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NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN	FARM	NWTN
SUN	W7VPK	W7XT	W7VPK	W7VPK	AI7H
MON	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H
TUE	AI7H	AI7H	W7VPK	AI7H	AI7H
WED	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	AI7H
THU	WB6N	WB6N	W7VPK	W7VPK	AI7H
FRI	W7VPK	AI7H	KA7YYR	AI7H	AI7H
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H

Progress on Amateur Radio Parity Act

The “Amateur Radio Parity Act” (also known as HR-1301) was “passed without objection” in the US House of Representatives on 01/12/16. It is now in the US Senate, awaiting action. All American hams are encouraged to support this legislation by writing to your Senators. This process has been simplified by a special “rally congress dot net” page (and you don’t need to be an ARRL member to participate). Please visit the following site and participate: <https://arrl.rallycongress.net/ctas/urge-senate-to-support-amateur-radio-parity-act>

Logbook of the World (LoTW) Password Problem

If you use the “Logbook of The World” system to store QSO information, and you have not uploaded anything since 09/19/16, you might want to upload recent QSO’s, to make sure your password is working properly. As understood by yrs trooly, a programming change in LoTW now recognizes upper and lower case characters in the password. If you are having trouble signing on, go here for more information: <http://www.arrl.org/news/lotw-password-checking-change-causes-problems-for-some-users>

Keeping Age in Perspective

Mary Cousins (ex – W1GSC) recently celebrated her 108th birthday, in Deer Isle, ME. Mary obtained her ham license from the Federal Radio Commission (predecessor to the FCC) in 1933. Her thinking on obtaining a ham license was “in the 1930’s, ham radio was something that girls just did not do, and the boys were all doing it at the time, and I said ‘I can do it too’, and I did”. During her working life, she was the town librarian, a school bus driver, and a telephone operator. (Info courtesy the ARRL Website)

PAN is now WAN, and CAN is now RRI

As you may have heard, the Pacific Area Net (part of the old NTS organization) has reorganized as a new entity called the Western Area Net (WAN), a 501-c3 (non-profit) organization. Rob Griffin (K6YR), the former chair of PAN, was elected as the chair of WAN.

The Central Area Net (also part of the old NTS organization) has reorganized as a new entity called Radio Relay International (RRI). Steve Phillips (K6JT) is the coordinator and secretary for the new organization.

The expected net effect for us little guys is “nil”.

News From Around the Net (Sometimes Known as the “Bull Sh e e t”)

IMN regular Otis (KM7SM) reports that he has collected enough points (not sure from who) to buy a new Yaesu FT-857D, and send the on-hand FT-857D to a Yaesu hospital in Texas for rehab. The long range plan is to install one of the rigs in his Jeep, giving him HF mobile capability while lounging on Corinthian Leather seatcovers! (Side benefit, Otis will have the same rig “look and feel”, whether at home or on the road).

And IMN regular Mark (AB7MP) reports that he has come down with “shingles”, even though he had taken the shingles vaccination. The doctor advised Mark to stay away from crowds and pregnant women, and says Mark’s case should be “mild”.

Ken (W7EKB) returned his 55-foot vertical antenna to service on 09/01, with the help of several fellow hams from the Palouse Hills Amateur Radio Club. The antenna party concluded with small doses of Single Malt Scotch (for medicinal purposes) and generous servings of pizza to help participants “keep their strength up”. He has installed a number of radials and has the antenna in operation with an excellent signal (when the bands are open). Ken also mentioned that his Yaesu FT-890 is doing amazing things, including driving an elderly Heathkit SB-220 amplifier when needed.

Jim (K7JV) is already starting to pack for the snow-bird season. (Jim reminds me that November immediately follows October, and the official “season” normally runs from November through March!)

Humor Division

Measuring Success

At age 4, success is not peeing in your pants.

At age 12, success is having friends.

At age 16, success is having a driver’s license.

At age 20, success is having sex.

At age 35, success is having money.

At age 50, success is having money.
At age 60, success is having sex.
At age 70, success is having a driver's license.
At age 75, success is having friends.
At age 80, success is not peeing in your pants.

September QNI and QTC (30 of 30 days "in" at press time)

QNI: VE6ADM-4, VE6AWI-22, K7BFL-9, WW6D-7,
N7DXT-8, W7EKB-9, KA7FTP-30, W7GB-9, AI7H-21, W7IZ-2, K9JM-
17, K7JV-1, KE7LKW-4, AB7MP-5, WB6N-23, W6PAP-2, W7PKL-5,
KF7QNS-17, VA7QQ-18, W7SAG-11, VE5SDH-3, KM7SM-10, K7TM-19,
W4TVI-1, WI7U-6, K7URU-18, W5UYH-18, K7VK-4, W7VPK-25,
W7XT-17, KA7YYR-21, AB5ZA-16, total 383

QTC: AI7H-4, WB6N-4, W7VPK-8, W7XT-5, W7EKB-14, KM7SM-1,
W5UYH-1, total 37

Newsletter Contributions Welcome!

If you have an interesting news story, or some reportable activity (ham or otherwise) is happening at your QTH, please send it in and we'll share with all in our newsletter family.

Volunteers Always Needed

If you are interested in helping us out at IMN, we're all ears! A long list of interesting jobs is available. (For info, all staff members are in the same pay grade).

Address Corrections

Let us know if you change your e-mail address, and / or if you don't wish to receive the IMN Newsletter any longer.

73 // Yrs Trooly – Ed, AI7H