



DCARC **ommunicator**

Davis County Amateur Radio Club

Editor - Lon Stuart WM7E

The Pres Says:

Happy summer to everyone!

While I was at Field Day for the day it was fun to see the kids running around, busy with activities, while the adults played with Dutch Ovens and radios. It took a lot of work and working together to make sure everything got done in time to run this contest successfully. It takes more than radios and antennas to make a successful and fun Field Day. Thanks to Rick Scheese for organizing the event. Thanks to everyone else for your support and for helping bring up necessary items, especially the KR7APR.

There will be no official club meeting this month. You still have things to do. There is the Utah Ham Fest that will take place down in Ruby's Inn. Of course this has also been designated as the Club's official "Month Of Service." There are many events you can lend your time and skills to. Feel free to reach out and help!

Our next meeting will be the club picnic the 7th of August. I look forward to seeing you there.

73,
Alia KD7JGA

Communicator Calendar

Utah Hamfest

July 11-13, 2008 The Utah Hamfest will be held this year at Ruby's Inn in Bryce Canyon. See their website at <http://www.utahhamfest.org/>

Bountiful Handcart Days parade

July 23, 2008 DCARC will be helping out with the Handcart Days parade. See the DCARC web site [Parade page](#) for more details.

Day's of 47 Parade (Salt Lake City)

July 24th - Graydon Jensen N7RXL utahhams@att.net

Wasatch 100

September 6-7, 2008 The Wasatch 100 is in need of help from the Amateur community. As this date gets closer, there should be more information on the DCARC web site [calendar](#).

What's she doing here??

Why, enjoying Field Day, of course!!

See FD photos on pages 3-4...



Contest: Send the editor an email and tell me who she is... Win an Attaboy!!

The New Editor Sez:

I'M B-A-A-C-C-K!

"Not a new editor for the DCARCommunicator? I thought we had one a short time ago - who is this new guy? And where did the other one go?"

Well, troops, this new guy isn't a new guy, he's an old geezer. The previous editor had to bow out because of health problems, so this old guy got his arm twisted to take the newsletter on again.

Again? Yes, again - The name is Lon Stuart, WM7E, and until about three years ago, I had been the editor of this newsletter for about five years, but had to drop it when the XYL and myself decided to go to Tennessee and spend two years there for the LDS Church...

After returning from that assignment, I worked for a year as a VISTA Volunteer for the State of Utah, in Emergency Preparedness. That one was real work and I didn't have much time to fiddle around, so decided to wait until I was free enough to take on some extra work again, so here I am.

Well, once again my green eyeshade goes on to honcho this newsletter and to attempt to put it "to bed" at least once a month in the name of publicity for the good ole' DCARC or Davis County Amateur Radio Club, as it reads on the masthead above.

I decided early on to make a new masthead and borrowed some of it from our award-winning web site so as to keep it all in the family. I hope Matt won't mind, because as you well know, the art of copying someone else's work is the sincerest form of flattery...

Anyway, I wanted to remind you to take a look at the club web site as well, <http://www.DCARC.net> (in case you have forgotten the address...).

A little about myself - I spend my last dozen years as a technical writer for GE and am retired. I have an extra class ticket, so enjoy everything I can find to do with ham-dom and writing about it and reading a good yarn, to boot. I also enjoy good humor, so watch the margins as I am a marginal thinker and like to sprinkle a few chuckles around to boot.

Well, enough of that - let's get on with it!!

-- The Editor -- with a few Trolls in the woodwork!...

There will be no July DCARC Meeting - July is the Month of Service - Rake a look at the DCARCalendar!

THE EMCOMM ALLEY

ARES NEWS

By Tim Seeley, KK7EF

While preparing for Field Day, I have enjoyed the questions and comments from my neighbors." Why do you have a porta-potty in your yard? and why is there an antenna on it?; Do you guys communicate from in there?" My answer was, "Yes, of course!" And my son and daughter loves the stenciled call sign, it has been the source of a grin from me, too, every time I see it.

