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HAMFEST & FLEA MARKET 14 MAY 2006 AT THE PALMER TRAIN DEPOT

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 10AM / 5PM
COMMUNICATIONS GEAR, COMPUTER GEAR, GADGETS, AND
ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT. DOOR PRIZES ON THE HOUR + A
MAIN PRIZE TO BE AWARDED AT APPROXIMATELY 17:00 HRS.**

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN ANY OF THE PRIZES

KIDS UNDER 12 FREE IF ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT !!!

**\$3.00 AT THE DOOR MAKES YOU PRIZE ELIGIBLE. TABLE
RENTAL INCLUDES THE ENTRY FEE FOR ONE PERSON. THEY
ARE PRICED AT \$15 PER EACH NON COMMERCIAL TABLE &
\$20 PER EACH COMMERCIAL TABLE. A CLUB COUNTRY STORE
TABLE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT 10% OF ITEMS SOLD GOING TO
MARA. FOOD AND SOFT DRINKS ON SITE ! HAM LICENSE
TESTING SESSION. WANT TO BECOME A HAM ? WE CAN
SHOW YOU HOW. JOIN THE REAL WORLD OF EMERGENCY
COMMUNICATIONS! REMEMBER YOU HAVE TO HAVE A FCC
AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE TO OPERATE ANY HAM GEAR !**

MATANUSKA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
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LOCATION

PALMER DEPOT



4 WAY BLINKING
TRAFFIC LIGHT

DOWN TOWN
PALMER, ALASKA

GLENN HIGHWAY
&
PALMER / WASILLA
INTERSECTION

CITY HALL

HAM TESTING
AT FIRE HOUSE

FRED MEYER'S

Anchorage Amateur Radio Club

Next Meeting May 5th

Avian influenza (Bird Flu) May Program

Avian influenza is usually confined to wild birds, but last year it began infecting and killing domestic poultry in the millions. Recently, humans have begun to get ill from avian influenza after contact with birds, a few even dying. The World Health Organization is very concerned that this could become a world-wide epidemic affecting millions of people. It is important now to know we should and should not be concerned about, what are the current and projected economic consequences of avian flu, and what roles migratory birds and Alaska may play in the progression of this highly infectious disease.

Douglas Causey, a scientist from the University of Alaska Anchorage, is working to understand what is the role of migratory birds in the spread and transmission of avian flu, how birds become infected, and the natural history of the virus. He has worked for a decade on this problem in the high Arctic and north slope of Alaska to understand better the natural occurrence of influenza in environment and in wild birds. One critical question is how avian flu will affect the enormous populations of migratory birds breeding in Alaska.



Dr. Douglas Causey is the Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Studies. Dr. Causey recently came to UAA from Harvard. He is an ecologist and evolutionary biologist by training and has authored over 120 publications on topics as diverse as the natural history of the arctic, human health and climate change, and

Aleutian paleobiology.

Dr. Causey's interdisciplinary research focuses on the human dimensions of environmental change, in particular on identifying the interrelations of environmental health, civil stability and national

security. He is a nationally known researcher on zoonotic infectious diseases (those that jump from animals to humans), particularly West Nile Virus and Avian Influenza.

From 1996 to 2000, he worked at the National Science Foundation in the Office of Polar Programs and Division of Environmental Biology, and helped establish several national and international programs in environmental sciences, arctic biology, and infectious disease. His most recent publication (November 2005) is "Climate Change Futures: Health, Ecological, and Economic Dimensions" with Paul Epstein published by Harvard Medical School, the UN Development Programme, and Swiss Re.

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Tech class starting in mid May

MARA has scheduled a tech class starting in mid May it will be at MTA in Palmer

Contact info:

Email: fuzz@mtaonline.net

Subject for email should be "tech class"

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ALASKA QSL Forwarding Service

Due to the cost of envelopes and labels, I'll have to raise the cost of mailing the QSL cards to \$0.12 per card on the first of May (individual's money already deposited will still be used at the \$0.10 rate until depleted). This will also allow me to cut the quantity of cards in an envelope to seven instead of ten, thus cutting down storage time.

In the past month I have forwarded close to 250 QSL cards directly to the countries of Japan, Germany, Russia, United Kingdom, Canada and Serbia.

Taking the cue from the AARL Outgoing QSL Service, please sort you cards as follows: Alphabetically by parent call sign prefix (AP, C6, CE, DL, ES, EZ, F, G, JA (JB, JC, JD), LY, PY, UN, YL, 5N, 9Y and so on). Canadian and Australian cards should be sorted by numerical callsign (VE1, VE2, VE3 & VK1, VK2, VK3 etc). NOTE: Some countries have a parent prefix and use additional prefixes, i.e. G (parent prefix) = M, 2E, 2I, 2M, 2W. Since my file is in Numerical/Alpha order, you can put the numbered prefix first, and please sort the cards as stated above though.

By combining all our individual country QSL cards I can make up a small package to send to the QSL Bureaus thus creating a savings and cutting down the delay time in receiving a return card. Remember the more people that use this QSL forwarding service, the cheaper it will become.

