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NEWS BULLETIN OF TRW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



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MAY 1982

Garrett/W6TRW Repeater: 145.32 Receive -- 144.72 Transmit (2A-PL)

A CALENDAR BY ANY OTHER NAME

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| May 26, Noon | TRW/ARC Club meeting, R4-1041. Redondo PD K-9 Corps. |
| May 29, 8-11am | TRW/ARC Swapmeet. |
| June 4-6 | HAMCOMP '82, Town and Country Convention Center, San Diego. This is a combination of this year's Southwestern Division ARRL Convention and the San Diego Computer Fair. For more information, write to HAMCOMP, P.O. Box 82648, San Diego, CA 92138. |
| June 15, Evening | Executive Board Meeting. |
| June 16, Noon | Club Picnic at Pollywog Park. |
| June 25-27 | Field Day 1982--See article for details. |
| June 26, 8-11am | TRW/ARC Swapmeet. |
| June 30, Noon | TRW/ARC Club Meeting. |

IT'S FIELD DAY TIME AGAIN

Our day of reckoning is rapidly approaching. At this month's meeting, we'll have to decide whether we opt for Field Day or not. Band Captains so far are:

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| 10 SSB | open | 10 CW | open | | |
| 15 SSB | Ken Edwards | 15 CW | Paul Fisk | 2 meters | Vic Musil |
| 20 SSB | Carl Kennedy | 20 CW | open | Power | Gary Komatsu |
| 40 SSB | Ollie Saunders | 40 CW | Bob Hume | | |
| 75 SSB | open | 80 CW | open | | |

Come and help make Field Day 1982 a success for TRW/ARC. To those of you who don't reside locally, it's a problem, but all that is required of you is a few hours of your time once a year to make Field Day a success. Please read THE RULES; they're in the latest issue of QST. We'll be working at Friendship Park this year; see enclosed maps.

APRIL SWAPMEET NEWS--Bill Schreck, KE6LB

As is now the rule, our swapmeet was well attended, and the weather was near perfect. Our advertized starting time of 8am is a joke, as the lot was half-full at 6am. At 7am, as we were starting to set up the club booth, the lot was 3/4 full and a line was forming for coffee and donuts. Our crew for April was Frank Cartier & son (WA6RAY), Vic Musil (KA6NDN), and Ed Wheeler (N6AFA). We had just barely enough supplies on hand--we sold the last soft drink as we were closing down at 11am, and we had only two donuts left out of 55 dozen.

If you haven't already noticed, the ARRL has a table set up at our Swapmeet, with ARRL publications, patches, etc., for sale. The ARRL Southwestern Director is usually also present, so you can direct any ARRL or FCC questions you might have to him.

Booth operators scheduled for May are Paul Weisz (K6YQ), Mike Aust (WB6DJI), and Don Miller (W7SHG). The club still needs equipment and parts donations, so if you have anything you'd like to give away, call me or any of the club officers to arrange for pick-up.

FOR SALE--Wilson MK2: 2 meter, 6 channel handheld, in good condition. Comes with two battery packs, charger, and SS-32 PL. Has the club's 145.32/144.72 repeater pair, as well as 147.51 and four other popular repeater pairs. \$150. Bill S. (KE6LB), x64464.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING--Vic Musil, KA6NDN. May 11, 1982

Attending: Rodner, Hume, Garrett, Komatsu, the Gilmores, Musil, Schreck, and Daley.

Dave Gilmore (WB6IDJ): 25 people have signed up for the ECG; there will be an EAT meeting on 27 May.

Vic Musil moved that the club allocate \$150 for Field Day; Bill Rodner seconded, and the motion carried.

Fred Garrett moved that the club buy a 15 meter monobander from Bob Hume for \$50. Vic Musil seconded, and the motion carried. Bill Rodner moved that the club purchase a tower; the motion was discussed and shelved.

Bob Hume announced that we have a new DX callbook. We also have a West/Coast Repeater Log.

Vic Musil resigned as Field Day chairman; Gery Komatsu will fill in temporarily.

Swapmeet manager Bill Schreck would like to have a co-manager to help out. He feels he is burning out and would appreciate assistance for future events. He must also be out of town for the May 31 weekend, and thus cannot manage that Swapmeet. Fred Garrett mentioned the possibility of contacting a catering truck and finding out what they would pay to service the swapmeet. Schreck will chair the June Swapmeet, which is on Field Day.

Henry Radio no longer carries tickets for raffles, but we can buy them at Smart & Final.

The question on insurance for the 15 handhelds remains unresolved. Gary Komatsu recommended insuring them via the ARRL, which would cost \$30. Vic Musil so moved; Fred Garrett seconded, and the motion carried.

