



KBARA Gazette

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The Quarterly Journal of the Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association
KBARA, PO Box 30801, Spokane WA 99223-3013



Happy Holidays
Everyone!
All Hams, their
family & friends
are welcome to

join in a no-host Ham-it-up luncheon:
Saturday, December 20, 2008, 1PM

Harvester Restaurant

410 W 1st

Spangle WA 99031

509-245-3552

All Amateurs, their family
& friends are invited to

attend this annual fun get-together.

73,

Santa's Helper

Ho-Ho-Ho (or is it Hi-Hi-Hi?)



Walla repeaters. The KBARA system has been greatly improved through these endeavors.

Remember to check out the KBARA webpage, www.kbara.org. You'll find lots of interesting and helpful information there. Thanks go to all the officers and supporters of the KBARA repeater system; also to all of you who spend time and money working to keep it all in good working order. Please remember to help support KBARA. Encourage all your Ham friends to use the system and to become part of the supporting network. Don't forget, the repeater fund is always happy to accept any donations.

Have a great holiday season.

Bob, W7HFI,
President

President's Corner.....Bob. W7HFI

Hello everyone!

Best wishes for the holidays.

I would like to thank all the owners for your travel and hard work on the KBARA system. Kamiak got a major overhaul. Dan, K7MM, now co-owner of Kamiak, rebuilt the Mitrek repeater and did much needed general maintenance. We also put in new hard line. There is one project still pending; a new antenna and the target date for that is December 20. Hopefully the weather will cooperate. Mark, K7HPT, the new co-owner of the Look Out Pass repeater along with John, W7OE, have installed a different Mitrek repeater at that site. Work has also been done on the Stensgar and Walla

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Neil Gallup, N7LVO, has been given life-time membership in KBARA for his years of outstanding service and generosity to the cause. Thanks from all of us, Neill!

Hamfest !

Thanks again, one & all, for another successful

Spokane Hamfest. At the last meeting at Players & Spectators, we did manage to review this year's event, and make a few plans for next year.

Here's the story on Spokane Hamfest 2008: 523 in attendance, the second highest after Hamfest 1995; profit \$2,622 (2006 was the highest at \$3,192) with return on seed money of 131%; prize money spent \$2,300 (the most



ever); swap tables sold 39 (much lower than normal.....we've been running around 50 in recent year) And finally, the group unanimously agreed to hold next year's ARRL WA State Convention, pending League approval, on September 26, 2009, at **University High School**, with prices all staying the same, with the treasury functions flowing through the IEVHF club's bank account. Dave, K7DWB, has graciously agreed to preside over the Treasury functions again, and yours truly will guide the tiller. Again, thanks all, and we shall keep you posted on the happenings. 73, Betsy, N7WRQ
Spokane Hamfest Chairman, 2008/2009



Comments from various folks about the Spokane Hamfest:

From our League guest Joel, N1BKE:

It's me who should be thanking you - I'm really glad to have had the opportunity to spend the day at the Hamfest - it's a great show, and you're all great people. Glad you had the help you needed - I know how much work goes into these kinds of events, and it's to your credit that everything went so smoothly. I'm going to write to him separately, but Jack, AD7FO, really outdid himself in making Jayne and me feel so welcome - we were treated like royalty! Dinner Friday night was fabulous (not sure who paid, but it wasn't us (it was the Hamfest....N7WRQ), and I hope you'll pass along our gratitude to the appropriate folks). Mike, W7GHZ, brought his own laptop and made sure my PowerPoint was up and running.

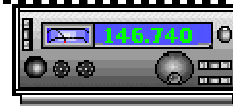
After the Hamfest, we decided to see some of the sights in Spokane and wound up having a great time there as well. You live in a great part of the country, that's for sure. Sorry we weren't able to join you for dinner, but it was our only chance to see the area.

I could go on, but I'd better get back to my long-neglected IN box...

Please let me know if I can be of assistance to you and/or the sponsoring clubs at any time.

