



# *THE BIRD TURDS*

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## OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE PORTLAND REPEATER GROUP

### Website Undergoes Transformation

After much debate, the official website for the PRG has undergone a much needed facelift. Since the Group has transcended it's beginnings as a small group of eclectic hams raising hell on UHF, the Group President decided it was time for a change—"we can't continue to grow as a viable force in the Portland amateur radio arena, if we present ourselves to be a total cluster f\*\*k of Steve Jobs' ass banging idiots". The new website features most of the original humor and information that could be found on the old site, but without the total navigation confusion and the 3rd rate graphics and layout. The new official website can be found at: <http://prg.iwarp.com>

### Repeater Gets New Shelter

Thanks to Al—K1HAX, the repeater has been given a new cabinet to house all of it's equipment. The cabinet is approximately twice the size of the former which had been crammed tight with equipment for quite some time. Now that the equipment has room to properly breathe, it should be well set for continuous operation throughout the rest of the summer heat. Kudo's also to Chuck—N1MSA, Jeff—K1PIR and Keith—N1FTE for their efforts in the project.

### Members With New Calls

Some of our members are sporting new calls issued in the latter part of June and this month! Please welcome:

Sylvie—N1FTY (formerly KB1EXB)  
Al—K1HAX (formerly KB1FDI)  
Jeff—K1PIR (formerly KB1FIE)

### N1MSA Cries Like A Baby

Not having total control over every aspect of the Group must be terribly upsetting. For Chuck—N1MSA, this results in a lot of unfounded name calling, incoherent jabbering, sulking and general stupidity. Recently, after being replaced as the Group's official webmaster, Chuck had this to say—"I dunno whi evryone dusn't listin too mee! I'm allways rite! Mi computer even toold mi soo!" Even though Chuck can't spell his own name, he has decided to continue on as an "ofical unnofical" webmaster for his grossly inadequate, self-proclaimed "Spuf siite". The official unofficial site can be found at: <http://www.maine cyber.com/prg>

### "Whatever" Net Hits New High (Low)

The night of July 17th was a milestone for the Cumberland County Whatever Net, when with 6 check-ins, the Net lasted 53 minutes! This was only the 3rd calling of the Net since it's inception at the beginning of the month. With a little persistence, we should be able to break the one hour barrier very soon.

### "The Bird Turds" Needs Your Help

Our Newsletter needs articles, commentary, pictures, statements, intelligence, scary stories, lies, humor and general text. If you would like to contribute anything, please send your stuff to: [birdturds@prg.iwarp.com](mailto:birdturds@prg.iwarp.com)

### July LID Announced

The July LID of the month is none other than "mega bozo" Jeff—K1PIR. Jeff was bestowed the honor by Keith—N1FTE for his bonehead testing of 09's DVR! (wait, they don't have one!) Nice going Jeff!!!

