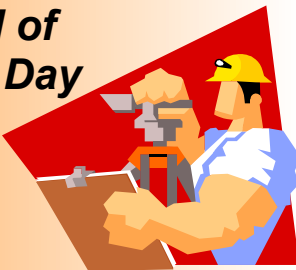


Our Annual end of summer, Labor Day weekend event.

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Many thanks to everyone participating in our 12th annual Labor Day celebration. Certificates are still available, so if you want one, please send Loby-WA2AXZ a self addressed stamped envelope. 1958 East 36 Street Brooklyn, NY 11234.

Kring Point –2016



What happens when you have an international gathering of over 65 hams, friends and families? A fantastic end-of-year party! 2016 marks the 14th year friends have been meeting in upstate New York in the Thousand Islands in the Kring Point State Park. Begun by silent key, Tom-KC8QGJ, the party continues as both a celebration marking the end of summer and a memorial to departed friends.



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The “Chew”

SEVENTY-TWO



“Where Choosy People

Choose to CHEW!”

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The weekend festivities kicked off on Thursday, September 15th, as the local repeater group, The Rooster Roster, met up for their bi-weekly lunch bunch meeting. They have these meetings at various restaurants around the Thousand Islands-Watertown area. What a great meal and a chance to catch up with all the goings-on during the past few weeks.



On Saturday, the 17th, preparations began in earnest as Karen Korycki (XYL of Tom-KC8QGJ/SK) and Mary Jane Fulton (Rooster Roster) helped set things up in the kitchen.



Randy Jr-KB3IFH and Randy Sr-KB3INO got busy stacking the ice bags and getting the drinks cold. The fridge was filled to capacity including a surprise birthday cake for Bill-KB1PKS.



Everyone pitched in from husking dozens of ears of corn to preparing a special



marinated venison dish. Behind the smoke from the hot dogs, burgers, sausages and other goodies, wielding the golden spatula, is Loby-WA2AXZ. I picked up the torch after Tom’s passing to ensure the traditional end-of-year party continues well into the future.

One thing new this year is our ability to use the indoor pavilion at the park. There are rows of heavy rustic tables inside that enable us to



handle a larger crowd in any weather. I can safely say we have had these parties

under the sun, in howling winds and pouring rains. Nothing will impede us now! After all the food and fun, we stopped to do a



dual recognition with a Happy Birthday to Bill-KB1PKS and acknowledging our 14th anniversary at Kring Point

State Park. Almost everyone stepped outside to be part of our annual group photo.

I am pleased to report that next year's party will be held in the pavilion, September 9, 2017. I hope to see you there.



KB3HQV and his pet deer.

Ray and his family seem to have been adopted by a little fawn. Ray regularly puts out feed corn for the critters in his Mill Run, PA, yard to munch upon. A few weeks ago this little one showed up, unafraid, and became a frequent evening visitor. Ray, an



NCS for the Chew, is also a regular on the 160m "1721" group where he gives updates as to what critters are

showing up in his back yard for a nighttime snack.

The Bear did what?

Walter-AA3VK, one evening last month, was driving to his home in Pennsylvania. Thinking that he had clear sailing, he casually drove down the back roads when he heard a heavy thud. *What the heck?*



He looked up to see a very angry bear. Apparently Walter did not hit the bear but the creature ran right into his car door. The bear was so upset that he started gnawing at the car door whereupon Walter hit the gas and got out of there quick. Now Walter's car sports teeth marks and scratches as proof of the encounter. *Photos to come soon.*

Our Annual Fund Rai\$er



During this time of the year, a call goes out to our members to help us keep our organization without organization afloat. Your small contribution keeps the website on line as well as helping with the postage and back-ground costs encountered during the year. Please send your contribution to your Special Events Coordinator, WA2AXZ, or use the Paypal link on the 72chew.net website today.

A hearty *Thank You* to Donald-N9RFJ and his XYL Pamela for their recent generous contribution!

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Vacuum Tubes For Sale

I have many new and used tubes for sale. Here is a very brief list: Two Eimac power tubes, 3-500z, new still in the box. Two used 6146B tubes. Eight #3878 tubes used and check ok. Many popular audio tubes, too many to list, such as 12AU7, 12AT7, 6GE5, 6BN6, many others. New and used TV & Radio tubes. Too many to list. For any item let me know if you need more info. Some tubes are new, all are checked and prices will be very reasonable. E-mail me at n8entwv@gmail.com. *Thanks!* --Les

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Kring Point Radio-K2P



Loby's camper parked along the riverbank.

Here are a few photos to show everyone how I set up and do the 7.272 Ragchew and the 1721-160m net at the campsite.



Sunset view from the camper.

As you see, the beautiful campsite along the St. Lawrence has a big drawback. Being formed of solid rock during the ice age, there was no place to sink a good ground rod. I decided to take my copper ground rod and throw it into the St. Lawrence. The water ground worked great!



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Mounting a simple 40 meter dipole between the trees and a 235 foot long wire for 160 meters made for great signal reports all around.

PIZZA PARTY

Friday evening September 16, the gang started assembling in the park. As it was getting late, rather than starting a barbeque, Randy-KB3IFH and his Dad-KB3INO ran into town to get a few pizza pies. Karen Korycki,



Tom-KC8QGJ-SK, XYL was there with the two granddaughters, Alexis and Aubrey and other family members.





A watched pot... is delicious!



Your Special Event Coordinator, Loby-WA2AXZ, preparing the burgers-dogs and sausages on the barbeque.

A table full of food shows how blessed we truly are. Good Food, Great Friends.



A final parting shot shows just why we choose to be upstate, New York for our end of summer party.



Beautiful sunrises and glorious sunsets along with magnificent days to visit all the attractions the Thousand Islands offer.

Maybe we'll see you there in 2017.

