



Loveland Repeater Association Newsletter

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The official organ of the Loveland Repeater Association, a non-profit organization supporting all aspects of Amateur Radio in the Loveland, Colorado area.

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FM Repeaters

2 Meters (NØRQV).....147.195 MHz + (147.795 MHz input), 100 Hz Subtone (1* on, 0* off)

440 (NØRQV).....449.575 MHz – (444.575 MHz input), 100 Hz Subtone (1* on, 0* off)

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Club meetings are held the first Saturday of each month at the Wayside Inn in Berthoud , CO (505 Mountain Ave (US 287), 970-532-2013). An optional \$6.00 breakfast buffet begins at 8 AM. The meeting starts promptly at 9 AM.

Visitors are welcome. Come join us!

Next Meeting: Saturday, December 1st

President’s Corner

From Ted Cline, NØRQV

Both repeaters are working. Everything is just ducky.

Thanks to Dave Cheney W0MAY for his Russ Farnsworth talk at the November meeting.

Thanks to help from our past LRA presidents, Carl Sheldon N0HMY, Brian Wood W0DZ, and Duff Dyer W0XYZ, I was able to fill out and return the Colorado Council of Amateur Radio Clubs (CCARC) Repeater System Evaluation forms for our 147.195+ and 449.575- MHz repeaters.

I was sad to hear of the recent death of Kent Douglass KA0TTH.

Come join us at this Sat-December-1 meeting. We will continue the 2002 LRA dues collection, and the sign-up for the Fri-Dec-7 LRA Christmas Dinner.

Secretary/Treasurer—Ron (WØOSK) and
Jody Klein(NØAJB)

Minutes of November 3rd Meeting From Jody Klein, NØAJB

There were 32 members and guests present.

Reports:

Treasurer: Ron reported changing the club account to the US Bank. Checks are returned free of charge. Dues for next year are currently being accepted. Regarding joining the ARRL to the club's benefit, this applies only if you are rejoining after a 2 year lapse or if you have never belonged. The club receives \$15 for each person joining in these cases.

Newsletter: E-mail will get it to you sooner. Please be sure to let Walt know if you change your ISP or e-mail address. (Please let Ron and Jody know also so we can keep the membership roster current.) Walt again mentioned that contributions are always welcome.

Interference: Some has been noticed at Taft and Eisenhower. It may be related to a neon sign at that intersection. Some has also been noticed by Danny's place—37th and 287. I-25 from Budweiser to Wellington causes interference on radar X band, none has been reported on ham frequencies.

Old Business:

The Christmas Dinner will be December 7th. A final count will be needed the week of the dinner. Cost is \$18 per person. Rick, WB7THT, is the contact for reservations and other arrangements. See separate article for details

Hamfests: The Golden Hamfest was a good one. No other hamfests are presently scheduled.

New Business:

CCARC is working on revising the repeater maps.

Election of officers for 2001 were held:
President—Ted Cline, NØRQV
Vice-president—Tom Levendusky,

Dave, WØMAY spoke on the Russ Farnsworth code course, and gave an interesting talk about the life of his friend Russ.

Treasurer's Report for November, 2001 From Ron Klein, WØOSK

Our membership roster was stable in November, with current membership renewals for 2002 beginning to come in. Our bank balance was \$___ on November 25, 2001.

The change of bank to US Bank (29th street location) is now complete and the old Key Bank account has been closed. This will save us some money and provide a much better level of service without having to worry about minimum balances and other inconveniences resulting from the Key Bank practices and account restrictions.

We are in solid financial shape with income from forthcoming dues for 2002 renewals to further replenish the treasury.

Details of account activity through November 25, 2001 are shown in the following table:

Beginning Balance as of 10/30/01	
Credits	
Dues (2002)	
50/50 (Oct. meeting)	
Total Credits	
Debits	
Public Service	
Qwest	
Bank Charges	
Bookkeeping correction	
Total Debits	
New Balance as of 11/25/01	

Notes: The Bookkeeping correction is a one-time adjustment to reconcile some unknown and long-standing (probably years worth) errors in

bookkeeping. Everything now reconciles with our bank records.

Renewal Time

I am now accepting dues for 2002 with approximately 12 renewals received thus far. Dues remain \$20.00. You can either see me at one of our meetings or drop the money in the mail to the PO Box. In either case, if you could provide an updated information sheet along with your renewal, it will allow me to keep your records current. That way you will be assured of continuing to receive Walt's world class newsletter and all the other great benefits of LRA membership!

New ARRL Memberships through the LRA

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, if you decide to join the ARRL and have either never belonged, or have not belonged to the ARRL for the last 2 years, the LRA can get a \$15 rebate if you join through the club.

I now have the needed forms and have clarified how this is to work, and will be able to help you with that at future club meetings. So, if you'd like to do this, contact me at the club meeting, or by phone or email.

As I said last month, I'd encourage everyone to consider joining the ARRL. In my opinion, it is the only group who can effectively represent our interests against all those who would take away our frequencies so that they can use them instead! Like it or not, if we don't lobby effectively, it is just a matter of time before the privileges we now enjoy will probably no longer be available to us.

Request for Assistance !!

From Dennis Agosta W0DSA

The Physics Department at Colorado State University has obtained a Hallicrafters Model SX-42 receiver that they would like to use for class demonstrations. Unfortunately, the radio is not working and they are looking for someone to help repair it. When power is applied, all of the dials and tubes light, but no sound comes through the

speaker. At least one of the tubes appears to be arcing. The department does have a fairly large collection of tubes so finding needed replacements may not be a problem. If you are willing to help, please contact Dennis Agosta (W0DSA) at agostads@lamar.colostate.edu.

Loveland Repeater Association Christmas Dinner From Rick Kile, WB7THT wb7tht@earthlink.net

Reminder !!!!!

When: Friday, December 7, 2001, Cocktails at 6:30 PM (cash bar), dinner at 7:00 PM

Where: The Wayside Inn, Berthoud, CO

Cost: \$18 per person. Price includes tax and gratuity.

Would you like to get your newsletter via email?

44 of you have already signed up! Thanks. If you sent me an email, but still got a hard copy, please email again. Find out what's happening with LRA a day or two sooner – sometimes even BEFORE the monthly meeting! Just send Walt an email at walter@ezlink.com and I'll add your email address to the monthly list. It's fast, it's simple and it will save your club much \$\$\$ (First class postage is up to \$.34 now!) The .pdf trial last month was a great success! Not one problem reported, even from the UNIX crowd!

Walt, KCØFGT

Upcoming Swapfest Information

ARRLWeb offers on-line hamfest calendar: Need to know when and where the next hamfest or convention is? Visit the new ARRL Hamfest and Convention Database at <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html>.

LRA Classified Section:

Looking for new home:
Alinco DJ-C1, small 300 mW hand held 2M rig.
Price: negotiable. Kerry Miller
Phone: (970) 667-0822
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 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME		CALL	
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
PHONE	LICENSE CLASS	UNDER 18 Y N	ARRL MEMBER Y N
PACKET ADDRESS		E-MAIL ADDRESS	

DUES: Family Membership \$20.00 *NEW FAMILY MEMBERS ARE*
 Under 18 \$ 5.00 *PRO-RATED AT \$1.75/MONTH*
 USE BACK OF FORM FOR ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS

INCLUDES 2 **FREE** MACROS

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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO **LRA**

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TOTAL ENCLOSED DUES
