



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

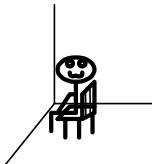
2 Meters (W0HDD).....147.195 MHz+ (147.795 input), 100Hz subtone, (1* on, 0* off)
 70 Centimeters (W0HDD).....449.575 MHz- (444.575 input), 100Hz subtone, (1* on, 0* off)

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

August, 2005

Editor's note:

This month's President's Corner has been delayed due to a direct lightening strike at W0FT's residence. We took a direct lightening strike to the house in the storm two days ago. It blew two holes in the roof and took out all the networking and most of the computer equipment. I am rebuilding the system.

Hope to see all of you at the meeting.

73,
Rob Strieby
W0FT

Minutes of 2 July, 2005 Meeting From Rick Kile, WA7BNG

The meeting was brought to order by Vice President Bert Kolts, AB0VI, with 18 people present.

Following introductions, Rick Kile, WA7BNG, reviewed the Treasury Report and Meeting Minutes as published in the newsletter.

Old Business:

Rick Kile, WA7BNG, talked about membership status for the year. Bottom line is we need to increase membership. Rick asked everyone to seek out potential new or renewing members.

Rick also gave a quick review of Field Day 2005 from a Colorado Mountain Moguls perspective.

Bert Kolts, AB0VI, reminded everyone that LRA elections are coming up in the October/November timeframe and asked everyone to be thinking of nominations.

ARES: Nothing To Report

Interference: No change in status. 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: [_____](#).

New Business: Nothing To Report

Announcements:

The 50/50 drawing was won by Ellie Van Winkle, N0QCX. Ellie kept \$7 and \$7 went to the club.

Program:

Our program was presented by Ellie Van Winkle, N0QCX. She described her experiences as a child in Germany and her family's escape to America. For

those who missed the presentation I can only say you missed a great one.

Treasurer's Report for August, 2005

From Rick Kile, WA7BNG

Details of monthly account activity through 29 July, 2005 are shown below.

Cash Flow Report – July, 2005	
Credits	
50/50 (July)	
Total Credits	
Debits	
Xcel Energy – (July)	
Qwest - (June)	
Total Debits	
Net Monthly Cash Flow	
Account Balances as of 29 July 2005:	
<i>Repeater Fund Savings Acct</i>	
<i>General Fund Checking</i>	
Total obligations	
Available General Fund Cash as of 29 July 2005	

Membership Renewal Status

From Rick Kile, WA7BNG

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 30 May 2005 we have received

renewals totaling 46 paid members and 18 family members plus our 2 special members.

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

Call Update

**From Rick Kile, WA7BNG
(formerly WB7THT)**

Several years ago my father became a Silent Key. After much thought, I recently submitted a request to the FCC for my father's call, WA7BNG. He held that call since 1965, the only call he ever had. In early July the FCC acted on my request and updated my license. If you hear me on the air but don't recognize the call now you know why.

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>

HAMCON 2006 Convention

It is hard to imagine that Hamcon 2006, the ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention, is less than one year away! Your Hamcon 2006 committee, made up of representatives from many amateur radio organizations across the state, is fully engaged in detailed planning and preparation. We're excited! We're planning for Hamcon 2006 to be even better than Hamcon 2003! That's a lofty goal and heavy responsibility, but the dedicated hams who attend deserve nothing less!!!

Hamcon 2006 will be held on June 9-11, 2006, at the Holiday Inn in beautiful Estes Park, Colorado. This venue is attractive for lots of reasons, not the least of which include the incredibly beautiful surroundings, great room rates, a wonderful facility and an extremely supportive hotel staff. As well, holding this convention outside Colorado Springs or Denver affords us a unique opportunity to get away from all our daily responsibilities for a few days, to focus as a group on important aspects of our service and our hobby in Amateur Radio. Plus, we can be together in the evenings and the early mornings, rather than commuting to and from our homes, building friendships and operational relationships that benefit Ham Radio and all that it serves!

The Holiday Inn has a limited number of rooms available for us, but the good news is that you can book your rooms beginning now until May 19, 2006! Why not book your room right now to avoid any disappointment in being able to stay there! Our rate is only \$82 + tax per night, single or double occupancy. And, for those who'd like to include a vacation around the convention, this great rate is good for up to 3 days before, and 3 days after the convention!!! To receive the special rate, you must call the Estes Park Holiday Inn directly at 1-800-803-7837, and ask for the "ARRL" Room Rate. Do not make your reservations using the national Holiday Inn reservation phone system or the Holiday Inn web site, as these likely won't have any knowledge of the special ARRL room rate. Don't delay, book your room today!



Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH

FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, will be our featured banquet speaker. Hollingsworth is no stranger to Amateur Radio Operators the world over. Since 1998, Hollingsworth has restored pride to Amateur Radio through strong enforcement actions, major 9/11 response and countless operating hours during hurricane season. Hollingsworth publicly states that Amateur Radio is the "only truly fail-safe communication service on the planet Earth." He is a strong ally of Ham Radio at the FCC! Bob Heil, K9EID, of Heil Sound is expected as well, and will conduct his

awesome technical sessions on the science of audio.

The dynamite program for Hamcon 2006 will also include great technical talks and forums, a ladies luncheon, a fox hunt, outstanding prizes (and lots of them!), opportunities to operate W1AW/0, a sumptuous banquet, a broad cross-section of big-name manufacturers and distributors, and more. Of course, no convention would be complete without the time-honored Wouff Hong ceremony at midnight on Saturday! You just won't want to miss this Hamcon!

Please drop me an email about any thoughts, desires or questions about the convention. We're always looking for people to help out at the convention, and to help in many pre-convention efforts. Please let me know if you'd like to help out! We can definitely put you to work! My email address is k0srw@arrl.net and I'd love to hear from you!

Make plans to attend the convention now!

73,

Steve Williams, KØSRW

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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
