DAYTON 2013



Those like me, who have attended this Hamvention each year for a decade or more, saw another great gathering of hams from all over the globe. The Friday opening saw thousands of hams brave a heavy fog and



venture to the vendor areas in the parking lots. The damp weather did not dampen our spirits as we marched up and down the rows

of equipment representing everything from new-inthe-box transceivers to vintage boat anchors.



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The "Chew"



The combined assembly of the 160m 1721 group and our 40m 7272 Ragchew Group posed for this photo near the beer wagon in the vendor lot. The sun finally came out and let the gang enjoy the hunting for bargains.

GOOD EATING!



Friday evening at the **KOA** campground the annual barbeque was

held in the pavilion. Tom-KC8QGJ provides the mass of burgers and dogs and his famous Kielbasa from his family's secret recipe.

Grill master, Randy Sr.-KB3INO, attending to the meat ensuring each bite is perfect. Pat and Donna -N9GOC furnished the ham, and what ham doesn't like ham? Some of our "Chewers"





Bob Heil was a busy fellow answering audio questions from admirers.

The ARRL section was extremely busy celebrating the 75th anniversary of the W1AW station, and preparing for its 2014 100th anniversary of operations.



At the end of a long week of trekking around the Hamvention and other venues around Dayton, there is nothing more relaxing than sitting by the campfire, reminiscing and enjoying the



company of fellow hams. I hope that you come and join us next year!

Passings: W3ICX Alex Tinker

Alex was a long time member of our ragchew group and will be sorely missed. Heartfelt condolences to his family.

Note from your Editor...

Our monthly newsletter "THE CHEW" contains information about the activities of participants in the 7272 Ragchew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date, to impart information we can all use and, of course, to raise a smile and a chuckle or two. If you find a new "Taz" photo that can be used for future certificates and QSLs, that too will be greatly appreciated.

Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Loby at <u>wa2axz@arrl.net</u>

Many thanks!



Ps... If you wish information about some of our Dayton side trips, contact <u>WA2AXZ@arrl.net</u>



NCS Tip of the Month: Volunteers.

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During a break on your net,
remind our friends that we have two
open NCS slots on Saturdays and can
always use good operators to fill in.
Have them contact our net scheduler, John-

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K1R 9th Anniversary

We still have plenty of QSL cards to distribute to those who checked in. If you'd like one personalized, please send a SASE to Loby-WA2AXZ today.

Your small contribution of a few dollars goes to website maintenance and the purchase of paper, ink and postage for the various 7272 Ragchew special events.



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