

Celebrating the
14th Anniversary
of our 7.272
Eagchew Net

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May 5th and 6th,
2018

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A big note of thanks to everyone who participated in our grand 14th-anniversary special event. Please send Loby-WA2AXZ your self addressed stamped envelope for your one-of-a-kind, personalized QSL card today!



The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO



"Where
Choosy
People

Choose
to
CHEW!"

NEWSLETTER

JUN-LY 2018

Our Annual Group Photo at Hamvention

Each year, since 2005, the members have gathered for the group photo. This year, in Xenia, we dodged the raindrops for our photo. Each year we traditionally took the photo at noon though, thanks to frequent downpours, it was delayed somewhat. We hit a break around 1:39 pm whereupon all gathered for the photo before the sky opened up again. I was asked where is the waving pink pig, (the Ham's Ham), we had in the 2017 photo? He wasn't there though, there were several food stands in the background serving pork chops and pork kebabs on a stick. (hihi)

The right photo shows the cloud cover we were under for most of the week in the area.



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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XENIA PHOTOS-2018



On Thursday May 17, 2018 the group met up at Rob's Restaurant for a hearty meal and friendly chats. With over 35 attendees we took over the room and enjoyed each others company catching up on the past few months and exchanging lists of things wanted at Hamvention.

After dinner we wound up at the KOA campsite for our traditional sit around the campfire before turning in for a good rest.



Friday Morning thousands lined up outside of the gates to the fairgrounds and at the appointed hour, 9 am, the gates opened and everyone entered into a wonderland of old and new amateur equipment.

The ARRL was well represented as many new hams signed up as members and took advantage of various ARRL programs and activities.



Booth after booth revealed



every item a ham would need to start or improve their shacks.

And if you needed cable, boy, did they have lots of cable of every variety.



If you really needed another building for a radio shack, that "out-house" was also for sale!

Friday evening we held our annual Barbeque at the KOA Campground . It was so successful that we added a Saturday Barbeque and ate and traded stories of the things we bought at the fairgrounds.



Speaking of eating, on day #2 the rain was a pesky on and off affair so, around lunchtime, thousands went to the tents, October fest style, and enjoyed a great lunch with of course Budweiser and other brews on the menus.



I haven't spoken about the mud problem in the flea market areas because that was solved using a layer of

compacted crushed stone. A big improvement over the 2017 "Mud-Fest"



I found my Holy Grail in the form of an old 1920's Electro-Voice spring suspended carbon microphone. It needs some TLC but after restoration, Rudy Valley would be proud to sing in it! I have dozens of other great



shots from Hamvention-2018. If you want a cd of all shots, please contact me and I'll be more than happy to send you a copy. Now that this years activities have come to a close , many of us have booked our KOA Campsites for next year. The Dayton KOA also has cabins and other amenities no plain motel can offer. Check them out on KOA.com and book your rv spot or cabin early at 937- 833-3888. Loby-WA2AXZ
Your special events coordinator.

Kring Point 2018

Yeah... I know that Xenia is barely in our rearview mirror yet here I go speaking about our fall 2018 party in the New York Thousand Islands.

On Saturday September 15th the gang from the 7.272 Ragchew, the Rooster Roster and various nets will hold our 16th annual end of summer party. Put this date on your calendar and start thinking about a very enjoyable visit to the area. I'll bring additional information to you as the summer

WANTED!

Net Scheduler for the 7.272 Rag Chew Net



After six years of hard and stellar work, John-W8LWX is retiring from his position as webmaster and net scheduler for our group. I am sure you all will join in, recognizing his great skill and dedication to the group

over the years.

While work is underway to have our Chew web site taken over by another fine individual, a call is going out to everyone on the Chew, that we are looking for a dedicated replacement for John.

Requirements for the position are simple. Just be a member of the group that wants to help in keeping our 14-year-old "Organization without Organization" running. You will set up our weekly net control coverage and if unable to update the web page, the new webmaster or myself, Loby, will plug in the weekly schedule. John and I will be alongside as you take up the mantle, giving guidance along the way. Put the word out and everyone's efforts are deeply appreciated.
Loby-WA2AXZ

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CHEW "T" SHIRTS

Our friends at NightWatch and the Brothers Net (K4ELO-Wayne and KB0OPR-Booper) got set up to produce T-shirts for those groups and were nice enough to think of us: "Hey, would you guys at the Chew like some shirts, too?" Our answer, without hesitation: Heck, yes! To order, go to <http://www.hamhandshake.net/shirts.php> and fill in all the info there. Thank you, Booper and Wayne, for making this possible. Prices: Sizes S, M, L, XL are \$21.00. Sizes XXL and XXXL are \$26.00 including shipping. Wear it proudly at your next hamfest!



KB3IFH QSL CARDS

Randy-KB3IFH and his dad, Randy Sr.-KB3INO had a busy three days at Xenia. They are now back home making and sending out thousands of new QSL cards and

other ham related items to happy customers.

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73's Randy-KB3IFH

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