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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

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Congratulations New TFO's

454 WA5PBR
 455 N7FSR
 456 NK8T
 457 N5OKU
 458 K6EJP SK
 459 KC0PPR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To
 All our
 members
 born in
 May

- # 16181 KC9FMC John WI
 - 16182 KM5EH Marcus NM
 - T16183 KC7YAV Elizabeth TX
 - T16184 KD5PTK Julia TX
 - T16185 KD5PTL Jacob TX
 - T16186 KD5PTM Joshua TX
 - 16187 K0ICA Gene (Son to #1) NE
 - 16188 KD0AEK James MN
 - 16189 W7WTQ Ralph OR
 - 16190 KE7JFL Bill OR
 - 16191 KC8VRT Amy MI
 - 16192 KA6IHA Ron CO
 - 16193 KC2QYX Bob NY
 - 16194 W0ZKE Zeke ND
 - 16195 AC0HR Scott IA
 - 16196 KC0PPA Jim MN
- * T = TEAM

YL System Historian Job

Last year, at the Branson convention, I was given the job of YL System Historian, in addition to my duties as Information Officer and QSL Bureau Manager.

Unfortunately, I find that I simply do not have the time to fulfill this function in any meaningful way.

If any of you are interested in this job, please contact Rose, KL7FOQ.

As Information Officer, I have quite a bit of data and old Voices I can share with you, and I would be more than happy to help in any way I can.

Please give this your consideration. It could be fun.

73,
 Gene Delaney, K9WFE

Convention Talk – in Frequencies

2M 146.70 (100.0 tone, minus offset)
20M 14.332
40M 7.295 (anytime except during normal 40m system time on 7.273)..

In Memoriam...Silent Keys

Please remember our following friends in your prayers.

KA7SLA, Don Warner, #14795, WA
 WOIJN, JAMES Wood, #13689, MT
 K0SXP, Mike Laux, #3205, MN
 K0EJO, Virgil Williams, #177, IA
 K6EJP, Rick Bernard #5271, CA

This list is courtesy of Gene, K9WFE & QST publication, May 2007 issue.

Special Days on the System
May 14th OLD TIMERS DAY
 Work members with SSB #'s below 12,000.
 See pg 69 in THE VOICE.

EXTRA! EXTRA! The Special Convention System Control Schedule is in this issue!
Please, feel free to fill in the blank spaces with your own call sign.
C U on the Air! ☺



YLISSB Membership Listing Voice #56, 2006-2007

K9WFE - Info Officer

Errata – The following errors in the membership listing were noted. Please correct in your copy of the Voice.

Page 103 - KG4TUY 15908 TN (missing)

Page 107 - NZ5R 12410 NM (Not AZ)

Page 108 - K6AMC 15064 CA (missing)

Page 116 - WD9AYR 16092 IL (not WD9YAR)

Page 124 - LA1FH 1340 (missing)

Page 125 - PJ7BK 15195 (not PJ2BK)

Page 126 - S50R 7114 (missing, formerly YU3SO)

This listing does not include call sign changes and new members added after October 1, 2006. Please let me know of any other errors in the membership listing so that I can correct them before the next publication of the Voice.

Gene Delaney K9WFE
YLISSB Information Officer

Postage increase May 15th
First class U.S = .41c

CQ CQ CQ YL ISSBer's: Calling all members!!!

The Communicator wants your stories, poems and opinions of your on-air adventures.

We need YL stories & info Sketches, illustrations, doodles, etc.

Mail to AK1X 62 White Mtn Hwy Milton, NH 03851 Email pmdunn59@metrocast.net

20 Meter System

Daily Schedule

KB5YQ – system coordinator

Early A.M Warm-up Everyday
1200z – 1500z

1st -3rd Period Mon -Fri
1st Period

1500z -1700z

2nd Period

1700z – 1900z

3rd Period

1900z – 2100z

Moonbeam

K3CDQ – system coordinator

2100z – Band closes Mon – Fri

Please refer to the Special Convention Schedule found with the Newsletter this month.

