



The Microphone Lake Whitney Amateur Radio Society



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Well, it's been a while, and I thought I would take a stab at the Newsletter again. One of the biggest things going on with the club right now is elections. The nominating committee might like some input from the rest of us on potential nominees, so if you have someone in mind, contact Danny, Ron, or Tim

The Board met September 13th and presented a proposal to the membership on September 20th. This involves setting up the club as a 501(c)(3) for the purpose of raising money. The motion to implement this plan was tabled until the meeting on October 18th so everybody gets a chance to mull it over. We will vote on it then. This will be a real benefit to the club. Money raising will be much easier, even if it is just getting donations for special events. It also allows us to make long term plans for future events like establishing a scholarship fund. In the event something was to ever happen to the club repeater, it will be much easier to replace it. The club is in a good financial situation right now and we can afford the cost of setting up the 501(c)(3). That might not be true in a couple of years, as we are currently spending more than we take in in dues. I fully endorse this move and I hope you will all turn out for the vote this Saturday. (My little Editorial)

We had a good turnout for Pioneer Day on October 4th. Lots of folks from several agencies helped and it was nice to get a chance to meet a few of them. I'd say the crowd was pretty well behaved, and it looked like

everybody had a good time. Now, if we could just have some cooler weather!

By now, everybody should have looked up the ARRL campaign to support legislation to support "the passage of federal legislation that would grant Amateur Radio Operators the same rights to install antennas on their property as those enjoyed by users of TV antennas, wireless internet, and flagpoles." If you haven't, go to <https://www.arrl.org/current-legislation> and read the article there. There's a link that allows you to fill out a form letter and send it to your representative. That link is <https://send-a-letter.org/hoa/>. It's something simple you can do to help yourself and your fellow ham radio operators.

Upcoming Events:

Nov 4th – Election Day
Nov 11th – Veterans Day
Nov 27th - Thanksgiving

I haven't heard much about a Christmas Parade yet. We'll let you know.

Winter Field Day will take place on January 24-25. This was reported as January 25-26 in the September meeting minutes. For more information, go to <https://winterfieldday.org/>.

Jim KJ5DUL

Here's what's going on in the DX world. On September 28 I contacted DU1NLO (Philippines). On October 4th I picked up VP2MAA (Montserrat). On Oct 11th, I got E51MWA (North Cook Islands). Still waiting on confirmation from E51MWA. Two weekends ago, there was an Oceania Contest, and I picked up five Australian contest stations in one afternoon. There was also a Scandinavian Contest this past weekend. I was hoping for Norway, but I got OZ2PBS (Denmark). No confirmation yet. Finland was spotted a few times, but I never heard them.

ZL7IO (Chatham Islands) was spotted a few days ago, but I never heard them. Band conditions are slowly becoming favorable again, but it's been hit or miss. The schedule for the remainder of the month is shown below, and you can see there's going to be a lot to listen to.

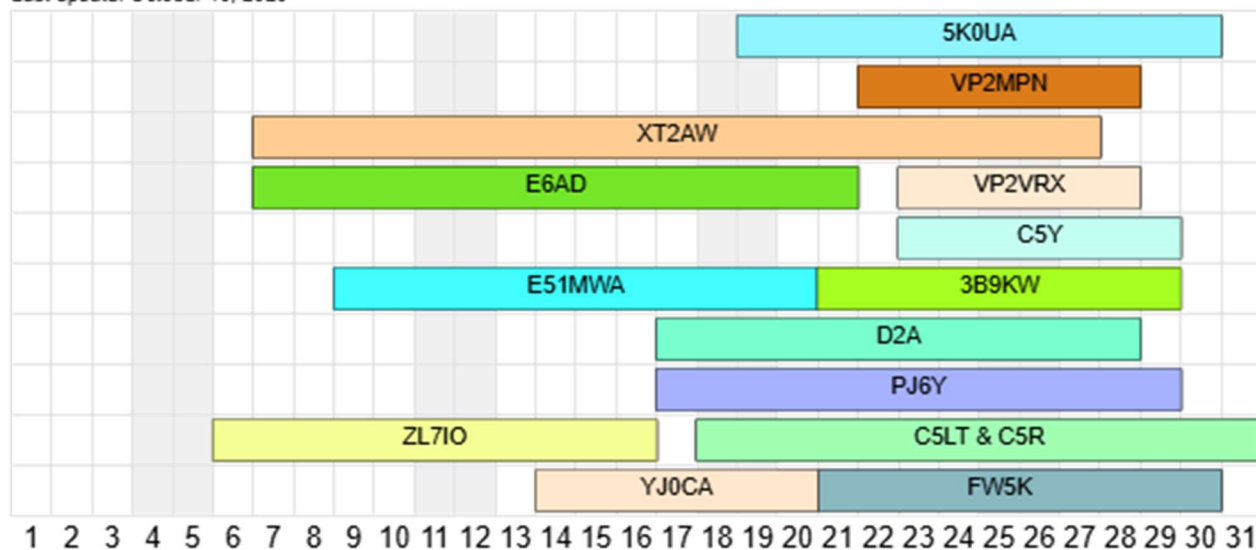
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 IK8LOV Max Laconca

