



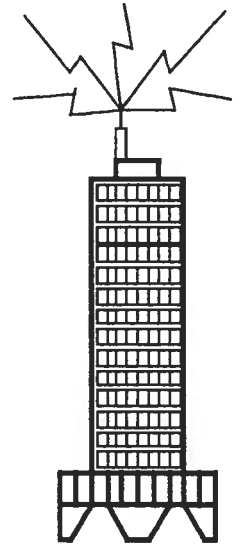
XARC

Monthly Newsletter

The Voice of the Xerox Amateur Radio Club

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September 12, 1990

Next Club Meeting
September 20th, 1700 hrs
Antique Wireless Museum
Tour
Preceded by Dinner at
Cheap Charlies

Friday night was the favorite. Some of the responses were ambiguous like I'll bring my kids doesn't say how many. If you would respond with the total number for the museum and dinner it would help a lot.

Meet at Cheap Charlies at 6:15 to 6:30, Fri., Sept 21, All are welcome but additional reservations should be to me by next Wed. The only charge is what you order at Cheap Charlies.

Directions:

Go to Victor your favorite way. Go south out from the center of Victor on the Holcomb Road or whatever it is called. There is a traffic light and a Mobile gas station on the corner. One of the first things you go by before the railroad

tracks is the Victor Fire Dept. on the left hand side of the road. Go south until you enter Holcomb and Cheap Charlies is on the left before the signal light. If you are going to the museum directly, make a right at the light and go south on Main St (rte 20c) until you pass the fire dept where you make a left toward rte 5&20. The Museum is on the right in a brick building next to a white church just before 5 & 20. Since the curators may be with us, the museum may not open till after Cheap Charlies.

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John

Karz's Korner-

Lisa Karz (KB2JQQ), Pete Fournia (WA2BPQ), Barry Rickett (N2EVS) and I ran a special events station at the Webster Sesquicentennial last Saturday, and there's a lot to be said for operating special events in a truly public place. I would guess that several thousand people were at Firemen's Field

in Webster enjoying the absolutely perfect weather, the very average hot dogs, the fried dough, and the non-descript (but live) music. Some of them even got to see a little ham radio.

Contrary to Murphy's law, we didn't get into the PA system at all, and Pete even found some 2X4s bolted together which, along with some discarded oil drums, made perfect supports for our dipoles. We also lucked out in that the bands (20, 15, and 10) were opened to both Europe and a large part of the US. We seemed to have no trouble at all getting out, and people around us were surprised at how easy communications via ham radio is. Five or six hams dropped in who were surprised to find a ham station at the event, and two people expressed interest in becoming amateurs.

We worked a little over 50 people on the HF bands and perhaps another 15 or so in the VHF contest, and we had several quality QSOs. Among the more memorable contacts I had were with another special events station at a Lions Club meeting in Minnesota, and a mobile station on a Georgia Interstate highway. We learned that YL's really have an advantage on SSB, that there are a lot of really nice hams out there, and that we'd all like to do it again.

This Monday, I met with the printer for the Sesquicentennial to design QSL cards for the event. The bad news is that there's a minimum order of 1000 cards, but the good news is that only 250 have to be the same. That is, 250 cards will confirm the event with "Firemen's Field, Webster", the rig, the date, etc. on them, and the rest will have my home rig, no date, and my home QTH (or possibly anyone else's call and QTH). So if any Webster ham would like QSLs with the Webster sesquicentennial logo on them, please give me a call. The cost looks quite reasonable. The 1000 cards should

be between \$50 and \$75 total depending on whether we go with one or two colors.

In the emergency communications category, I'm pleased to report that the Ameritron Amplifier is up and running and I'd like to thank Barry Rickett (N2EZS) and Rick LaDonna (N2IJI) for making it happen.

73 for now

Bob, K2OID

Equipment loans

As many of you know the XARC has recently increased its equipment inventory by leaps and bounds over what we had just a short time ago. I have been asked, as the chairman of the station committee, to publish a list of equipment which is available for short term loan to members of the club. When borrowing a piece of equipment, a note should be left in the club station with the item borrowed, the date borrowed, the anticipated return date, and the borrowers name and call.

The following is a list of equipment located at the station in building 337 which is available for lending per the above guidelines. All other items are not to be removed from the station for personal use.

