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Marte Wessel, KOEPE



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*Marte KOEPE*

## In Our Thoughts

"I am very saddened to forward news of the death of MARY LOUISE PACHECO, KC5SJS, of Houston, Texas.

Mary Lou passed away peacefully Sunday June 13, 2010, after a lengthy and valiant battle with leukemia. She is survived by her beloved brother and sister-in-law, Joe Cox, N5BCT and Shirley Cox, KC5RVH and one daughter, Ann. Mary Lou was a faithful member of the GULF AREA YOUNG LADIES AMAEUR RADIO KLUB. She will be greatly missed by her many friends at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, as well as her many friends in the Amateur Radio Community."

Burnette Boyett, K5JGC

From Kay, KB5VJR:

Hi Everyone,

I just found out that Phylis Chorman, KC5CAW passed away in Feb, this year. She fought hard to survive. She had been with the YL net for quite a few years. I will miss her. I knew that she was going to be without Internet for some time, so waited to hear from her. I got a note from her stepsister.

Keep her family in your prayers, please.





## President's Message de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ

Hello ladies

We had a wonderful time at the YL International gathering in Munich in June. The group from US included RoseMarie, ICB4RM and Charles, K4TY; Anne, WB1ARU and Tony WA1ENO; Lois WB3EFQ and Tom W3BZN, and our VE chairperson, Suzanne VE7IM. Also attending were 5 hams from VK-land, 2 from Japan and VU2SWS from India. Of course the rest of the group were from various parts of Germany.

We traveled to many interesting sights in the area including the Zugspitze summit, although the day we went it was fogged in. Salzburg Austria where we had a nice tour and I had the chance to meet a friend I had not seen in over 50 years. The castles at Neuschwanstein and Hohenschwangau were very impressive once we walked to them. At the meet and also at Friedrichshafen Tina, VK5TMC gave an interesting program about the 2012 YL meet which will be held in South Australia. The VI< girls are really planning for a nice event, which will be held in May 2012. I was given the opportunity to talk about YLRL at both venues also. Anne

WB1ARU spoke about our 2011 convention in the Boston area and a number of the DX gals seemed interested in coming to that.

Being that this was my first international YL meet I thoroughly enjoyed it and look forward to attending many more. I hope more of our members will be able to attend these events in the future.

Had a note regarding Jackie VandeKamp, a long time, active member of YLRL, that she is now residing in a senior living community. Her new address is 400 Summit Blvd, #1418, Broomfield, CO 80021-0308

Congratulations are in order to Mavis Stafford, VK3KS, a long time member of YLRL. On June 6<sup>th</sup> she celebrated having her call sign for 71 years. Quite an achievement and to note she still keeps a weekly schedule with a friend.

Till next time 33's  
Lois WB3EFQ

Note to members: If you become aware of someone NOT getting their Harmonics from YLRL please let us know so we can correct the situation. Recently, I was told of 2 new members who had not

gotten any response from our organization after joining and this is unacceptable if we are to remain an active organization. Please contact me and it will be taken care of.

### YLs Going to Greenland!

From the 16th to the 20th September 2010 there will be 6 YLs from different countries leaving for Greenland to activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq.

We will be on the radio with call OX6YL around the clock these days to try to give as many as possible the chance of working Yls from OX-land on SSB and CW.

For more details please visit <http://home-online.no/%7Ela6rha/greenland.htm>

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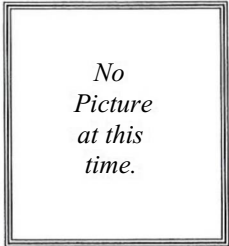
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# YL Contests, Nets and Hamfest Booths

Vice President  
Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV



Vai Lemko, VE5AQ went to the Saskatchewan Amateur Radio League Hamfest to represent the YLs. Just look at the great table she had planned. Vai passed out YLRL and CLARA information and want to know how YOU get YLs to come to Hamfests and to get involved in Amateur Radio! Let your District Chairwoman know what you do to support YLs in Ham Radio and remember if you ever need publicity information to hand out either to an individual or at a local Hamfest, just write, call or e-mail me with the numbers at the info at the top of the page. Currently, not only am I Vice-President, but also the Publicity chair. Let's get the word out about YLRL and YLs in Amateur Radio!





## Youth News de Emily Bishop, WE4MB

I saw many friends in Dayton this year at the Hamvention. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did. I always enjoy attending the Hamvention and working in the ARRL Youth Lounge. Here is a photo of Andrea KG4IUM, Kaitlyn KS3P and me in the Youth Lounge in Dayton and another of the Youth Lounge area.



*Andrea, Kaitlyn and Emily  
Photo by Stanley Cole, NX3P*

I think it is great that Andrea KG4IUM leads charge and gets all the volunteers together each year to help out in the Youth Lounge. We try our best to help spark the interest and answer any questions young people may have about Amateur Radio.



*Youth Lounge  
Photo by Stanley Cole, NX3P*

We as young hams are the future of our beloved hobby. I attended the Knoxville Hamfest on Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> and heard several speakers at the ARRL Forum mention that we as young hams and young people with interest in Amateur Radio are indeed the future of Amateur Radio.

So with that said we have an obligation to ourselves, and the love we have for ham radio to spread the word and introduce more young people to Amateur Radio.

I did see several young people at the Knoxville Hamfest and most of them were hams. While in Dayton I met and saw many, many young people who were hams or had an interest in Amateur Radio. One young girl came up to me during the YLRL Forum and ask me if I was a ham, I told her I sure am.

She asked me lots of questions and we had a nice

talk. I'm sure she will be getting her ticket very soon.

I challenge everyone that reads this article to at talk to at least one young person this year about Amateur Radio. If that young person does become a ham then become their Elmer. Believe it or not most hams today are gray headed. Do you know what I mean by that remark? Most hams today are well into their 50's. It is our purpose to help promote our hobby. Please do what you can.

In closing I ask if you have any news or pictures you want me to include in future article please send them to me.

As always remember our brave Service Men and Women at home and overseas protecting our freedom. Please pray for them and their families.

73 & 88,  
Emily WE4MB

This is item 26 from the July 15th-16th ARRL Board Meeting, [www.arrl.org/board-meetings](http://www.arrl.org/board-meetings). [Item] 26. On motion of Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Edgar, it was unanimously voted (with applause) that the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award be awarded to Emily Bishop, WE4MB, in recognition of her outstanding service to the hobby as a young ham.

*Way to go Emily our Youth Columnist!- Ed.*



No  
Picture  
at this  
time.

## District One News de Jane Oliver, N1PVT



As I sit here typing this, it is Field Day. While I have no plans to attend an "official" Field Day sight, I certainly hope to get a few contacts on the radio. Hope I hear from District 1 YLs who participated in Field Day 2010 with lots of interesting stories and local color [as in: what kind of food was offered?]