Almost forgot. This is coming up.



AIR FORCE MARS

76th Anniversary Special Event

5 – 11 November 2024

AFMARS Organization	FEMA Region	Call Sign
1 st AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 1 MA, NH, VT, CT, MI, RI	W1A
2 nd AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 2 NJ, NY	W1B
3 rd AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 3 DE, MD, DC, PA, VA, WV	W1C
4 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 4 AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, PR-VI	W1D
5 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 5 IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI	W1E
6 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 6 AR, LA, NM, OK, TX	W1F
7 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 7 IA, KS, MO, NE	W1G
8 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 8 CO, MT, ND, SD, WY, UT	W1H
9 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 9 AZ, CA, NV, HI	W1I
10 th AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 10 AK, OR, WA, ID	W1J
Schriever Space Force Base	Region 8 CO	W1K
Hancock Field Air National Guard	Region 2 NY	W1L
Pentagon MARS Station	Region 3 DC	K4AF
Travis AFB AFMARS Station	Region 9 CA	KE6UEU

Stateside, I'm waiting on QSLs from Iowa and New Mexico (keeping my fingers crossed). Still trying to get South Dakota, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. South Dakota had their QSO Party this past weekend, and I didn't hear one station. Anybody know someone in South Dakota? It's getting frustrating.



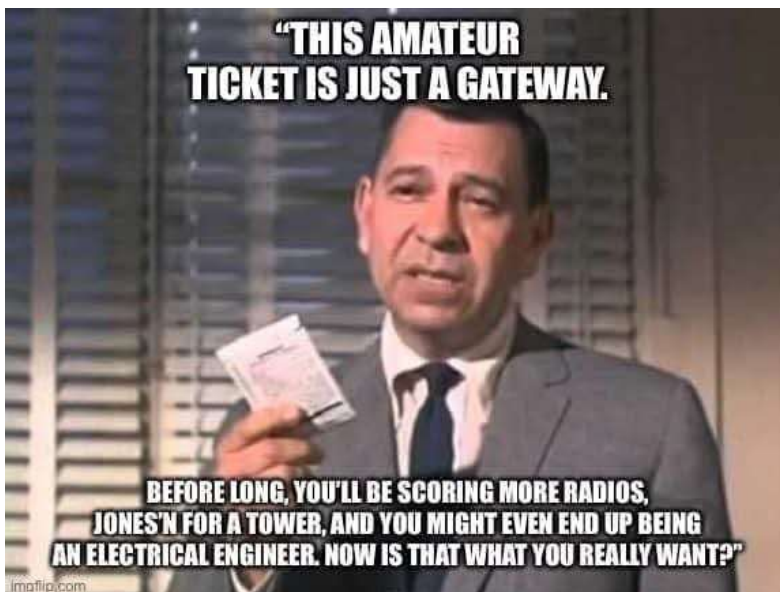
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<https://www.contestcalendar.com/index.php>

Well, that's all I can think of for this newsletter. So much more is going on all the time, if you can contribute ideas and news I would appreciate it. I'll try to turn out an issue monthly, or maybe bi-monthly. Please contribute so we can see what you have to share.

Jim KJ5DUL

See you in the Funny Papers.



***You know she was home
when the 6 radios and coax
were delivered so.....***



**Do you still wanna swing by the
house or do you just want to come
with me now?**