It has been over two years since most appointments in ARES have been accepted. Some Assistant Emergency Coordinator's have taken the offer from me (because of their long service) to have a reappointment in their stead. Ed Dollymier, (KB7OLE) has served as Layton's AEC for a little over two years and Glen Dixon (AC7ZN) has served as the AEC to West Point. I would like to thank both of these men for their great work coordinating ECC's and working with their particular cities personnel to further communications efforts there. Great job!! There are those who have helped these two fulfill their responsibilities, they deserve a "thank you" also. You know who you are.

There have been new appointments for AEC's. One is a new position. We now have three medical entities that have agreed to have amateur radio in their facilities and I have asked Kent Whitney, KI7ST, to oversee North Davis Hospital. Kent has been with ARES a long time and has good experience in Emcomms. Davis North Hospital is in need of a station install. The equipment is already purchased, so if there is anyone who would like to help with it, please contact Kent.

The new AEC for Layton, Michael Groves, KD7MG, is a natural replacement for Layton. He has already been involved in Layton functions and is savvy on not only technical applications, but does well being a liaison with the city. I am also thrilled to have Greg Lundell, K7UHP, accept an AEC position for the City of West Point. As many of you know, he is a local APRS guru and has experience communicating in stressful conditions. I hope he can pass some of these talents on to us. He being tied to public safety already is a great plus.

Earlier in the month, Paul Crockett, KJ7CK, set up a meeting with the Farmington Police staff. He invited me to go along. He discussed our mission as ARES communicators to help them understand what we do and shared with them some of our abilities and scope of operation the FCC has granted us. He explained the value of ham radio in emergency situations and our capabilities. This session was successful in letting the public service officers be informed so they may better know how to use us. There were a lot of questions asked and they seemed glad to have us as a volunteer auxiliary.

As some of you know, Syracuse is growing extremely fast. The need for an ECC has been on my mind for awhile. I have been in contact with Syracuse Fire Chief Craig Cottrell for some time seeing if a radio station would be something he would like to have. It helps that he is a ham!! There is a new fire station being built and he has agreed to install feed lines during the construction phase with the antennas being installed soon afterwards. I met with Chief Cottrell and his Assistant Chiefs a couple of weeks ago to plan line runs and antenna placements. An AEC position will hopefully be filled to oversee this relationship and station. Radios and antennas still have to be purchased.

Daryl Duffin has been working to have a back-up machine for the .04 repeater. This is actually the old repeater, repaired. This will sit nicely in the newly acquired sewer plant repeater site. The backup rack for the .04 repeater has been moved to the sewer site and just needs some co-ax jumpers to the duplexers and antenna to be operable. This could be a huge plus for us if the .04 machine ever is not working and we for some reason cannot access the island. An example is when we were having issues with solar and generator power during the last winter. "Great job" goes to Daryl.

As you can see our organization is a huge conglomerate of many, many people doing many different things to better our readiness to be able to provide service to the public in time of emergency.

We are right in the middle of the busy time for volunteer events. Get involved in an event and grab a time slot. The club has proclaimed July as a month for service, please jump in and let the experience teach you something. I have not volunteered for a radio event without learning something. The recent Pony Express run was an example. If you feel like you need someone to look over your shoulder (i.e. it is your first time out) ask to be paired up with someone experienced. Most importantly, as I have said before and will probably reiterate sometime in the future... You WILL make mistakes, we all do..., so don't let that stand in your way to volunteer and become a great ARES resource. The key is to practice as much as you can. Use your radio and turn on different functions, use the VFO, scan, priority, battery saving mode etc., so you are at least somewhat familiar when you want to use it. 73, for now and next month

.....I'll see you in *The Alley*.

Tim _ _ _ _ _

Field Day - 2008



Duff's new wheels...

KR7APR

DCARC's Porta-wow!

Who is this guy?

Whosatt?

Now, when I say GO, guys, do it!!

Now, that's a head scratcher!!

