

The Centurion

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1997 Eyeball Update

By Jim KD5FW

At press time final plans for the eyeball are complete, the meal has been planned and the door prizes are coming together. Still gathering together all the items it takes to make sure we have everything we need. It seems like every day I come up with something we will need, then finding out where I can beg, borrow or steal it is the next problem. I hope I don't forget to much, but I know I will be reminded by someone if I do.

For those of you that are coming and have not sent in your registration, I would appreciate it if you send it in as soon as you can. It's hard to plan the meal and other aspects of the event when your not sure how many members and their families you have to plan for. If you need a eyeball packet you can send me a SASE with 2 units of postage and I'll get it right back to you or you can down load it from the web site at kis.net/kd3o.

As of July 2, 1997 we only have three spots left at the area 3 campground, that's the ones with full hookups. There are plenty of spots for those wanting primitive spots. For those in the full hookup spots I will be sending you a letter in the next few days with instructions for registering.

We will have the normal activities that are held at our eyeballs. So we will need bingo and door prizes. So bring what you can, it always seems that we never have enough.

I have talked with the park naturalist and they are willing to put on a special nature presentation for our group if we have enough interested in attending. Otherwise they have scheduled activities all through the day Friday and Saturday for those that are interested. I will have a schedule on our bulletin board of their activities. The park offers all kinds of activities that finding something to do should not be a problem, there is horse back riding, golf, boat rentals and just about any outdoor activity you can think of is available.

I can be contacted at home of an evening at 918-451-0647 or on the inter-net at kd5fw@ionet.net if there are any questions I can answer.

Talk-in Freq is 147.060

Hope to see y'all there

Editorial

By Jim KD5FW

I am contemplating some changes in the Centurion, do to the fact that the subscription rate has declined by 25% over the past year and is continuing to fall. There are many reason for the decline in subscribers. Some of the area directors have started there own newsletters for their areas and the starting of the web site are the main ones. Information is coming at us from all directions and I do not blame those members for obtaining there information from these free sites.

So, the only thing I can is go with the flow. The idea I have is to change the format of the newsletter and

post it on the web-site. Of course for those that are not on-line or just want to receive their own copy by mail, it will still be available. At the present time the amount of copies I have printed is costing more than we bring in, so some changes are just around the corner no matter what I do.

Nothing is set in stone at this time, just throwing this out for your ideas and comments. I do want your ideas and comments, please let me know what you think of the idea or your ideas.

QSL Bureau Suggestions

From Marty AG5T

1. Call sign changes (vanity call signs) - If you change your call sign such as purchasing a vanity call (like I did, changing from AB5NN to AG5T), be sure to let all the QSL managers know your new call sign. Most people have been sending notices to the bureaus. It's a good idea to put your current call sign at the top left on the SASE and then list any ex-call, the QSL bureau managers have no way of knowing this. I looked up several unknown call signs on the QRZ page in the world wide web and that's how I found out someone on the 3905 nets had changed their call. If I didn't have internet access, I probably wouldn't have known they changed their call until I read it in the Centurion.

2. Club call signs used in nets - If you operate a club station and want to get the QSL cards for that club station, please put it on your SASE's under your call sign. Some people want QSL cards for club stations, others want the QSL bureau manager to throw the cards away (no card necessary). Those who are sending QSL cards to the bureaus might put a note on the card saying it is a club call and goes to the station operator.

3. More than 1 unit of postage per SASE, unless you are absolutely sure you are going to get 16 QSL cards or so per envelope. The most difficult thing I face as a QSL manager is for someone to get on a net, make four or five contacts, and then SASE's with 2 or 3 units of postage. I'm expecting that station to get 16 or maybe 24 cards, but then I only have four cards to send. I don't think most people would like getting 4 QSL cards in an

envelope with two or three units postage. Do I send the cards? Make new envelopes? Wait until the station makes 16 contacts? So please help the QSL bureau managers and use common judgment. It's best to use 1 unit of postage for 1 envelope. Mables and others who get tons of cards can use more postage. (Editors note - there is a chance that when you place more than 1 unit of postage on an envelope, that if full it may get torn open in the new sorting machine used by the Postal Service and your cards lost. Recommend only 1 stamp per envelope (voice of experience speaking).

4. If you have any suggestions for the QSL bureau, let me know. My e-mail address is: mnarty.blaise@beginners.net

5. I run the 160/CW/RTTY QSL bureaus. I have a short relief from 160 during the summer months. However, Pauline and Wil, who run the 75 and 40 meter phone bureaus, respectively, are busy year round, I personally would like to thank them for all they do. They handle thousands of pieces of mail and spent an unbelievable number of hours sorting cards and stuffing envelopes. Believe me, anything you can do to help them is appreciated - simple things like putting your QSL cards in numerical order by call district, using self-sealing strip envelopes, writing your call letter in big block letters on your SASE, ect. - my hat is off to them. Thank you Pauline and Wil for the exceptional volunteer work and time you put in for the 3905 Century Club.