Kris, N1LSM and I returned earlier this week from the YL-ISSB annual convention in Columbia, SC. This was our fourth YL-System convention, having attended one in Bismarck, ND in 2005, Branson, MO in 2006, and Halifax, Nova Scotia in 2008. As anyone who has attended a large event with other hams knows, a great time

is had by all, and Columbia was no exception. Renewing old friendships and making new friends is wonderful. At the banquet on Saturday evening, I was honored to be installed as the newest President of this great group of hams, which was founded in 1963 by V. Mayree Tallman, K4ICA. Unlike YLRL, the YL System has both OM and YL members, but the top officers are always YLs. Many of our YL members are also members of the YLRL, so sometimes I feel as if I'm 'double-dipping'! I certainly hope I am able to continue the work accomplished by our outgoing President, KL7FQQ, Rose Rybachek. It is certainly a job destined to keep

me busy!

I have not been checking into the Yankee Lassies Net very regularly, but when I do get the chance, there is always a group of four or five faithful YLs visiting and sharing their adventures with each other. If any of you can get on 80 meters on Wednesday mornings at 1230Z, please join us on 3.912 MHz. The more the merrier. I imagine it won't be too long before we hear about Anne, WB1ARU and Tony's latest trip.. .this time to a convention in Europe!

Best regards to all who are reading this...send me news when you are able.

33 de Jane, N1PVT

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### District 4 News continued from page 11

Please let me know if there are changes in your address, license class, or anything else of importance to us.

I have a "new" used rig, a Yaesu FT-920. I'm waiting for a new mic for it and also my hubby Don, IC4GFY, has promised to re-route the tri-bander beam to my shack this summer. Then I definitely should be able to hear the YLs on our Thursday night net. My Bencher straight key is hooked up to it already, and if the thunderstorms would let up here in Kentucky, I'd give it a try.

If anyone would like to work me on CW especially, let me know. That's my favorite mode of operating. Enjoy the summer and especially all the ham activities, such as Field Day coming up very soon. "

Gee Carol, it seems we are both Yaesu fans. I have an older FT 990 here in Georgia and a FT 2000 in Florida. Great rigs! Have fun.

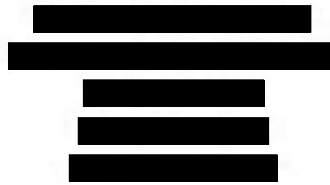
Well ladies, that's about all the news I have for this time. If you have anything to share for our next YL Harmonics just drop me an email, I'd love to hear from you. Until then, have a great summer and fire up those rigs.

73

Joan, W4JMJ



**District 2 News**  
**de Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF**



Greetings Ladies,

I hope everyone gets a chance to get on the air for this Field Day, 2010. I do plan on doing some operating from the Club Station, I<2VK, after I do a little visiting with the local clubs in the area. I hope the weather cooperates! If any of you visit Field Day and operate, please send me an email to let me know! [ka2anf@arrl.net](mailto:ka2anf@arrl.net).

It's been fun traveling around the NJ/NY area, visiting the many Hamfests and clubs. It's especially exciting to see the increased number of YL's that have gotten into the hobby. This is very evident on Monday evenings, when we hear the new YL's on the BARA Babes net on two meters. The BARA Babes had a chance to get together at the BARA Hamfest over Memorial Day weekend.

Ladies, if you have news - please drop me a line so we can get it in this column.

Well, that's about all the news from District 2. I hope everyone is enjoying summer.

33 - Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF

**Don't forget to make sure your  
information is current for the  
Directory edition!**

**Your District Chairwomen need  
news and pictures or we get  
blank spaces! Though too  
much and we have to hold to  
another issue or edit out some  
of the non-radio items.**



## District Three News de Jacqueline Gosselin, N3ZEL



Hello 3-Landers—  
Well, that'll teach me to complain about winter! After the heavy snow and power outages and horrible roads, now it is Summer. Summer with a vengeance! We have had much warmer temperatures than normal and very little rain. But it feels so good, I really am enjoying it. The garden is growing beautifully, there are already lots of onions, cucumbers and zucchini out there, with the peppers not far behind.

The biggest hamfest in this area is the Breezeshooters Hamfest at the beginning of June. I was pleased to welcome Barb, KA3VXR, and Lois, WB3EFQ, who came to man the YLRL table and meet and talk to the YLs and XYLs who attended. It was a mixed bag of weather, with storms and rain in the morning turning into a sunny afternoon, resulting in good attendance for the day. Fortunately there were a number of brave folks who attended and joined the organization.

Barb had just returned from a visit out west. She writes: "My OM, Richie W3SYY, and I took



Lois WB3EFQ Jacque N3ZEL Barb KA3VXR  
Breezeshooter's Hamfest June 10, 2010

off on a wonderful adventure riding the rails across the country and back again. We boarded Amtrak in Johnstown PA the morning of May 18 and 3 days and 2 nights later (with several hours layover in Chicago) we detrained in Flagstaff AZ.

We had our HT and repeater handbook with us so several hours out of Chicago as we approached Galesburg IL we punched in the local repeater frequency and I sent out my call asking if anyone would like to chat with KA3VXR "Amtrak portable".

Immediately Jeff KB9NJR came back and I learned he was ALSO "Amtrak portable" and was in the next car behind us! We made arrangements to meet in the dining car for dinner and the 3 of us were seated at a table for 4. Since there was an empty seat a lone woman was seated with us. After a short conversation we learned she was ALSO a HAM — Gerry Long KJ6DPV from San Diego CA. What a coincidence for 4 hams to meet that way!!! Although we tried other repeaters across the country we didn't have

much more luck. It seems that by the time we found out where we were and punched in the local repeater frequency we were out of range.

Once we arrived in AZ, we spent the next several days with our son and his wife who live in Clarkdale AZ and our daughter from Coppell TX who joined us in exploring Sedona,

Clarkdale, Jerome, many Indian ruins and the Grand Canyon. Every view was grander than the previous!

Soon we were back on the train and 3 nights and 3 days later we arrived in Seattle WA where we were met by our 2 sons who took us all over Seattle sightseeing.

A week later we boarded Amtrak again and after 3 nights and 2 days we arrived back home in PA. We had a grand time traveling by train. The sleeper roomette was small but comfortable and they fed us royally!!! The porters and waiters were very congenial and we met many lovely people along the way."

Lovely trip Barb, and how interesting to be traveling in the company of other hams.

Field Day was busy for all, but with a different twist—a great number of fellow hams operated from home this year. There were varied reasons, but while the clubs again were well-manned, there were plenty of people on the air using emergency power from a home QTH. Several people had a discussion concerning what one would actually do in an emergency situation, being torn between staying with home and family and joining a group in a designated location.

Some of us decided to see how well we could operate using our "grab and go"

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## District Four News de Joan Jones, W4JMJ

Greetings YLs,  
Well another column is being made ready for printing ...how time flies (as they say). Soon summer will officially be here and we have the temperatures to prove it. I am currently at our cabin in Blairsville Georgia where it is slightly cooler than those steamy Florida temperatures, but not by much. I hope the weather suits you all wherever you are at.

