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The supper club net is temporarily changed to 4 PM because of winter band conditions.



Editor's Note

We apologize for the long length of time between this BaitBox and the last one. I am the person on this editor staff who compiles the submitted articles and pictures for upcoming issues. Well in the spring, my computer crashed and I lost everything, also my email address list. It has taken me a while to recover. Because of this, we'll try to update you on the events that have transpired in a more concise form than originally planned. I also apologize for promised articles that no longer exist and will not be in this newsletter. Thanks for your understanding. JOYce

**Ham History by Frank Howerter
K9SCH**

Nostalgia is the best word. As a teenager in the 50's growing up in Illinois, I befriended a well-respected, good guy, "gentleman" farmer named Ralph. We were day-working on his farm and went to the house for lunch. Sitting at their kitchen table I noticed Ralph's chair was empty. His XYL Clara told me he was in another room and pointed to a door. I went to see what was in there, and walked into my 1st "ham" shack. I was "hooked"!! I think it was probably the glow of the 866's and the smell of the oxidation. He was keeping a daily schedule with his tenant farmer in Kansas on 40 meters. I got to spend many happy hours, days and nights in that room. No pictures of it, but I can remember everything in there and its exact position. I can still see him "fine-tuning" the HQ180 with a pencil eraser-gearing it down!! Ralph W9ATJ gave me my novice test and got me on the air. I had to take a 200 mile train trip to Chicago/FCC to take my "general" test. For a farm boy it was the trip of a lifetime, or so I thought at that time. Ralph belonged to a "SSB net" that met every Sunday morning @ 8 AM on 3940kc (called the "Breakfast



Frank K9SCH

Club"). I bought an Xtal for 3940 (I still have it), and they allowed me to join-even though I could only operate AM which was still very common. And I'm thinking about doing it some more!!! I had not heard the term "Elmer" until the last few years. But it sure is a fitting description of W9ATJ. I thought so much of that character that my only son is named Ralph. Not interested in "hamming" but maybe someday. So, the "DIPSEA" net (breakfast club) is my new home. Hmmm. "Home Group" is a pretty good term for that!! There are lots of ELMERS & Ralphs on our net. Thank you for letting us be a part of it.

Net Controls 11/2010

Sunday

AM – Dick McGraw N7DRI
PM – David Jubb WA7KAI

Monday

AM – Ron Magnus WA7GFE
PM – Dick Booth W7VPV

Tuesday

AM – Dick Honey KE7IEE
PM – Cherie Conway KD7HVT

Wednesday

AM – Jack O'Rourke N7ROG
PM – Pete Henniger KB7OVJ

Thursday

AM – Walter Brooks KB7LCA
PM – Phil Hathaway N7GFQ

Friday

AM – Ralph Griffin W7DJX
PM – Bill Holmes AE7WX

Saturday

AM - John Payne AE7CJ
PM – George Raney N7DTI

Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?

Why do "tug" boats push their barges?

Why do we sing "Take me out to the ball game" when we are already there?

Why are they called "stands" when they are made for sitting?

Why is it called "after dark" when it really is "after light"?



Jo Smith

Jo Smith's Passing October 3, 1932 – May 17, 2010

When Jo Smith passed on, it was an unexpected event that grieved those who knew her. She was a vivacious and capable lady. In the recent past years she had been the creator of the Dipsea Net Calendar. Her dedication and innovation was so appreciated. Jo and her recently deceased husband, Ken W7HRY rarely left a Dipsea event unattended. Jo is greatly missed.

Silent Key Donald L. Moore WA7CSU



Don Moore WA7CSU

Don Moore, WA7CSU, X KN7PUT, Uncle Don, Bull of Durham, was born in Colton, Oregon 12/28/1920, and died in Tigard, Oregon 7/20/2010. He was married to Joan (Juannie) Smith Moore for 64 years. Don grew up and lived in Tigard most of his life and moved to Mill City, Oregon in 1993 after several years "full time" trailering. For two years he lived at Pacific Pointe in King City, Oregon after Juannie died in March of 2008. They have 3 children, Ted, Susan, and Glenn - 7 grandchildren, and 9 great grandchildren.