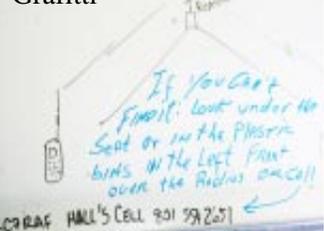
Chow time!!

You gonna eat it or shall I?

<--The Supervisor

The real boss!!

Graffiti



- In Washington, though, every cow wandering the streets of Seattle must be wearing a cowbell.

- You can't blow your nose in public places in Leahy, Washington, because it might scare a horse and cause it to panic.



Hello, World!!

Goose?

You push, I'll pull!!!

Fire!!

Anybody out there??

Turkey??

A bug!

Marshmellow creamation!

That's a good one!

Hello, Mars?

- In Burns, Oregon, horses are allowed in the town's taverns, if an admission fee is paid before they enter.

...and a good time was... Well, you know the rest - See ya' in 2009!!

Housekeeping Page: (-- It pays the rent!)

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Participants and Notes:

2008 North Salt Lake City Fireworks event,
July 3rd, 2008 - NSL Golf Course

Four momentarily lost kids and one lost parent.

Helpers: K7ELN Ron; K7RFB Ray; N7GTE Bob; KD7BYU Rick; WM7E Lon; KK7VZ Mike; KK7EF Tim; NU7X Daryl; KD7UND; Scott. Many thanks to all for your valued assistance.

Also assisting were: AC7H Brent; N7DND Gary; K7JXY Charles; KC7RAF/G Hall/Anne.

- Madison, Wisconsin, will not allow joint custody of a family pet when a couple divorces - the animal is legally awarded to whoever happens to have possession of it at the time of the initial separation.

- Over in Berea, Kentucky and also in Willamantic, Connecticut, horses are not allowed out on the streets and highways at night unless the animal has a "bright" red taillight securely attached to its rump.

- It is illegal to ride a mule down Lang, Kansas' Main Street in August, unless the animal is wearing a straw hat.

- Horses may not wear cowbells inside the city limits of Tahoe City, California.

Marginal Thinking: You want to be Unique? ... Likewise -- you want to make a DIFFERENCE in the world??? Hitler made a DIFFERENCE.

This issue's Marginal Thinking...

Odd Animal Laws:- French Lick Springs, Indiana, once passed a law requiring all black cats to wear bells on Friday the 13th.

- In Texas, it's illegal to put graffiti on someone else's cow.

The old sheriff was attending an awards dinner when a lady commented on his wearing his sidearm. 'Sheriff, I see you have your pistol. Are you expecting trouble?' 'No Ma'am. If I were expecting trouble, I would have brought my rifle.'

A reporter did a human-interest piece on the Texas Rangers. The reporter recognized the Colt Model 1911 the Ranger was carrying and asked him 'Why do you carry a .45?' The Ranger responded, 'Because they don't make a 46.'

When seconds count, the cops are just minutes away.

- Dogs in Foxpoint, Wisconsin, may not bark profusely, snarl, or make any menacing gestures.

Emergency Dispatch Center Access Numbers

910 Clearfield Dispatch 525-2806
 911 Davis County Dispatch 911
 912 Bountiful - NON Emergency 298-6000
 913 Davis Co. - NON Emergency 451-4150
 914 Hill AFB Security 777-3056
 915 Layton Dispatch 544-1241
 916 Weber Co. (Ogden City PD) 629-8221
 917 Weber Co. (Roy Dispatch) 629-8221
 918 SL Co. UHP 887-3800
 919 Weber & Morgan Co. Sheriff 629-8221

NOTE: It is NOT necessary to use the autopatch UP code to use these Emergency Autopatch Access numbers. Just tap in the 9xx code for the center you want to access. Also note that if the issue does not involve a threat to life or property, then you should use the NON Emergency dispatch number, if available.

The 3 minute call timer limit also applies to these calls.

Cow Milking

A farmer was milking his cow. He was just starting to get a good rhythm going when a bug flew into the barn and started circling his head. Suddenly, the bug flew into the cow's ear. The farmer didn't think much about it, until the bug squirted out into his bucket. It went in one ear and out the udder.

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