



# THE OHM TOWN NEWS

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## FIELD DAY TO BE HELD ON JUNE 26 AND 27

### The President's Message

by Tyler Griffiths N7UWX



After the last club meeting I hope a few people got a new interest for packet radio. I figure there must be some interest by all the calls Travis and I have received already.

I thought the meeting was a blast and thank Tom for taking the time to come up and give us the APRS presentation. There will be more to come on APRS in the next few months or so with new DIGIs coming online and possibly an internet gateway too. If you have any questions about APRS feel free to give Travis (AB7ZK) or myself a call and we will do our best to answer your questions.

With the summer months coming up quickly, comes time for our summer activities. We have bike races, foot races, horse races, The Cache Valley Cruise-in, Field Day and many other activities that will need your help.

I have always felt that one of the best aspects of ham radio is the opportunity to volunteer. All of these activities take lots of help and coordination to make them a success. Please find the activities that you want to participate in and sign up either at club meeting or by contacting the Chairperson for that activity or one of the board members. We would be glad to hear from you.

For May's club meeting, we are trying to line up a presentation from the Cache County Search and Rescue.

So until next time...  
73 de Tyler N7UWX

### FIELD DAY

Travis Roberts AB7ZK and Kevin Reeve N7RXE have graciously consented to head up our Field Day activities this year. Full details are forthcoming. Please consider how you want to help with this year's activity and call Travis or Kevin and volunteer your services. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this great weekend.

### HAM PROFILE

By Boyd Humperts, W7MOY



John Waldron  
KB7WET

You may scout around for quite a while to find one as dedicated to working in BSA as John Waldron KB7WET. Presently a resident of Hyde Park, John claims the distinction of being born in our pineapple island state of Hawaii, prior to the onset WWII. A rather som-

ber experience was related of the family running for an air raid shelter when hostilities began in the bombing of Hickam Field on that memorable day in 1941, something we hope we never have to see again.

John has held his Tech ticket since '93 and has participated in such activities as LOTOJA several times, (he must have really found sonic bargains in Jackson), the bike races, and radio support for the snowmobile races up north. He sports a Yaesu HT and base station with several mobile mag mounts and a Ringo Ranger antenna.

He must have homesteaded 9 or 10 places in Cache Valley, one being the family home on the present site of the Spectrum at USU, the old Schaub Grape Farm. Now how many of you remember that one?

He has the distinction of being associated with one of the oldest scout troops west of the Mississippi, Troop 1, undoubtedly the first one in Cache Valley. That was probably back when 'Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous & Kind' were just the beginning of the rest of the story.

He attended the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico on several occasions and tells of an interesting situation when he and numerous other hardy souls climbed bed to the top of 9,100' "Tooth of Time Peak" to participate in an early morning sunrise ceremony. A scoutmaster from an Oklahoma troop began to experience shortness of breath and the situation became critical in short order. Being prepared, as all good

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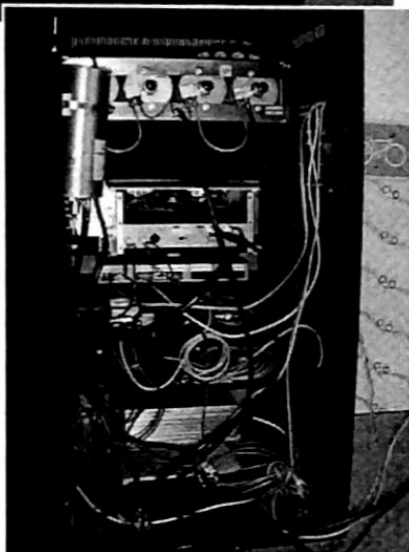
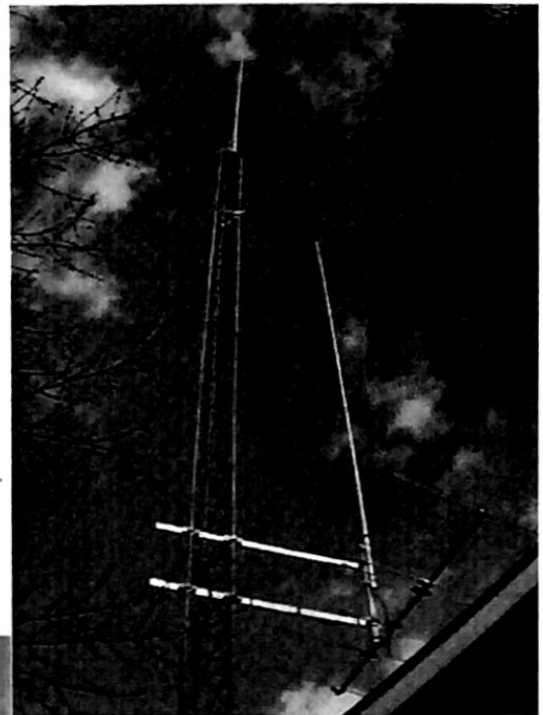
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## N7RRZ Repeater System

The N7RRZ repeater system at 449.325- PL 156.7 is located on the east bench of North Logan, at an elevation of 4475 ft. The Trustee & Owner Is Dave Fullmer (N7RRZ).