Time has just been speeding by me (as I intimated earlier). Perhaps part of the reason is the new addition to our family. We have an 11-week-old female Yorkie named Gigi and she really knows how to keep us busy. Funny how one forgets how exhausting puppies are! LOL Our 12 1/2-year-old Yorkie Coco isn't any help either, she has been making herself scarce these days (I think she's hiding because she's tired of playing "let's jump and tumble" with her new sister). Needless to say I haven't spent much quality time in the shack lately!

I have managed to check into our Thursday night YLRL net a couple of times and it seems to me that more YLs are checking in also. If propagation allows perhaps we'll have a record turnout one of these fine days. It's always great to hear other YLs on 20 and 40 meters.

We are leaving tomorrow for Columbia SC for the YL ISSB conference. I am looking forward to putting faces with

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some familiar call signs, voices and names. And, it seems they have a busy weekend planned for us.

And now for some news from other 4 land YLs:  
Jan Sturbois WB4RIV writes, "The Haylarcs (Huntsville, AL) are having a good year. We celebrated our 33rd year with the annual anniversary dinner in February. We installed our officers who will serve for the next biennium. This annual dinner is always enjoyable as it is shared with spouses and guests.

The Haylarcs who are in charge of registration, invite you to attend the Huntsville Hamfest. It will be held August 21 and 22, 2010 at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville. Look for the ad in QST. A forum is usually held for YLs. Also, the Haylarcs will again host a "Dutch" breakfast on Sunday morning of the Hamfest (August 22). It is held at Shoney's near the Civic Center at 7 a.m. This is for YLs and spouses, guests, etc. All are welcome and it is a good time to make friends and renew friendships.

We hope to see you in Huntsville in August."  
Well Jan, it sounds like the Haylarcs are planning a good time for all! Enjoy.

Ruby Byrd, KF4NI writes, "Hi from sunny Arizona. Things are a bit busy here with my hubby having a bit of med. problem. He will be fine in

a few months after a bout with kidney stones both sides! Liptripsy twice and two more to go. Ouch!!! Radioing here is picking up a bit and I try to make 2 contacts a day at least. Will have more news next time I hope when I am not too busy with Dr. appt, and hospitals.

Ruby, you and your OM take care of yourselves. You both are in our thoughts and prayers.

Mary Moore, WX4MM writes, "Mary, WX4MM; Connie, KJ4UNA; and Deedie, KI4ERR worked the Alabama QSO party as an all YL SSB LP station using WX4LEE and worked over 1200 contacts. Think we'll come in first place phone so far. Mar worked the ARRL June VHF QSO party making 240 contacts. Too HOT to be outdoors now in Alabama. My computer crashed and have been busy restoring programs etc on new Dell PC."

Wow Mary, you are one busy and active YL! Keep up the good work gals!

Carol Laferty, K4SAF writes, "As far as YLRL applications/renewals, I am caught up and current on all of those. Many new YLs signed up at the Dayton Hamvention, so our YLRL reps there did a great job of recruiting.

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## District Five News de Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ

39503

Hello Ladies,

Well summer has arrived here in Mississippi and with that comes Field Day hope you have plans to attend this activity in your area.

My OM Ed, KA5VFU has been patiently waiting for the ground to dry up so he can dig a hole and order the concrete to stand another tower. We were hoping we could get it done before it got to hot but too much rain and now the temps have been well into the 90's so now looking toward fall.

Beth, KC5RWW, Seminole, OK shares that she hopes to attend Field Day but the closest one to her is 35 miles so not definite at this time. Look for Beth on the air she has been checking into the Salvation Army net every morning 9:00 am CST on 3.903, Thursday morning at 8:00am CST you will find her on Texas YL Roundup net on 3.947. She has been heard calling CQ on 40 m where she made 12 contacts. She answered a CQ call on June 2 and talked to Phil on Moorea Island near Tahiti he was 5-5 and they had a very nice QSO.

Beth also informs us that if you are a member of EQSL be sure to look at the sked request. She didn't notice till a month ago and she had 2,000 requests starting back from 2002. Look for Beth on the air more her OM who is a ham in name only will be working more over time so she will have more time to play. Sounds like a great plan to me. **Congratulations** to Beth

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and her OM on their Wedding anniversary June 26!

Dee WB5OHN, Perkinston, MS, Started a 2-meter net on 147.375 + 600, which she calls daily at 1:00pm. The Southern Mississippi Friendship net with alternate net control Mary Ann KC5VBZ and they would be glad for you to check in anytime.

Joyce, W5MWI< DeSoto, TX, Not much news. Son Mike, KJ4PWY and wife Christine, KE5ACM now live in Point of Rock, MD. They really love the old history that remains there. My Dr. changed my diet again and I am feeling a lot better.

Have not been on radio in a long time but I do hope to get back to it. Great Granddaughter Aurora will turn 3 on 06-19-10. Jim & I will be married 58 years on 06-14-10. He gave me a beautiful 5 3/4 Emerald -with diamond accent above, necklace. I told him we might need the money for medical.

He said first things, first. All the Family is fine. Had a short trip to

San Antonio recently and had a wonderful time. Will go to the May Family

Reunion in Gonzales, TX on 07-17-10. Hope everyone in radio land is

having a wonderful time. Best 33's Joyce, W5MWI<

**Congratulations** Joyce & Jim on your 58 years of marriage!

I<B5MZ-Southern Mississippi YL, Gulfport, Mississippi, Meet

once a month for a dinner meeting and hold their net weekly on Thursday night on 147.375 + 600 at 7:00 pm. The net controls are Dee, WB5OHN; Mary Ann, KC5VBZ; and BJ, KB5CSQ if you are ever in the area please check in and join us.

The SMYL offer our sympathy to Barb, W5PTG as her OM Ernie, KE5PXC became a SK this pass month. Thank you to all the YLRL that send cards for their last anniversary they celebrated together the cards were much appreciated by both Barb & Ernie.

The SMYL operating their club call KB5MZ participated in their first 2009 CQWW SSB Contest as a team. We entered Multi OP - 2 Stations operating around the clock for the entire weekend at the home of Ed, KA5VFU & BJ, KB5CSQ. The group operated on 160m, 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m and 10m and we have finally received our score sheet this past week thanks to Ray WQ5L. Great job Ladies our total score was 240093 with 540 total QSOs, 226 total countries, 777 QSO points, 83 total zone and 309 multipliers.

The ladies attended a play in June at the Gulfport Little Theatre- Someone Save My Baby Ruth after the play the ladies enjoy a dinner at Back Bay Restaurant all attending had a great time lots of laughs and friendship.

The ladies are planning to attend the MDXA/JCARA Field

activities in Pascagoula, MS the end of the month.