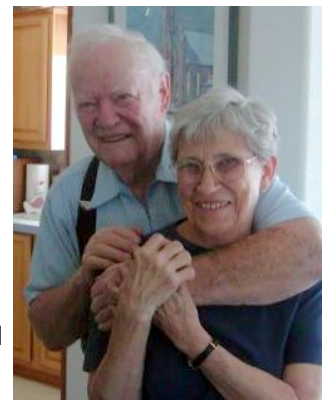
Growing up in Tigard, Don would listen to a local HAM on his own home-made crystal set. Listening to this HAM from the

"Valley of milk and onions" created a fascination for radio that would last him his entire life. He earned his own HAM license around 1960, first as a novice, KN7PUT, and then general as WA7CSU. He and son Ted K7NEC built a big antenna farm in Durham where Don joined the Dipsea Net which at the time was dying out. Don enjoyed the camaraderie of his fellow HAMS and became the "glue" that held the net together. Over time the net grew, and as it grew, Don and Juannie added many new friends to their already large and greatly diversified group. These friends were the highlight of their lives and were always welcome in their home or trailer.

Don Served in the US Navy during WWII as a Motor Machinist Mate 2, and after being injured in Sicily where he was operating landing craft was sent back to the states to teach diesel mechanics for the Navy. He loved all things mechanical and with a high school chum opened a garage in Tigard. His WWII injuries would not allow him to pursue being a full time mechanic so he turned to driving bus for Tualatin Valley Stages and then to driving tanker, first for Systems Tank Lines and then Pacific Intermountain Express (P.I.E.). He retired from professional driving having earned many driving awards. Don loved his work and telling stories about his experiences on the road. He was a good story teller with a sharp wit and keen sense of humor.

The number and quality of a man's friends are a pretty good measure of a life well lived. Don and Juannie enjoyed a good measure of this kind of success.

(Submitted by Ted Moore K7NEC)



Don & Juannie Moore

Hazel Ficken's Passing

July 3, 1934 - October 23, 2010

Hazel KB7DUI and "Old Don" WA7DZB have been very active in the Dipsea Net throughout many years. Hazel was very hospitable and loved to cook and bake. She would make crafts and take them to Christmas bazaars. She loved to play games! "Back in the day", Hazel and Don were the wagon masters for the Snake River campout. She organized many potlucks and fishing spots. Especially, in the 90's, she and Don had a great time on snowmobile outings in eastern Oregon with Dipsea friends. Her daughter and son-in-law are Marilyn and Dick N7DRI.



Hazel Fricken

Recapping some of DipSea Net Get-togethers

A celebration of the "February Birthdays" was held at Eldorado clubhouse in Tigard on February 6.



Cherie HVT, Dorothy FYK and Dave KAI, Al LAH, Evelyn, Doris



Norma, Howard ERI



Bobbi, Karen HJX, Ralph DJX, Dorothy HCQ



More February Birthday Party Pictures



Joan, Phil GFQ, Gretchen



Arlene HSV and Jim ZAJ



Dick IEE, Joyce and Dick VPV

Bill WA7ABT & Viv's and Bill K7ADO & Sandy's anniversaries at the Golden Crown Chinese on May 13.



Bill ABT & Vivian and Sandy and Bill ADO



"Album brousing" Rose and Bill WX

Dipsea Net Board of Directors 11/2010

Dick Booth W7VPV – Chairman: Calls board meeting when decisions on Net business are needed, or situations occur that need board approval.

Dick McGraw N7DRI – Net Manager: Directs net control stations, recruits replacement net controls, both permanent and temporary, determines changes to net starting times, and gives general direction to net operations.

George Raney N7DTI- Treasurer: Handles and accounts for all monies in the cookie jar, and pays bills that occur during normal Dipsea Net operations.

Bill Watters WA7ABT – Member At Large: Feels the pulse of the Net and brings to the board meeting any suggestions for improving Net operations. Helps carry through with the Net goals and objectives.

Cherie' Conway KD7HVT - Member At Large: Brings any suggestions for improving the Net to a board meeting. Sees that the goals and objectives of the net are followed.

Any Net member can talk with any Board member to convey suggestions on improving the Net or its operations.

Pictures of Board of Directors



N7DTI-N7DRI-W7VPV-WA7ABT



KD7HVT

Golden Crown Chinese Continued



HAYSTACK CAMPOUT – May 13-17, 2010

Our first campout of the year, held at Haystack Reservoir, was a great success. The weather was just what we wanted, nice and warm and sunny every day. So we could sit out all day and half of the night with a nice bon-fire to roast marshmallows over and cook our hot dogs.

Friday night for dinner at the Round Butte Inn at Culver, OR there were twenty-three of us, and we all had very good dinners and good service. Saturday for our famous potluck, we had thirty-two in attendance. Yes, right after the potluck we had a bunch of ladies playing Mexican Train. Sunday Morning Breakfast we had biscuits and sausage gravy, scrambled eggs and sausage links, plus orange juice - prepared by Darlene Skeels. Twenty-four enjoyed the breakfast.

