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Eyeball Update

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Well it's only four months until the 1997 eyeball will be upon us. The Eyeball site has been selected and plans are being made. I planned to be further along than I am, but some health problems have slowed me down, but things should be back to normal by the time this newsletter reaches the membership(just a few weeks of therapy and all should be well). Have not heard from some of the folks that are helping me with this undertaking, but I am sure things will start popping with onset of warm weather. Jim N5OHL has been busy collecting door prizes and had a letter from Margaret W8GKJ with a promise of an outstanding prize. Of course everyone is encourage to bring door and bingo prizes.

Registration for the eyeball is going about as I had expected, I think we will have a good crowd this year. For those that have not yet sent for your information packet, I would suggest you do so in the near future and make your reservations and plans. Please register as soon as possible as it makes our planning a lot easier, its hard to know how much money we will have to work with for door prizes and how to plan the Saturday meal. If you are on-line you can download the entire packet or just what you want from the club web site. The web address is kis.net/kd3o(if any changes are made I will keep the web site packet updated. In the mean time if you have questions I can help you with, you can E-mail me at kd5fw@ionet.net and I will try and get back to you as soon as I can. You can also reach me at home after 6pm weekdays at 918-451-0647.

A reminder for those that wish to stay at Area three campground, with full hook-ups. There is a limited amount of sites available for us. You cannot reserve a site by calling the park, (you can reserve spots in the other areas if you wish by calling the park office) but I have arranged with the park officials to set aside spots for us. If you wish to stay in area three campground, you need to let me know(and please don't wait to long, as I'll have to turn in how many spots I need a few weeks in advance). At the present time I have a list with ten members that want a spot, there is only twenty-seven spots in the area. For those that wish to primitive camp near the eyeball site, there is plenty of primitive sites available close to the pavilion. The park is renaming the areas with in the park. As of my last visit to the park, area three had not been assigned a name, but should be in the next few weeks. When our area is renamed and the signs are up, I'll let y'all know what it is, so you will know what to look for when you enter the park. We have signs already made to place along the road in the park pointing the way, so I don't think anyone will have a problem finding it.

Anyone that is interested in helping with the eyeball, I will sure be glad to put to work as there is a lot to do, and a short time to do it in.. We could also use any equipment you can bring for the nets. I have a 40m antenna, but will need. 75m and CW antennas.

Hope to see you all there.

Meet "K8MZA" Ricardo Meana

by Ricardo Meana

Although I longed to enter ham radio from age 10 (I spent hours in the Chicago Public Library reading ARRL books, particularly the handbook). The depression, WWII, marriage, children, college, law school, politics, etc, all conspired to prevent me from having the time and resources to get my ticket, I still remember, at the age of 13, the thrill of witnessing emergency traffic being sent to Alaska by a club station in Chicago, whose dues I couldn't even afford. I did get my code speed up to 17 wpm as an Army Air Corps aviation cadet, but lost it through lack of practice.

In 1956, we moved to Ripon, Wisconsin, and I commuted to and from Chicago, spending weekends in Ripon. There I met K9GZK, Jack Kohl, who encouraged me to get my novice ticket. I practiced code in my head during the 1 1/2 hour commute, passed the exam and got on the air as KN9KAU with a Hammarlund HQ100 and a Johnson 50W CW transmitter purchased for \$250 from a high school student who was dealing in rigs in the back of his father's hardware store in Fon du Lac. That kid was Terry Sterman, W9DIA, who later that year founded and now owns AES.

In 1958 we moved to Grand Rapids, Michigan, and my novice license expired, but the gentleman who had the office next to mine in City Hall was W8FM, electrical inspector for the city, and he kept after me until I

got my general ticket as K8MZA. Totally lacking in knowledge of electronics, I nevertheless undertook assembly of a Heathkit 150W AM transmitter over a period of six weeks, and was totally amazed when I tuned it up on 10M with a vertical mounted on a porch railing, whispered a tremulous CQ and then worked an OH (that's Finland, not Ohio). As the resume shows, I frequently worked two jobs and my ability to "ham it up" was often extremely limited, although I did manage to get my DXCC in 1978. But with semi-retirement and moving to Florida in 1985 (I only work 2-3 day a week for a poverty law program, mostly representing Hispanic farm workers and their families). I found the time to fully enjoy my favorite hobby (talking) on the air. Since 1988 I have been addicted to the 3905 CC rather exclusively. I also upgraded to advanced during this period.

My shack consists of a Kenwood 940S/AT tcvr, ETO Alpha 374A amp and Drake MN2700 tuner to Mosely pro 67 4 band (2 46' elements on 40M) beam on a US Towers HDX55 crank up 55' tower, with ground rods extending below sea level. My mobile/portable setup is a Kenwood 44S/AT tcvr and a Hustler vertical on the roof of our mobile home or a Butternut HF-6VX at our daughter's home in Michigan (where we spend 6-8 weeks each Summer). I also have a Kenwood 7950 and Kenwood 2550 for 2M Mobile (5/8ths

wave vertical) or base operation (Cushcraft Ringo Ranger at 70') plus Kenwood TH22AT (won at 1995 eyeball raffle) and Yaesu 727 14/440 hand helds.