**Congratulations** to the following SMYL and their OM who celebrated Anniversary's- Dan, AE55JG & Barb, KE5QHZ; Vic, N5YY & Sue, W5MSW; and Ed, KA5VFU & BJ, KB5CSQ-this past month.

Thank you for sending in your news I know the summer is busy with family activities and vacations try to include Amateur Radio in to your summer plans and let me know what happens. Hope to hear from all of you on Field Day experiences?

Also Ed, KA5VFU and I plan to attend Huntsville Alabama Hamfest in August hope to see you there!

33 Betty Jo Byrd ICB5CSQ

There is an item on NPR, the National Public Radio in the US, about Amateur Radio: <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125586086&ft=1&f=1019>

**Did You know dues are prorated after August 1st? Then they will be due for the full year January 1, Our Dues are January 1 to December 1 to match our fiscal year. Please make sure your information is correct for the Directory issue. Corrections received by the Treasurers will not be updated after September 1st**

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equipment. I used the battery we have designated for this use and worked from home here. It was interesting to see that the battery did last through the event, in spite of being in almost continuous use. It is charged up and ready to go again for the next exercise.

How many of you participated in the 13 Colonies special event? This year for the first time I managed to get them all and one of the British stations.

It seems that every weekend there are a number of special events and contests. Listen for YLs out there and don't forget to finish that Birthday Award this year.

Send in information, let me know what you have been doing this year. We're always interested and would love to hear about your activities.

73,33

Jacque, N3ZEL

### Corrections & Changes

**If someone you know is not getting their YL-Harmonics please send corrections to the Carol, K4SAF, our US Receiving Treasurer or for DX send to Rose-Marie, KB4RM, our DX Treasurer (See front cover for info) and let us know which issues were missed. Sometimes the issue comes back with either "Unknown" or "No Forwarding address" and we have no way of knowing how to contact the member. Our best hope is to list someone in "Missing in Action" and hope someone can help with updates. Please update your records and those of any YLs you sponsor each year to stay current.**

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# Photos from the International YL Meet in Germany



**AUSTRALIAN LADIES AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION INC.**

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**30<sup>th</sup> A.L.A.R.A. CONTEST**

*NOTE: Contest is always on the last FULL weekend of August*

**ELIGIBILITY:** All licensed operators throughout the world are invited to participate.  
Also open to SWLs.

**OBJECT:** Participation: YL works everyone, OMs & Clubs work YLs only.  
One contest (combined phone and CW) **run over 20 hours.**

**TIMES:** **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2010 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC**

**SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES:** Bands to be used are 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 MHz only. The following are suggested frequencies for easier location of contacts:

28.380 to 28.410  
21.170 to 21.200 and 21.380 to 21.410  
14.250 to 14.280  
7.070 to 7.100  
3.560 to 3.590

**OPERATION:** **Single operator only (1 operator per call sign)**  
**N.B. If YL is operating as a 2<sup>nd</sup> operator her husband/partner CANNOT participate in the contest.**

Every individual phone or CW contact may be counted

There must be an interval of greater than 1 hour between contacts with any one station on any one band and in the same mode.

No net or list operations.

No crossmode operations.

No crossband operations.

All contacts must be made in accordance with operator and station licence regulations..

**PROCEDURE:** Phone: Call "CQ ALARA CONTEST"  
CW: YLs call "CQ TEST ALARA"  
OMs call "CQ YL"

**EXCHANGES:** ALARA member: RS or RST, serial no. starting at 001, ALARA member, name.

YL non-member, OM or Club: RS or RST, serial no. starting at 001, name, and whether Club station.

**OMs, Clubs & SWLs work YLs only.**

**SCORING:** Phone: 5 points for ALARA member contacted  
4 points for YL non-member contacted  
3 points for OM or Club station contacted  
CW: **All contacts made on CW count for double points**  
OM, SWL, & **5 points for ALARA member contacted**  
CLUB; **4 points for YL non-member contacted**

**LOGS:** Single log entry. Logs must show date/time UTC, band, mode, callsign worked, report and serial no. sent, report and serial no. received, name of operator of station worked whether it is a Club station and points claimed.



**Sample Log:**

Date UTC	Time UTC		Mode	Callsign	RS(T) & Serial No. Sent	RS(T) & Serial No. Red1	Name	Points
29/10	0135	28	SSB	VTC6DE	59001	58028	Bev	5
	0141	21	CW	VK3KS	599002	-59F045	Mavis	10
	0600	14	SSB	FK8FA	59025	59011	Aimee	5
	1103	3.5	SSB	LVK3BSP	59130	59006	Joe(Club)	3

**LOGS MUST BE SIGNED.** Logs also to show full name, callsign and address of operator, and show final score (points claimed). Logs must be legible. No carbon copies. No logs will be returned. Decision of the Contest Manager will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Logs must be received by the Contest Manager by: **30<sup>th</sup> September, 2010**

**CONTEST MANAGER;** Mrs Lesley Smit VK5LOL

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**CERTIFICATES** will be awarded for the following:

- Top score YL overall
- Top score phone only
- Top score Australian YL CW
- Top score DX YL
- Top score ALARA member in each country and VI< call area
- Top score OM in each continent
- Top score SWL in each continent
- Top score, VI< YL Foundation Licence holder
- Top score overseas YL CW
- Top score VI< Club station

**A TROPHY** will be awarded to the following:

- Top scoring Australian YL
- Top scoring Foundation Licence Alara member

**The Top scoring VI< non-Alara member will be awarded 1 year's membership to ALARA.**

**CLUB STATIONS:** Operators of Club stations may use the Club call only for contacts, and **MUST** identify each contact as with a Club station. Use of personal callsigns while operating as a Club member is not permitted. A Club station will be recognized as such whether operators are YL or OM. If the Club call is used, the score will be as a Club station.





## District Six News de Jennifer O'Connell, KI6OIL

Greetings District 6 YLs,  
It has been a busy Event Season in Southern California and the nation, as YLs and OMs have come down from the Visalia, California DX Convention and the Dayton Hamvention in Ohio. This season will be capped with ARRL Field Day on June 26-27, 2010. Unfortunately, my OM Lynn (KG6DNY) and I missed it this year, as we were out of town for a friend's wedding. But our San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio group, ARES-LAX group and other affiliations are excited and gearing up for a weekend of contesting!

Mercedes Prado, K6MMP is part of the leadership team for the ARES-LAX Field Day, and will be coordinating the barbecue. Last year's was simply delicious, so I know they plan to top themselves. I look forward to getting more stories from Mercedes and other YLs on their Field Day adventures.



*Mercedes, K6MMLP*

One of our newer members, Kate Hutton, K6HTN, is a seismologist for the California Institute of Technology (Cal-Tech) in Pasadena, California. So to non-Hams and the rest of the world, she is known affectionately as "Earthquake Kate."