73, Joel

Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE
Managing Editor, QST



Also. from Mark Van Winkle., K7HPT, KBARA Secretary & Co-Owner of the Look Out Pass Repeater:

OUTCOME OF W7CHI SILENT AUCTION

Recently KBARA was contacted by Bill N7LKG in regards to some of his Fathers ham equipment. Bob W7CHI became a silent key earlier this year. Bill and his mother donated the equipment to KBARA. We held a silent auction at the Ham Fest last September. The total income to KBARA was over \$600. The following is a list of items they donated.

Icom IC-751 transceiver and SM-8 mike

Kenwood 25AT hand held

Kenwood TR-7850 2 meter transceiver

Astron RS-12A power supply

Icom IC-280 2 meter transceiver

Alinco DJ-S17 hand held

RS 2 meter amp

NPC M104 power supply

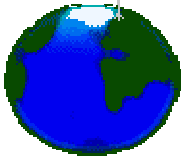
Bill and his father Bob W7CHI have been long time KBARA supporters. **Thanks Bill for your generosity!**



ARES Info of Interest!

For Whitman County: As of January 1st, you will have a new ARES Emergency Coordinator--Jim Kuznir, KE6DWM

Spokane County ARES contact info:
Bob, W7UWC, w7uwc@ewarg.org
Their website with a wealth of information is: <http://www.spokeares.org/>



Clipart from:

<http://home.c2i.net/hamradio/repeat/146c.html>

KBARA NETS (Pacific Time)

*Join us on IRLP reflector 9205

Weekdays 7:00AM International Net*

Wednesday 7:00PM Wednesday Evening Net

Thursday 6:30PM Whitman/Latah County ARES Net

Saturday 7:00AM Stanley Steamer Net*

Sunday 7:00AM Roadrunners' Net*

Sunday 7:30PM Spokane Region Storehouse ERC Net

EVERGREEN INTERTIE NETS

(Pacific Time)

Weekdays 5:45AM Weather Net
4:45PM Weather N

Monday 8:00PM YL Net

Tuesday 8:00PM Youth Net

Sunday 10:00PM Astronomy Net



2008 Spokane Hamfest.



Work at Pikes Peak Repeater??



Moe-Checkin Net Controller Award
"Looking for Moe Checkin's"
Where will Moe land next??

Hamfests, according to:

<http://www.n7cfo.com/amradio/hf/hf.htm>

February 14, 2009. Salem Hamfair & Computer/Electronics Swapmeet. Rickreall, Oregon at the Polk County Fairgrounds. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.* <http://www.w7sra.com> .

February 22, 2009. Burnaby ARC Amateur Radio Flea Market. New Westminster, BC.
http://rac.eton.ca/events/detail.php?event_ID=1291

March 7, 2009. Mike & Key Swap Meet. Puyallup fairgrounds exhibition hall, Puyallup, WA. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.* For information, contact mwdink@eskimo.com .
<http://www.mikeandkey.org/flea.htm> .

March 21, 2009. MicroHAMS Digital Conference, Bellevue, WA. **New Listing.** MicroHAMS Radio Club . <http://www.microhams.com> .

April 4-5, 2009. Communications Academy. South Seattle Community College, Seattle, WA. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.*
<http://www.commacademy.org>

April 5, 2009. Maple Ridge Ham Radio and Computer Swap Meet. Maple Ridge, BC.
http://rac.eton.ca/events/detail.php?event_ID=1287

April 11, 2009. Yakima Hamfest. Yakima, Washington. Selah Civic Center, 216 South 1st Street, Selah, WA. <http://w7aq.org/>

April 24-26, 2009. Idaho State Convention. Voice of Idaho ARC. Holiday Inn—Boise Airport. **Idaho's FIRST Section Convention! This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.** <http://www.voiceofidaho.org/> .

May 1-3, 2009. EMCOMMWEST®, Reno, Nevada.
<http://www.emcommwest.org/>

May 9, 2009. Stanwood Camano Amateur Radio Club (SCARC) Hamfest, Stanwood Middle School, Stanwood, WA. Always the second Saturday in May. Contact Vic, N7KRE (360)387-7705). nwecop@tgi.net

June 2009. 4th Annual Port Ludlow ARC Tailgate Swap Meet. <http://www.n7pl.org/> .

