

# What A Summer!

## KBARA Campout-Field Day Hamfest 2001

**KBARA Hams and Families Make the Most of Summer Fun 2001 Activities**

Summer 2001 offered up it's share of fun at various KBARA events again this year. If you haven't had a chance to attend one, plan on doing so.

The second annual Field Day operation was held at Pioneer Park near Dayton. What a beautiful location. Those that took part had a great time. Thanks to Ruth KD7EWV for her work in getting those pins, t-shirts, rules and accommodations line up. I'm sure we'll be there again next year.

The KBARA Camp-out, Potluck and Annual Meeting was another fun filled time. Mystery Meatloaf, the Hamburger Cookoff and various squirrel jokes all made up for a great time. The BEST BURGER was won by Mike NING. Haven't heard what was in the "secret recipe" but I bet it was good. Congratulations Mike!

Well I didn't! Did you? The FT847 that is, but hey it was fun. Roy took the Icom handheld to Canada. I understand he couldn't figure out how to program the thing so he gave it to Jan who had it running in just a few minutes. Ah the power of....and I? Well I had a great time meeting friends old and new. Learned about the Hex Beam, mobile antennas and operation (thanks John), PSK31 and APRS. A good turn out for testing on Sunday. New upgrades and yes NEW Hams! Yup. Looks like people are getting after that code!

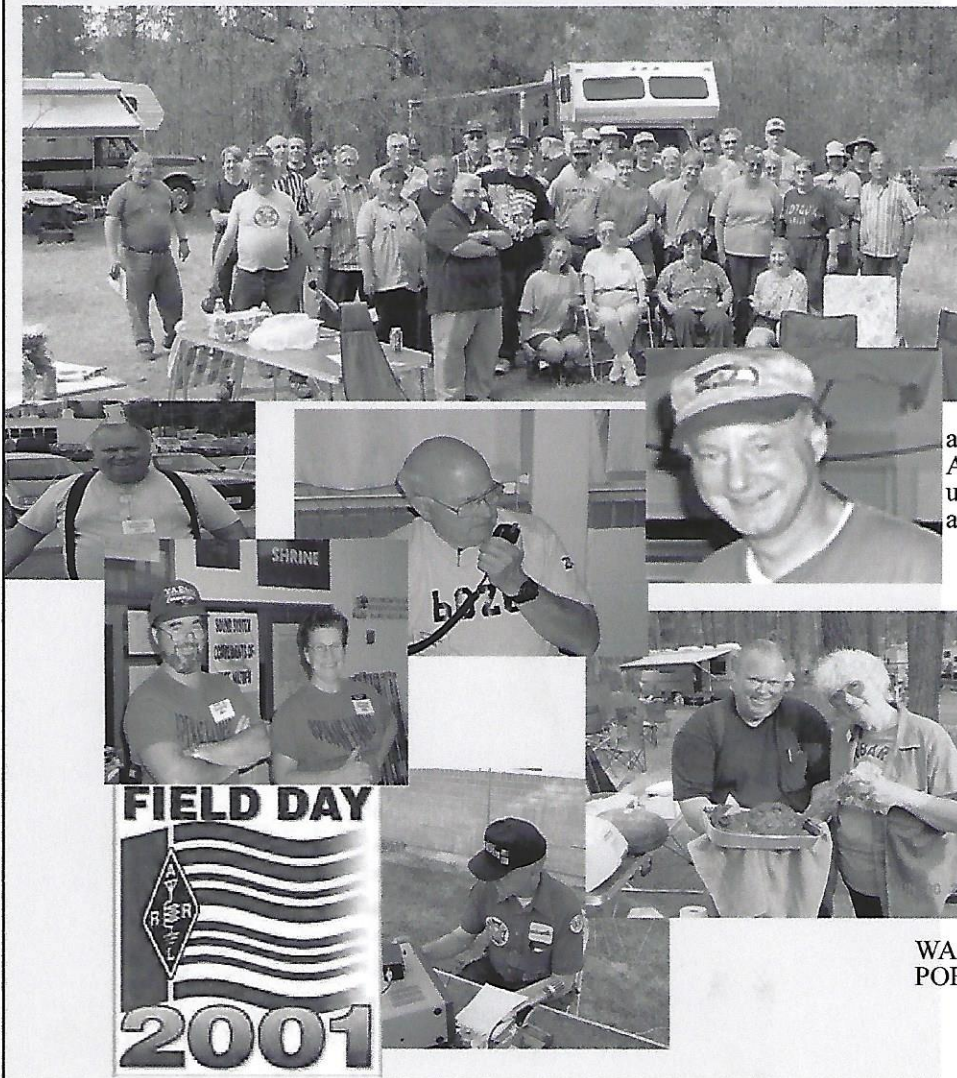
(More on the Hamfest inside).

