

WANTED!

Net Scheduler for the 7.272 Rag Chew Net

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.

As 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



The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO



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NEWSLETTER September 2018

Kring Point 16th Annual International Ham Barbeque



Sunset over the St. Lawrence Seaway

On Saturday, September 15, 2018 hams from both sides of the border came together for our annual get-together and barbecue. This gathering predates our 7.272 Ragchew by two years and includes various groups such as the 160m 1721 zzzzzzgroup, the Rooster Roster Net, The Seaway Net-the Canadian 3.730 Group and many others. Planning for this and our Dayton events is done by Loby-WA2AXZ.

The first meeting was at the bi-weekly "lunch bunch." Various members of the



North Country nets meet at different restaurants and diners for a great meal and to have a face-to-face to discuss issues concerning the nets.

On Saturday morning, September 15, work began in earnest setting up the pavilion in Kring Point and making ready for one great party. Shelves were stocked with food and coolers readied to accept ice and soda and beer.



Volunteers Wanted!

If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or emergency fill-in, please contact Loby-WA2AXZ.





The crowd began arriving at noon and Loby-WA2AXZ, became the grill master . There are a few photos of me inside a smoke cloud but the food was more impressive to look at, not me (hihi)



Old friends, last meeting at Dayton, Bill-KB1PKS from Connecticut and Neil-N3WMI from Pittsburgh share a handshake and hug then catch up on news since their last meeting.



The contingent from Canada, the 3.730 Group, gave a show and tell outlining the digital modes they were using. New equipment and antennas were assembled and a discussion about the ease of operation was held.



Even in the seemingly endless flow of burgers, hot dogs, sausage, corn, salt potatoes and fruit and salads of all types,



there is always room for a sweet goodie. Someone made little hand-held radios out of Rice Crispy treats and various candies. Even through the temperature was in the mid 80s, these hearty confections did not melt in our hands. *Continued on Pg 3>>*

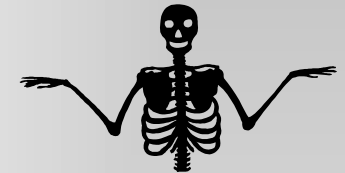
A note from your editor ...

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!

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Kring Point continued. KB1PKS brought to the table our 16th annual celebration cake. Paul-WX2PJR brought in a delicious apple cheesecake. Sadly I have no photos-as soon as it hit the table, it was gone! Mmmmm!

Along with our just desserts, something special appeared from the Massachusetts wood shop of Chad-KB1HPV. Chad is a



wizard of woodwork, making chests, cabinets and just about every type of furniture. I have featured him in a few of our earlier "Chew" newsletters. Chad made a special blanket chest to be given away at our new door prize drawing. The chest features a removable felt padded shelf and the entire chest was lined with aromatic cedar.



One by one the ticket stubs went into the drum and as dessert was winding down, everyone was brought to attention and the lucky ticket was drawn AND THE WINNER IS... Ron Bryan, VA3RSB and his lovely XYL Anne, VA3ABB. Chest builder, Chad, made the presentation to VA3RSB and his XYL Anne.



Left to right: Anne-VA3ABB, Ron-VA3RSB, Chad-KB1HPV and his XYL Nancy.

As late afternoon approached, many of the attendees stepped outside for our 16th annual photograph. Though quite a few were camera-shy, one can readily see that a great time was had by all.

The next party will be held on Saturday September, 7, 2019 so mark your calendar. Stay after the party for a few more days and enjoy a wonderful extended vacation in the Thousand Islands!

