

RAINBOW CANYONS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Club Meeting

7:30 PM

Enoch City Office

900 E MIDVALLEY RD

On the third Tuesday of each month

CLUB NIGHT!!!!

It's a surprise.

President's Message

It's a surprise.

Events that took place in the month of June.

First the breakfast net came to gather for a breakfast, that's right, a real out of doors good old fashion breakfast.

The breakfast net is a net that has meet everyday on 28.400 Mhz. Which had started in the late 1950's. The best answer I could get at this time was in-between 1958 – 1960. That would make this net around forty-five years of age.

For about the last eleven years the net has not meet on Sunday. So now it meets six days a week at 7:00 am in the morning, Monday thru Saturday.

One might think when they hear the words breakfast net, you might formulate a picture in you mind something like some one eat breakfast at their radio.

One might be eating a bowl of cheerios and splashing milk in the front of their radio. Or some one might be eating pancakes and having sticky hands from the syrup and when you pick up the mic to talk, your ppt button get all sticky and won't release. Maybe your just eating toast and you are getting the crumbs in the keyboard that goes to you computer.

That is what I thought is was until the other day. Ken N7KM had Spire headed a breakfast for the ten-meter breakfast net people. That's right, out door breakfast.

Ken N7KM and his sweet wife Jan KB7UVO had planed, put together, prepared and cooked the breakfast.

The menu was as follows, Eggs, (HOME MADE sour dough blueberry pancakes,) sausage, juice, milk, and lots of syrup. Oh, yes there was even butter.

While the breakfast was being cooked, Ken had put together a little quiz. Here are the questions on that quiz. Keep in mind these questions applied to those of us that were there.

1. Who has been a "Ham" the longest and who got started youngest?
2. Who has had the most amateur calls?
3. Who has operated from the most call districts?
4. What is your most memorable Amateur Radio Emergency experience?
5. What was your first rig and how did you acquire it?
6. What is your favorite vacuum tube and why?
7. Who has the most family members who share this hobby?
8. What kind of ham radio memorabilia do you collect?
9. What was your "Dream Station" during your early years on the air?
10. What is the greatest change you have seen in the ham radio since you got your first license?

11. What are the combined years of amateur radio represented here today?

We sure had a grand time. It was sure fun to see everybody in person and swap stories.

Ken, Jan, thank you so much for your efforts. I and I am sure the others had a good time. So much so I would like to volunteer for the next one we have.

If you feel like you have been left out of the fun, don't, just join us on the ten meter net in the mornings. You don't have to check in every day. It would be nice to here from you at least once a week. Please feel free to check in any time.

Last months meeting

Jim N7JHC gave us a presentation on torque. Jim explained how metal stretches while under torque. Did you know that there are different qualities of metal? Jim explained the difference between non-rated bolts as compared to a ten grade. The bolts have markings on the heads that tell you the rating or grade. I did not right down those rating for you, so if you have a need I am sure Jim wont mind a call on the radio or phone. There are other places you call find these rating as well. Just be creative and look. Thanks Jim for the good info.

September meeting

Last month in June the club voted on having a FOX HUNT!!!

So tune up your DF equipment, or finish the one you started to build a long time ago. Come out and have some fun. Also I know there is some new hams that have not gone hunting, so be sure you are there to help those new hunters have a great time.

Field day

Field day started at 8:00 am Saturday morning with set up out at three peaks. Bob K8RLT was there bright eyed and bushy tailed with the clubs antenna equipment. Charles KD7LFP supplied the generator and the tarps. Russ N7BO supplied the radios and the club voted on N7BO as the designated call for field day.

We where all set up in time and a little to spare. Noon came and we where on are way for the 2003 field day.

They're where thirteen club members that showed up through the period of the field day event.

We made six hundred ninety eight single side band contacts and forty seven continues wave contacts.

There were a few moments when the station was not working for the lack of operators. I feel that it was a great success though and excited and ready for next year.

The Club and Merlin N7TCE supplied snacks and refreshments.

The weather was perfect. You could have not asked for a better field day weather wise. No wind!!! Yes No Wind.

Next year I think it will be just as fun or even better. I hope you have the opportunity to come and be a part of the biggest event of the year. See you there.

Answers to breakfast questions

1. Gene
2. Gene
3. Gene
4. Ken He helped find a doctor and the doctor talked the husband through the delivery of the baby.
5. No answer
6. Gene 807 Ken 6L6
7. Bill 3
8. Bob 1945 Bug and still has it
9. Russ one that works
10. Russ when CW went from 20 wpm to 5
11. 273 years