

ROADs REPORT©

Newsletter of ROADs
(Radio Operators Association of Dallas)

SEPTEMBER 2009

PRESIDENT'S SCREED...

Fall is on its way...getting cold and raining. But it is not here yet...this last weekend appeared to be a preview or maybe a just a cruel reminder of what is to come.

Anyway...life goes on.

Don't forget our next meeting on Thursday September 10 at the courthouse, the usual time 1930. No more nonagenarian celebrations just a regular meeting.

Our program will be by Bob W7LOU who will expound on his radio history back to the days of steam powered rigs. It should be interesting; Bob has been involved in a lot of different aspects of radio over the years. Be sure and come for this.

Also during the meeting...we will be discussing Swaptoberfest. Be thinking about what you might like to put on the club table to sell. We need volunteers to man the table during the event...this is not very hard work and you don't have to stay all day...a couple of hours would be great.

VE testing is on for this Saturday September 12. At the courthouse at 0900. Be sure and let anyone you may know who might be interested in getting licensed or a license upgrade.

Last but not least. I want to pass on a note I received from Archie W7AWE, which I have attached to the end of this newsletter. He wanted to thank us for having a birthday party. I believe he enjoyed it.

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Check out our web page WWW.W7ORE.COM

ROADs CALENDAR

- SEP 10 - Appoint Swaptoberfest Committee
Program: W7LOU---61 years in radio

 - SEP 12 - V.E. Testing
 - OCT 8 - Swaptoberfest Committee Report
Technician Class Plans
 - OCT 24 - Swaptoberfest
 - NOV 6-7 - Technician Class
 - NOV 12 - Antenna Workshop/Fund Raiser
 - NOV 14 - V.E. Testing
 - DEC 10 - Christmas Party - 6pm
 - JAN 9 - V.E. Testing
 - JAN 14 - Appoint Hamfair Committee
 - FEB 11 - Hamfair Committee
General Class Plans
 - FEB 13 Hamfair
 - MAR 5-6 General Class
 - MAR 11 Appoint Field Day Committee
 - MAR 13 V.E. Testing
 - APR 8 Appoint Election Nomination Committee
Field Day Committee Report
 - MAY 8 V.E. Testing
 - MAY 13 Election Nomination Committee Report
Update Field Day Committee
 - JUN 10 Elections & Field Day Final Plans
 - JUN 25-26 - Field Day
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DX COMMENTARY by Doc KX5W

Some announced DXPeditions for September include...

Chatham Island ZL7 ZL7OU/ZL7;

Austral Island FO FO/G3BJ and a second DXPed as TX5SPA;

Malta 9H 9H3DZthru Sept 15;

Afghanistan T6 T6AF Jim, WA2EWE is in Kabul running on
CW/PSK31 and SSB on Thursday and Fridays around 1200 - 1600Z.

NASA funded researchers released an online "4D" live model of
Earth's ionosphere—

<http://tinyurl.com/56zxay>.

Coupled with some propagation software, this could be a pretty
amazing tool !! Currently it works with the Google Earth software.
(Stolen from Mark K6UFO).

Personalized Beam Headings:

If you would like a free personalized beam headings list centered on
your location to every entity on the DXCC list--check out
<http://njdxa.org/dc-tools/beam-headings.php> from the North New
Jersey DX Association.

You enter your longitude and latitude OR your zip code and the site
generates a custom list of each DXCC entity's bearing and distance
from your location. It also includes the prefix, country name,
continent and CQ zone. I printed one out on my beater old computer
8 years ago and it's an invaluable tool. They have other good stuff on
their website.

Super Ham radio web site...

Here is a website with links to over 6,000 other ham websites. If you
can't find it here, you don't need it !!!!

www.ac6v.com/index.htm

To the Many Roads Radio Club members who took time from
their daily routine to attend my birthday party

A profound Thank You.

Also, many thanks to those that set it up and to the many well
wishers wishing me a Happy Birthday

Biggest birthday bash I have ever had!!!!

Sincerely,

Archie Breneman

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