

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

MARCH 1968

THE PREZ SEZ for Doug Heydon (WB6WDS) by Arnie Conn

Since Doug is out of town at the time of writing of this bulletin, I guess I'm elected to do this portion. This is the third issue of our BULLETIN and I hope the members feel it is a worthwhile addition to our Club activities. In the next few months we will try to make the BULLETIN more diversified with more articles of interest to the members. However, I would certainly like suggestions from the members as to the type of information desired and possibly some volunteers for articles on any subject.

Our code class is to begin again soon, and it is hoped with great success. We also hope to begin our efforts for Field Day if we can get sufficient support from the membership. These subjects will be discussed at our forthcoming meeting so try and attend.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of February 28, 1968

President Doug Heydon called the meeting to order at 12:05 P.M. The minutes and treasurer's report were approved as published in the BULLETIN.

Old Business - George Peck was appointed Oscar coordinator for the club. The President mentioned that we do not at present have sufficient ARRL members to become affiliated with the ARRL, however, it is expected that this will not be the case shortly. An Antenna Party will be necessary soon to install our antennas in the shack. A proposed deadline for the BULLETIN was set to be two weeks before the next meeting.

New Business - The President informed the club that SEA is planning a festival for this year. It was moved and seconded that the club participate in the festival. There was some bulletin feedback which according to the President did not represent constructive criticism. The club received 10 volunteers for work in the last two months. The guest speaker for the day was Don Etheredge who is the S.C.M. for ARRL in this section. Don gave an interesting discussion of legal activities and problems in this section. A follow-on question and answer period pertained mainly to the legality and use of phone patches. It was suggested that those who are operators at open house be issued a first day certificate. This was approved by the club. The meeting was closed at 1:00 P.M.

TREASURER'S REPORT by Ed Thornley (WA6JHD)

This month we are reporting up to the 15th of March, instead of to the first, so that the report will be more up to date. We will continue reporting treasury status to the 15th of the month henceforth.

Balance on Hand - 1 February 1968 \$ 115.20

Receipts:

Dues	\$ 40.00	
Credit Union Loan	425.00	
QSL Card Payments	24.50	
Door Prize Tickets	5.45	
		Total
		\$ 494.95

Expenses:

LaFayette Transceivers	\$ 352.90	
QSL Card Printing	17.00	
Credit Union Loan Payment	20.00	
Door Prizes	5.94	
		Total
		\$ 395.84

Balance on Hand 15 March 1968 \$ 214.31

PROGRAM NOTES - by Arnie Conn (WB6VTQ)

At the coming meeting on Wednesday, March 27, our treasurer, Ed Thornley will enlighten the members about our newly acquired honorary member Benny. Benny is a resident in a Leper Colony in the Philippines. Ed's talk promises to be extremely interesting - so make every effort to attend.

Also, fellas, I'd sure appreciate your suggestions for future program topics. I realize that our interests are extremely diversified, but I would sure like to hear some of your remarks concerning future program notes. My extension is x52228 and would welcome any suggestions from any members.

Attached to this BULLETIN is a questionnaire regarding the forthcoming Field Day event. Please complete the questionnaire and forward it to Doug Freeman M2/2185. Come on members - let's try to make the event a lot of fun and a feather in our cap by your participation!

SAGA OF THE SHACK - by Ed Thornley (WA6JHD)

Carl Rothrock, W6MYC is still designing the Antenna Farm for the roof of Building 65. Hopefully, we can have a tower raising party one weekend soon, and complete our antenna installations.

Ollie Saunders, W1BJV/6, Bill Dews, K6AWO and Ed Thornley, WA6JHD have all logged time on the air recently with our Swan 500 SSB and LaFayette 6 meter transceivers using the existing antenna installations.

The shack is available to all licensed members - so make use of it.

Licensed members are reminded to get a xerox copy of their license to Ed Thornley, R4/2182 so that we can maintain a file in the Shack.

BLIPS by WB6TES

Your Blip Scout has not had much time for research this month because he is right in the middle of campaigning for the title of "Honorable Mr. Councilman" in his city, and the XYL has been gravely ill.