The System uses a Link Communications RLC-Club Controller, Motorola R1225 Transceiver, TX RX Systems #28-66-02 Duplexer & Band Pass Filter #11-66-0901, TE System 4552RA Power Amp (180 Watt) & #4420 Pre-Amp, Diamond X700HNA Antenna & Campbell Scientific Weather Station.



Features of the system includes an open autopatch, and a weather station with outside temp, wind speed, wind direction & barometric pressure. The coverage is around 60 miles.

The system is supported by the great people who make faithful contributions.

If you have questions,  
call 1-435-770-1059

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scouts and hams should be, John whipped out his HT. He finally raised someone on an Albuquerque repeater, who phone patched him back into the health lodge at Philmont. They talked them through the situation, discussed vital signs and dispatched several runners with oxygen bottles up the 8 mile trail to the rescue.

John attended Logan Jr. High and went on to survive South Cache High in Hyrum. He served an LDS mission with the Navajos and can still understand this difficult tongue, so watch your tongue around him in that language. He received his BS in Biology at USU and did some masters work in the same area there.

Now comes the racy part. Match this if you can. He did some interesting work in his field, recording the ultra sonic sounds made by the mating of sugar beet leaf hoppers. If you are interested, he will give you a rather animated rendition of this particular audio phenomenon. Maybe not top 10, but it is different.

He was employed at the House of Sound for several years, acquired the audio bug, and has presently been with Integrated Systems for the past 22 years working on such goodies as animated signs, and some new developments for the "Jumbotron" type large displays. You'll see these at the big football games, without glasses yet!

His interests are Hi Fi, and some impressive room mover type speakers that may shake your innards. He is also into back packing, rappelling, (falling off the cliff with the rope tied around some sage brush), and 4 wheeling with some mean looking machinery. He is one of the group who has made mole hills out of mountains in the Moab area. Good man to have aboard. Cliff hanging anyone??

## Letters to the Editor



YOUR contributions to this column are welcomed. You may contact me by the following modes:

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From: Nz7t@aol.com

Greetings all....

The beginnings of a Utah Hamfest 2000 Committee met on April 24th. We are leaning towards a mid-August 2000 timeframe for the event and we are currently investigating locations.

Our requirements are:

1. Low cost.
2. Three Ballroom size areas.
3. 5-7 class rooms.
4. A registration area.
5. Non-ham radio activities nearby for family members.
6. Food availability.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, we would love to hear from you. Please E mail me what you think.

73 de Kathy Rudnicki, N7JSH

## AC70 Repeater System News



146.720, 449.625 145.310,  
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## Repeater Committee Meeting Set for May 8

If this gets to you in time, there will be a committee meeting this month, on May 8, Saturday, at the Cottage

## Box Elder County Utah OSO Party

There has been some confusion about the contest rules and several questions have been raised. In an effort to clarify, improve and hopefully enhance the participation in this contest, several changes and addition to the rules have been made.

This contest has been divided into three separate contests. The first contest is for Box Elder County stations only. Box Elder County stations may make contacts for contest credit with any other station anywhere. The second contest is for Utah stations (excluding Box Elder County stations) only. Utah stations make contacts for contest credit with any station outside the state of Utah and including stations in Box Elder County. The third contest is for stations outside of Utah only. These stations make contacts with any Utah station including Box Elder County Stations. These contacts can be made on any amateur band using any mode.

The date and contest period is from May 8, 1999 1400 z and ending May 11, 0600. You may work the entire period if you wish.

**Exchange:** For stations in Utah the exchange is Name, County and Call Sign. For stations outside of Utah give Name, QTH, and Call Sign. If operating at someone else's station use their call sign. Always use your own name. Log: mode, band, date, time, call sign of station worked, complete exchange sent (call sign, QTH and name), complete exchange received (call sign, QTH and name) and NCO/CO, if applicable.

If operating at a station with more than one operator give the name of each operator. Each name given counts as a contact for the receiving station.

My address in the QST was incorrect here is my correct address.

UBET ARC K7UB  
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If you would like a corrected copy of the complete rules, send a message to anderra@thiokol.com with the key words "CONTEST RULES" without the quote marks on the subject line.

Please pass this information on to interested parties. The contest is only one week away.

Thank you

Bob AA7TR