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 NORTHERN KENTUCKY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB - K4CO
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CLUB MEETING: First Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. Meeting location given below.
 Summer meetings held at members' QTH.
CLUB NET: Every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. on 146.58 mhz fm.
CLUB TRAILER: Located in Erlanger, Ky.

COMING EVENTS

Aug 5 NKARC MEETING
 10 Hamfest in Hillard (near Columbus)
 Sept 2 NKARC MEETING
 6-7 VHF Contest
 Cincinnati Hamfest

*****NEXT MEETING*****

* TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1975 at 8 p.m. *
 * at *
 * QTH of WA4KQB in Alexandria, Ky. *
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 * Located 27 Sunset Dr. - take U.S. 27 *
 * (Alexandria Pk) south past Highland Hts. *
 * to Alex. Watch for Alex. Drugs and the *
 * IGA Supermarket - and you'll see *
 * Sunset Drive. *
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Refreshments follow the meeting.

JULY MEETING (JULY 1, 1975)

Bob Pentz, K4DMA, called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A report was given on the club's participation in the VHF contest. (See last month's newsletter.)

K4DMA briefly discussed the club's affiliation with the Red Cross. He also told about the Red Cross I.D. cards which will be issued to club members. More information will be given later.

The fourth prize from the club sponsored Ham-O-Rama was re-awarded. The winner was Jim Miracle, in Cincinnati.

Harld Blocher, WB4VOA, reported that Bluegrass will donate two more 2 mtr rigs to the club with the stipulation that they be put on the air - they could be used at the Red Cross headquarters.

Neil Mays, WB4VSG, volunteered to be net control for July. Thanks was given K4DMA for having the meeting at his QTH. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

CHALK ONE UP

The NKARC Field Day was a defeat to the 'Law of Murphy' - if anything can go wrong, it will. And it did! Friday evening and Saturday morning were spent putting together the just-arrived TH3MK3 tribander. And there must have been over 100 pieces - just ask K4JBV and WA8CGS.

All went OK during antenna erection at the F.D. site. Extension ladders were used for push up masts to hold both the tribander and the 15 mtr beam. But when the tribander was hooked up, Murphy struck. The SWR was about 2 to 1 at best, and that was at the band edge. And to top it off, the brand new Ham II rotor indicator wouldn't work.

To make a long story short, activities were curtailed early. Better luck next year !?!

HOTLINE GOES BROKE

Not exactly - but 73 magazine has announced in its July issue of Hotline that the bi-monthly newsletter will no longer be published. The reason they give is that their new computer publication BYTE is growing faster than expected.

73 magazine will increase its page size with the January issue. Their announcement follows that of QST and HAM RADIO magazines. ODDLY, 73 states that this increase in size will cause higher costs. But QST stated they will save thousands of dollars in printing the larger size.

Wayne Green has evidently found a bigger money maker in BYTE, and will also be raising 73 subscription rates next January.

FCC ADDRESS CHANGE
 (see over)

BITES AND PIECES

GUESS WHO

- FCC is currently taking 12 weeks to process ham tickets. They have a special new address for amateur applications to by-pass all those CB applicants. It's Box 1020, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325.

- Your time has elapsed for filing your comments on the restructuring docket #20282. If you didn't file a comment or send in the QST questionnaire, don't gripe when the docket is acted upon.

- Have you seen the new Yaesu catalog? It's 19 pages of color pictures and specifications. They now have equipment covering 160 thru 2 mtrs, including a digital readout receiver. For info, write Yaesu Misen U.S.A. Inc., 7625 East Rosecrans Ave., #29, Paramount, Calif 90723

- Going to put up a beam? Write to Mosley and request their catalog # H-174. It gives complete specs, SWR curves, feed-systems and matching theory, etc. Mosley Electronics, Inc., 4610 N. Lindbergh Blvd., Bridgeton, Mo. 63044

Can you name the greater Cincinnati area radio club that has its own meeting place on an acre or more of their own or leased land - with two or more antenna towers (over 60')? There are none - but NKARC could be the first.

The closest clubs meeting the above description are in Hamilton and Miamisburg (near Dayton). If you're free the night of the Miamisburg meeting, attend it and you'll be amazed when you see their setup (NKARC member WB8HYP will fill you in). And you'll know why they do so good when operating the contests.

NKARC has the potential to become "the club" - but it takes dedication and work. We already have the tool - the Ham-O-Rama.

Next is finding the most ideal location. It must be one of the higher places around (900 ft. +) and should have easy access to an I-75 or I-275 exit. Any ideas??

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