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ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
JANUARY NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

DECEMBER	29	SOCIAL AT ELMENDORF GOLF COURSE SNACK BAR (ASK AT POST ROAD ENTRANCE) 7:30 PM $7.95 each T-Bone STEAK
JANUARY	5	GENERAL CLUB MEETING 7 PM CONSORTIUM LIBRARY UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA CAMPUS
JANUARY	9	PARKA MEETS AT LUCY'S 301 OCEANVIEW DRIVE
JANUARY	18	BOARD MEETING KL7IPV'S HOUSE
JANUARY	19	SOCIAL TIME AND PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED

NETS

ARES.....WEEKLY	THURSDAY	8 PM	146.52
SNIPER.....DAILY		6 PM	3.920
SCUREDUGH.....MON-FRI		6:30 PM	3.915
GRUBSTAKE.....DAILY		7:30 PM	3.940
SEASAW.....DAILY		4:30 PM	3.900
OK ASSN.....DAILY		7:30 PM	3.895
ALASKA PACIFIC ROLL CALL	MON-FRI	8:30 AM	14.292

CLUB PHONE

Call 344-2835 for more or less up to date club activity. If you have committee meetings that have more than a days notice put them on the tape. Call Lucy 249-4891 to put stuff on the tape.

SOCIAL

The December 29 social at the snack bar on Elmendorf needs reservations by the 27th. Please call Lucy, 349-4891. Last month it was labeled an "adult" party. This is not necessarily so but the menu is T-Bone Steak at 7.95 a head.

The January social may be a tour of FAA facilities if plans go through. Unfortunately I do not have complete info at this time so please listen to club tape 344-2835 or call me, Lucy 349-4891. It will be on January 19 at 7.

Speaking of Socials, we certainly enjoyed having the ones brave enough to come to our open house. Sorry that we didn't see all of you. Connie and I really enjoyed ourselves and hope the guests did too. The sazaracs seemed to dissapear pretty good. I won't mention any names of course but one Happy Fellow Managed to fall off his chair!!!!! By the way I just realized that in the rush to get my Christmas cards off, I sent the out of town ones OK but not a one in Anchorage so please take this as a Christmas, Hanukkah, New Year greeting from Connie and I. Best wishes to one and all.

QST QST ALL INTERESTED AMATEURS

There is a new "repeater" in the Anchorage area, as an experiment in UHF coverage, I've put a cross band repeater on the air.

This repeater ties 146.520 VHF with 446.00 UHF, basically anything heard on 146.52 simplex is simultaniously re-transmitted on 446.00 simplex, And anythingon 446.00 Simplex is simultaniously re-transmitted on 146.52 simplex.

This repeater is open to all amateurs. The equipment is temporarily located at my home QTH south of Dimond Blvd. When I've got all the wiring cleaned up and interconnect systems worked over, we plan to re-locate it on KL7CQ's tower on upper upper Rabbit Creek.

There is a voice ID unit associated with this unit, two fine young ladies have given of their time and voices for this noble purpose.

One thing that I should point out, unlike the "Normal In-band Repeater" such as the 74/94 or 16/76 machines, there is no squelch tail, or carrier delay, that is to say you do not have to wait for the machine to drop the carrier, since there isn't any delay in this system.

If any amatuers have questions about this machine feel free to call me, I'm usually monitoring 146.52 via the link.

73's

Doug Dickinson KL7IKX

You may be wondering why I am using this script typewriter and even if you aren't, I will tell you its cause the OM beat me to the other typewriter!!!!

QSL BUREAU NOTES

As this year rapidly draws to a close both Mother and I want to express our thanks for the very active interest in the bureau by the many hams throughout the state and for their prompt response to enquires by the bureau.

For the upcoming ham and new ham, Congratulations on joining a very interesting and rewarding hobby. A hobby that never grows old, just improves with age, and is so varied that there is something in it for all.

As you start making contacts and the ASL cards begin to arrive at the bureau, we would like very much to have your call letters, name and address and a dollar or two for postage and envelopes, Please do not send SASE's as there isn't room in the files for many different sized envelopes. The bureau obtains envelopes from ARRL at a very reasonable cost and your postage money covers the cost of the envelopes as well as postage. This method works out very well, cleaner files and better service to the hams.

Both Mother and I appreciate the hams stopping by to pick up cards, it gives us a chance to meet you and have a very nice visit-saves on postage and also to try and answer any questions you may have concerning the bureau.

An experiment was tried last year and even though there was very little advance notice given, it was a success so will be continuing it this year. The "Traveling QSL Bureau" Last Field Day found the bureau in Soldatna getting acquainted with the hams in the Kenai-Soldatna area and signing up new hams, even got on the air with a bit of cw the fourth of July in Fairbanks and after getting "lost" and ending up at the Fairbanks Airport and being talked into town on ~~XXX~~ 2 meter 74/94, the bureau set up in the parking lot at Creamer's Field and the response was great. It was a pleasure and even got to visit our grandchildren. More notice will be given this year but another date will be chosen for the Fairbanks jaunt.