Well there's still a lot of summer left for getting after those antenna projects, mobile installs and operating. The Bozo Net still underway Saturday Mornings from Frankie Doodles. Come on down. And we now have a new 440 net with Butch KE7MBL hosting. Bob, KC7HFI, asked me to pass along his thanks for all the support. That end of the repeater system is up and running just great.

Well that's our summer so far. If you have any ideas for the newsletter, tid-bits, pictures, articles and such, please send them to Duff

WA7BFN@AOL.COM or send them in to KBARA POBOX 18575 Spokane, WA 99228.

Duff WA7BFN  
Newsletter Editor





## Beyond The Call by Dennis N7UTM

Recently at one of the breakfasts at "Doodles" I heard an interesting story about an assault rifle. It got me thinking (dangerous sometimes) and led me to this story. KD7DDQ Ken Crosswhite was born February 15th 1940 at Eldorado Springs, Missouri. He is the first child of five having three younger sisters and a brother who is the youngest. A span of 12 years between them. His father worked in aircraft design for a company that was eventually absorbed by Boeing. In 1948 his father moved the family to California where he became a building contractor.

Ken graduated from Fullerton California High School in 1959 and worked at several jobs before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1961. He reenlisted in 1964 for two more years with the promise of some education help, but the Vietnam war heated up and Ken was sent over there for 13 months instead. (here comes the story) One day when Ken was accompanying a group of South Vietnamese soldiers in the bush he got shot in the leg! Returning the fire he took out the Viet Cong soldier who had hit him and was able to the VC's AK47. Before leaving Vietnam he was able to keep the weapon by disassembling it and shipping it back to the US in pieces. (against regulations) Sergeant Crosswhite was awarded the Purple Heart, was discharged and had to spend quite a bit of time recovering from his wound. Ken made a display case with the rifle, his medal and other awards as well as items of pride, such as photos of motorcycles and hot rods and it became a "conversation starter" in his home. Sadly the display and all the contents were stolen about 5 years ago and non of it has been recovered.

It took some months for full recovery and eventually Ken lost his veteran's benefits. So he became a long haul truck driver for four years, from 1973 to 1977. He then worked a number of auto mechanic jobs in California. He customized and rebuilt engines and made general repairs. He heard from a friend about the opportunities in Spokane and moved here only to find the job market slim and fell into self employment as a mechanic. Ken worked as a body and fender person until, recently, he found out his health could not tolerate the paint and other chemical fumes. At this time Ken is planning on going back to school at SCC and work for a degree in electronics. He'll start this fall.

Ken was married for about seven years and has been single since 1987. He has one son (19) who lives with him at their Millwood home. Although Ken used CB as a trucker this did not lead him directly to Ham Radio as it did for so many others. He saw a notice at Albertsons about KJ7YX holding technician license classes, so he attended Scott's classes and earned his Tech License in October of 1998. Since then he has really immersed himself into amateur radio and has been able to progress through "bootleg general" to Amateur Extra in April of 2001. Ken is most friendly and is willing to help others with repairs, loans of radio gear and other types of assistance. Ken has certainly enlivened various KBARA meetings and campouts with his burger barbecue contest and those FAMOUS squirrel potluck meals! He also does a great job as "netcontrol" for the KBARA weekly nets on Wednesday night. So here's wishing Ken the best of luck in his efforts for college and hope his "homework and other work doesn't keep him off the air too much. We need that ready laugh and sure fire sense of humor.