Jim KL7CDG

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Annual Walk to Whittier:

June 11 2:30 p.m.

A Walk Thru a 2.5 Mile Tunnel

This is an event that all of us can enjoy. In past years I know that KL7ITI, KL7NY, KL7FE and I have been doing this. You actually get to walk through the Whittier tunnel. Buses will take you back through to your cars so you only have to walk one way. I am encouraging all hams to enjoy this rather unique experience. Bring your handtalkies. We can all meet on 146.52 Simplex. Jim, AL7FS

Sponsored by the Greater Whittier Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Alaska Department of Transportation, the "Walk" is your opportunity to walk through the Anton Anderson Memorial Tunnel – **North America's longest vehicle tunnel.** Participants can park at the Portage Glacier Visitor Center where the Forest Service will present a special historical slide show about the construction of the tunnel. Shuttles from the Visitor Center to the tunnel's Bear Valley staging area begin at 1:30 p.m. Walkers will begin the 2.5-mile trek through the tunnel at 2:30 p.m. Leading the pack with his dogs will be Whittier's local

Iditarod musher, Perry Solmonson. Once walkers reach the Whittier side of the tunnel they can continue to walk into Whittier along the scenic waterfront or ride a bus into town. There will be activities, food specials, shop discounts as well as kayaking and dog sledding demonstrations in the harbor business area. **Bring bike helmets to wear in the tunnel (hard hats will be provided for those without helmets).** Children under 5 are welcome in covered strollers. Bikes or inline skates are not allowed for safety reasons. (From the Whittier Chamber of Commerce Website)

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Two Radios Stolen

Please read this email from Richard, KL7IOL. He had two radios stolen. I will update this info if he finds the serial number of the FT-817. -al7fs

** Kenwood TS-140 - SN 0101374 - NO mic, power cord or manual

** Yeasu FT-817, a multi-band unit

From: Richard Dennis

rdennis@buckland.nwarctic.org

Well the story goes like this. I have my motorhome parked with Karen's RV repair service, down on Ship Creek awaiting repair sometime over the winter.

On 17 November 2005 apparently in the evening someone cut through the chainlink fencing and broke into several motorhomes. I was one of the lucky ones. Apparently the thieves gained access through the driver's door. Inside they rifled through belongings. While there were many personal items stored inside along with a lot of ham gear of various vintages and values, they were discreet enough to pick the best available taking my newly repaired Kenwood TS-140 which was in its original factory supplied box. Somehow they did not make off with the microphone, power cord or manual. Rather sloppy of me I guess :)

The other item selected was a rig acquired from Don Roher, NL7QT. This rig is a Yaesu FT-817, a multi-band unit.

So my load is lighter. Don is trying to scrape up the serial number on the Yaesu. The serial number on

the TS-140 is: 0101374.

Thanks,

Richard E. Dennis, Principal
Buckland School
Buckland, Alaska 99727
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Alaska QRP Club meets the Third Friday of every month – 7:00 PM (Some show for dinner at 6PM): Hams with QRP (low power under 5 watts) and Homebrewing interests meet for a social meeting monthly. Meet at Dennys (in the back room) on DeBarr near Bragaw. Contact is Jim Larsen, AL7FS, [JimLarsen2002 at alaska.net](mailto:JimLarsen2002@alaska.net) or 345-3190.



From the SEC

Spring is hard upon us! The snow is rapidly disappearing, now if it would just get a bit warmer.

In the past, because of summer activities, amateurs are hard to find. We are all busy doing things that we can't do any other time of the year but please remember to support your amateur groups and nets.

The Emergency Communications (emcom) kits are complete for the Fairbanks group and we are in process of installing dual band antennas at agency locations. Rod Mitchell KL1Y is working on a wireless system for the Fairbanks area to connect all the emcom units. It is part of his masters degree.

We are using the Winlink system here to send email. It will be a great asset to the agencies that we serve. It will go RF and or internet anywhere in the country.

Delta Junction is hosting the Friendly Frontier Days May 27. We will have a full amateur station including 2 of the emcom kits set up and running. It will be a special event station using the callsign K7F. Come join us either in person or on the air.

Keep up with the planning and training, we may be needed to provide communications to our communities sooner than any of us thought possible.

Linda
Linda Mullen
AD4BL Section Emergency Coordinator ALASKA
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FOR SALE

Doppler systems model DDF-4002 radio direction finder with hard pelican case in excellent condition. Includes manual, power cord, cables and four magmount antennas. Unit works with any VHF-UHF receiver.	\$400.00
Kenwood SM-220 w/BS8 & Manual	\$300.00
PK-232MBX w/cables and manuals	\$125.00
Rigblaster w/cable, pwr sup, manual and CD	\$ 40.00
PF 1800 35MM and Film Strip Scanner	\$ 25.00
HP 6200C Flatbed Scanner w/software	\$ 15.00
Linksys 5 port hub new in box	\$ 15.00
2M transceiver Swan FM 2x	\$ 10.00
USB printer Server Model GPSU01	\$ 10.00

Jim, KL7CDG
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Who Do I Contact to Join AARC Or pay membership renewals?

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