*Dr. Kate Hutton, K6HTN - Earthquake Kate.*

Kate is active in ARES, just recently received her Extra class ticket, and has been appointed as Section Traffic Manager for the National Traffic System Los Angeles Section. Congratulations Kate on these further accomplishments! She has a funny story to tell about a CW experience:

"I decided to go on the CW practice net in Orange County, just for fun. It was the first time they had ever heard from me, so I had to introduce myself: DE KD6HTN - KATE IN PASADENA FIRST TIME ON THIS NET K.

I don't know if net control missed my name or what, but I got back: GM KATE - OM OR YL?I<

As someone who qualifies for senior discounts, I'm not entirely comfortable with either category. If I'd had my wits about me, I'd have answered: LITTLE OL FROM PASADENA K. But I didn't think of that until much later."



*Dr. Kate Hutton, K6HTN at QSO Party*

Glad to have Kate as part of the YLRL family.

The OM and I are in the midst of packing and moving, downsizing from a house back to an apartment. There goes that dream of a big antenna, but such is life in these times. I hope everyone is staying cool, and enjoying their summer!

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Jennifer O'Connell, KI6OIL



## District Seven News de Sara Lyon, AB7PS

Happy summertime!

We've had a cool and damp spring in the Pacific Northwest but it's beginning to look like we'll get some summer after all.

MINOW Net continues on Friday mornings at 8:00 AM on 3.911. Although the get-together scheduled for Alaska had to be cancelled, there were three members who met at a motel in Portland May 15 for the annual meeting. Claudia, KL0HI wrote "Well, was a small group but Elizabeth (KK7VO - president), Barbara, AC7UH and I had a nice 3 hour get-together - will ship you minutes when I get them done, right now headed for Anchorage and points north. KL0HI" So hopefully I'll have more to report in my next column (Nov-Dec.)

SeaPac, the Annual Northwestern Division Ham Convention June 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> was an exciting and enjoyable time for several of our YLS. Jackie Conant Tielrooy, KE7TNU passed her General. Congratulations Jackie! Barbara, AC7UH won a Yaesu 8800 dual band UHF/VHF radio from the local repeater group that always raffles a radio. She writes "I'm pretty jazzed about that, and I also won a \$250 gift certificate from our club. We organize security and offer the gift certificate as a prize for the people who do the security shifts—I did three this time." Way to go.

Barbara! The YLRL luncheon was on Saturday. The speaker was N7ATIC, Tara K. Harper, a local ham from Tigard, OR. She is a Science Fiction Author who has published 10 novels to date. She spends part of the year living in a small cabin at the base of Mt. St. Helen's at the edge of the blast zone. It is here she finds peace and quiet to write. She uses candles and oil lamps for heat and light and her only communication with the outside world is via HAM radio. She transmits using a 27-foot antenna atop a 10-foot tripod. She is also a violinist and finds similarities between HAM radio and music. (Thank you Darlene, KE7TQS for taking notes!) Thanks also to Barbara, AC7UH for being at the YLRL table with the logbook handing out YLRL brochures and to her OM Phil, AB7RU who also assisted (He got plenty of girls to sign in!)

Pacific County RACES Volunteer Awards Luncheon was held on Friday, June 11, 2010 in South Bend, WA. Thirty volunteers were awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for dedicated efforts volunteering for Pacific County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service. Among those receiving awards were two sisters Darlene Felder, KE7TQS and Susi Frost, KD7RVT. Their activities include combined participation with the use of HAM Radio to promote communication for the

Long Beach Peninsula Beach Clean-up efforts three times a year.

Carol, W8DQG in Montana writes, "I'm not sure about interesting, but I've sure been busy with the usual spring yard work and planting. I have 10 new hens, 4 turkeys, and 2 South African geese...I also got 10 fast growing chickens to butcher, will do the last 3 tomorrow. I have an awful lot to do before I leave for Germany next Saturday! I am really looking forward to seeing all the YLs at Friedrichshafen, Germany for the Hamfest." And I'm looking forward to reading about your experiences.

Now, what have you been doing? Did you participate in Field Day? Have you attended a Hamfest? Or upgraded your license? Or taken part in a Public Service event? I'd love to hear from you.

Have a great summer.  
33-Sara AB7PS

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paper. Carolyn was introduced to s'mores, the kids had fun swimming in the lake and Saturday evening we all watched the International Space Station as it went overhead in the skies. Sunday at noon, Phil, Tracie, Carol and I drove back home but it was great Field Day weekend.

Nancy, kc4iyd





## District Eight News de Annette Wood, KC8SQM



Hi All, hope everyone is having a great summer. I didn't get to participate in Field Day this year as we went to my husband's 55th high school reunion.

We had a great time, they had an act called Frank & Dean which parodied Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, it was a great show. They were really funny and sounded exactly like the originals.

I won a 5-night stay in a condo for my husband and myself in either Hawaii or Mexico but we have to pay our own airfare. I think we will do the Mazatland resort in Mexico sometime this fall. That's about all for now. 33

Annette, KC8SQM

We received this invitation, let me know if some of you can attend:

Hello my name is Jackie, KD8DNE. I'm the Hamfest Chairman for the Warren Amateur Radio Association in Warren, Ohio.

We are having our annual Hamfest on August 15, 2010. We would like you to consider attending.

Not all of our club members know what the YL club is let alone that there are any. I

found out about the YLRL at the Breeze Shooters Hamfest in Butler, PA. I think it would be a great thing for our club and local YLs.

Thank you for your time and considerations,  
Jacqueline Clay

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Field Day is over for this year and I tried to keep up with 2 of them. I'm Pres of the PARK Klub (yes that's the way they spell it) in WV so spent the most time there but did check in with the Marietta long enough to take the report to the SM for their activity.

Good News: My OM is finally able to quit the Dr visits now after 21/2 years of treatment and there is no infection. And my Grandson, Major Joshua Ritenour, MD has put his time in Afghanistan and started home hopefully on June 27. He has to be in Kuwait by 10:00 AM on the 2nd to be able to get on the weekly flight home or spend another week in Kuwait, which he does not want. Keep him in your prayers.

I'll put in a plug for Tangle Net on Thursday @ 1900 on 14.297 and the evening YL Net later in the evening on 14.288 or 40 meters.

Have a Great Summer and stay healthy.

33/76,  
Connie, N8IO

No fantastic news but my Granddaughter, Kendall, visited me for a few days - she has 4 cats - 3 of them had to stay in the basement but Susie (a cat) gets to stay upstairs as I am not allergic to her. Then a couple

days later a friend came with 2 little poodles - wow!

But Shellie is a very good hostess and tolerated all of them - even let them drink out of her water dish. Kendall is now looking for a teaching job and I am hopeful she will find one soon. She now has her Masters Degree so lets hope that will help.

Am working on cleaning out my garage so wish me luck - also have the basement to work on so I don't think I will have to wonder if there is anything to do around here.