Heathkit HW101 transceiver with speaker and power supply
KDK 2 Meter FM transceiver
12 volt power supply (blue box type)
Bird wattmeter, 3 - 30 Mhz, up to 100W
Kenwood VHF/UHF watt/SWR meter, 140 - 500 Mhz
Headphones
ARRL Handbook
ARRL Antenna book
US and Foreign area call books (1988 issue)

Software library disks, Amateur related, (5 1/4 and 3 1/2 DSDD disks)

All of the equipment located at the station is, of course, there for the use of all our members at any time. I would strongly encourage you to use the station. The performance of the station is better than most would imagine.

Thanx Barry

QSL Cards Available

Members wishing to have one of the QSL cards from the 50th anniversary station should contact Gene Parker x22245 there are a limited quantity available.

Do you have QSL cards to send?

As a club we are entitled to combine ARRL members cards in one mailing. Just order your cards as always, include a current mailing label from QST and give them to one of the club officers.

Is your ARRL membership up for renewal?

If so remember to renew through the club. See Mike Ishler(x28964) for details.

Hamfests/Auctions

If anyone knows the dates of a hamfest not listed here please forward the information to Mike Ishler 114/22D

September 29, 6-4 Elmira Hamfest
Chemung County Fairgrounds-
Horsheads NY
Talkin 147.36/96 444.42

October 13th, Syracuse at the state fairgrounds

The following list was supplied by Gary Bauer.

other fests - unknown dates

Skaneateles, N.Y. Sept (15 ??)
Kingston, Ont. Sept (??)
London, Ont. Oct. (14 ??)

NOTE

I have extrapolated these dates from last year's list to this year's calendar. The dates may not be accurate, but there is a good possibility that these are accurate. Check ham pubs for further information.

For Sale/Wanted

The following are items for sale.

Kenwood TS440 S/AT with MC 43 hand microphone, auto antenna tuner, 500 hz Kenwood filter, service book and ASTRON 35A power supply. \$1100.
Call Paul (KW1L) 8*323-6119

Tektronix 310A scope
w/manual \$85
contact Fred Miller WO2P x29126

Yaesu FT-707 8 band,solid state,digital xcvr,240w dc input
Yaesu FV-707DM matching digital 12 memory vfo
Yaesu FC-707 matching swr / pwr mtr, ant tuner, dummy load
mic, mobile mounting bracket, relay box for amp, all books.
contact Gary Bauer, KA2CKR X26715

Minutes of the July Meeting of XARC

The business meeting was called to order by President Bob Karz at 1717 hrs. on Thursday the 20th of August 1990. There were 6 members and no visitors present. The reading of the minutes was waived as they are included in the newsletter. The treasurer's report is as follows:

XARC TREASURERS REPORT 8-20-90

Balance 7-19-90	\$1269.22
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Income:

Total Income	\$ 0.00
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Expenses:

TA-33 Beam Antenna	\$ 100.00
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2 MTR Repeater Controller	\$ 30.00
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Total Expenses	\$ 130.00
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Accounts:

Savings Account	\$ 164.89
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Checking Account	\$ 954.33
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Checks(2)	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
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Total Funds (8-20-90)	\$1139.22
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Funds Allocated:

2 Meter Repeater(\$116.32)	\$ 51.32
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Total Allocated	\$ 51.32
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Total Funds Available (8-20-90)	\$1087.90
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Misc Accounting:

2 Meter Duplexer Fund(Collected)	\$ 485.00
Power Supplies(Collected)	\$1310.00

Richard LaDonna Treasurer

Long range planning committee report:

No report...

HF Station report:

Barry reported that the 6 meter antenna was up as is the 440 isopole.

Repeater Committee report:

2 meter repeater is ready for the square. The feeling is that separate antennas for the repeaters is more desirable than dual band antennas. The committee wants to unlink the repeaters so the controller can be removed for integration to the 2 meter unit. The suggestion was made that the repeaters(220/440) be removed at the same time for checkout and duplexer tuneup.

Membership and Training:

No report but a request to investigate novice classes for the fall.

Packet Report:

No report

Special Events/Field Day report:

The special event station for the Webster 150th celebration is scheduled for Sept 7. Bob will follow up with details.

Program Committee report:

Antique Wireless Museum tour for September.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A DXposition to Egypt has been proposed but has been temporarily shelved due to tensions in the middle east.

The was a proposal to allow the loan of the field day beam to club members. Bob will address this in his September Karz's corner.

No action on club cards.

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John has arraigned a talk by WB2JLR on packet for later this year.

A suggestion was made that the December meeting be held in a drinking establishment early in the month. There were no objections.

Agenda for September
AWA tour

Meeting adjourned 1810.