

K1R Is Here!

Hopefully, when you read this newsletter you'll find that our K1R-21st "Fire-Anniversary" special event will be winding down. I know that our Net Control Stations have been busy this week, and soon enough, I'll get busy filling in all of those QSL requests.



All one needs to do is send me, Loby-WA2AXZ @: Bob Lobenstein 1539 Golden Drive, Hubertus, Wisconsin 53033, their self-addressed-stamped-envelope, with their full name, call sign and time they worked our net. A personalized card will be prepared and set right out in the mail.

Many thanks to our NCS's for their help, and thanks to all the participants helping us celebrate this most important anniversary.

A Special Note of Thanks...

Walt-KB3LGO has decided to step away from the mic, both as an NCS but as our scheduler too. Walt has spent a few years working with all the good volunteers, which keep our net on the air seven days a week. I know that we all wish Walt well and maybe in the future we'll hear him check in from time to time.

The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO



NEWSLETTER

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WANTED !

With Walt leaving us, this results in a gaping hole in our organization without organization.

While I will take over as "Chief Cook and Bottle Washer," I truly need someone from our pool of friends to step up take on the mantle of scheduler, and keep the Chew on the rails for a few years to come.

If you can help me in making sure the Chew remains on the air, please e-mail me at: wa2axz@arrl.net or, if you would like to chat on the phone, please call me at: 347-583-3612. (Phone only-No Text)

73 and Thanks! *LB3Y*

WOLF-DOGS

By Bill-K8BP

On Saturday April 12, 2025, my family and grandkids visited the aptly named "Howling Woods Farm" in Central New Jersey. The farm specializes in rescuing/rehabbing cross breed wolf/dogs. Just as the sewers of NYC and the swamps of Florida are allegedly over populated with crocodiles and pythons, people get these cross breed pups from breeders, and then can't handle them when they get bigger. Some states, like NY, ban possession of a dog with any wolf in them. The farm has about 26 acres of land and keeps around 20 wild dogs. They cannot be released into the wild because they simply would not survive. The tours conducted by the farm allow customers to go into a couple of the pens with well-behaved animals. There are several restrictions on people and warnings about what you can and cannot do, including that the animals can get "frisky" and jump up on visitors.

Sadly one of the animals had had bone cancer with amputation of the left fore-leg. Watching the animal run and jump it was obvious that he did not know he



was only 3 legged. Because I had recently had a procedure and was still under some restrictions, we thought it best if I did not go into the enclosures. not cause me to go into any of the enclosures.



The farm offered me a one-on-one tour of the farm, which would not cause me to go into any of the enclosures. It was wonderful as I got to see the whole area

and animals not seen on the regular tours. It was a great experience and all of us want to go back when weather is more conducive to a visit. Last Saturday was rainy and temp in mid-40's - i.e. miserable.

The black animal in this photo is a breed which, like us, gets whiter and whiter with age, losing all or almost all of the black fur by the time it is a senior. 73, Bill K8BP



From the workshop of KB1HPV

Here are the finished photos of the latest "Good Will" find that I did over in my workshop. Hopefully someone would like it for their own home. It was kind of

a fun little project considering what it looked like when I started. 73, KB1HPV-Chad



PS: A nice couple did buy the chest and it now has a good home.

Another Whopping Increate\$

The U.S. Post Office has announced that in July they will be raising the cost of mailing a letter a nickel, from 73c to 78c. I picked up a roll of 100 forever stamps as during the year, I do lots of mailings for the Chew. Stop by and get a few to squirrel away as with such an inept postal system, the sky is the limit on price hikes.



PASSING, Denzil-W8CIN

Denzil Ray Gillum-W8CIN, 85, of Medina, Ohio, passed away on Sunday, February 23, 2025, at O'Neill Healthcare in



Middleburg Heights, OH. Denzil was born on April 13, 1939, was a devoted brother,

father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Denzil enjoyed a long career in electronics, where his sharp mind and dedication left a lasting impact. Known for his ornery spirit and love of a good, spirited conversation, he was always ready with a joke and a laugh. He was a frequent check-in at our nightly 160m net, the 1721 group and stopped by often on our 7.272 Ragchew net. Send condolences online at: hastingsfuneralhome.com

73 Old Friend!

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. Without you, there is no Chew!

Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Lobby at wa2axz@arrl.net

Many Thanks!

Volunteers Wanted!



If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or as an occasional fill-in, please contact your net scheduler, Lobby-WA2AXZ.

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