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### Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater Association Minutes of Annual Meeting

June 30, 2001, 3:00PM, Riverside State Park, WA

The meeting began with the call to order, a welcome to members and guests, and the introduction of officers, appointed officials, owners, and representatives of the Oliver Amateur Radio Club and Southern Interior Repeater Group.

Under "Old Business", the minutes of the July 1, 2000 annual meeting, published in the Winter issue of the KBARA newsletter, were approved by the Members. Neil, N7LVO, presented the Treasurer's report, and a full report would be published in the next KBARA newsletter. A review of the year's progress was presented by Betsy, N7WRQ: the Pike's Peak AA7P 147.28 MHz repeater changed hands from Rich & Denise, AA7P and KC7ORO, to David and Sherry, KB7WRT & KC7KOX, and to Walt and Charlene, W7ALT & KC7RQF; the call sign on the repeater became KB7WRT; the WB7AUK 145.01 MHz Mica Peak Packet BBS Node changed hands from Art, WB7AUK to the Inland Empire VHF Club; the link from Stensgar Mt. to Mt. Baldi, Canada, was improved



## The Original Spokane Hamfest Final Report

THE ORIGINAL SPOKANE HAMFEST  
AUGUST 4TH AND 5TH, 2001

<b>SOURCES OF FUNDS</b>				
K.B.A.R.A. SEED	22.22%	500.00		
S.R.A. SEED	22.22%	500.00		
VHF CLUB SEED	22.22%	500.00		
PALOUSE HILLS SEED	11.11%	250.00		
NW TRI-STATE SEED	22.22%	500.00		
<b>TOTAL SEED MONEY</b>				<b>\$ 2,250.00</b>
RAFFLE TICKETS		\$1,890.00		
ADMISSION TICKETS		\$ 1,740.00		
MEAL TICKETS [b]	\$ 364.00			
TABLES		290.00		
ART GEMMRIG DONATION		63.00		
COFFEE KITTY	40.76			
TESTING		76.00		
OVERAGE		5.00		
AUCTION		379.50		
<b>FUNDS FROM HAMFEST</b>				<b>\$ 4,848.26</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS - ALL SOURCES</b>				<b>\$ 7,098.26</b>
<b>USES OF FUNDS</b>				
MEAL TICKETS [a]	385.00			
SCHOOL DONATION		600.00		
TABLE RENTAL	86.48			
TRAVEL EXPENSES		50.00		
PRIZES		1,697.08		
TICKET PRINTING		165.95		
" PRINTING, FLYERS, POSTAGE	166.94			
<b>LESS: TOTAL HAMFEST EXPENSES</b>				<b>\$ 3,151.45</b>
<b>REMAINING FUNDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED</b>				<b>\$ 3,946.81</b>
<b>LESS: ORIGINAL SEED MONEY</b>				<b>\$ 2,250.00</b>
<b>FUNDS GENERATED BY THE HAMFEST</b>				<b>\$1,696.81</b>
<b>CLUB</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>SEED</b>	<b>INCOME</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
K.B.A.R.A. SEED	22.222%	500.00	377.07	877.07
S.R.A. SEED	22.222%	500.00	377.07	877.07
VHF CLUB SEED	22.222%	500.00	377.07	877.07
PALOUSE HILLS SEED	11.111%	250.00	188.53	438.53
NW TRI-STATE SEED	22.222%	500.00	377.07	877.07
	100.000%	\$ 2,250.00	\$1,696.81	\$3,946.81

[a] Paid for 55 meals at \$7.00  
 [b] "Collected money for 52 meals, 3 ARRL meals paid for by the hamfest.

## IN MEMORIAM

THESE DEAR FRIENDS BECAME "SILENT KEYS"

SALLY CASEY, N7ZJY  
 SAM FLEMING, KC7LYT  
 LES MORGAN, NR7B

OUR CONDOLENCES GO TO THEIR FAMILIES  
 AND FRIENDS.

WE SURELY WILL MISS THEM.

