See example below.



Place your order along with \$8.00 in advance for each badge ordered and specify Pin or Magnet style fastener, Call Sign and First Name.

Contact any club officer via email or see them at the next club meeting. See web site www.ogdenarc.org "Club Officers" page.

Club Swapmeet

"SALE" or "WANTED" ITEMS NEEDED

OARC's O-bay (On-Line Swap-Meet) items needed for the web site...

Visit http://www.ogdenarc.org/ then click on Obay-Swap.

HOBBY NEWS

FCC Downgrades Hawaiian Ham's License

On June 18, the FCC issued an <u>Order of Modification</u>, modifying the license class of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician. This stems from an <u>Order Proposing Modification released in March 2012</u> where the <u>FCC stated</u> that granting General class Amateur Radio operator privileges to Wilson was õimproper.ö

In November 2011, the ARRL VEC sent an electronic data file to the FCC, requesting that the FCC issue a Wilson a new General class license. Based on this application, the FCC granted Wilson a General class license on November 29, 2011. In January 2012, the ARRL VEC notified the FCC that Wilsonøs information was incorrect and he did not qualify for a General class license; the ARRL VEC asked the FCC to modify Wilsonøs license to show him to hold a Technician class license.

The FCC said that Section 316(a)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended õprovides the appropriate vehicle for resolving this matter. Section 316(a) permits the Commission to modify a station license if the action will promote the public interest, convenience, and necessity. We believe that modification of the license for amateur station WH6DWF to replace General class operator privileges with Technician class operator privileges is appropriate.ö

In accordance with <u>Section 1.87(a)</u> of the FCC¢ Rules, the FCC noted that it would not issue a *Modification Order* until Wilson has received notice and has had an opportunity to file a protest. He was given until April 14 -- 30 days -- to protest the modification to his license by submitting a written statement owith sufficient evidence to show that the modification would not be in the public interest. When Wilson did not respond within the 30 day timeframe, the FCC said that Wilson is odeemed to have consented to the proposed modification. Based on the record before us, we conclude that it is in the public interest to modify the license for Amateur Radio Service Station WH6DWF by changing the authorized operating privileges from General class to Technician class.ö

MORE HOBBY NEWS

ENFORCEMENT: BRUNEI GOING AFTER UNLICENSED MOBILE OPERATORS

The Brunei government says that it is cracking down on anyone found operating amateur radio gear without government authorization. Members of that nation's citizenry who are convicted of illegal use of amateur radio equipment without a license from the Authority for Info-communications Technology Industry of Brunei Darussalam or AITI will face a maximum fine of 10,000 Brunei dollars, up to three years imprisonment, or both.

This new anti pirate operating campaign appears aimed primarily at those unlicensed individuals who use mobile gear on the VHF and UHF amateur bands. It was announced by the AITI during a briefing on the first of several joint operations with the Berakas Police to crack down on illegal use of radio equipment. The operations involved a dedicated corps of sixteen police personnel and seven AITI officials. (Borneo Bulletin)

RADIO LAW: DJ6SI VS. GREECE - THE COURT DECISION

A court decision in the case of DXer Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, who stood trial last week in Greece on three charges involving his operation of an amateur radio station on the vacation island of Kos. The three crimes he was eventually charged with were conducting radio traffic without permission from the Greek Government. Operating a transceiver that covered more spectrum than just the ham radio bands permitted by Greece and his refusal to surrender his equipment to the officer who investigated the incident.

According to a note posted to the Internet by his attorney, Drobnica was acquitted on counts 1 and 2 after the court ruled that he was a properly licensed radio amateur. However he was convicted on the third count of refusing to surrender his equipment to the arresting officer.

No word of what penalties if any were imposed on the single count conviction. However his lawyer is reported to already have filed an appeal on count three and the court is expected to hold a separate trial on this issue at a later date.