There are a lot of available time slots for members to fill as you can, all help will be appreciated.

In reference to this special schedule, we really have a great need for help during 2nd and 3rd period. As with years past, we will do the best we can, with your help, to keep the system operating, As protocol and policy, beginning each period 1 -3 formally, going around the call areas that correspond with the date, then switching to informal if there are less than 10 check-ins.

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20 Meter System cont

Convention time is very exciting on the air for those of us who hang by the radio, waiting with anticipation of a call from those members passing by the Radio at the convention center, in between all the business and scheduled events.

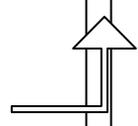
KB5YQ will begin travel to Durango as of May 26. This means Sunday May 27 – Saturday, June 9, Jda, KB5YQ will not be at the radio. Ideally, it is best to operate the system with at least one, preferably two assistant control stations aside from the main SC.

Pages 6 -11 of "SSB'ers Voice" # 56 Contains all important information for System control volunteers, please refresh yourselves on the procedures and contact KB5YQ as soon as possible with any questions before May 26.

To those who begin their long anticipated adventure to Durango, God's Speed and Safe Travel. We will be mapping your journeys and know that someone will be listening for you.

For those of us who will be in Durango in spirit only, we will keep the system in service and miss you but know you will have plenty of stories to share with all of us when you get back to the radio!

73/33
KB5YQ /AK1X



Rotation

Date dependent
1-0-4-7-3-6-9-2-5-8

More helpful info. pg.6, The VOICE

Do You
EchoLink?

20 METER MOONBEAM**THE YLISSB MOONBEAM**

I often wonder how many of our members realize that many of the Moonbeam Controls have been checking us in for nearly twenty years. Along with our many members, I would again like to thank each and every one of our Moonbeam Controls, past, present and future for all their years of service. Obviously, the same amount of thanks goes out to all our Controls on all portions of the System, especially Jda.

I underlined "future" to stress the point of the need for additional Controls on the Moonbeam. We have twenty-one days a month in which one or more of our Controls are doing extra duty and that does not count the evenings when one of them jumps in to pick things up when the assigned Control cannot be there. Also, five weekends per month we do not have any Controls. However, having said that, dedication and loyalty of our Controls on the YL System is unsurpassed! You are all very much appreciated and I would like to share a short conversation I had with my daughter..

"Dad, why do you always capitalize the word Control? That should not be capitalized in the middle of a sentence." My response was, "Amy, whenever writing to or about my Moonbeam Controls, they will always be listed with a Capital C" With a quick smile, Amy replied "I understand dad." So, I hope the Capital C is some indication to each of you of the high esteem I place you in.

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MOONBEAM cont...

What does it take to be a Control on the Moonbeam or any portion of the System? Nothing more than a General Class license (or above) and membership in the System. Really, nothing more! It is not difficult. You simply ask for check-ins, log what you hear, then ask again and after logging all the check-ins, ask them in the order you checked them in, if they would like to make any calls. The only other thing required is good common sense and friendliness. Try it, you might just find you enjoy it.

I am the coordinator for the Moonbeam, including the 1st hour. Anyone interested in signing on as a Control for the Moonbeam should contact me.

Those controlling on the 1st hour control Monday thru Friday for the entire hour. Those controlling after the 1st hour have volunteered to control for two hours for as many evenings a week/month as they would like to volunteer for. Some control only once a month, some others as much as ten or twelve evenings a month. It is really your choice. If interested, let me know and I will email you a Moonbeam Control Schedule showing the open evenings.

It is important as a volunteer that you understand that once you offer to help, I along with the other Controls expect you to "be there" on your assigned evening.

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MOONBEAM cont...

