

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



to all the good little boys and
ghouls of the Chew!

hah

It's coming... (I hope!)

Fall is here, and along with the cooler temps, many of the pesky summertime storms which wrecked havoc on the band, have left the scene. We have been operating a truncated version of the Chew from 9am to 11am daily, as band conditions would not let us continue into our last hour.

I am getting ready to restart the last hour of the Chew, and I need good volunteers to help us by filling in the open positions. True we have other open spots to fill though if any one would like to help keep the Chew fully viable, **PLEASE** contact Loby-WA2AXZ : wa2axz@arrl.net to discuss what you can do to help the Chew out as we are going into our 22nd year of operations. Thanks!



The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO



"Where
Choosy
People

Choose
to
CHEW!

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Passing:

Our
Founder,
Russ
Newton
K1LRB

December 2,
1943
March 31,
2025



Russ passed away in March, and even though he hasn't been on air for many years due to failing health, his mark on the Chew is forever.

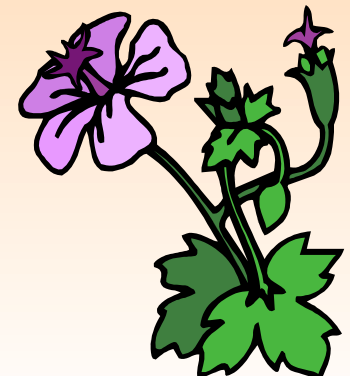
Russ was one of our founders who set the principals for the net, welcoming everyone to be part of a net without dues, numbers or harsh regulations and requirements.

From that chilly morning at a New Jersey diner, 21 years ago, where several hams got together, (**AA2XK-W2LEI-NI2W-N2COM-AA2T-K2SEA and W2CSQ**) the Chew was formed.

I know that those of us who knew him enjoyed our leisurely chats, over the years, on the Chew. He was the driving force for our annual gatherings at Dayton for many years, starting at the spaghetti warehouse to the large gatherings at the amber rose.

I take this moment to thank him and all other founders and participants in the "Chew" Each one of you is a cherished part of our tradition of great conversations and friendship on 7.272.

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Kring Point Party

"WOW, what a party!" This was the response I received after the event from all attendees. The weather was perfect, just adding to the pleasantness of the day. The festivities started 2 days before when the core group met for their monthly "Lunch-Bunch" There we discussed what was needed for the party, what we would be doing, and just enjoyed a great meal together.



As the gang arrived, several set up portable stations. Larry-K2AG, set up a 2m station, using an emergency "Go-box." Our Canadian friends lead by Mike-VA3MPM, set up an HF station and activated a "Parks on the Air" station. Many contacts were made as check ins learned about the ongoing party in Kring Point.

Everyone pitched in and got bust setting up the grills and cookers for the afternoon festivities.



A table was set up in the center aisle



to handle the 50/50 prize tickets, the door prizes and a special raffle for the magnificent chest Chad-KB1HPV made for the gathering.



Food, Wonderful Food!



A great selection of dogs, burgers, salads, salt potatoes and other tasty goodies graced the

tables in the pavilion. I can safely say no one left



the party hungry. By the way, that's me, Loby-

WA2AXZ, guarding the chicken grill!



In fact, on the opposite side of the room was a dessert table with a vast array of cakes,

pies and candies for all to enjoy. No calories to be found here. (hihi) *Continued on Pg-3 >>>*

Volunteer NCS's Wanted

Recently we have had the good fortune of having an almost full roster of Net Control Operators. (At least for the 9-11am spots) We are always on the lookout for great people to step up to the mic and help fill-in when openings occur. If you would like to help out, please contact our net scheduler. WA2AXZ-Loby



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We had a few of our Chew net control station operators enjoying the party, headed by Ken-W3XAF, Chad-KB1HPV, Rich-KC2CZK and of course me, Loby-

WA2AXZ.

After a great meal and some goodies to boot, the group was called to order and an interesting round of Ham-Bingo took place for some small prizes.



Then the guest speaker, Rich-AB2FN, lead a discussion of his beginnings in radio and television. Look him up on QRZ for his full and really interesting story.



The regular door prizes were given away then he highlight of the day, the raffle for the wonderful chest made by Chad-KB1HPV. (Chad-KB1HPV in the red cap with



his XYL-Nancy, with Bill-KB1PKS inspecting the goods) And the grand prize winner was ED-KC1UGK from Massachusetts. Ed is a regular on the daily Rooster Rster net. It now has a cherished place in his living room.

The gathering started winding down after the presentations, and many hung around after the cleanup to sit, relax and chat. The three amigos below, (LtoR Jan, Bill's XYL, Bill-KB1PKS and

Mike-VA3MPM with Will-AC2GE in the background) had a pow-wow and it was announced that due to the success of the party, the gang will once again meet in Kring Point, **September, 19, 2026!** We have a year to plan and thanks to Mike, our Canadian friends and good hams in the North country, I know next year will be bigger...and better!



Niagara Falls, Sloowly I turn...

I had a plan that after the party, I'd head to the falls to check out a museum on the Canadian side, made in one of the original 1895-1904 Tesla-Westinghouse powerhouses. I had worked a bit in this plant in 1990 and had a photo taken in front of generator #1. So, 35 years later, I took the identical photo and boy, am I gray! Check out my 1990 photo above. Not only did I change but



they painted my generators blue too! If you visit the falls on the Canadian side, check out this web site for info:

<https://www.niagaraparks.com/visit/attractions/niagara-parks-power-station>

BEEP-BEEP!

No, it's not the roadrunner but a fine looking 1968 VW Karmann-Ghia. For years Jon-K1BCR (White Shirt) and I have been bantering about his vintage VW and last month my dreams came true as he sold me little "Karmella"



I rented a U-Haul car trailer and made the 1,000 mile trek back to

Wisconsin, where this vintage vehicle will enjoy a proud new home. *"It's said we are not owners but caretakers of these fine vehicles, for future generations."* Loby-WA2AXZ