The Callbook did it again! After getting the address change noted in the spring and summer supplements, 1978, from Wasilla to Anchorage, comes the fall issue and the Wasilla address again. I wrote to the Callbook company hoping to get this mistake corrected in time for the 1979 Callbook. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Don't know what happened but no correction. Thus incorrect bureau address is at the top of the KL7 listing The bureau address is correct in the

World Wide QSL Bureau section, page 27 of the Callbook. I want to thank Mary, Ed, and Joyce Olendorf for their help in holding the cards until we pick them up or they bring them to us. It is greatly appreciated.

We greatly appreciate the hams notifying the bureau of change of address, also change of call letters. This helps very much.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and hope this year will be the year you get those rare DX contacts you have been trying so hard for. It has been a pleasure and without you hams, the bureau is nothing so keep up the good DXing.

Best 73's
John and Not Bierman
4304 Garfield
Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph. 277-3951

Like to get involved in a repeater, but you don't have a lot of $ or a nice location?? How about helping put together and maintain the new 74/94 machine?? Why not channel some of your excess energy and enthusiasm toward an important amateur public service!!! If you don't help, one of these days 74?94 will be 10-7 or QRT or worse!!!!!
The people to ask about helping with the repeater are Tim KL7IIE or Herb WL7BIL. I know they scare us all cause they got all those smarts but I really think they are looking for energy and enthusiasm to go with their smarts, one without the other doesn't work. I don't think they bite! They sure need help!!!!

BOARD

Bulk mailing of the newsletter was discussed and will be used probably beginning January(February Newsletter).
Elsewhere in this newsletter Fred KL7HFM has written on the FCC monitoring station protection "thing" The board appointed a committee with Herb Holeman and Frank Drake and they will be asking others, to get further info to club members and advise on action to be taken as a group and by individuals.

FRED"S LETTER

"Protection" for FCC monitoring stations seems to be of utmost concern. That's fine! But in Alaska, with the vast acreage under federal control, it would seem most appropriate solution would be for the FCC monitoring station to locate their station in an area which is not directly adjacent to our largest population center.

If an RF quiet environment is needed within 10 miles radius of the monitoring station, then the method of achieving this condition must certainly give cause for alarm to all radio communicatior in the affected area. It has been suggested that radio amateurs whose stations are located within the "Quiet Sphere" could be the unwilling victims of power limitation. This immediately raises several Questions:

1. Why radio amateuers?
2. Is it implied that amateur radio transmitters are a serious cause of spectrum pollution?
3. What about the RF intermodulation products produced by high powered broadcast, FM, and TV transmitters whose signals mix with each other to produce resultant garbage at numerous points in the HF,VHF, and UHF spectrum?
4. Admittedly the FCC cannot control the Pandora's box on 11 meters, so what measures will be taken to limit (or eliminate) the uncontrolled spurious emissions from clandestine "HFers".
5. Is the latest dictatorial edict to be absorbed by the radio amateur community quietly? Are we going to be forced to accept re-regulation instead of de-regulation?

Now is the time for us to protest en masse. The most effective means can be by writing letters and getting the attention and support of local, state and federal officials.

Iditarod February 24, 1978 will be the start of the 1979 Iditarod Race. The Matanuska Amateur Radio Association is sponsoring the communications this year for the race. It will start at Anchorage , weather permitting, and will reatart in Wasilla, at Lake Lucille. 2 Meter , as well as HF check points will be provided along the 1049 Mile Trail, which is now part of the National Park's and Trail System. Anyone interested in this project, either by manning check points, flying or supplying equipment, please contact Don Bush KL7JFT at 376-5854 or Box 831, Wasilla 99687.

The next communication committee meeting will be January 12th 1979

Who sez nobody volunteers in this club. I was firmly convinced on the way to the last meeting that I would have to rant and rave and carry on with tears to get chairman for the three big events coming up, Fun Rondy, Flea Market and Field Day BUT!!!!! I asked for chairman and had them almost before I had the ask out of my mouth. Chairman or I should say Chairmen for both Fun Ronday and Field Day are Bill Reiter, KL7ITI, Tom Moore, KL7QOH and Don Baine, KL7IGE This does not mean that these guys are going to do it all and we can go back to bed. What it does mean is that they will be calling on us for various and sundry things. We should be thinking how we can help and what equipment etc we need. Lets give them the support they need. Chairman for Flea Market is Frank Drake, KL7IPW when he calls on you don't say well maybe or I can't say NOPE!!!!

ADS

Mary, KL7JDI has club patches.....$3.00 each

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ARRL FORUM

This is going to be a short column this month, as I have been QRL with business, etc. However, I have three things to discuss right away.