BOD Minutes

April 1997

PRESENT AA0ZP, KE9OI, KA1IFC, N2XTT, KD3XP, K8MZA, KB5MRU, KD6WPK, W7ST, AA0KK, VE4FJ, W4NNO, KD4EPK, WA4SGP, WB4FBS ABSENT WA1VQY, WY8V

1. AA0KK called the meeting to order at 0330z.
2. Without objection, minutes of the March 1997 meeting were approved.
3. K8MZA moved to certify the election of WA1VQY as First Call Area Director APPROVED 10 YES
4. AA0ZP moved to hold an election for Ninth Call Area Director with votes to be received by K8MZA no later than May 3, 1997. APPROVED 11 YES
5. K8MZA moved to approve Masters Degree endorsements.
6. N2XTT moved to table approval of the Masters Degree endorsements (5 above) until the awards committee can make some changes. APPROVED 11 YES
7. AA0ZP moved to suspend the rules and to increase our fee for awards plaques to \$35.00 APPROVED 11 YES
8. K8MZA moved to adjourn. Without objection, meeting adjourned at 0405z.

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Ham Radio History

Submitted by Rita KD1BM

4 Billion BC - Earth is a swirling ball of flames. Propagation is extremely poor.
 1 Billion BC - First dry land appears. It is divided up into grid squares.
 500 Million BC - Second patch of dry land appears. Fires Expedition. Credit disallowed because of questionable licensing agreement.
 400 Million BC - Flowering plants and grasses evolve. Telrex invents first beam antenna but sales are slow because of lack of suitable structures.
 300 Million BC - First tree appears and is immediately cut down, stripped of branches, place

in a concrete base and named a telephone pole.
 Telrex sells first beam antenna.
 200 Million BC - Second beam sold by Telrex. Installers falls from top of pole. First safety belt sold.
 100 Million BC - First mountain appears. Repeater invented.
 50 Million BC - It is decided by WARC that "seek you" is too cumbersome to send on CW, so Abbreviation "CQ" is adopted.
 4 Million BC - Humans replace swine as dominant species. The name "Ham Operator" hangs on, However.

3 Million BC - Dugout canoe invented. Maritime Mobile Net formed on 14.313 MHZ.
 2 Million BC to 800 AD - Nothing much happens for a long time.
 90 AD - Chinese invent gunpowder. BY1AA is first "Big Gun" Dxr.
 1790 AD - Ben Franklin invents long wire receiving antenna. Ground switch invented.
 1961 AD - Second repeater erected. First repeater group refuses to change frequency. First repeater coordinator appointed.
 1997 AD - Amateur Radio humor sinks to a new low.

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☆☆☆☆ Awards Update ☆☆☆☆

NCS AWARD

EARL SMITH W1BML
PAUL GENAW K8PG

75 METERS

100 POINT 2155 WA7VZI 2156 K7MFG, 2157 N5SV, 2158 AB7LT, 2159 KA1OEI, 2160 N8RYD, 2161 W1SYZ, 2162 KF4EPL, 2163 KE4PZB, 2164 N8RFW
500 POINT K16D, WA0RKQ, KP4WS, WA0JCE, N7SYZ, KE4MDF, WA0NXZ
1000 POINT 368 K16D, 369 KP4WS
2000 POINT 119 WQ1H, 120 N7UDT, 121 VE4ACY, 212 WA1VQY, 122 K5YAA
3000 POINT 41 KS3I, 42 KE3DK, 43 K5CWR
4000 POINT 38 KB5MRU, 30 KE3DK
7000 POINT 9 WB2RWT
ALPHABET 234 KP4WS
BAKERS DOZ 549 VE4ACY, 550 WA1VQY, 551 WA1VQY, 552 W1SYZ
MOB ENDOR KF4LMY, K8MZA
CERT HUNTER 196 WA1VQY, 198 K5YAA
NUMB RACKET 47 WA1VQY, 48 K5YAA, 49 N5OHL
VIP 494 K0LJ, 499 KA1OEI, 500 K7MFG, 503 WA0RKQ, 504 W1SYZ, 505 WA0JCE
WAS 582 WA0NXZ, 585 K0LJ, 587 K7MFG
WAS - CAPS 391 K1DWI, 393 KE4MDF
W/VE ENDOR KA1VHK