### Annual Meeting Continued

to establish a reliable link from KBARA to the Southern Interior Repeater Group; KBARA participated with five other clubs in hosting the 2000 Spokane Hamfest, and was active with Spokane Hamfest 2001; the Club was present at several Hamfests; KB7ARA hosted its second annual Field Day at Pioneer Park near Dayton, WA; KB7ARA QSL cards were designed by Mike, NING and Ruth, KD7EWV; a second KBARA website was made available to the club by the new Spokane Representative, Mike, NING; two new nets debuted - the Road Runners' and Whitman/Latah County ARES Nets; and Charlene, KC7RQF, became the Southern Representative, while Ken, KD7DDQ, became the Wednesday Evening Net Manager. John, W7OE, Karl, WA7YCP, Royal, KB7WTO, Bob, KC7HFI, and Walt and Charlene, W7ALT and KC7RQF, presented reports on the status of the repeater system. A report given by Mike, NING, the Spokane Representative was followed by the Net Managers' reports from Tom, KK7PX, Jeremiah, KD7DMP and Ken, KD7DDQ, with more participation in the nets being urged. The Members approved again having Field Day 2002 at Pioneer Park near Dayton, WA, with Ruth, KD7EWV, graciously agreeing, to again head up that committee. The North Country Representatives, Roy and Jan, VE7DTT and VE7TST, reviewed the Southern Interior Repeater Group's link to KBARA. The Members next approved KBARA's \$500 seed money donation to the Spokane Hamfest 2001. Last, was a brief discussion about intentional radio interference.

Under "New Business", the Members approved KBARA's donation of \$300 to the Evergreen Intertie, to be applied toward site rental at Mt. Baldy, the link between Naneum Ridge and Tiger Mountain. The Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP) was presented by Royal, KB7WTO. The project, when completed, will allow repeaters to be linked to the Internet via telephone lines, ultimately supplying users communication with a vast selection of worldwide nodes. The Members voted to include this node as part of KBARA and to pay for the Digital Subscriber Telephone Line, approximately \$40 per month, when the project is functional and is linked to the KBARA system. Members recognized Mike, NING for his service to the Club. The elections followed: elected, as President was Betsy, N7WRQ; Vice President, Bob, KC7HFI; Secretary, Barbara, KB7WTN; and Treasurer, Neil, N7LVO. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Betsy Ashleman, N7WRQ  
 President, Kamiak Butte Amateur Repeater

