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JULY 1986

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that it's been almost one year since we first got together at Straw Hat Pizza to discuss assembling a local club. What I consider to be equally as exciting as getting our club off the ground, is the number of public service projects that CNARC has participated in over the last 11 months:

- 11/85 Sandak/March of Dimes road rally
- 12/85 Corona Community hospital Christmas project
- 1/86 Tour de Frost bike race
- 4/86 Lions club 10K run 4/86
- Corona Community hospital mass casualty drill
- 4/86 March of Dimes walkathon
- 5/86 Hands across America
- 6/86 Field day
- 7/86 4th of July picnic plus the

monthly hospital net. As you can see CNARC is busy! but without you're help and participation we could not have the first rate organization that I am proud to say we now have. Many thanks to all of you who have spent many hours in helping us build a solid foundation for OUR club.

The month of July will be as busy as ever. July 5, 9Am to 4Pm the Corona Jaycee 4th of July picnic at the Corona City Park. Will have our CNARC booth setup as well as all types of amateur gear. We need your help! This will be strictly a public relations, membership drive function for us.

Monday July 7, at 7:30Pm, Southwest Savings and Loan in the Corona mall will be our next business meeting. This month W6TKV Fred will speak to us on NTS and the proper way to handle routine and emergency traffic. This should be a topic that interests everyone. Don't miss out! Untill next time, thanks again for all your help. Talk to you on OUR Monday evening net.

73 Mark...KB6GNZ

WE NEED A NAME

We need a name for this newsletter. The club will give an ARRL repeater guide to the person who submits the the chosen name. Names will be accepted at the July and Aug meetings and will be decided upon by the board at the Aug board meeting. Be creative and submit your choice for a name.

Mark...WD6AVU

1st VP MESSAGE

This is that time of year when many hams across the country have ripped their shacks apart, packed it all into the family car, and bounced across the countryside with their beloved equipment to some obscure hilltop that nobody in their right mind would want to visit, much less live there. The sole objective of this is to set it all up again, operate it for 24 hours with little or no rest, tear it all down, and bounce it back home. Hopefully it's still operational when it gets there. This is all done, of course, at the beginning of summer when one must endure (depending on where you live) broiling sun, sweltering heat, incredible humidity, a freezing cold night, pouring rain, gale force winds, pesky (and hungry) insects of every species imaginable, dust, mud, and all the other undesirable elements Mother Nature has in her array of miserable conditions to assault her intruders with.

One might ask (and many of us did), "Why do I do this to myself? I'm not into self-abuse!" Why does anyone endure a miserable environment to do anything? Because it's there, it's a challenge waiting to be conquered, and it's within our power to conquer it. I suppose that's why anyone undertakes the difficult, no matter how trivial it might seem to an observer.

What we did however, wasn't trivial. As those of you who participated in Field Day 1986 spend the next week catching up on lost sleep, reassembling (and repairing) your station, treating insect bites, nursing sunburns, and embalming chapped lips console yourself with this: We have proven to ourselves, our fellow hams, and our communities that we can effectively communicate worldwide by using any mode from any place at any time under any conditions should an emergency require us to. This is the real purpose of Field Day and the reason for having one to begin with.

I hope you all had as much fun and found it as exciting participating in the most significant annual event in amateur radio as I did.

73 John...KD7XG

### PRE-FIELD DAY

It all started about 6 months ago when several members of the Corona-Norco Amateur Radio Club expressed an interest in setting up a portable ham station in the hills above Corona. Plans continued until we started the drive up to Skyline! We had to coordinate acquiring a portable generator, food, sodas, antennas transceivers, lanterns, and a multitude of other incidentals. Our first site choice was not available, so an alternate location complete with a concrete slab about 15' X 20' was chosen as our QTH for the evening. We quickly set up our 40 and 20 meter dipoles over several convenient trees, and set up our 2 meter beam. On HF we made contact with New Jersey, Texas, California, Hawaii, Colorado, Japan, New Zealand, and Guam. On VHF we contacted Nevada, California, and Arizona. In addition to the above named amateurs, others present were: Larry KB6GQE, Ranga VU2EVR/W6, Mark WD6AVV, Frank KB6KDZ, Gerry N6LLV. There were also several freinds and family members to share the fun and fellowship with us.

This article could not be complete without the mention of the (alleged?) rattlesnake incident. Although this writer was a half mile away at the time and thus unable to confirm the sighting, he has heard the versions of the 3 amateurs who (allegedly) saw this elusive reptile. Not surprisingly each story is different! I feel it is best to leave this subject matter further untouched. Perhaps Luis, Mark, and Theresa could contribute their unbiased opinions in a future article.

We as a club are planning on another trip to the Cleveland National Forest. We all benefited from the knowledge gained in setting up a portable/emergency station. The night was cool, the stars were bright, and the view of the metropolitan areas unsurpassed. Why don't you plan on joining us next time?

73

Gerry...N6LLV

### NET CONTROL

As all of you know Mark KB6GNZ and I had the happy experience of upgrading the 7th of June. We rushed out to the parking lot and got into Mark's car to hurry back to Corona to tell of the wonderfull experience. Now normally Mark is a cool character, but as we left the parking lot I noticed the city had been trimming some tall palm trees. Ten minutes later I noticed the city was trimming some more palm trees. The third time we passed the same trees I realized we were driving in circles! We finally got out of Newport Beach after he quit making all left hand turns. I am looking foreward to when you take your EXTRA test. Mark. HI HI 73 Lee...WD6DGI

### MUSIC ON THE HAM BANDS

It is now legal to transmit music on the ham bands. But, before you connect your stereo to your 2m rig consider this. The FCC has made it legal to transmit digital data on the ham bands, compact disk players convert audio to digital data. One would just have to connect the digital audio from the CD player to the ham radio??? Here's the catch digital audio is recorded at 44Kb/s, amateur radio data is sent at 1.2Kb/s. The digital audio is sent about 37 times faster, this means it will take over 3 hours to send just 5 minutes of music. Who will be the first ham to attempt this?? Will there be a DX music award??

### CALENDAR

07/07/86

July meeting at southwest savings and loan, located in the Corona mall. 7:30Pm

10/18/86

Sandak/March of dimes road rally. Between Corona and Elsinore.

10/18/86

Corona centennial parade, held along 6th street.

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