40 METERS

100 POINT 1826, N1OBQ, 1827 W7HPA, 1828 N1OEF, 1829 W2OAE, 1830 KO6XX, 1831 KO6QQ, 1832 AB7LT, 1833 NIQDA, 1834 WD5CKF, 1835 KQ6LU, 1836 KE4MDF, 1837 KB9KID, 1838 N8RYD, 1839 WA0JCE, 1840 W1SYZ, 1841 AA3DP, 1842 KE4PZB, 1843 K7MFG
500 POINT N8FGK, KO6XX, NIQDA, N5SV
1000 POINT 328 N8FGK, 329 AE1T, 330 N5SW, 331 WZOW
2000 POINT 119 KO6CS, 120 VE4ROY
3000 POINT 56 AC6LU, 57 N5OHL
5000 POINT 30 KG0DS, 31 KS3I
7000 POINT 12 KB6HM
ALPHABET 233 N2BYM, 235 N0LJ, 236 N5SV, 237 KB6HM
BAKERS DOZ 540 VE4ACY, 541 VE4ACY, 542 THRU 544 KO6CS, 545 THRU 548 AC6LU, 553 VE4ROY, 554 W7HPA, 555 KO6SC, 556 KO6CS, 557 KO6CS
MOBILE 96 K0LJ
MOB ENDOR (2) NN0O (2) WW6E, KC5BFK, KF4LMY, KF4LMY, KC1NA, W6NOG
MOB COMBO END WW6E, W6NOG
CALL AREA 0, 2 185 AA3FC, 186 AA3FC, 7-3 187 AA3FC, 188 AA3FC
CERT HUNTER 197 N5SV
CERT HUNT W/2 199 KB6HM
2 ENDOR KB6HM
DX 33 KO6CS
JOURNEYMAN 23 N5OHL, 24 KO6CS
NITE OWL 127 KB6HM
NOMAD 69 WA1VQY
NUMB RACKET 43 N5SV
VIP 495 W4LC, 496 WL7K, 497 KB7YTV,

498 NT4Z, 501 WA1VQY 502 N5SV
WAS 581 N7YAC, 583 N5SV, 584 WL7K, 586 KA1VHK, 588 KB6HM, 589 W7HPA
MOB 588 KB6HM
MOB 50 END VE4ROY
WAS-MOBILE 579 WA7VZI
WAS - YL 64 KO6CS, 65 KB6HM
WAS - CAPS 392 KO6CS
WAS - CAPS 50 END AC6LU
W/VE ENDOR N7YAC, N5SV, KO6CS, KA1VHK

160 METERS

100 POINT 194 N8RYD, 195 W9MYZ, 196 K3VY, 197 WA1VQY, 198 AD4X
500 POINT VE4ROY, K1DWI, N3VPG
1000 POINT 3 W8GDQ
WAS 580 K1DWI
VIP 3 N9EB

CALL SIGN CHANGES

AB5SV NOW N5SV
WB5SKR NOW K5FZM
KC5AWB NOW KK5ZB
AA3BO NOW KS3I
AA4UF NOW NS4M
WA7ZVI NOW KK7HG
WB4HWO NOW K4RWS

CORRECTION

RTTY 40 - 100 POINT #93 SHOULD BE #17

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May 1997

PRESENT AA0ZP, WA1VQY, N2XTT, KD3XP, K8MZA, KB5MRU, WY8V, WM9H, WL7YM, W4NNO, K15RN, WA4SGP, N5OHL, N5SV, KB5IPQ ABSENT KE9OI, KD6WPK, W7ST, AA0KK, VE4FJ

1. AA0ZP called the meeting to order at 0330z.
2. Without objection, minutes of the April 1997 meeting were approved.
3. K8MZA moved to confirm election of WM9H as Ninth Area Director. APPROVED 8 YES

4. Without objection, the board approved the club absorbing all costs of replacing certificates damaged by the USPS.

5. A poll of the members of the board of directors favors 75 meters for the June and July meeting. The 1997 June and July meetings will be held on 75 meters.

6. WL7YM moved to adjourn. Without objection, meeting adjourned at 0359z.

June 1997

PRESENT AA0ZP, KE9OI, WA1VQY, N2XTT, KD3XP, K8MZA, WY8V, AA0KK ABSENT KB5MRU, KD6WPK, WYST, WM9H, VE4FJ

Note: Minutes recorded during the meeting by AA0ZP.

1. AA0KK called the meeting to order at 0330z
2. Without objection, minutes of the May 1997 meeting were approved.
3. AA0ZP announced an abbreviated question and answer session for July so there can be mobile and portable special event nights on July 30 & 31 and on August 4 (before and after eyeball).
4. Without objection, meeting adjourned at 0358z.

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