June 5-7, 2009. Sea-Pac Hamfest. Seaside Convention Center, Seaside, Oregon. *This is an ARRL sanctioned event.* ai9q@arrl.net . www.seapac.org/ .

June 12-14, 2009. Wenatchee Hamfest. Apple City ARC. Dryden Gun Club. Dryden, WA. Contact Jim, W7JBP at shultzjims@aol.com or Judy, at ka7zna@msn.com for information.
<http://www.qsl.net/w7td/> .

June 13, 2009. KARS Hamfest 2009. Kootenai Amateur Radio Society. American Legion Hall, 1138 E. Poleline, Post Falls, Idaho. Always the 2nd Sat in June. Breakfast and lunch available on Saturday. VE Exams. Talk in 146.98/.38. For more info contact Jim, N7ESU at (208)755-2100 or email n7esu@arrl.net .
<http://k7id.com/>

June 20-21, 2009. Northeast Montana Father's Day Hamfest. Glendive, Montana. For more info or details contact Sam Moore, K7SAM, at navajomt@nemont.net . Exit 215 off I-94, north end of Glendive on the east side of the Yellowstone River. Talk in will be on the Glendive repeater, 146.760 - .

July 2009. Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association Annual Campout and meeting. Boyer Park and Marina, Colfax, WA. Contact Betsy, N7WRQ N7WRQ@aol.com for more information.

July 11, 2009. Chehalis Valley ARS Hamfair. Lewis County Fairgrounds. Contact John Ellingson, K7OSK. johnk7osk@boatanchor.com . <http://www.cvars.org/>

July 11, 2009. SalmonCon. Pacific Northwest QRP Group annual weekend outing. Bowman Bay campground, Deception Pass State Park. This event is run in conjunction with an East Coast QRP meet called LobsterCon. There will be equipment demonstrations, talks on various subjects and much camaraderie. For information, contact Wayne NB6M@Comcast.net .

July 18, 2009. Coos County Radio Club Hamfest and Swapmeet. North Bend Middle School, North Bend, OR. Contact Marilyn Mansker, ke7oam@yahoo.com or Dave Granicy k7nbo@charter.net .
<http://www.coosradioclub.net/> .

July 17-19, 2009. Glacier Waterton International Peace Park Hamfest. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.* Glacier Meadows Campground, 13 miles west of East Glacier on MT Hwy 2. www.gwhamfest.org . Contact: Jim Cummins, N7YO, 1804 32nd St. So. Great Falls, MT, 59401, phone (406)899-1944 or email n7yo@mpiwifi.com .

August 7-9, 2009. 54th Annual Pacific Northwest DX Convention. Mirabeau Park Hotel, Spokane, WA. Hosted by the Spokane DX Assoc. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.* www.sdx.org

August 2009. Radio Club of Tacoma Hamfest. Spanaway, WA. <http://www.w7dk.org/Hamfest@W7DK.org>

August 2009. W7PL Pendleton ARC Third Annual Swapmeet. Pendleton, OR. denton@oregontrail.net . <http://w7pl.com/> .

August 16, 2009. Antique Radio Swap Meet. Puget Sound Antique Radio Association. 9 AM to 1 PM. Shoreline museum parking lot. N. 175th & Linden, Avenue, North Seattle. One block west of Aurora Avenue - one mile west of I-5, exit 176. Free admission. <http://www.eskimo.com/~hhagen/psara/swap.html> (Always the 3rd Sunday in August)

September 11-13, 2009. Northwest Automatic Position Reporting System (NWAPRS) Summer Gathering. Contact Dave/K7GPS at k7gps@arrl.net or (509)244-8484.

September 2009. The 3rd Annual Clark County ARC Tail-Gate Swapmeet. Vancouver, WA. Rob, K7JAO at k7jao@arrl.net

September 26, 2009. Spokane Hamfest. University High School, 12420 E 32nd Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99216. *This is an ARRL sanctioned event.* For information contact Betsy, N7WRQ n7wrq@aol.com .