Since the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club is affiliated with the League, there are certain criteria that must be met in order to maintain the relationship. The most pressing one, which is my responsibility as ARRL Committee Chairman; is that 51 percent of the Club's membership must also belong to ARRL. When I took over the chairmanship last summer, the statistics looked pretty grim-- until I started contacting members not listed in the roster as ARRL members (thank you, Cathi, WL7ABO for your assistance in getting me the requisite information). It became apparent that there were a lot of League members whose status was not listed in the Club's membership records. To keep things straight, I am asking that you League members PLEASE be sure that you indicate your status when you renew your Club membership! It will make my job a lot easier when I make my report to ARRL in late January. If you are not currently a League member and are licensed, I shall be talking to you at the January club meeting.

Re League dues: Nothing has been said for sure yet, but I expect the basic rate for membership to rise sometime in the early part of 1979. Twelve dollars a year ($ 2.00 per additional family member) is surely not too much to pay for being involved in the one organization which exerts as much influence as any regarding FCC and WARC policy toward amateur radio! For those of you under the age of 49 (the age where the statistical minimum life expectancy is 25 years), ARRL Life Membership is something worth looking at. For $300.00 ($0.00 per additional family member) payable in 8 quarterly instalments, you are looking at saving some bucks-- inflation notwithstanding. For those renewing or applying through the Club, we get a small cut off the top, so you would be supporting the AARC as well (does not apply to Life membership apps).

My last comment is directed to a League function that affects just about all of us: the Alaska QSL Bureau. The Callbook people just can't get straight which address is the actual one for the Bureau. John Bierman, KL7GNP, has asked me to request that everyone using the Bureau drop a note of protest and advise to Virginia Twoerk, 925 Sherwood Dr., Lake Bluff, IL 60044. The Bureau's correct address is 4304 Garfield St., Anchorage, AK 99503. The fact that a lot of foreign Bureaux and stateside hams are still using the old Wasilla address is slowing things down considerably for the Biermans.

That's all from this end for this month. I am now QRU and QRV for any comments from any of you regarding League matters. Next month, there will be a few things about League functions of which some of you may be unaware.

For now, 73

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Lea Ball, AL7W
ARRL Committee Chairman
349-1306 or 277-7216

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Your station capabilities: HF_____ VHF_____ UHF_____ MOBILE HF_____ MOBILE VHF_____

AMSAT/OSCAR_____ OTHER_____

Do you have other special interest in amateur radio? MICROPROCESSOR/DIGITAL_____

TRANSMITTER HUNTS_____ FIELD DAY_____ FLEA MARKET_____ OTHER_____

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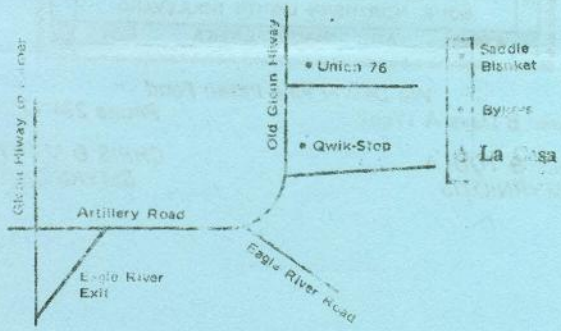

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GENERAL CLASS - ADVANCED CLASS

The University of Alaska and the Anchorage Community College are offering courses in the Spring Semester 1979 for obtaining General or Technician Class and Advanced Class Amateur Radio Licenses.

The University of Alaska is offering the General or Technician Class:

ET-194 Elementary Electronic Fundamentals (Ham Radio) 3 Units

ET-194 will meet on Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m. beginning on January 23, 1979 in the Chugiak High School.

The Anchorage Community College is offering the Advanced Class:

ET-293 Intermediate Electronic Fundamentals (Ham Radio) 3 Units

ET-293 will meet on Thursdays, 7-10 p.m. beginning on January 25, 1979 at Clark Jr. High in Mountain View.

REGISTRATION:

If you plan on taking these courses, sign up early. The classes will be limited in size. For ET-194, call Sam at 694-3172, Eagle River College Center. For ET-293, call Bob Leach at 279-6602, ext. 255.

The required instructional materials for ET-194 are:

1. Amateur Radio Theory Course. AMECO Publishing Corporation.
2. The Radio Amateur's License Manual. ARRL, publisher.

For the Morse code requirement, we strongly recommend the following tapes;

1. Codemaster CM-1 (for speeds up to 9 wpm)
2. Codemaster CM-1½ (for speeds up to 17 wpm)

The required instructional materials for ET-293 are:

1. The Radio Amateur's License Manual. ARRL, publisher.
2. Amateur Radio Advanced License Study Guide, 2nd Edition, by Ken Sessions K6MVH, TAB Books, #827.

All of these materials can be purchased at Reliable Electronics, 3306 Cope St., 279-5100.

If you plan to take ET-194 course, please start studying the code now. It is by far the greatest stumbling block for license candidates. You will be wise to become fairly proficient at code now, rather than attempt to learn it and the theory at the same time. For ET-293, the Advanced Class license candidate, there is no code requirement.

The instructor for these courses will be:

Wilse Morgan KL7CQ 344-1257 or 337-2761

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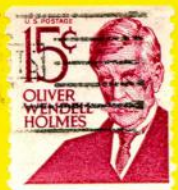

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