



KBARA GAZETTE

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The President's Corner

Bob Lemon, W7HFI

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of KBARA.

Be sure to check out the web page for all kinds of information about KBARA and related activities. The field day and annual meeting went quite well. Many thanks to WQ7O, Dennis, for getting the park. Your new officers are listed in the minutes for the meeting.

If you wish to help at the Hamfest and get your name in the bucket for a prize drawing, contact Betsy, N7WRQ. Thanks again for all of your support.



Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association
Annual Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2007, 1:06PM

Bear Lake Spokane County Park, Chattaroy, WA

The meeting, presided by Betsy Ashleman, N7WRQ, President, began with an introduction of all those in attendance, followed by the reading and approval of the June 24, 2006 annual meeting minutes. A rough draft of the Treasurer's report was also given by Betsy, N7WRQ: income was meeting the normal club

expenses. A final report would be included in the September newsletter. The following suggestions were made to help curb expenses/ increase revenues: purchase the new Liberty Bell postage stamps which would always cover the cost of first-class postage; send the newsletter by e-mail or post it on the KBARA website; increase membership fees. Spokane Hamfest seed money of \$400 was approved, and \$150 was approved for donation to the Evergreen Intertie. The Technical Director, John Dempster, W7OE, gave a recap of the repeater problems and repairs made over the last year. The Moe Checkin's Net Controller Award was made to Dennis Coe, N7UTM. An e-mail from Allen Gemmrig, KB7GJY, of Bonner's Ferry, ID, expressed his wish to establish a two-meter link to KBARA, along with asking for equipment donations. It was thought that this possible link might be easier to establish via the Stensgar Mt. 223 MHz hub repeater, rather than the Mica Peak 430 MHz link.

The following members were nominated and elected to office:

President Robert Lemon, W7HFI
Vice President Kenneth Crosswhite,
KD7DDQ Secretary Elizabeth Ashleman,
N7WRQ

Treasurer Neil Gallup, N7LVO

A special thanks went to Bozo Bosold, N7DRA, for contributing equipment to the club, and to Betsy, N7WRQ, for her chairmanship of the Spokane Hamfest. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth A. Ashleman, N7WRQ
Secretary (2007-2008)

Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association

A MESSAGE FROM THE NORTHERN REPS JAN VE7QE & ROY VE7IS OKANAGAN FALLS, BC CANADA

On August 18, 2007 we held our **9th Annual and Final Christina Lake Amateur Radio Association Huckleberry Pancake Breakfast and Potluck Luncheon**. It was our biggest ever with 34 units camping with us and 116 joining us for the Saturday

breakfast and potluck. We changed locations this year, which was very well received by a majority of attendees. It was held at the Riviera RV Campgrounds in Grand Forks, BC Canada. It was right beside the Kettle River, where there were people kayaking, swimming, scuba diving and floating on rafts, air mattresses or tubes. In our opinion the campground hosts, Brian & Monica Thaite, were always willing to help make things go smoothly, before and during our event. We know that there may have been a few problems, but they are willing to improve things for future events. They have been making improvements over the past few years and say they have several more to come. This event turned out to be bigger than we had described to them. The number of units camping with us doubled and an extra 30 came for the Saturday events. We appreciate Brian & Monica putting up with all us HAMS & our families.

We want to express our sincere THANK YOU to all who attended and especially for all those lending a hand with the cooking, cleaning and setting up. We want to thank Phil VE7ALV, from Summerland, BC, for supplying us with his specially made pancake mix. We have used Phil's pancake mix for all but two years, since we started having our breakfast. We were first introduced to this mix by our dear friend and silent key Jeannie Gates WB7EVZ, of Colville, WA.

Ray, VE7ETR, mascot recipient



A BIG Thank You goes out to Guy Venne VA7GV, of Okanagan Falls, BC, for being in charge of cooking the pancakes, with his helpers, Mike N1NG (Spokane), Mike VE7MMG (Westbank [Kelowna]), and Fred VE7KBB (Oliver). Our thanks also go out to Bill Nadwornick K7CTS, of Greenacres, WA for cooking up the eggs and to the ladies, Dar Fraser VA7LUV & Dee Holland, for cooking up the sausages. Thank you all very

much. Without you all, it wouldn't be such a great success.