TRW/ARC FINANCIAL STATEMENT, Fred Garrett, N6CRW, Treasurer

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| Credit Union QSL Account | \$376.44 |
| General Fund Account | \$703.76 |
| Swap Meet Account | \$880.63 |
| Total | <u>\$1960.83</u> |

THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS: 1956

Bobbie Love (of Personnel Services) came up with some interesting tidbits: 1956 editions of the Review--the newsletter of what was then the Ramo-Wooldridge Corporation. Many thanks to Bobbie for her help with our roots. I think we've missed our 25th anniversary as a club.

The 19 July 1956 issue reports that the new R-W Amateur Radio Association had just ratified its constitution and by-laws. Instead of the usual organization, with officers, there was to be a permanent committee of representatives from each R-W Division.

That August, it was reported that these intrepid amateurs participated in a Civil Defense event called "Operation Alert," keeping "all emergency communications operating to speed rescue work and get the city quickly back on its feet." The first big club project was getting a "radio shack." The steering committee included Ed Page (W6QPR), Ken Woodyatt (W6JWK), Ray Harper (K6CZY), Stan Johnson (W6EKK), Henry Lulli (W2OLZ), and Stan Slaback (K6BEL).

NEWS NOTES

Bill Schreck (KE6LB) reports that he will join the TRW Wilderness club's backpack on Catalina Island during the Memorial Day weekend. He'll be carrying his IC-2A handheld along. Bill will be listening and operating on 145.21 MHz, assuming the PV hills do not block the signal. Otherwise, look for him on the Catalina repeater, 147.09/.69. This will be a good opportunity to check out the club repeater's coverage of the Island.

The Sentinel staff has prepared an article on our club, for possible inclusion in the June issue. You may have noticed their photographer at the April Swapmeet.

The guy who put Bill Schreck on to the call sign connection waited for a good one for himself. Fred Valentine is now KE6UY.

If you wear your club badge to club meetings, you get one (1) free door prize ticket. If you need to order a badge, drop Bill Dews a check for two bucks, along with your name and call.

Wanted: George Lee would like information on programs for recognizing and transmitting CW, RTTY, & ASCII for Apple II Plus, without using a plug-in card or TV unity: all software control. Please call him at (213) 316-9248 or find him at 104/1200.



