Happy Thanksgiving to all in the Chew!



Good news keeps on coming…

The Kring Point party for 2027 has been confirmed by Dean-WA5UCQ. It will be held a week earlier in September.

Saturday September 18, 2027

Put it on your 2027 calendars, and since we have a year to make plans, I hope to see many more there for the fun! Stay a few extra days to take in the beautiful north country of New York.



The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO HF RAG CHEW AMATEUR RADIO

"Where Choosy People Choose to CHEW!"

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Fall scenes from Jerry-KC2UT

I had a nice mini trip to nearby Letchworth Gorge, south of Rochester (Genesee River).



It is truly awesome this time of year... Tree colors were magnificent.



The River starts in Central Northern Pa and flows North through Western NY and into Rochester and into Lake Ontario. *73 Jerry!*



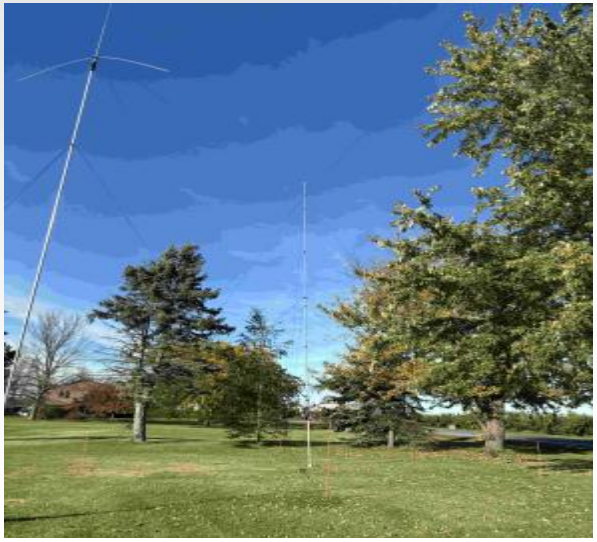
WB2MLY's Antenna farm…

Late summer-early fall is an ideal time to spend time improving and securing the antenna system for the upcoming winter season.

Ray recently embarked on a project to upgrade his antenna on top of the Chimney.



"I had a Cush Craft Ringo Ranger and. it had been up there for 15 years. About two months ago, I realized that the coax had become disconnected due to sunlight and weather damaging it. I replaced it with a diamond 300 dual band 2 m and 440. The old Ringo Ranger was only good for 2 m so now, I can once more to hit repeaters 150 miles to the south of me in Peru, NY also, I can reach Ottawa from the middle of my side yard."



I installed an old one band Bushcraft vertical which is meant for 160m, but I'm finding out that it works very well on a higher bands too.

I have been running FT8 there and have had many far off DX contacts, including China, Japan, Iceland Bulgaria, most of Europe, Hawaii, and Alaska.

Another antenna that I erected was a 160 meter Windom. It is a half-wave, but not split in half as a conventional dipole. It is about 40 feet high where I had to erect three masts, one in the center and two on each end, to support it. I have always wanted one of these.



I was hoping to get one up and now, finally I have one. It is working fine and I am on the 160m 1721 group (1,871) most evenings now, running 500 W.

Most people seem to be hearing me and I seem to be hearing most of the others on the net, including Bob KB1DPD, with his antenna restricted station in Massachusetts.

Many thanks for your interest in my project

De Ray WB2MLY

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 Loby at wa2axz@arrl.net

Many Thanks!

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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 our net scheduler, Loby-WA2AXZ.

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