After the Sunday breakfast, we all went to Dorothy HCQ McCool's home, to plant a tree, and have a Memorial Service in Honor of Jerry HCR McCool. There were twenty-one of us present for this; it was very well done by Bill Watters and all.

We had five couples in motels, and it was so nice to have them with us. We had eight RV'S in camp. So as you all know with the sun being so bright and warm, there were a few of that went home with SUNBURNS.

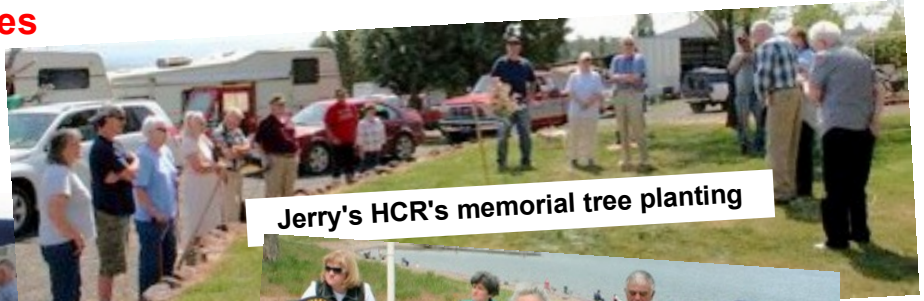
WE ALL HAD A GREAT TIME----AND IT WAS A GREAT CAMPOUT! Bye for now hope to see you all at the next outing.

(Submitted by Darlene Skeels KC7NBB)



Darlene Skeels
KC7NBB

HAYSTACK CAMPOUT Pictures



Jerry's HCR's memorial tree planting



The chuck wagon



(back) Sandra, Peggy and Mike FOJ,
(front) Phil GFQ, Marge, Bill WX

Chehalis campout, June 9-14

Steam Train Ride!



Vivian, Gretchen, Arline HSV, June,
Lauri HVS, Cherie HVT, Joyce



Russ PG, Dick IEE, Pattie JUW

Wapiti at Lincoln City campout, July 8-12



am breakfast cooks,
Louise and Dick



John CJ, Jim ZAJ



Sat. night dinner out



Up with the antenna



Stubb Stewart State Park campout, August 26-30



Food and friendship



Sat. evening sunset!



Mexican Train in the sun

Barton Park campout, Sept. 30-Oct. 4



Around the fire



Great food

The Dipsea net folks who were not camping have fully enjoyed attending the Saturday potlucks at the campouts.



"Toasting" Cherie and her new RV



Dipsea Net Upcoming Events

Saturday, December 4, 2010, 1:00pm - Christmas Party at Eldorado Villa, Tigard

Wednesday, January 12, 2011, 11:30am – Mid-Winter Lunch at Hometown Buffet, Tigard

Saturday, February 12, 2011, 1:00pm – February Birthdays at Eldorado Villa, Tigard

Saturday, March 26, 2010, 4:00pm - Bill & Viv's and Bill & Sandy's anniversary celebrations, Golden Crown Chinese Restaurant, Beaverton

CAMPOUTS (Info. on these campouts will be given as the dates grow near.)

May 19-23 at Haystack Reservoir near Madras, OR. Wagon Masters - Dan and Darlene

June 9-13 at Ryderwood, WA.

July 7-11 at Wapiti Elks RV Park near Lincoln City, OR. Wagon Masters - Dick & Joyce

August 18-22 at Tillicum Lake near Mt. Hood, Wagon Masters - Dave & Louise

September 29-Oct 3, at Barton County Park near Carver, OR. Wagon Masters – George & Gretchen

Doesn't "expecting the unexpected" make the unexpected expected?

Why are a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites?



Newsletters and Pictures of Some DipSea Net functions by Bill K7ADO

Pictures of some of the DipSea Net functions can be seen on Bill K7ADO's web site. Go to: www.billwolfsen.com

On the left hand side of the web-pages are the page names. Click on the DipSea Net page. That page has links to the pictures and newsletters. After looking at the set of pictures arrow back to the main DipSea Net page then select another page of pictures. The links listed on the DipSea Net page have more descriptive page names than what are in the left hand column.

If any of you would like to contribute DipSea pictures please e-mail them to me at: bill@billwolfsen.com

Be sure and include some text telling about the pictures or list captions for them. If you need help reducing the pictures before sending them I'll be happy to help you.

Also on the DipSea Net page will be a list of the upcoming events with dates, time, and how to get there. Anytime anyone asks how to get to the event check it out.

