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JANUARY MEETING

THURSDAY

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7:15 PM

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, here we are in a brand new year, 2009! Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and that all of your dreams came true. I would like to wish all of you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Those who were able to attend the December pot luck dinner had an enjoyable feast. As usual those who attended brought delicious food for all to share. Glad I don't eat like that everyday!

The big winners at the dinner for the door prizes were; Bob, W1RH and Harry, W6HFM. They both were the recipients of nice dual band base antennas. Hope you both get a lot of good use with them. The antennas are from the new radio shop in Auburn.

If any of you have ideas for a presentation in an area of special interest, contact one of the board members and an effort will be made to schedule it. We need to have your ideas to make the meetings interesting for all.

Don't forget to sign up with Rosa for refreshments. If you bring snacks you get free raffle tickets. I hope to continue Jay's efforts of finding interesting items for the raffle.

I hope some of the newer members become involved in the workings of the club. I know some of you are already stretched thin with other volunteer activities so your time is limited. If you have a special skill, or area of knowledge, how about a presentation at one of the monthly meetings?

If you are a reader of World Radio, it is only going to be an on-line publication, no more hard copy. Hopefully the articles will still be of the quality we have enjoyed for a long time.

I am going to delve into the world of Echo-Link. This operates on 2 meters and is over the internet. I hope to make some world-wide contacts and will give updates as I learn more about the system and get into how it works.

Well, enough for now. I will see all of you at the meeting and talk with you on the radio from time to time. Until then 73's and keep smiling (It makes others wonder what you a up to).

73,

DON BROOKS, K66YST

[This is from Dave, the owner of the new ham store in town. In an effort to support a local amateur radio enterprise, I am publishing this note about a shipment of used equipment he recently acquired.—Bob, W1RH]

This just in! I just acquired a large quantity of vintage gear and parts, tubes, etc. I have not had time to go through everything yet, but I encourage you to come up for a visit and check this, and my other store items, out.



Here's the list so far:

Johnson Pacemaker SSB-AM-CW transmitter
Johnson 6-N-2 transmitter
Hammarlund HQ-120 receiver
Hammarlund BC-779-B receiver
Hammarlund HQ-145 receiver
National HF-5 receiver w/power supply
Swan 350
Swan 500CX
Swan 117xc power supply
Eico 753 tri-ban 80-40-20 ssb trancivers w/ power supply
Hallicrafter R-48 speaker
Drake TR-4 hf tranciver w/ AC-3 pwr supply
Lafayette HA-500 receiver
Multi Elmac AF-67 trans-citer
Heathkit Mohawk receiver
Heathkit Marauder transmitter (x2)
Heathkit DX-60 transmitter
Heathkit HWA-2030-3 12vdc power supply
BC-348-R receiver (belmont radio corp) (x2)
AN/PRM-1 Radio test set/radio interference/field intensity meter


C&C OSC-1030 30mhz oscilloscope
COM-SER BR-1000-A communications service monitor
TUBES! I have a bunch of 807's, 811's, 6146's, a pair of Eimac 3-500Z's, 4x150's, 4x250's, and tons of misc mil packaged and others (no miniatures)

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FROM THE EDITOR

Bob, W1RH

Just as I was beginning to start work on this month's Circuit, my hard drive crashed. This is the drive in my work computer, so, needless to say, it was a disaster. Included on that drive was all of my newsletter material. This month, I have thrown together an abbreviated version of the Circuit. Hopefully, by next month, everything will be back to normal.

That hard drive that crashed? Well, I do back up my drives, but since it was a fairly new drive, I had not done a backup for about three months. It is currently sitting at a local data recovery shop. They are telling me that it was a worst-case senerio, but they do think most of the data can be salvaged.....at a cost of about \$1,400. Many important work related documents on this computer, so the cost is worth it, in this case. In the future, IT will be installing an auto-backup to one of the servers.

EDCARC Weekly Net

Is held Tuesday evenings at 8:00pm
AG6AU repeater
147.825
CTCSS/PL tone of 82.5

ARRL Sacramento Valley Section (SV) News

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In December we heard from Allen Pitts, W1AGP, at ARRL HQ that FCC had requested ARRL clubs and members to help assist the public with the DTV broadcasting conversion slated for February 17, 2009. FCC has begun contacting clubs and individuals with advice and publications help for this project. There will be all sorts of help available from clubs in our section. The FCC looks on this as a Demographic Marketing Area challenge. For instance, Lassen, Alpine, and El Dorado Counties form one DMA. Each DMA will receive assistance from a variety of channels to blanket the population served with conversion information. ARRL clubs and members are one of the channels for this assistance.

Carl, WF6J, relays the sad news that Ed Lar Rieu, W6BEM, passed away Sunday, December 6, at 6:15 pm with his family at his side in Seattle, WA. Ed, a

Thanks to George, WG6D, for the cartoon, below.