73, largely a VHF-UHF may have some meat - less fillers in the April issue, but, the goodies make it worth the price.

Some interesting articles are:

6 Circuits for XCVR/CW Switching. Details of a 440 MHz/2 Meter Car Phone Repeater System.

Project Moonray Information. A Quiz to separate the Ham from the Spam.

Many ops get stiff necks because most manufacturers think we operate rigs on a shelf at eye level. On page 82 a cure is described - a slanted shelf.

A neater idea is to buy a pair of 3" or 4" of metal door bumpers with rubber pads. Cut off the cast wood screw and drill and tap for a machine screw. Replace the rubber feet on your rig with these "lags", and smile while you dial. Door bumpers are available in brass, nickel, and black - the price is 25¢ at most hardware stores.

P.S. My XYL is home after a tough 7 weeks in the hospital. She has a private nurse, and her doctors now feel that she will recover.

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TRADING POST by Arnie Conn (WB6VTQ)

Anyone wishing to place an item in the BULLETIN, please contact Arnie Conn, WB6VTQ at Extension 52228

FOR SALE

Heath Kit 6 meter SSB Transceiver with AC Power Supply, Speaker and Mike.

80' Tower Self Supporting galvanized abt. 3000# Prop Pirch Motor

Antennas 6 meter = Hy Gain Ground Plane

6 meter = Hy Gain 8 EL Yagi

20 Meter = Hy Gain 3 EL Yagi

\$ 300.00 firm for everything No-Splits

Gene Wright ME 3-1292

First Day Certificates Believe it or not, First Day Certificates awarded to Stations working our club station WB6WPO on First Day, 23 September 1967 have been designed, printed and mailed!

If any oversights have been made that you know of, give Fred Reed, W6UMC or Ed Thornley, WA6JHD a ring and the error will be rectified.

Special Request The club has been asked to assist a very worthwhile, charitable organization in obtaining operating broadcast and TV receivers and phonographs.

Mrs. Roberta Stotesbury, Components Department Secretary, works as a volunteer aide at the Intercommunity Exceptional Children's Home in Long Beach a State supported home for mentally retarded children. The children range in age from 2 to 17.

Roberta says these kids would have their lives brightened up tremendously if they had some electronic entertainment facilities. How about it? Any old AM or TV receivers or record players cluttering up the Shack or Garage? Fix'em up and lets do a good turn for some youngsters less fortunate than our own. Call Ed Thornley - ext. 62845 for further info.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

New Members:

John E. McReynolds		R3/1126	x65156
Don Etheredge	K6UMV	R2/2086	65764
Bob Hume	WB6AQF	R2/1120	61876
Randy McKechnie	W6ZWS	M4/2575	52314
Bill Thompson	W6PMV	E2/6062	67093

MEMBERSHIP NOTES (continued)

Up for Renewal The following members are reminded that their memberships are about to, or have expired. We urge you to get your \$2.00 to Ed Thornley, R4/2182 and renew your membership.

Hank Bonish	John Parsons
Mel Carriere	George Stanton, W6PBY
Lonnie Cope	Jerry Vellutini
Jim Fithian, K6OEG	Bob Weidemann, W6WAB
Bill Freely, K6HMS	Warren Wright
Bob Hennings	Furman Marsh
Woody Ornellas, WB6PSW	

The club must submit the regular quarterly report to Systems Employees Association on 31 March 1968. We want to show all members in "paid up" condition so that we can receive our SEA allotment. Please help your club in this matter.

HUMOR SECTION - submitted by Ed Thornley (WA6JHD)

Herman Lache, an engineering department supervisor for the Milwaukee Journal radio and television stations, recently took a telephone call from a viewer who was experiencing an annoying amount of interference with his TV reception

Attempting to trace the source of the trouble, Lache suggested a number of possible causes, including a loose electric light bulb somewhere in the house, a defective toaster, a blower motor, even a faulty electric blanket.

When none of these seemed to be the culprit, Lache, thinking that an amateur radio operator in the neighborhood might be causing the interference, asked:

"How about a Ham?" "Oh, no" the caller assured him. We don't eat ham at our house"