Please keep in mind that this report is based on multiple language translations beginning in Greek with some of it electronic. As you all know, the latter have been known to leave you wondering if the translation is completely accurate. One report in translated English is on-line at tinyurl.com/dj6si-verdict. (SV5BYR)

GUEST ARTICLE

By Dan KB6NU

Dayton Hamvention 2012: Another great ham radio experience

My Dayton experience started at 3:45 am Thursday morning. That's when I had to get up so that I could make it to the Fairborn Holiday Inn in time for the first session of this year's Four Days in May (FDIM) conference. FDIM is a one-day conference put on by the QRP Amateur Radio Club International (http://qrparci.org/) and is a great way to start the "Dayton experience."

This year, we were treated to six very fine presentations. They included talks on using microcontrollers for various projects, software-defined radio, VHF and UHF for QRPers, homebrewing with "hollow state" devices (more commonly known as tubes), using open-source electronic design tools, and operating pedestrian mobile. The two talks that I enjoyed the most were "Hollow State (Thermatron) Homebrewing" by Grayson, TA2ZGE/KJ7UM and "Leveraging Free and Open Source Tools in Homebrewing" by Jason, NT7S.

Friday morning, I got up early again, so that I could make the 7:30am bus to the Hamvention. We arrived about 8:00 am, just as the gates were opening. The first thing that I did was to head to the FAR Circuits tent, which is—as the name implies—at the far end of the flea market. There, I made my first purchases, a board to make a regenerative receiver and one to make an audio breakout box.

The rest of the day was a combination of wandering the aisles of the outdoor flea market, fighting the crowds inside the arena, attending seminars, and meeting people that I know. By the time, 4:30 pm rolled around, I was pretty hot and tired. Temperatures topped 80 degrees, and on the blacktop surface of the flea market, temperatures were undoubtedly higher. I was happy to get on the bus and head back to the hotel.

Saturday, was pretty much the same story, except it was even hotter. The temperature almost hit 90 degrees. I didn't bring any sunscreen, either, so I got a little rosy.

I ran into some people that I knew that had just come down for the day, or perhaps that I'd missed the day before. One guy I ran into at the Ohio Repeater Council booth, pulled out his new Elecraft KX-3 and gave me a quick demo. It's actually quite a cool, little radio. I'm still saving up for a K-3, though.

Around noon, I went to the food court for a slice of pizza and a glass of beer. Seating is catch as catch can, so I shared a table with several other hams. This is great because you get to meet all kinds of different people.

This year, an older gentleman sat down next to me with his beer. We got to chatting, and as it turned out, this was his 55th straight year attending the Dayton Hamvention! He started going before it was even held at Hara Arena, and even after they moved to Hara, they didn't use the entire facility as they do now. I'm really glad that I got to speak with him.

So, what did you buy?

I didn't really go down to Dayton with much of a shopping list. In addition to the PC boards, I did pick up a bunch of other little stuff including some strain reliefs, more clamp-on ferrite cores, a paddle pad from Vibroplex (\$1) to keep the paddle down at the club station from sliding around, and some tube sockets! One of the vendors there had a box of tube sockets that they were selling for a quarter apiece or five for a dollar. I picked out five and paid the lady, and as I was walking away, I decided that they were such a good deal that I went back and bought five more.

My biggest purchase was NT7S's OpenBeacon QRSS transmitter (www.etherkit.com). It cost me \$40. It looks like a very nice kit, and I'm hoping to be on 30m QRSS shortly with it. The nice thing about this transmitter is that it has a microcontroller that lets it transmit DFCW and Hellschreiber, in addition to CW. It should be fun to both build and operate.

Too rich for my blood

In other news, both Kenwood and FlexRadio both introduced new radios at Dayton. Perhaps the most buzz was around the Kenwood TS-990. All they were showing was a prototype under a Plexiglass cover. In addition to being incredibly expensive, the radio is huge! I heard someone joke that to produce this radio, Kenwood is going to have to corner the market on buttons and knobs. If you've seen the photo in QST (which was allegedly produced with Photoshop), you'll know what I mean.

The other radio with a bit of buzz is the new FlexRadio FLEX-6000. For the past couple of weeks, the FlexRadio website was proclaiming that this radio was going to be a game changer. Perhaps it is, but at \$6,000+, this radio is out of my league, and too expensive for the majority of radio amateurs. That being the case, I really don't know what all the buzz is about.

I'm sure that the TS-990 and the FLEX-6000 are both great radios, but I think that the law of diminishing returns applies here. At some point, are you really getting \$6,000 or \$12,000 of fun out of the radio? I don't think that I would.