Byrness, W8LE

Nancy, ICC4IYD participated in Field Day along with 11 members of the USS Jurassic including our "skipper" Carolyn, N8ST.

Nancy, her daughter Carol and friends Phil, KB8UNB and Trade Stehno drove down from NE Ohio to Southern Ohio (near Cincinnati) to the home of Dot, KB8TQU and Jerry, KB8PVY on Friday night.

On Saturday and Sunday of Field Day weekend, we operated class 1C Ohio using the call K8SSJ on board a pontoon boat making both voice and psk contacts.

Carol and another young lady provided us with bonus points for Youth under 18 by making psk31 contacts; we copied the W1AW message and had an article in the local

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## District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS



Happy summer!!!

Actually, it isn't officially summer yet, but it has been feeling like it lately. I love it, no jackets, cold hands, instead sandals, capris and SUN!!!! Oh yes, and baseball.

We started June with a wonderful visit from Irene, KS6I and her O.M. Elliot, K6EO. We visited them in March and had a great time so we got to reciprocate. We actually included an amateur radio event; they joined us on our June Fox Hunt. We didn't win, but we came in 3<sup>rd</sup>. That's O.K., it wasn't last. I swear all we did was eat while they were here. Fort Wayne has more restaurants than people I think and we tried a good many of them. I

even cooked twice!

Two days after they left, we left for our 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunion in St. Louis. What fun that was, we got to see two classmates who hadn't been back since graduation. Al and I graduated together, and we started dating when we were seniors so we have been together a good long time. I'm also giving away our ages, (he he)

Our YL net is going well, some nights we only have a few and others we have about 8 or 9. Love getting a lot of gals on, but conversations are very short, but that's O.K. This is a local 2-meter net on 146.76, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 local time.

Field day is fast approaching. I have already tackled my annual job, a hog roast for the event. We are changing locations this year to the Viet Nam Memorial in Fort Wayne. I may even do some operating this year; I haven't done that for a while.

I truly wish YLs from nine-land would let me know what is happening in their lives; it would make this job so easy. I have a difficult time getting a column together without news, especially amateur radio news. Even non-radio news would help. I'm now bended knee now.

Have a wonderful summer and please let me know what your summer was like.

33, Carole WB9RUS

**Have you filled out your survey and started making plans for the next YLRL Convention? Mark your calendars for 2011 in Boston, Massachusetts!**



## District Ten News de Doshia Kretke, KBONAS



*Marte, KOEPE and OM,  
Pete, W0CM from the ar*

Greetings from District 10!  
It has been a busy time for me, with one daughter's wedding closely followed by a trip to California for the graduation of our other daughter. We ran APRS, so some may have seen my call (KB0NAS-7) as we drove from Colorado through Utah, Nevada, California, and Wyoming (and a corner of Arizona).

Cheryl, N0WBV was also in California. She has been doing Field Day since before she was licensed without missing one. So when she found out she had another event conflicting with Field Day, she was glad to hear it was in California.

In 1999 a similar problem had occurred and the South Orange Amateur Radio Association (SOARA) was kind enough to take her and OM, KT0F, under their wings. As soon as they knew the dates this year, they wrote to ask SOARA if they could again participate with the group. The answer was yes and Cheryl is glad to report that her Field Day record is still intact. There were a lot of YLs there and she had a great time.

Marte, KOEPE, reports that SPARK (Southern Plains Amateur Radio Klub) had Field Day at the Hugoton, I<S (32 miles from Liberal) fire department. There was lots of noise BUT the main reason that they couldn't get any contacts (only made 101) was that the guys finally discovered that they had the antenna hooked up wrong!!!

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They did have to close during the night for a few hours because of storm. The lightning was really bad. The reporters for paper came and had an interview, and took a picture of Marte and her husband Pete at the rig.

Summer season has started once again, and with it the myriad bicycle and walking/running events that weave through the mountain by-ways, out of reach of cell phones. That is when the ham radio operators get called on to provide health and safety communications—good practice for us, good service for them. What does it take to assist in an event such as the MS 150?

In this area, an army of volunteers which includes some 40 hams supports about 3,000 bicyclists as they travel 150 (or more) miles up hill and down, stay overnight in a college dorm, and stop on the way at 11 rest stops (two of them lunch!) which provide the riders with water, snacks, and facilities, as well as access to first aid and bicycle care.

Ham radio operators go in SAG (support and gear) vehicles that drive along the course and give assistance, including rides, to cyclists in need. They sit at rest stops to communicate mundane requests such as more water and urgent requests such as ambulances. They shadow event officials, providing supplemental communications (sometimes with people at sites without cell phone coverage, but mostly because you can't get a hold of someone who is already talking on the phone!) They ride with a state patrol officer and with the medical coordinators.

Because everyone hears the traffic on the air, they are useful in re-uniting people whose groups have become separated, and objects that have become separated from their people (such as cell phones). And, while doing all this, we are practicing the same skills used in an emergency net.

Modes used are mostly 2 meter and sometimes 70 cm. voice, sometimes APRS or packet, and in occasional events, HF (usually using NVIS, to get out of canyons). Much of the time is spent in relaxation just listening, if you are at a rest stop—bring a chair and an icy drink. If you haven't tried supporting a local public service event, be it a fund-raiser for a non-profit organization, a Fourth of July parade, or your local annual big event, I urge you to do so!



## Alaska District News de Heather Hasper, KL7SP



Welcome to summer!

As we write this article, we are quickly approaching the longest day of the year, the summer solstice. For most people in the lower 48, JUNE 21st is no more significant than any other day. But for Alaskans and ham radio operators in Alaska it is a one of the most active ham radio weekends.

In Anchorage, the Summer Solstice on JUNE 21st is full of fun activities, public service events and ham radio. The annual Anchorage Mayor's Marathon takes place each year on the weekend closest to the solstice. Amateur Radio has supported this event in Anchorage for almost 30 years. A great weekend with long sunshine filled days out along the many trails that weave throughout Anchorage giving visitors, participants and volunteers great views of all the mountains and nature beauty that surrounds South Central Alaska. Considered one of the required preliminary marathons for other large events around the United States, the Mayor's Marathon attracts visitors and participants from around the world and around the United States all who come for a desire to see Alaska during the summer time.

If DX is your preference,  
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June also allows for one of the largest annual gatherings in Alaska taking place at the annual Motley Picnic. Held about half way between Anchorage and Fairbanks at Byers Lake near mile 150 of the PARKS Highway, this gathering brings together ham operators from the interior and far north as well as South Central Alaska. Operators come to enjoy long days of sunshine, good food, campfire stories of ham radio events that took place throughout the year. This is a great place to meet some of the many HF and DX operators in the state. The MOTLEY net is one of the many HF daily radio nets in Alaska. The net takes place on 3.933 MHz daily at 0500z (DST) or 0600z during non Daylight Savings Time.

