

EDITORS NOTES

Well the computer didn't crash so now you will be subjected to more of our newsletters fortunately for us...hi hi! We would like to thank Jared and Guy for their guidance on this newsletter but a decision was made for me to take the reins and I would like to welcome Freddie KD5FIX to the assistant editorship with me as he is bringing fresh new ideas to try and will hopefully make our baby alot better. Let me be the first to say to everyone HAPPY MILLENNIUM!!!

ELECTIONS

A few key people have been changed for 2000 giving the club some new ideas and help in steering the club to our goals. And with that I would like to present the officers of 2000.

Huey N5DVI -PRESIDENT Paul KM5GD - VICE-PRESIDENT Guy KC5ZIM (W5ZIM)- SECRETARY/TREASURER Mike KC5OKP - NEWSLETTER EDITOR Freddie KD5FIX- NEWSLETTER CO-EDITOR Noel KB5GON - PUBLIC RELATIONS

We would like to thank these people for their volunteering and bid adew to leaving officers Joel KC5RFO and Jared KC5WOS who made 1999 a success thanks guys.

We would also like to note that Guy took the job again this year under the condition that if it interferes with his studies, he would have to resign and another person would have to take over around the summertime.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

As the calendar changes years, members club dues come due for the new year, This is our yearly reminder that dues are due on April 1 and are still \$12/year for all except those over 60 years of age or family members of club members. We unfortunately will have to drop 5 members come January 1st as they had not paid in 1999 or for 2000 because they kept "forgetting" and wish for you to not be in that number.

CLUB RULE CHANGES

A rule change was passed at our October meeting allowing for the consumption of alcohol at club functions as long as they are not obnoxious, in violation of any public laws (i.e.- public drunkenness), or is inappropriate for a club function (i.e.- the boy scout jamboree). This rule was passed on the suggestion of Joel KC5RFO after he had spoken to a few members who did not participate at club functions because of the previous bylaw which forbade alcohol completely after a few minor problems at previous club functions. They had told Joel that they liked to drink a few beers to relax but the club was becoming too restrictive and didn't wish to participate anymore because of the rule.

REPEATERS

The 6 meter repeater at 52.450 output and 51.450 input is on the air at Huey N5DVI's home in Amelia for debugging and "burn in" and will hopefully have a better range after Huey switches the antennas around on the repeater. He does ask that any one with 6 meter capabilities to please use it to help him get it ready for its permanent move later on.

The 440 repeater is still humming away on 444.625+ and Noel asks that this repeater also be used to insure it is still working!

Huey has stated he will start on the 2 meter repeater when he has cleared the honey-dos out of his life. And Lew KD5FNR has bought some former business repeaters in hopes of putting one up in Assumption Parish for our members there as soon as they are modified for 2 meter ham use.

FIELD DAY

The final tallies are in for the 1999 field day held at the V.J. Bella fire house in Berwick June 26-27 with us placing a very respectable 173 out of 585 in category 2a with a final total of 815 contacts made by 10 people for a grand total of 2,908 points!

Y2K field day is still in the planning stages with discussions of possibly going 3A this year and will be held June 24-25 at a location to be determined later.

REVIEW COMMITTEE

Sonny KC5MSK proposed an idea at our December meeting for a review committee who's job it will be to review legitimate complaints about other members, misconduct etc. with 3-5 members with an appointed president and 2-4 others whose elections to the board will still be determined. Please voice your opinion on such a worthy subject at our web site or at a meeting.

WWW.NET

The club site is being updated slowly when Guy has the time to invest in this endeavor. One thing he did ask however is that anyone who does not come to the meetings with web access to please vote for the issues that affect our club as most decisions are made by the people who come to the meetings and this does not give an accurate opinion from the complete voting membership.

Find us at www.qsl.net/wa5mc

MEETINGS

The next club meetings will be held on January 7th, February 4th, March 3rd, and April 7th. Please keep up with the web site if these dates will change.

TUNE UP DAYS

The technicians of our club have decided to hold a tune-up day every 3 months for members to get free advice in troubleshooting and repairing broken electronics equipment. More details as they are announced.

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

If you would like to reply to anything in this newsletter or submit an article for printing, please e-mail to wa5mc@qsl.net or you can snail mail to the club address at:

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