Well, that's it. Another Dayton Hamvention is in the bag. It was a lot of fun, and I'm already looking forward to next year. I've already contacted one of the forum organizers about adding an adult education forum. I think that's something that's both needed and would be popular. I'll just have to make sure to leave enough time to hit the flea market and grab some more tube sockets or coax or whatever.

When he's not tromping around flea markets, or attending conferences, Dan, KB6NU, writes books about ham radio. His latest, 21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License, is available as an e-book from Amazon, Barnes&Noble, or from his website, http://www.kb6nu.com/. You can e-mail him with comments, questions, compliments, or brickbats at cwgeek@kb6nu.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Club Meeting: Sat/Sun 23/24 June 2012

 The Ogden Amateur Radio Club meetings are usually held on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Time: Sat Noon to Sun Noon

Location: Marriott Park

Topic: ARRL Field Day Event

• Talk-in: -146.90 (pl 123.0)

Check OARC web site for details www.ogdenarc.org

- Please invite a friend to join you. You do not have to be a member of the club to participate in our club meetings or activities. We invite all to join us.
- If anyone is interested in doing a presentation on something or just have something unique to show at the meetings. Please get a hold of any of the officers and let us know.

Next Weber Co VE Test Session: 1st Wednesday 06 June 2012

• Exam sessions are held in Ogden every few months, *usually* the first Wednesday in February, June, and October.

Time: 05:00 PM Walk-ins allowed

Location: New for June & October 2012

Ogden Public Safety Building 2186 Lincoln Ave Ogden Utah

Contact: VE Liaison:

Mary Hazard

w7ue@arrl.net (801-430-0306)

Rick Morrison

morrisonri@msn.com (801-791-9364)

Cost: \$ 14.00

Two forms of ID, one of which must be a picture ID.

For "Upgrades" bring current license and a copy of current license, and any CSCE's

Most **calculators** allowed. Calculator memories must be cleared before use.

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Club Call Sign

Listen to the club repeaters for this very familiar CW ID. You do know Morse Code don't you?

W7SU

ARRL Field Day is held on the last full weekend of June every year.

Location may vary each year so watch this notice for details as time draws near. See you there.

OARC REPEATERS			
FREQ	CLUB	TONE	LOCATION
146.820- 448.600-	OARC OARC	123.0 123.0	Mt Ogden Mt Ogden
448.000-	UARC	123.0	Wit Oguen
146.900-	OARC "Talk-in"	123.0	Little Mtn (w/auto patch)
448.575-	OARC	100.0	Little Mtn (w/auto patch)

OTHER AREA REPEATERS			
FREQ	CLUB	TONE	LOCATION
146.620-	UARC	none	Farnsworth Pk
147.120+	UARC	100.0	Farnsworth Pk
449.100-	UARC	146.2	Farnsworth Pk
449.500-	UARC	100.0	Farnsworth Pk
ATV	UARC	Ch-58	Farnsworth Pk
147.040+	DCARC	123.0	Antelope Isl
447.200-	DCARC	127.3	Antelope Isl
449.925-	DCARC	100.0	No Salt Lake
145.290-	GSARC	123.0	Brigham City
145.430-	GSARC	123.0	Brigham City
147.220+	GSARC	123.0	Brigham City
448.300-	GSARC	123.0	Brigham City
146.640-	BARC	none	Logan
146.720-	BARC	103.5	Mt Logan
147.260+	BARC	103.5	Promontory Pt
449.625-	BARC	103.5	Mt Logan
145.250-	WSU	123.0	* coming soon
449.250-	WSU	123.0	* coming soon
145.490-	K7HEN	123.0	Promontory Pt
146.920-	N7TOP	123.0	Promontory Pt
449.775-	N7TOP	123.0	Promontory Pt
448.825-	IRLP/Echo	123.0	Clearfield City
449.950-	IRLP	123.0	Clearfield City
449.425-	IRLP	100.0	Nelson Peak
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147.360+	Summit	100.0	Lewis Peak
	County		