Of course if contesting is your preference, the summer solstice occasionally takes place on Field Day weekend as well. So if you are interested in competing in the annual ARRL Field Day event many ham radio clubs throughout Alaska participate. In Anchorage, KL7AA sets up field day at Kincaid Park in Anchorage, the Matanuska Amateur Radio Association (MARA) participates at one of the local parks in the Matsu valley.

In Fairbanks, the oldest radio club in the state, KL7KC,

the Arctic Amateur Radio Club will be hosting Field Day.

Even way out in western Alaska in Bethel, the newest club in the state, the Bethel Amateur Radio Klub (BARK), AL7YK will also be participating.

So no matter where you are throughout Alaska during some of the longest weekends of the year, with 18 plus hours of daylight, you can find many fun amateur radio activities to participate in.

Most ham operators in Alaska only have a three-month or less opportunity to work on antennas. It is often said there are two seasons in Alaska, Construction and winter.

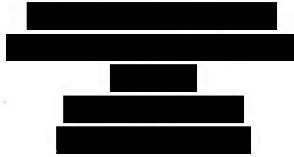
Construction season has begun with road projects and plenty of ham radio antenna, tower and trailer projects to participate in. For those of you traveling to Alaska feel free to contact a ham radio club for activities that might be occurring while you are in the area.

Hope you all have a great summer and get lots of antenna projects completed.  
33,  
KL7SP  
Heather Hasper





## VE News de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM



I was very lucky to win 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the CLARA iQ Contest this year. A lovely, little hand-held radio arrived in the post. Thank you, CLARA!! Never had or used a hand-held radio before so am looking forward to putting it into action. It will prove to be most useful, I am sure.

I was very happy to receive a letter and have a chat on the telephone with Merle, VE1VCI. Merle has had some health issues lately but, as she says, it is nothing she cannot manage. It does not seem to have slowed her down. She came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Member's Category of the CLARA Contest with a score of 1456. She also won the NSARA Contest again with a clean sweep of working every county in Nova Scotia. Way to go. Merle!!

Vai, VE5AQ, will be manning a table for YLRL, as well as for CLARA, at this year's Saskatchewan Hamfest. We appreciate you getting the word out there for us, Vai. I hope everyone enjoys the summer months. Keep well, stay safe and drive carefully. 33 Suzanne VE7IM

VE1VCI, Merle writes: We still spend some time on Amateur Radio - weather nets in the mornings and, of course, the wonderful YLDX Net on 20 meters on Mondays when KB4RM, Rose-Marie, is Net Control. I try to take part in

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the CLARA 80 meter net on Mondays and also the CLARA 40 meter net on Tuesdays. My G5R5 is not long of a wire and I have no amplifier so I do not have much luck. I have a sked with VE1QT, Linda, most mornings. I also took part in the NSARA Contest in March and was lucky enough to nail top spot.

Once again, I pushed back the furniture in the living room so I could put up my quilting frames that I made in 1946. I was given a lot of beautiful prints so have had a ball making Tied Comforters. Most of the 91 I have made in the last 6 winters have gone to the sick and needy. Many go to breast cancer patients.

The farm workers have all the straw off the strawberry fields and row covers on some of the acreage to act like a greenhouse effect to bring the berries on two weeks earlier than normal. We will, as usual, have a very busy summer on the farm as my son and his wife operate a large operation right across the road selling produce and crafts. It is a really popular spot in July when the specialty is strawberry shortcake. Folks come for miles for it.

We will enjoy a grandson's wedding in Halifax in late June. My great-grandson, who lives next door, is 14 months old now and, at the moment, running around the kitchen table in Iris

new rubber boots. 33 Merle, VE1VCI

VE5AQ, Vai writes: Still trying to get the antenna up, still have flowers to put in or buy first, still have camping to do, and a Hamfest to get ready for, yikes, no time to rest and write. Have a great summer. Will send, for the following issue, pictures and news of our Hamfest. Have a great summer. 33 de Vai

VE7YL, Elizabeth writes: So this is spring on the wet West Coast! It certainly is living up to its name. I've hardly had a day out on the golf course that I haven't had to don a rain jacket and search for my umbrella! Took part in the Manchester Mineira all America CW Contest last month and enjoyed that. For a change we had some decent propagation. It was nice too to give a YL contact as YLs counted for 5 points, which I think, was appreciated. Made contact with two YLs during the contest - K6MEE and N2MM. We have two family graduations in June, with my Grandson (in Calgary) graduating from High School and my Granddaughter (here) graduating with her RN. She has been working at a hospital in the Fraser Valley since March and simply loves nursing.

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## DX News & DX Treasurer de Rose-Marie Battig, KB4RM

*Ed. Note: With so many great pictures of the Meet, they had to be seen in color. Check out the center section for the photos.*

Dear YL Friends,

I am home from a wonderful three weeks trip to Europe with my OM Charles K4TY.

We started in Munich with the DX-YL meeting. Conny, DF8MN and Horst, DL2GA had organized a great week of programs. Saturday started with a round tour of Munich, and first was BMW plant and showroom, Munich's most modern building. I tried out a BMW motorcycle that was parked in front.

Next came Nyphenburg Schloss, beautiful and with 1,000 rooms, didn't say how many bathrooms if any. How was it at that time with bathrooms? Then we stopped at the famous Munich open market place, but in the rain it was hard to manage umbrella and people, so we returned to the hotel.

Sunday we had our YL-meeting all day at the hotel. Sad to say that only 21 YL's and 8 OM attended the meeting. The hotel was very nice and had arranged a nice room for our meeting with an open tea and coffee bar, including pastries and sandwiches. It was hard to resist even after a big breakfast. I was sold on the coffee bar as you could make your own espresso and coffee latte any time. Just think what they charge you for it here at Starbucks.

Volker, DL8JDX gave a talk about research in Antarctica and presented a very interesting slideshow. Mitch, DJ0QN and

Christian, DL3MBG gave us information about the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC), same as the ARRL here.

Tina, VK5TMC and Christine, VK5CTY informed us of the next DX-YL meeting in Adelaide, Australia, May 3-7, 2012. They are so organized and fired up and already have the whole program on their website: [www.ylinternational2012.110mb.com](http://www.ylinternational2012.110mb.com)

Tina will also offer a ten-day side trip from Adelaide to Darwin on the Ghan train. She did say it would be expensive, so start saving, if you plan to go. They hope many will come, so we can get our own car for the YLs on the train.

Lois, WB3EFQ and Anne, WB1ARU spoke of YLRL and the YL meeting in Boston, July 2011. We hope many will come from Europe and other countries as Boston is close to the N.Y and Washington/DC airports.

Monday, my last day with the group, we went to the famous city plaza of Munich (Marienplatz) to listen to the glockenspiel, the big clock on City Hall that has figures that dance around to music. Christa, DJ1TE; Mio, JR3MVF; Charles, K4TY; and I went to a wonderful restaurant to eat good German food. The weather with rain and temperature of only 12 degree made the outings not as pleasant that they could have been, and some events got canceled because of this. By Wednesday summer came and stayed, for rest of our trip.

