

105 Year Old Check In

I had the great privilege of working a 105-year-old ham today: (November 27, 2016)

W4KKP-Cliff, in South Carolina.

I swear he didn't sound a day over 40.



Check him out on QRZ.com:

<https://www.qrz.com/db/W4KKP>

Cliff says he collects QSL cards. I'll have one out in the mail to him ASAP! Now Cliff is a member for life in our chew family.

Things like this are one of the big perks of being an NCS every week. You never know who you might get to meet during your net!
73, John W8LWX

Volunteers Wanted!

If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or emergency fill in, please contact our net scheduler, John-W8LWX



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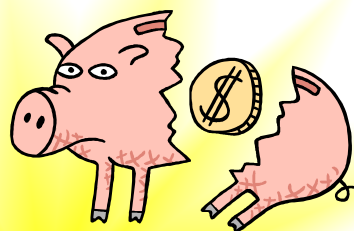
The "Chew"

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Our Annual
Fund
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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 background costs encountered during the year. Please send your contribution to your Special Events Coordinator, WA2AXZ, today.



Who Says 13 is unlucky ?

This year we are gathering once again to welcome in a brand new year, 2017, and continue the great traditions of our 7.272 Ragchew. On December 31, 2016 and January 1, 2017 we will be meeting on frequency to greet everyone with the special K1R call. This year we have whipped up a great new certificate that will look sunning on the wall of your shack.

If you would like to have one of these fine collectables, all it takes is a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) sent to me: Bob Lobenstein-WA2AXZ 1958 East 36 Street Brooklyn, New York 11234.

Ham Radio to the Rescue

One of our fellow hams, John-KB1YFD, is a robotics engineer working for Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. You have probably seen some of his work on PBS and National Geographic TV specials. Designing-building and operating under sea remote vehicles, he has enabled scientists to delve deep into our oceans and make remarkable discoveries.



Recently operating from a German research vessel, he deployed a vehicle named

“Neried Under Ice” (NUI) While working in the frigid Arctic Ocean @ 87 degrees north, the power supplies failed on the vehicle. John usually brings a portable HF transceiver and power supplies to work the ham bands during lulls in explo-



ration.

Luckily, John was able to use his ham power supplies to keep the undersea vehicle in operation to finish its mission. While the operation was a success, John was not able to set up and use his rig to speak with everyone on 20 and 40 meters.

Each voyage is a learning experience and future trips will include an array of spare parts and modules, including power supplies. John is on the move frequently and during the next deployment, he will let us know where he will be and the times we may be able to speak with him in the frozen north.

Love on Two Wheels



Take two little boys , add two Christmas bicycles and the result is un-attachable

happiness! Bobby & Riley are inseparable and even while watching a



Christmas story, they must watch it while sitting on the bikes. I hope everyone had a great holiday and now, onward to 2017!



A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter “THE CHEW”, contains information about the activities and participants in the 7.272 Ragchew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date, 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 is greatly appreciated. Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Loby at wa2axz@arri.net Many Thanks!

Orlando Fl. Hamvention

February 10, 11 and 12, 2017

Randy-KB3IFH and his QSL card business will be in Orlando, sharing a booth with WB2JKJ, The Classroom Net - 7.238, Radio Club of Jr High School 22.

He will be in Commercial Building Booth #1. If anyone is going, stop by or feel free to call my cell 410-440-0282.

Randy-KB3IFH

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