## KBARA Members for 2001

Call	Name	Call	Name	Call	Name
	Panoramaland ARC	kd7fye	Kenneth L. Lindahl Jr.	kd7msi	Lee Wallace, Jr.
	Lewis & Clark ARC	ka7fyn	Duane A. VanGundy	kc7mxx	Eric Grenseman
	Kootenai Amateur Radio Society	kd7fyr	Kenneth J. Elliston	n1ng	Mike Maxson
	Oliver ARC	kc7fyu	James J. Clark	kb7nlg	Frank Warner
	NW Tri-State ARO	kc7gfl	John Lanier	kb7nmh	Glenda Warner
	Inland Empire VHF Club	kb7gjj	Allen Gemmrig	kd7npg	Edwin Neilson
	Southern Interior Repeater Group	kc7gky	Joseph French	kc7npo	Karin Cliffard
	Flathead Valley Repeater Group	kc7gpb	Eli Yewdall	wb7nue	Gerald Harnois
	World Radio	kd7guw	Gary Parrott	n7oct	Larry Smick
	Spokane Radio Amateurs	kd7gux	Anita Parrott	w7oe	John P. Dempster
kd7adh	Jerry Spalding Jr	kd7gvt	Lorna Elliston	w7opr	Ronald R. Kimm
w6aea	George H. Tuncil	kd7hfi	Bob Lemon	kc7oqr	Cathie Hebel
ve7agt	Charles Gates	kd7hgg	James Wesley Taylor	kc7oqs	George Hebel
w7alt	Walter A. Davis	ac7hi	B.R. (Bear) Carson	kc7oro	Denise Hebel
wb7auk	Art Gemmrig	wa7hnh	John L. Williams	kc7ozs	Andrew Rakowski
wb5avh	Mable Babbitt	k7hrt	Patrick O'Dea	aa7p	Richard J. Hebel
kd7avx	William F. Magee	wa6hsl	Eugene Christianson	kc7pjb	Marjorie Mcveigh
k7bac	Steele A. Bacus	n7iis	Donna Eckhardt	kc7pji	Tracey Prock
kj7bb	Warren Kelsey	w9iit	Arthur R. Vogt	kj7pn	Craig Anderson
wa7bfn	Duff Johnson	ac7io	Ron F. Snider	wb7ppp	George Kendall
kb7bks	Susan Patterson	ka7iwo	Lylas Blair	n7pqt	Mike Fenske
kd7blb	Joshua Fancher	ka7iwp	Dale Blair	kk7px	Tommy Barber
kd7blc	Jon Fancher	kl7jbi	James Rhodes	kb7qvp	Ben W. Smead
kd7brb	Albert O. Redwine	n7jgz	Walter Yewdall	kb7qww	Douglass H. Toews, Sr.
ko7c	Greg Cliffard	kd7jrf	R. G. Wies	wa7rf	Robert S. Fisher
wo7c	Ruby Peterson	nl7ka	Dorothy Rhodes	w7rol	Reginald Hoskin
kd7cbp	Bob Cossey	n7kam	Troy Lousen	kc7rqf	Charlene E. Davis
wa7cbx	Bernie Frazier	kd7kcx	Stephanie Parrott	kc7rry	Sharlene Moore
kc7cck	Michael F. Tesky	kd7kcz	Eva Parrott	kc7rvb	Donnie Ware
kd7cde	Isaiah Eyre	kd7khh	Lance Rhodes	n7rwj	Jack Tiley
k7chp	George J. Vargo	kj7kj	Gordon Reynolds Sr	n7ryk	Louis W. Chase
w7coz	William A. Cowan	w7kll	Kenneth L. Lindahl	kg7sd	Richard Thornton
kd7cpo	Elizabeth ""Liz"" Grenseman	kc7kox	Sherry Pence	wb7shl	Roger Eckhardt
ka7csp	Kyle Pugh	kd7kpl	Patti Faulkner	k7ssk	Fred Johnson
n7das	James Morse	kd7kqv	Frank Perry	ka7suz	JoAnn Gemmrig
kd7ddq	Ken Crosswhite	n7kxk	Helen Fitzpatrick	w7trf	Tom Faulkner
kd7deb	Debi Grenseman	n7laq	Carolyn Yewdall	ve7tst	Janice McNeil
kd7dmr	Eugene Carvalho	kd7lbg	Jim Klaue	n7twr	Steven T. Henderson
kd7dms	Milan Lemmon	kc7lbn	Daniel Penny II	kb7tyr	Kerry Griffith
kd7dmu	Luneta Avant	kc7lby	Daniel Penny	w7ub	Don Grenseman
w7doe	James McCormick-Barger	kd7lgn	Lolly Hinz	w7uj	Ed Crosby
n7doi	Harold A. Larsen	n7lkg	Bill Korfhage	ke7um	Jeffery McCarrey
ve7dt	Roy McNeil	w7lkr	George Fitzpatrick	n7utm	Dennis Coe
kd7dxd	Henri L. Geier	n7lmd	Wayne Hamilton	kc7vgp	William Bauder
ka7egm	Clyde Hill	k7lrg	Leonard Gross	kc7vlp	Cynthia Rakowski
wd5egt	Cecelia Gifford	n7lvo	Neil P. Gallup	wa7vlt	Walter C. Hart
ke6eih	Richard M. Wilde	ka5lxx	John W. Blair	n7vqh	Chris Coates
kc7euj	Gloria Cothorn	kd7lzm	Don Hicks	wb7vsz	Donald Myers
ve7eut	Albert Nelson	kd7lzn	Darrell Buck	n7vvk	Bill R. Cothorn
kd7evr	Aaron Atkinson	kc7mdx	John Hopkins	w7vww	Dean Simmons
kd7ews	Scott Hudson	kd7miu	Gordon Deines	n6wiz	Richard L. Thompson
kd7ewv	Ruth Younce	wa7mjb	Michael Brewer	kc7wpp	Michael Hinz
kd7eww	Franklin Younce	k7mm	Dan Ransom	kc7wqe	Vicki Morgan
kc7eyj	Keith Morden	kd7mmw	Ryan J. Fisher	n7wrq	Elizabeth Ashleman
wj7f	Bob Ryno	kd7mmx	Tina L. Fisher	n7wrr	James Ashleman
kd7fe	John Gifford	kd7mow	Rachel A. Fisher	kb7wrt	David Pence
kj7fp	Zeke Yewdall	kc7mpm	Barry Burnett	kb7wtn	Barbara J. Moore
kc7fuu	Wayne Russell	kd7mqm	Lee Neith	kb7wto	Royal Moore