Next day we left the group and drove through northern Austria, and met up with them again four days later in

Friedrichshafen at the Ham Radio convention. It is like Dayton's ham fest, but a bit smaller, but in very nice exhibit Halls with very good restaurants. Here we met all the German YLs. They have a great meeting place in the large exhibit hall, and serve coffee and cake, yum! We all signed in and soon got to meet YLs from many countries. Saturday at 2pm all the YLs met in one room, and there we had coffee and cake, again. Then Anette, DL7GAS opened the YL meeting. This year Anette, DL6SAK spoke in both German and English so we could all understand what was presented. Anette, DL6SAK is the first YL to serve on the DARC governing board. They also provided an interpreter for Lois, WB3EFQ and Anne, WB1ARU when they spoke.

We all were surprised over how many YLs come to Friedrichshafen every year. I estimate there were close to 200 of us.

I was happy to meet many from whom I have collected membership fees for YLRL. Edith, DF7WU stayed in same hotel as I, and when I asked Sigrid, DL3LG and Olga DJ0MCL about Edith, there she was sitting next to me. I had hoped to see her, and now I could collect the money in person. Edith wonders if I will do the same next year.

This was my third visit to Friedrichshafen, a beautiful city on the Bodensee, with Switzerland across the lake and Austria on the eastern end.

We then drove to Austria to hike in the Alps for a week. It

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was quite warm and sunny, and so we had to cut our hikes short each day. The third week we stayed in Kitzbuhl, and then in Zell am See Austria, places we had visited 25 years ago, and hiked some more. We also drove to Italy through the Dolomites Alps, stopping in Cortina d'Ampezzo, but didn't hike and didn't stay but enjoyed the drive over many mountain passes.

When I returned home, an e-mail from Mio, JR3MVF was waiting for me. She will sponsor me into JARL, for which I am very thankful.

Maria, VK5BMT has now sponsored me into ALARA, and I am her new sponsor into YLRL. Maria and her husband, Keith, VK5MT are on a 3-month trip, with their mobile home in Australia. They have solar panels on the home for their electricity. She is sending me news of where they stay with pictures. I am so happy to have Mio and Maria as friends.

As DX-YL chair I am looking for sponsors for YLs who have lost their sponsor due to SI< events. Please let me know if you are willing to become a sponsor. The cost is \$23.00 for a year.

Don't forget the YL Greenland expedition September 16 - 20: let us all try to work them.

Good DXing,  
33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM  
From Mio, JR3MVF:



*Mio, JR3MVF at Hamfest*

Dear YLs,  
Hello and how are you? I think you, all, are very well and enjoying your life. I am OK, but I am as busy as ever. HI

By the way, I tripped to Shanghai for attending to the 2nd Ham festival in Shanghai, and had very good eye ball QSO with old friends. My first trip to BY land was 1983 its BY4 and BY5.

It has been about 10 years since I visited there last. But many friends welcome me and had wonderful time with them.



*Shanghai*



*Mio at BY4AA*



*With the number of Silent Keys, please remember that many of them were sponsors of our DX members. Some of the DX ladies have been members for a long time and we want to help them to keep their continuous membership. Other DX YLs are in need of a sponsor as well. Please consider sponsoring a YL in YLRL!*



## Certificate Custodian

WAS-YL, YLCC, YL-DXCC , WAC-YL. DX-YL -Carolyn Donner, N8ST- [REDACTED]  
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### Basic Rules Applicable To All YLRL Certificates

1. Contacts made through repeater devices or any other power relay method cannot be used for any YLRL certificate confirmation.
2. All contacts must be made **FROM** the same country.
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4. No charge is made for a certificate, but sufficient postage for first class mail or a stamped legal-size envelope must accompany the application to cover the cost of mailing the certificate.
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### Continuous Membership Certificate

This certificate is available ONLY to YLRL members. It is awarded automatically to any YL who has been a member, continuously for five years. Diamond-shaped stickers are awarded for each additional five years of continuous membership.

Continuous Membership-Mary Moore, WX4MM- [REDACTED]  
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#### 5 Year Certificate

K7DUC Patsy Oliver

#### 15 Year

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AC7UH Barbara Yasson

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#### 25 Year

WO6X Carla Watson

#### 30 Year

N8IO Connie Hamilton  
AI4I< Alice King

#### 40 Year

W4NKO Jo Francis Melton

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Hope everyone has a great summer - safe travelling.  
Elizabeth VE7YL

VE3HAI, Ann writes that she and Bare enjoyed Dayton again this year. The rain stayed away on Friday while they were there. Now that flea market season is upon us, Ann and Bare keep busy attending as many as they can. One of their favorites is Milton, where CLARA members get together for coffee and a chat. It's always a good time. If you're in the Milton area (just west of Toronto) on July 10th, please join us. Meanwhile, have a safe and healthy summer. Be sure to take time to really enjoy this great season. 33 de Ann

VA3WX, Jeanne says she was among 120 Red Cross volunteers to attend a roast beef buffet the end of April in honour of Volunteer month. Delicious supper and nice to see friends who I hadn't seen for a while. I participated in the CLARA contest and was the winner of the lucky log draw.

Helen VA1YL made me a hooked rug mat with the CLARA crest on it. Really nice and now hangs on a wall in my ham shack. I will celebrate my 70th birthday in July and already have a few friends who have booked a lunch with me. I also celebrate an anniversary the same month so lots of activities.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe summer and hope the band conditions are much better for September. 33s Jeanne

VE3HQH, Heather writes: It's been a mad house around here lately. We've been in the process of having "Geothermal" heating (ground source) put in, since we've been all electric and costs keep going up. We didn't have any ductwork in the house so that had to be added and in order to do that we had to clean out the basement. Thank goodness only the rec room had a finished ceiling, so the work went very well. They just finished up today. We now have heat and air-conditioning.

Previously we only had a window air-conditioner. The basement may be clean but there's a ton of work to be done—lots of painting (walls and floor) and more shelving put up, in order to put back our good junk. Hi Hi. At the moment, it's stored in the garage but we want to be able to get the car and tractor under cover for the winter.

Doug wants me to get my CW up again so I can help at Field Day. We used to have 4 or 5 CW operators take part, but this year I think Doug is the only one. I don't know if I'll be able to be of much help, it's been a long time since I was on CW. I'm not a contester and I second guess myself when copying a call sign. It used to be a lot easier when there were fewer prefixes. I've still got a few days to practice so I'll keep working at it.

Hope you and all the YLs have a wonderful summer. 33, Heather

## We need news!

**Send pictures and Radio Related news to your District Chairwoman. Don't forget to make sure your information is correct and your dues paid for the September/October Directory edition of YL-Harmonics. Corrections must be in to the Receiving Treasures for you and/or your sponsors by September 1st to make the Directory issue.**

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