



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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Club repeaters

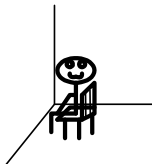
2 Meters (W0HDD).....147.195 MHz+ (147.795 input), 100Hz subtone, (1* on, 0* off)
 70 Centimeters (W0HDD).....449.575 MHz- (444.575 input), 100Hz subtone, (1* on, 0* off)

General repeater maintenance...TBA

Repeater macros..... Bert Kolts AB0VI, 970-667-1841, kolts1@msn.com

Interference Coordinator..... Virgil Leenerts W0INK, _____

President's corner



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

July, 2005

Happy Independence Day!

Michael, N7MR who managed the Tour De Cure sent his sincere thanks for the use of the 195 for the event. He said the machine worked flawlessly and had great sensitivity for HTs and their back country use. They asked if they could cross band all of their remote traffic to the repeater next year. Now, Bert and I

need to study the macros to learn how to turn off the squelch tail for cross band repeat.

Speaking of macros and repeater controller programming, we will be changing the repeater ID's to W0FT. Thanks to the research of Chris Howard (formerly KC0ATC, now W0EP), W0FT became available and W0HDD is now W0FT. Chris had FT tied up as his second choice. Since the previous EP is silent key, Chris knew that EP would be granted and that FT would be available so I applied and exactly 18 days later W0FT was granted. Thanks go to www.vanityhq.com. They do a great job of showing call availability and tracking the 2 year waiting period for pending available calls. There is not

much in 1x2 calls coming up over the next several years. Searching for silent keys is the only real way to find this configuration.

Weather, schedules and equipment have prevented the coordination of a schedule for the repeater site RFI re-measure. I am available for 4x4 transportation anytime after Field Day.

The LRA Field Day spin-off, the Colorado Mountain Moguls are gearing up this week for FD. It should be old news by the time you receive this, hopefully we will be competitive this year. Loosing first place in 4A to the Icom/Microsoft team was tough last year. The weather reports look a little shaky for setup and initial operations. Many thanks go to Jim Crowder, NØHBX for the use of the site.

June's Front Range Ham pizza bash was a complete success....even if we did not have pizza. Randy and Betty (KC0ELL AND KC0ELO) offered us a deal on pizza bagels at their Gib's NY Bagels restaurant. They were great and so was the company. If you would like information on the quarterly Ham pizza dinners, drop me a line.

Summer is upon us. It is time to start looking for next year's slate of club officers. If you have an interest in managing the club please send me an email (rstrieby@colomail.com) or make it known at the club meeting.

73,
Rob,
WØFT

From The Vice President's Shack:

I hope that everyone is having a great summer this year. The 4th of July weekend is coming up soon and for our July meeting we have a very special program. Ellie, N0QCX, has graciously offered to share some of her early life experiences with us. For those of you who might not be familiar with her background, Ellie was one of the few who were fortunate enough to have escaped the horrors of the Nazi regime. On this anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, we should take time to remember who we are and why this country was formed. Freedom is a precious commodity and it should never be taken for granted.

Minutes of 4 June, 2005 Meeting From Rick Kile, WB7THT

The meeting was brought to order by President Rob Strieby, W0FT, with 23 people present.

Following introductions, Rick Kile, WB7THT reviewed the Treasury Report and Meeting Minutes as published in the newsletter.

Repeater Status: Rob Strieby, W0FT, reported the digi-peater is down. The Kantronics TNC drops the contents of internal memory after about 3 hours of operation and will need to be sent in for repairs.

ARES: Nothing To Report

Interference: LP Broadband was scheduled to make repairs to their equipment at the repeater site in May. Virgil Leenerts will schedule a trip to the

site to take new measurements next week if weather permits.

Newsletter Status: John Siefers, W0GMJ, has taken over club newsletter duties. You can send John newsletter articles at: _____

Old Business: Rick Kile, WB7THT, reviewed membership status for the year. Several options were discussed including removal of long distance service, removal of the phone line altogether, and funding repeater maintenance activities out of the savings account. Bottom line is we need to increase membership to around 55 paid members to sustain our current rate of expenditures.

New Business: Nothing To Report

Announcements:

The Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association (PPRAA) swapfest is 11 June at Lewis-Palmer High School in Monument.

Pizza Night at Fibb's Bagels on Wednesday from 5-8 PM.

Rick Kile, WB7THT, read a short letter from Clyde Glass, N0CG. Clyde had a pacemaker installed in March and is currently of the air until he can identify his RF exposure limits.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Rick Kile, WB7THT who donated the \$17 prize to the club.

Program:

In lieu of a formal program we had a general discussion on a number of topics including local VEC schedules (noted

below), the Dayton Hamvention, and the BARC Jrs presentations at the youth forum. VE Test Schedules:

K00J
2nd Saturday of even months at 1300

W0MBH
2nd Saturday of odd months at 0800

Treasurer's Report for July, 2005

From Rick Kile, WB7THT

Details of monthly account activity through 23 June, 2005 are shown below.

Cash Flow Report – June, 2005	
Credits	
50/50 (June)	
Silent Auction (May)	
Total Credits	
Debits	
Xcel Energy – (June)	
Qwest - (May)	
Total Debits	
Net Monthly Cash Flow	
Account Balances as of 23 June 2005:	
<i>Repeater Fund Savings Acct</i>	
<i>General Fund Checking</i>	
Obligated Funds:	
<i>Nothing to report</i>	
Total obligations	

Available General Fund Cash as of 23 June 2005	
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Please see Rick Kile, WB7THT at a club meeting or mail your renewal to the club PO Box to renew your club membership for 2005.

Membership Renewal Status From Rick Kile, WB7THT

During calendar year 2004 the club reached a peak of 66 paid members, 24 family members, and 2 special members (Jim Crowder and Fred Wenninger). As of 23 June 2005 we have received renewals totaling 47 paid members and 18 family members plus our 2 special members.

Upcoming Swapfest information

The ARRLWeb offers an on-line hamfest calendar: Need to know the time and location of the next hamfest or convention? Visit the ARRL Hamfest and Convention page on the internet at: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html>

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LOVELAND REPEATER ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME		CALL	
ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP
PHONE	LICENSE CLASS	UNDER 18 Y N	ARRL MEMBER Y N
HOW DO YOU WANT NEWSLETTER? E-mail(preferred) <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Mail <input type="checkbox"/>		E-MAIL ADDRESS	

DUES: Family Membership \$25.00 *NEW FAMILY MEMBERS ARE INCLUDED.*
 Under 18 \$ 5.00 *PRO-RATED AT \$2.10/MONTH*

*****USE BACK OF FORM FOR ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS*****

INCLUDES 2 *FREE* MACROS

Contact: Rick Kile, 970-962-9179

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TOTAL ENCLOSED DUES