We would also like to thank Dee Holland (Phil's daughter) for making up the name tags this year. She saved us a lot of time.

Our prize table was once again overflowing. We thank everyone for their donations. We want to say a special **Thank You** to Laurie Danielsen VA7LGD, of Penticton, BC, for all the great souvenir towels that she made for our picnic. She put a lot of time into making them and they were very popular.

Thanks to Guy VA7GV, who arranged and held an antenna building seminar. This year's antenna was a High Gain J-Pole, which was given away as part of the prizes. The recipient was Bob Fertich VE7ETB of Trail, BC Canada. This always proved to be a very popular seminar. We had a few other things planned but with the large number of people attending, we just didn't have time to organize it.

This year's event had people from all over the US and Canada, with the furthest being Pierre Luc Morin VE2PLT and his cousin Shawn Robertson of Gatineau, Quebec, Canada and Harold Gilbert K5MES and his wife Linda of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. We really appreciated having them come and join us this year.

We hope everyone, who attended, enjoyed themselves as much as we did. We made an announcement that this year's event was our LAST one. We are hoping that someone will be willing to pick it up and carry on for us. Anyone wishing to give it a try, let us know and we will pass on several things to help. We have done this for 9 years now and it has gotten bigger and better each year. This year's schedule proved to be very hectic for us and next year's schedule has already started, with our biggest event being a 70th Anniversary party for Roy's folks on or around August 15, 2008. This will be our main priority for 2008.

Thank you all for your support during our 9 years of hosting the **Christina Lake Amateur Radio Association Campout, Huckleberry Pancake Breakfast and Potluck**. Without all of your support it would not have been such a huge success. As we've always said, it's the people who make it so much fun! We can honestly say that Amateur Radio is a lot of fun. We have met so many great Hams and their families over the years and we look forward to meeting even more.

We will see everyone at the Spokane Hamfest on September 22, 2007. Look for us at the door as you come in.

73 Jan VE7QE & Roy VE7IS

KBARA Income & Expenses: 7/01/06 – 6/30/07

	KBARA	KBARA	Total	Hamfest	Bank
	Checking	Savings	Funds	Checking	Total
Beginning Bank Balance	\$570.24	\$394.29	\$964.53	\$1,524.77	\$2,489.30
Income					
Memberships/Donations	\$1,788.00	\$0.00	\$1,788.00		\$1,788.00
Hamfest Profit	\$638.46	\$0.00	\$638.46		\$638.46
Hamfest Seed Money	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00		\$400.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	\$1.35	\$1.35		\$1.35
Total Income	\$2,826.46	\$1.35	\$2,827.81		\$2,827.81
Expenses					
Lookout Pass Site Rental	(\$367.68)	\$0.00	(\$367.68)		(\$367.68)
Pikes Peak Site Rental	(\$360.00)	\$0.00	(\$360.00)		(\$360.00)
Stensgar Site Rentals	(\$200.00)	\$0.00	(\$200.00)		(\$200.00)
Stensgar Hub Amplifier	(\$282.45)				
Evergreen Intertie	(\$150.00)	\$0.00	(\$150.00)		(\$150.00)
Hamfest Seed Money	(\$400.00)	\$0.00	(\$400.00)		(\$400.00)
Insurance	(\$320.00)	\$0.00	(\$320.00)		(\$320.00)
Check Printing	(\$17.22)	\$0.00	(\$17.22)		(\$17.22)
Bank Return	(\$30.00)				
Newsletter/Flyer Printing	(\$244.29)	\$0.00	(\$244.29)		(\$244.29)
Postage	(\$149.95)	\$0.00	(\$149.95)		(\$149.95)
Engraving	(\$24.98)				
Post Office Box	(\$40.00)	\$0.00	(\$40.00)		(\$40.00)
Washington State Filing	(\$10.00)	\$0.00	(\$10.00)		(\$10.00)
Adjustment to balance	\$67.10				
Total Expenses	(\$2,529.47)	\$0.00	(\$2,529.47)		(\$2,529.47)
Hamfest Activity				(\$1,571.05)	(\$1,571.05)
Ending Bank Balance	\$867.23	\$395.64	\$1,262.87	(\$46.28)	\$1,216.59

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