However, I feel it is more important you know that I realize from time to time, work, school, church and/or other family and social events may occasionally prevent you from being there on your evening. Family comes first my friend, just make an honest attempt to be there and try to notify us in advance when you cannot be. No one is going to fuss or scold you when you cannot be there so come on board and get your feet wet. I am sure you will enjoy it!

CU on the Moonbeam

*Dick
K3CDQ*

40 & 80 Meter Systems

by WZ1F ssb# 15988

Informal 7.273 2300z -0000z M-F
3.821 0000z - 0030z M-F

The 40 and 80 meter systems are running very well. We are continuing to have 25 plus check-ins on the 40 meter system and over 15 each night on the 80 meter system. With band conditions the way they are we are doing quite well. We have a great control system working each night. The controls are keeping in contact on the radios as best they can and they are also using echo link to enhance there progress of keeping the system going.

Welcome back to Vern KOMSR and his wife Barbara who took a trip out west to Branson MO and other stops and also to Ken N8COQ and his YL who spent some time in Hawaii visiting with some YL members on the big island.

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Editor Notes

All is going well from the editor's desk this month. I have received some great stories, feedback, suggestions, corrections, info, and queries. Keep them coming! I have invited WZ1F to be the Assistant Editor, and my guy "Friday", to assist with the publication process of the Voice and Communicator. Lee has gracefully accepted this position. Living close will help a great deal with the work involved on the annual publication of the Voice. I will be on the system regularly throughout convention weeks, however I better get my paperwork finish tonight or I'll be in trouble! Until next month, 33, 73 - AK1X, Paula

Got Something for publication? Send to
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20 Meter System Control * CONVENTION SCHEDULE* MAY 27 –JUNE 9 2007

Early Morning Warm-up → 3rd Period only

WEEK ONE

All Empty spaces NEED System Control and Helpers

TIME PERIOD UTC	Sunday May 27	Monday May 28	Tuesday May 29	Wednesday May30	Thursday May31	Friday June 1	Saturday June 2
1200 - 1300	AK1X	N1PVT	→	→	→	→	N1PVT †
1300 - 1400	AK1X	KB8NSA	KB8NSA				
1400 - 1500		K9WFE	K9WFE		K9WFE	K9WFE	
1500 - 1600 1st Period		N0TWV-	N0TWV-	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	KC0PPR -	KI4JQB – WN5DX
1600 - 1700		N0TWV -	N0TWV -	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	KC0PPR -	KI4JQB – WN5DX
1700 - 1800 2 nd Period							
1800 -1900							
1900 – 2000 3 rd Period							
2000 - 2100							

K9WFE WILL BE GONE WEEK TWO.

ANY OTHER MEMBER THAT CAN HELP OR KEEP THINGS GOING AFTER FIRST PERIOD, PLEASE DO.

WEEK TWO

All Empty spaces NEED System Control and Helpers

TIME PERIOD UTC	Sunday June 3	Monday June 4	Tuesday June 5	Wednesday June 6	Thursday June 7	Friday June 8	Saturday June 9
1200 - 1300	AK1X	N1PVT	→	→	→	→	N1PVT †
1300 - 1400	AK1X	KB8NSA	KB8NSA				
1400 - 1500							
1500 - 1600 1st Period		N0TWV-	N0TWV-	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	KC0PPR -	KI4JQB – WN5DX
1600 - 1700		N0TWV-	N0TWV-	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	AA9BB - AK1X OR WN5DX	KC0PPR -	KI4JQB – WN5DX
1700 - 1800 2nd Period							
1800 -1900							
1900 – 2000 3rd Period							
2000 - 2100							

Possible Helpers

K8NQC	KI4KTA	AK1X	W7EQB		
WA5JDV	WZ1F	K6EDJ			

**ANY OTHER MEMBER THAT CAN HELP OR KEEP THINGS GOING AFTER FIRST PERIOD, PLEASE DO. TNX ~ Jda
KB5YQ**