In the 3905 CC I have earned 14K (15K pending with award mgr.) Plus WAS, WASYSL's WASCapitals and Bakers Dozen (3 as mobile, and 21 as fixed station) on 40M, and 5K on 75M, plus Net Controller's award and the 1991 Certificate of Appreciation plaque. Since 1990 I have served as Registered Agent for the organization, which is a Florida non-profit corporation, basically because I am the only Florida attorney active in the club. I was the 4th Call Area Alternate for several years and was elected Director in 1994 & 1996, plus serving as Chairperson since last year. I am also currently active in the South Hillsborough Amateur Radio Klub (SHARK) and South Hillsborough Amateur Radio Emergency System (SHARES), basically ON 2M.

The only other member of the family who is a licensed ham is my youngest son, Bernard KB8QOE, who just moved from FL. To Albuquerque NM, but needs to upgrade to general for us to communicate now,

Ricardo and his wife Kaye have been married 51 years and have four children: Charles 49, Karla 48, Bernard 45 and Linda 43, plus 9 grandchildren.

BOD Minutes

January 11, 1997

Present KI5RN, AA0ZP, N2XTT, KD3XP, KD4EPK, K5CWR, KD4EPK, K7JE, WY8V, KE9OI, AA0KK, VE4FJ, W4NNO, KD5FW, WA4SGP, WB4FBS, KB5MRU, W1BML Absent WA1VQY, K8MZA, NO5C

1. KI5RN called the meeting to order at 0330z.
2. Without objection, minutes of the December, 1996 meeting were approved.
3. The BOD discussed a request to treat Alaska and Hawaii as DX but did not take any formal action.

4. KD6WPK moved to adjourn. APPROVED 12 YES adjourned 0403z

February 8, 1997

Present AA0ZP, WA1VQY, N2XTT, KD3XP, K8MZA, K5CWR, KD6WPK, W7ST, WY8V, KE9OI, AA0KK, VE4FJ, KF9GP, KB5MRU, WA4SGP, W4NNO Absent KI5RN, NO5C

1. AA0ZP called the meeting to order at 0357z
2. Without objection, minutes of the January 1997, meeting were approved.
3. AA0KK moved to certify the results of our 1997 club elections.

AA0ZP - President, KE9OI - Vice-president, Tie vote in 1st area, KD3XP - 3rd area director, KB5MRU - 5th area director, W7ST - 7th area director, KF9GP - 9th area director, VE4FJ - DX director. APPROVED 10 YES 1 ABSTAIN

4. AA0ZP moved to hold a runoff election for 1st area director between WA1VQY and WQ1H with votes to be received by KE9OI by March 31, 1997. APPROVED 10 YES 1 ABSTAIN

5. Make Alaska and Hawaii DX for club awards. Failed for lack of a motion.

6. Advertise our club in amateur radio publica-

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NCS AWARDS

STEVE SPARKS AB5SV
BRYANT HARVEY WA7VZI
BARRY MORRILL AC6LY

75 METERS

100 POINT 2136N WA0JCE, 2137 KT4CB, 2138 WA4UGC, 2139 KC7EMR, 2140 N5CD, 2141 KG9HH, 2142 KE3UY, 2143 KC7FLX, 2144 N5CF, 2145 N3VGP, 2146 NO2O, 2147 N1UAA, 2148 WA0NXZ, 2149 AE4EW, 2150 WB6LNH, 2151 WA0RKQ, 2152 W3HAM, 2153 N0CUX, 2154 N1TYV
500 POINT N3TA
1000 POINT 366 KF7UX, 367 KI7SJ,
2000 POINT 117 K1DWI, 118 KC0JG
6000 POINT 14 KD4EPK
ALPHABET 231 N3TA
CERT HUNTER 193 N2XTT, 195 VA3DJL
DX 30 K15RN
JOURNEYMAN 21 N2XTT
NITE OWL 176 N2XTT
NOMAD 44 N2XTT
NUMBERS RACKET 44 WQ1H, 45 K5CWR 46 N2XTT
VIP 491 N9NOF, 493 KC7EMR
WAS 575 AA9PA, 577 KC7EMR
WAS YL 61 WB2RWT
WAS CAPS 389 N2XTT