## KBARA Members for 2001

kc7wxj Dave Sellers  
 k0wza Donald J. LaFavor  
 n7xsj Loretta Hart  
 aa9y Michael W. Mcveigh  
 wa7ycp Karl Shoemaker

ab7ye Phillip L. Emerson  
 kc7ykb Becky A. Cossey  
 kb7ylo Alma J. Vogt  
 n7ym Warren H. Westerman  
 kj7yx Scott Lasater

wa5zay Jack Babbitt Sr  
 kc7zeb Richard E. Albertson  
 kb7zel Marvinna Rhodes  
 kc7zma Jerome Lanier  
 ka7zyq Gregory Mason

## KBARA SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS June 30, 2001

Sources of Funds	Checking	Savings	Uses of Funds	Checking	Savings
Beginning Balance 7/1/2000	656.00	1,555.29	Expenses - Lookout Repeater	529.95	
Interest Earned		15.61	Expenses - Walla Walla	156.00	
ARRL Memberships, net	3.00		Expenses - Stensgar	200.00	
Camp Fees & Cleanup	75.00		Raffle Tickets	22.00	
Donations	120.00		Campout Expenses	149.07	
Hamfest Raffle	22.00		Field Day Expenses	70.00	
Memberships	1,912.50		Miscellaneous	169.95	
Hamfest 2000	1,023.09		Hamfest Seed 2001	500.00	
T-shirt Income	70.00		Insurance	325.00	
			Evergreen Intertie	300.00	
			News Letter	325.15	
<b>Additions to Funds</b>	<b>3,225.59</b>	<b>15.61</b>	Postage	52.47	
			QSL Cards	102.87	
<b>Total Sources of Funds</b>	<b>3,881.59</b>	<b>1,570.90</b>	Taxes	10.00	
			<b>Less: Total Uses of Funds</b>	<b>2,912.46</b>	<b>0.00</b>
			<b>Ending Balance 6/30/2001</b>	<b>969.13</b>	<b>1,570.90</b>

Remember to renew your membership.

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 P.O. Box 18575  
 SPOKANE, WA 99228-8575

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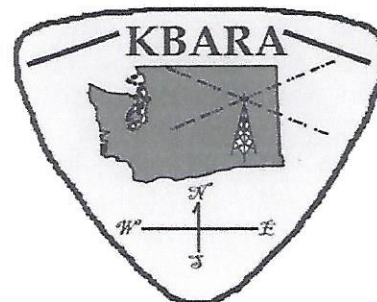
# KBARA Membership/Support Information

The KBARA system consists of several amateur radio repeaters that are linked together to cover an area from southeastern British Columbia to northeastern Oregon, and from western Montana to central Washington. The KBARA system can also be connected to the Evergreen Intertie, an interconnected group of repeaters located in the northwestern United States and Western Canada.

The primary purpose of the KBARA system is to function as a linked system that provides communications to and within the above area. It makes possible a single system of mobile communications coverage extending beyond the limited range of provided by any single repeater operation.

FM repeaters operating in the VHF and UHF bands are linked by full duplex UHF radios. The repeaters frequencies and locations are as follows:

- 147.380 W7OE, Mica Peak, East of Spokane, WA
- 147.360 KB7WTO, Stensgar (Stranger) Mountain, N of Spokane
- 147.280 AA7P, Pikes Peak, southeast of Walla Walla, WA
- 147.020 N7LVO, Lookout Pass, on the Idaho Montana border
- 147.740 KB7ARA, Kamiak Butte, near Colfas and Pullman WA
- 145.010 WB7AUK Packet Node & BBS, Mica Peak E. of Spokane
- 223.900 WA7YCP, Stensgar (Stranger) Mountain N. of Spokane



All licensed amateur radio operators are welcome to use this open repeater system.

Your support would also be greatly appreciated.

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