October 9-11, 2009 . Pacific Northwest VHF Society Annual Conference. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned event.* Seaside, Oregon. For information, contact secretary@pnwvhfs.org . <http://pnwvhfs.org/> .

October 2009. Bozeman Hamfest. Gallatin Ham Radio Club, Bozeman, MT. <http://www.gallatinhamradio.com> Contact: Tom Lewis, AB5CK mail@gallatinhamradio.com

October 2009. Mount Baker Amateur Radio Club Flea Market, Lynden, WA. **Canceled.**

October 2009. Swaptoberfest. Mid-Valley ARES. Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR. Contact: Chris Portal, W7CLP (503)559-7837. w7clp@arrl.net 520 South Pacific Highway. <http://www.swaptoberfest.net>

November 8, 2009. Maple Ridge Ham Radio and Computer Swap Meet. Maple Ridge, BC. http://rac.eton.ca/events/detail.php?event_ID=1286

June 4-6, 2010. Sea-Pac Hamfest. Seaside Convention Center, Seaside, Oregon. *This is an ARRL sanctioned event.* ai9q@arrl.net . www.seapac.org/ .

Please remember to renew your KBARA membership for 2009

Name _____

Call Sign _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Amount Paid _____

E-Mail _____ ARRL Member? _____

Would you rather download the newsletter from the KBARA website, for 2009, instead of receiving it in the mail?
 YES **NO** [Receiving the news letter via email saves us in printing costs and postage].

Dues are a minimum of \$15.00 per year for individuals and \$20.00 for a family (all must be living at the same address), but any amount will be greatly appreciated. Dues are due January of each year. If they are paid between September 1 - December 31, they will be applied through the entire following year. And any additional amount will be gratefully accepted to the Repeater Fund. To support KBARA, please send your contributions to: **KBARA, PO Box 30801, Spokane WA 99223-3013** Please visit our KBARA website for more information: **http: www.kbara.org**

KBARA Membership / Support Information

The KBARA repeater system consists of several privately owned linked Amateur Radio repeaters. It covers an area from northeastern Washington to northeastern Oregon, and from western Montana to central Washington. The KBARA system is also part of the Evergreen Intertie, an interconnected group of repeaters located in western Washington and Oregon. The primary purpose of the KBARA repeaters is to provide a means for emergency communications within the above areas, and secondarily for routine radio traffic. It makes possible a single system of mobile communications coverage, extending the limited range provided by any single repeater operation.

The KBARA FM repeaters operate in the VHF bands and are linked by UHF radios. The repeaters' frequencies, call signs, locations and owners are as follows:

KB7ARA REPEATERS

146.74 W7HFI	Kamiak Butte, near Pullman, WA, owned by Bob, W7HFI, Dan, K7MM, & John, W7OE
147.02 K7HPT	Lookout Pass on I-90 on the Idaho-Montana border, owned by Mark, K7HPT, & John, W7OE
147.28 KD7DDQ	Pikes Peak in the Blue Mountains, southeast of Walla Walla, WA, owned by Ken, KD7DDQ
147.36 N1NG	Stensgar (Stranger) Mountain, near Chewelah, WA, owned by Mike, N1NG, & John, W7OE
147.38 W7OE	Mica Peak, east of Spokane, WA, owned by John, W7OE
223.90 AK2O	Stensgar (Stranger) Mountain, near Chewelah, WA, owned by Karl, AK2O
444.35 N1NG	Mica Peak, east of Spokane, WA, with a 192.8 Hz tone, owned by Mike, N1NG
IRLP Node #3957 N1NG	South Hill of Spokane, WA, owned by Mike, N1NG

All licensed Amateur Radio operators are welcome to use this open repeater system. Your support would also be greatly appreciated. Please visit these websites for more information: <http://www.kbara.org> and visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/evergreenintertie>

To support KBARA, please send your contributions to: KBARA, PO Box 30801 Spokane WA 99223-3013	Annual support is \$15 per calendar year for a single membership and \$20 for a family membership. Dues are due in January of each year and if paid between September 1 and December 31, they will be applied through the entire following year. Also, any contribution will be gladly accepted to the Repeater Fund.
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