40 METERS

100 POINT 1814 WB8WKO, 1815 K5YAA, 1816 KG9HH, 1817 N5CF, 1818 NO2O, 1819 KT4CB, 1820 KB0PPM, 1821 KF4LMY, 1822 AC6RO, 1823 KB8JLY, 1824 N1TYV, 1825 J37LK
500 POINT N3WET, K0LJ, WL7K
1000 POINT 326 N7OKM, 327 KA1VHK
2000 POINT 118 KE0GI
3000 POINT 54 WB4FBS, 55 NN0O
6000 POINT 19 KB5MRU
9000 POINT 10 KB5GVR
ALPHABET 232 KO6CS
BAKERS DOZEN 532 KD6WPK, 533 KD6WPK, 534 KD6WPK, 535 N8FGK, 536 N7UDT, 537 AB5SV, 538 AC6LU, 539 VE4ACY
MOBILE 94 N0AOP, 95 KF4LMY
MOBILE ENDOR WW6E, KC5BFK, NN0O, WW6E
CALL AREA (1) 183 AA3FC (2) 184 N2XTT
CERT HUNTER 191 KO6CS, 192 KB0VGF, 194 N2XTT
DX 31 N2XTT, 32 AA0ZP
JOURNEYMAN 19 KD6WPK, 192 KB0VGF, 21 WQ1H, 22 N2XTT
NITE OWL 126 N7OKM
NOMAD 66 KO6CS, 67 N2XTT
NUMB RACKET 37 WQ1H, 38 N8FGK, 39 K5CWR, 40 AC6LU, 41 N2XTT
VIP 490 N3WET, 492 WA7WZP
WAS 574 KO6CS, 576 W6LEZ

WAS-YL 60 WQ1H, 61 WB2RWT, 63 KD4EPK
WAS CAPS 387 AC6LU, 388 WQ1H, 390 N2XTT
50 ENDOR N7UDT
W/VE ENDOR K5CWR

160 METERS

100 POINT 182 NJ8R, 183 KB0VGF, 184 N3VGP, 185 N5CD, 186 KG9HH, 187 AB5SV, 188 N5CF, 189 KE3DK, 190 K1DWI, 191 KF9GP, 192 KB9KRU
500 POINT KB9KRU
VIP 2 KA1VHK
WAS 578 VE4ROY
WAS ENDOR W8GDQ
W/VE ENDOR VE4ROY, W8GDQ

80 METER CW

100 POINT 23 K5CWR, 24 K5YAA, 25 N2BYM, 26 AA0ZP, 27 AA4US

40 METER CW

100 POINT 52 K5YAA

RTTY 40 METERS

100 POINT 16 K5YAA, 193 KE3DK

CALL SIGN CHANGES

AB5SL NOW K5CWR
AB5WO NOW N5CD
WA1VUT NOW N1BS
AA1LJ NOW K1KH
WW1I NOW W1EM
NIJAC NOW KT1M
WB1BTJ NOW N1CD
WO1P NOW K1GE
K7NV NOW K1NV
N0IMH NOW K1YJK
AA0VL NOW AB0DX
WX2G NOW W3BS
WS3Q NOW K3BM
WX4V NOW A14FL
AE4EY NOW W4LC
AB4OQ NOW KN4S
N4ZKI NOW A14L
KC4VPA NOW WD4T
AA8OM NOW K8HE
N0TDQ NOW AA0XG
N7CYZ NOW K7KD
AB5NN NOW AG5T
AB6YL NOW K6GT
N7PFU NOW K7IUQ
KG7KO NOW KR7B
KF9XR NOW K7WR
N9DKH NOW KA9BLI
AA9PA NOW N9EB
AA0PA NPOW W5JWH
N4ATP NOW N5WC
AH6CG NOW KH7B

AA3BU NOW W7MM
N7HTK NOW N7HT
WV7G NOW N7MG
N9MJC NOW W9KF
AA6AG NOW K7JE
W6LEZ NOW WL7K

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6. Advertise our club in amateur radio publications. Failed for lack of a motion

7. WA4SGP announced that our annual corporate report and filing fee, required by the state of Florida, were mailed on January 30, 1997.

8. KE9OI moved to adjourn. APPROVED 12 YES adjourned 0454z

March 8, 1997

PRESENT AA0ZP, KE9OI, WA1VQY, N2XTT, KD3XP, KD4EPK, KB5MRU, KD6WPK, WY8V, KF9GP, WL7YM, VE4FJ, KI5RN, W4NNO, KD5FW, WA4SGP, N5SV, KE3DK, K5CWR ABSENT K8MZA, W7ST, AA0KK

1. AA0ZP called the meeting to order at 0333z.

2. Without objection, minutes of the February 1997, meeting were approved.

3. AA0ZP opened nominations for chairman of the board of directors.

AA0KK nominated by VE4FJ, K8MZA nominated by KD4EPK, AA0KK elected chairman of the board of directors.

4. AA0ZP nominated WA4SGP for club secretary/treasurer. WA4SGP confirmed as secretary/treasurer.

5. N2XTT reported that he is revising club awards to eliminate gender specific wording and to standardize higher numbered (...4k, 5k, etc) progression awards.

6. KD4EPK moved to send flowers to KD6WPK during her illness. APPROVED 12 YES

7. KE9OI moved to adjourn. Without objection, meeting adjourned at 0440z.

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