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Come join in with the activities!!! Radio Stuff, races, food, all kinds of fun activities!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June is here, and I can't believe how fast this year is going. As most of you know we suspend club meetings for the months of June, July and August due to all the other events that we are involved with. This summer we will be planning some minor activities, such as fox hunts, but our real emphasis will be on our traditional summer activities.



The first of these events is my personal favorite: Field Day! The last weekend of this month we will meet up at Beaver Creek for a weekend of camping, camaraderie, and messing around with radios. What more could

a person want? We hope everyone can come up at least for dinner and to hop on the air for a while. It doesn't matter what your privileges are as we will have control operators there to make it all legal. So if you know someone who isn't a ham that might be interested in learning more, or someone who might be licensed but doesn't have any HF experience who wants to try it, we hope you will bring them along.

Also coming up this summer we have many public service events we traditionally support. These include:

- Cache Cruise-in parade - July 5
- Cache Classic Bike Race - Labor Day Weekend
Aug 29, 30 Sept. 1
- Little Mountain Road Race at Newton - Saturday AM
- Weston Canyon Road Race at Weston - Sunday AM
- Individual Time Trial in Benson - Monday AM
- LOTOJA - September 13
- Top of Utah Marathon - September 20

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HAM PROFILE

By Boyd Humpherys W7MOY

If you reside in Smithfield, no need to set your house afire or do business with Campbell Scientific, just to get to meet Gary Roberts, however either way, he is likely to respond.

This weeks candidate is yet another Idaho Spud Growing import from Idaho, in the form of Gary Roberts AG1T who has held an extra ticket for about 3-4 years and has been licensed since 94. He has served as the BARC treasurer a few years back, has participated in LoToJa, Top of Utah, Cache Valley Classics and the annual eat your self out of shape picnics in the park.



He sports some ICOM dual band eqpt. and some KENWOOD and YAESU HF rigs, along with some mag mounts and a few other goodies. He has had a blast with some QRP rigs, windham antennas in the hills and mentioned briefly some rather scientific jamming activities, however you will have to contact him directly for an accurate explanation of the latter.

He mentioned that while residing in Burley, ID, he held some regular QSOs with one of the Americans, who happened to be on one of the early MIR spacecrafts about 6 years ago.

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Some Activities for the Upcoming Season

Field Day	June 28-29
Cache Cruise In	July 5
On Target (AKA: Peak-to-Peak)	July 19
Cache Classic	Aug 29,30 Sep 1
LOTOJA	September 13
Top of Utah Marathon	September 20
JOTA	October 18

More info will be included in this column when it is available
You can also contact Tyler Griffiths to sign up to help, or for more information.



Minutes from the BARC BOARD MEETING

21 May 2003 by Kevin Reeve

Attending: Rik Stallings, Ted McArthur, Dave Fullmer, Kevin Reeve

The board is working on a technician class for the valley. Looking to start it after Field Day sometime. Also working on an Idea for the ARRL emergency communications class offered by the ARRL. It would be great for all amateurs. Ted reported that the Sedgwick repeater is in the process of being built. Still some work to do. This repeater will link into the Snow Bird system to the South and the Idaho system to the North. It will also be able to be linked to the 72 system when desired for LOTOJA, RACES, etc.

Dave Fullmer reported on the budget. The club is \$400 short of income for this years budget, but still in good shape. Dave has set up a separate checking account for the club store. This will keep it simple for accounting purposes. Everyone agrees.

Kevin reported on the club store. We now have COAX, adapters, connectors, mag mount antennas etc. He will be publishing a list on the website and in the OHM town news. Club members appear to be excited about the stuff.

Discussed upcoming events. The Biathlon is coming soon. Lotoja is around the corner. Still need folks to help out.



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Questions for General Class License

1. (G1C04) What is the maximum transmitting power an amateur station may use on 21.150 MHz?
 - A. 200 watts PEP output
 - B. 1000 watts PEP output
 - C. 1500 watts PEP output
 - D. 2000 watts PEP output
2. (G1E05) What types of messages may be transmitted by an amateur station to a foreign country for a third party?
 - A. Messages for which the amateur operator is paid
 - B. Messages facilitating the business affairs of any party
 - C. Messages of a technical nature or remarks of a personal character
 - D. No messages may be transmitted to foreign countries for third parties
3. (G2A04) Which sideband is commonly used for 10-meter phone operation?
 - A. Double
 - B. Lower
 - C. Amplitude compandored
 - D. Upper
4. (G2C03) If a disaster disrupts normal communications in your area, what may the FCC do?
 - A. Declare a temporary state of communication emergency
 - B. Temporarily seize your equipment for use in disaster communications
 - C. Order all stations across the country to stop transmitting at once
 - D. Nothing until the President declares the area a disaster area
5. (G2E06) In which International Telecommunication Union Region is the continental United States?
 - A. Region 1
 - B. Region 2
 - C. Region 3
 - D. Region 4
6. (G3C08) Why are HF scatter signals usually weak?
 - A. Only a small part of the signal energy is scattered into the skip zone
 - B. Auroral activity absorbs most of the signal energy
 - C. Propagation through ground waves absorbs most of the signal energy
 - D. The F region of the ionosphere absorbs most of the signal energy

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