AREA CLUB MEETINGS & WEB SITES			
CLUB	WEB SITE	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
OgdenARC	ogdenarc.org	3 rd Saturday 09:00 am	Check OARC web site
WC ARES	ogdenarc.org/	2 nd Thursday 06:30 pm	Weber Co. Library
	join.html#ares		Ogden Utah
WC Sheriff		1 st Saturday 10:00 am	Weber Co. Sheriff Complex
Comm-O			West 12 th Street Ogden Utah
Barc	barconline.org	2 nd Saturday 10:00 am	Cache Co. Sheriffs Complex
			200 North 1400 West Logan Ut
CSERG	dcarc.net	Last Wednesday 8:30pm	Clearfield City Hall
	/ares.htm/		Clearfield Utah
DCarc	dcarc.net	2 nd Saturday 10:00 am	Davis Co. Sheriff Complex
			Farmington Utah
NU Ares	home.comcast.	3 rd Wednesday 7:00 pm	Cache Co. Sheriff Office
	net/~noutares/		Logan Utah
Uarc	xmission.com	1st Thursday 7:30 pm	UofU EMC Bldg Room 101
	/~uarc/		Salt Lake City Utah
G Sarc	Ubetarc.org	Check Website	Check Website
Utah DX	udxa.org	3 rd Wednesday	check web page for details
Association		check web page for details	Salt Lake City area
UvhfS	ussc.com	Each Tuesday 8:00 pm	Weekly 2 meter net
	/~uvhfs/	(refer to web site)	(no eye ball meetings)
WDArc	westdesertarc.	1 st Tuesday 7:00 pm	Tooele County Courthouse
	org/		Tooele Utah
WsuArc	arcweber.edu	3 rd Thursday 5:30 pm	WSU Blding #4 Room ?
			Ogden Utah

LOCAL AREA NETS			
DATE	CLUB	FREQ	
Daily @ 12:30 PM mt	Utah Beehive net HF	7.272 Mhz HF LSB	
Daily @ 07:30 PM mt	Utah Code net HF	3.570 Mhz HF CW	
Daily @ 02:00 UTC	Utah Farm net HF	3.937 Mhz HF LSB	
Sunday @ 8:45 AM	Ogden Old Timers HF net	7.193 Mhz HF LSB	
Sunday @ 7:30 PM	GS ARC	145.430 - 123.0 (training net)	
Sunday @ 8:30 PM	SATERN Net	145.900 - 123.0	
Sunday @ 9:00 PM	Morgan Co Net	147.060 = simplex	
Sunday @ 9:00 PM	UARC Info net	146.620- no PL tone required	
Monday @ 9:00 PM	2-meter SSB net	144.250 Mhz 2-meter USB	
Tuesday @ 8:00 PM	Weber ARES	448.600 - 123.0	
Tuesday @ 8:00 PM	VHF Society Swap	147.120 + 100.0	
Tuesday @ 9:00 PM	Bridgerland ARC	147.260 + 103.5	
Wednesday @ 8:00 PM	GS ARC	145.290-, 145.430-, 448.300- (all 123.0)	
Wednesday @ 8:30 PM	CSERG	145.770 simplex	
Wednesday @ 9:00 PM	No. Utah 10m HF net	28.313 Mhz HF USB	
Wednesday @ 9:00 PM	6-meter SSB net	50.125 Mhz 6-meter USB	
Thursday @ 6:30 PM	Davis Co Elmers Net	147.040 + 123.0 New Hams	
Thursday @ 8:00 PM	Weber State ARC	146.820 - 123.0 (coming soon)	
Thursday @ 8:00PM	State RACES VHF/IRLP	145.490 - 123.0, 146.680 - 123.0	
	D 4 1000	3 rd Thursday - even months only	
Thursday @ 8:30 PM	Davis ARES	147.420 = simplex	
Thursday @ 9:00PM	Wasatch Back Net	147.360 + 100.0	
G + 1	DA CERC CLA AVE	2.020.141 HELGD	
Saturday @ 8:00AM mst	RACES State HF	3.920 Mhz HF LSB	
C-4	OCWA4 HE	3 rd Saturday – odd months only	
Saturday @ 11:00AM mst	QCWA net HF	7.272 Mhz HF LSB	

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