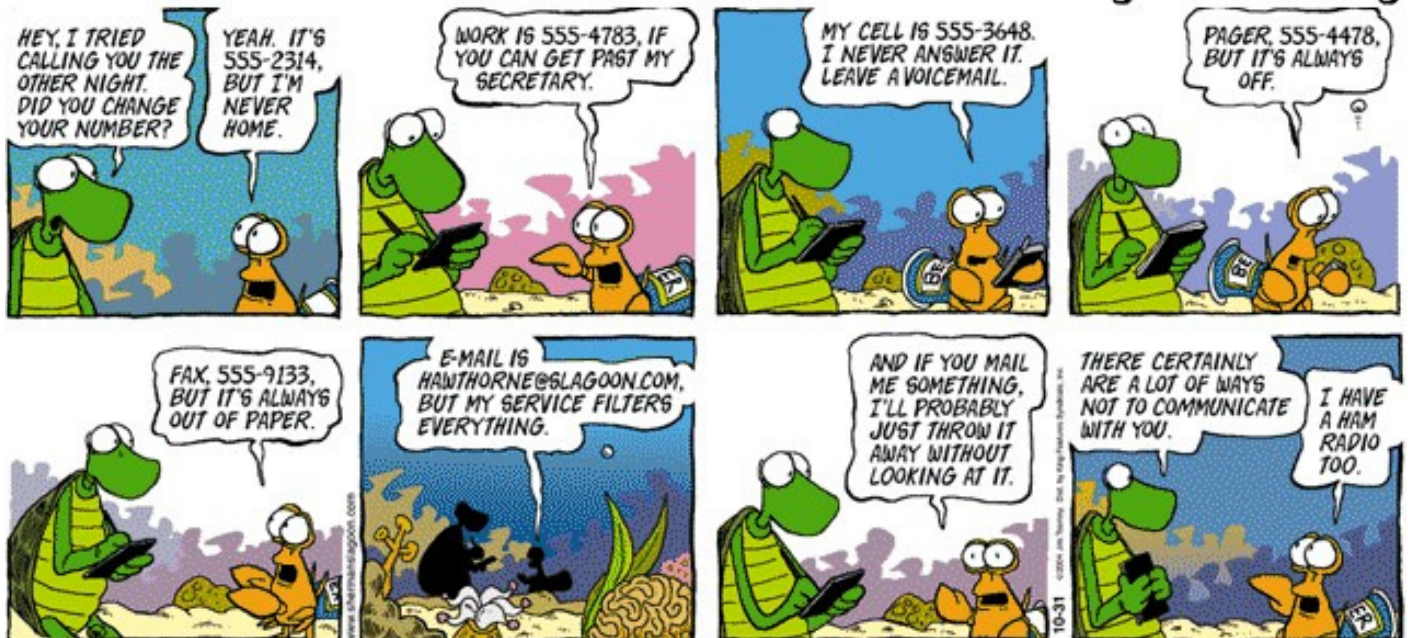
retired engineer from the Telephone company, moved from the Bay Area to Carmichael with his family in 1973. Due to health reasons he had to leave his home and live at a care facility. It was there in March that several locals celebrated Ed's 99th Birthday with him. The birthday was featured in World Radio. Shortly after, Ed was moved to Seattle so he would be closer to his family. His Daughter Janet is a Ham, as is his nephew. Ed, an extra class licensee, would have been 100 on March 9th 2009. He was a life member of North Hills Radio Club, a member of BARK Berryessa Repeater Group, and several other radio clubs. Ed was an ARRL member.

Gerry, AB7G, reports the loss of John Palmer, KK6XJ. John was a constant NCARC attendee until suffering a stroke about 18 months ago.

ARRL annual membership senior discount has been eliminated. There has not been a general membership increase since 2001 and eliminating the \$3 discount allows the general membership dues to remain the same at \$39. The change is effect 1 January 2009. Thanks, Diane, KB1RNF.

SHERMAN'S LAGOON

by Jim Toomey



QSL OF THE MONTH Bob, W1RH



This month's QSL card comes from Michal, WA6RZ. Michal worked 5T5DC in March of last year on three band-modes: 40 meter CW and SSB, and 80 meter CW.

Here is what Michal has to say about working this rare station:

This DX entity is on the rare side (Mauritania, Africa). I owe Bob (W1RH), Ken (K6KRD), and Jay (KE6GLA) for help with this one. It was one of those that kept tying up repeater time. I am new to CW, and this was one of my first CW DX contacts. I had fun chasing this one (and busting pileups), especially with the friendly competition of my clubmates!

Independent from France in 1960, Mauritania annexed the southern third of the former Spanish Sahara (now Western Sahara) in 1976, but relinquished it after three years of raids by the Polisario guerrilla front seeking independence for the territory. Maaouya Ould Sid Ahmed TAYA seized power in a coup in 1984 and ruled Mauritania with a heavy hand for over two decades. A series of presidential elections that he held were widely seen as flawed. A bloodless coup in August 2005 deposed President TAYA and ushered in a military council that oversaw a transition to democratic rule. Independent candidate Sidi Ould Cheikh ABDALLAHI was inaugurated in April 2007 as Mauritania's first freely and fairly elected president. His term ended prematurely in August 2008 when a coup deposed him and ushered in a military council government. Meanwhile, the country continues to experience ethnic tensions among its black population (Afro-Mauritians) and White and Black Moor (Arab-Berber) communities.

I am always looking for QSL cards for the Circuit. Please email them to me or you can loan me your card and I will scan it and return it in perfect condition.



HAM RADIO LICENSING TEST

March 14, 2009

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4615
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STARTING AT

9:45 AM

CONTACT
KEN, W6KWV
AT 642-9523

NEW 220 MHZ REPEATER !!

Don, KG6YST, and our new president, passed this on for the Circuit. A new 220 MHz repeater is available for club members and others.

Output 224.06

Input 222.46

(1.6 mg offset -)

PL 127.3

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- ◆ Meeting: Club meetings are normally held on the 4th Thursday of each month (except for June and November), 7:15 PM, at the Federated Church, 1031 Thompson Way, Placerville
- ◆ Club Nets: Tuesday evenings, 8:00 PM, on the AG6AU repeater, 147.825 MHz
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