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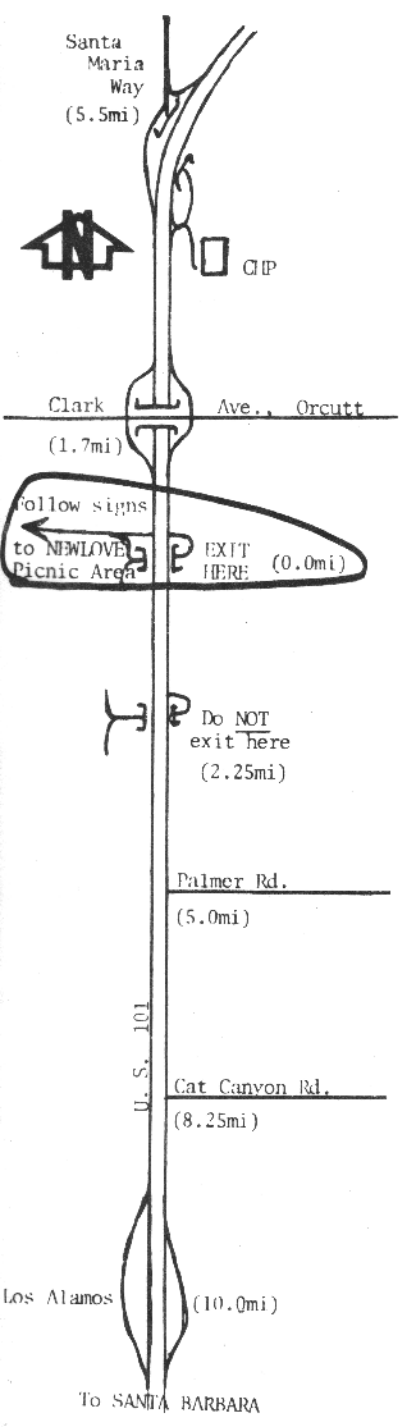
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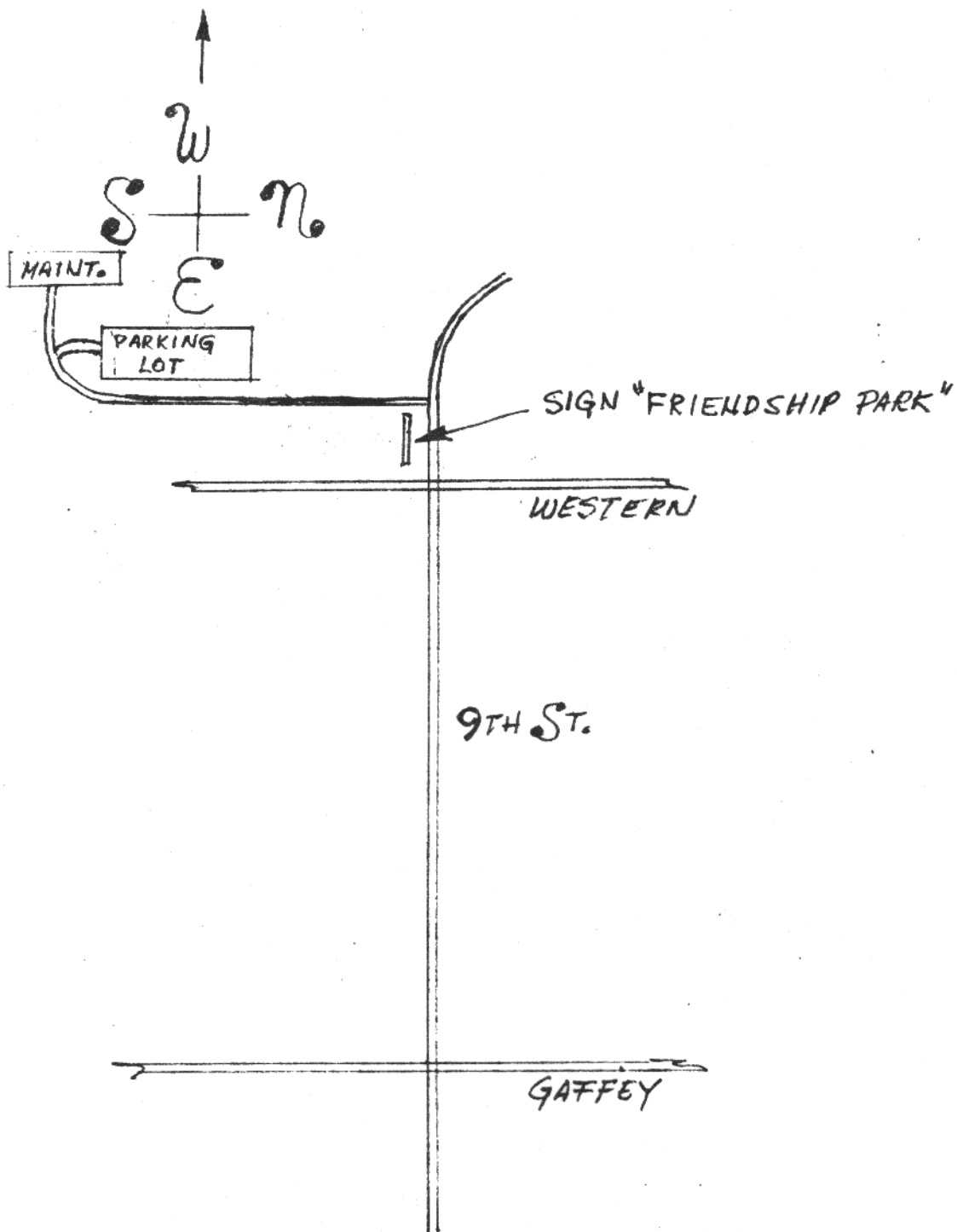
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GENERATOR

I've got proof that some folks pay attention to letters. In the last couple of months, I've written three amateur-radio related letters, and all three of them have been published. One of them is in the May 1982 issue of Ham Radio Magazine, on page 8. The others appeared in my local newspaper and Oklahoma's Collector and Emitter newsletter (front cover, too).

You can also make such petitions on your own. If you take a look at the listed petitioners, and you'll see that a lot of them are fellow amateurs, not organizations or corporations.

Your comments can be "official" (in which case you should send 7 copies to the FCC), or simply a letter expressing support or objection. You must also send a copy to the official petitioner (i.e., if it's the ARRL's idea, you have to send the ARRL a copy of your letter, too). You must then attach an statement to the FCC's copy verifying that you have done this--and you must sign it. Depending on how important you think the issue is, you might consider also sending copies to your congressmen, senators, and even local officials.

1. Be as brief as possible and still make your point. Keep it unemotional; name calling has a negative effect. Be sure to support your statements, don't just make assertions.
2. Make it neat--if practical, typewritten and double spaced. Make sure that there is at least a one inch margin on all sides, since the comments may be bound together with others. You can use the back of the sheet, too, if you keep to this. If you use more than one sheet, staple them together.

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COMMENTS

GENERAL COMMENTS. (This is the place to list general pros & cons you won't discuss later, & general points. You might like to mention any special qualifications you have. You might also like to cite some good things the FCC has done, to inspire an atmosphere of fairness.)

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

John Q. Ham
Amateur Radio WA1XYZ
Address & Zip

Watch this space next month for more soap-box specials--because I've got another letter to write to the FCC.