

SPECIAL EVENTS ISSUE

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# PARC News



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## COMMANDER'S CORNER



After catching my breath from a long week end in Dayton, I guess I am ready get back to business. I just finished going thru 2 or 3 back-packs of papers I picked up at Dayton. I will try to remember to bring them to the July club

meeting so I can share all the info. There is a lot of good info and you will be welcome to it. I absolutely never saw so many antennas in my life. One of the verticals we looked at said it was "shortened". We asked if they meant it was electrically shortened. He told us this was the antenna they used on the Peter I expedition. Shortened meant that it was so tall it would not fit inside the roof of the arena. They almost knocked one the lights in the ceiling down when they stood it up. They had to shorten it 15' just to stand it up. Now that is an 80 meter vertical. Many told me you have to go to Dayton at least once. I say to you that you need to go more than once. I firmly believe that the way we did it, is the right way to do it. I hope you start putting a few sheckles aside each week and go with next year. It is all everyone says it is, and more.

Now on to the business at hand. We are going to take on a special events station in North Bend and need all the club to help in whatever way they can. This is our chance to expose our hobby to the public and make us look good. Most people don't really know what ham radio is or what we do. This is a rare chance to let people know what it's really about. I would ask that everyone dress appropriately and act the same. People will be judging us and our hobby. We still need ops and greeters. This will, for the most part, be the same as any old field day. We may just have a few visitors. It's always nice to have company over now and then, as long as they go home after it's over. Please contact KBOARZ Rich if you want something to do. I think he will be able to accommodate you. We talked about people wearing their field day shirts to operate, if you have one, and a shirt with the club logo on it for greeters, again, if you have one.

Since we will be in North Bend on June 23rd, there will be no club meeting for the month of June. I have cancelled the room at Hero/Gambino's for that night.

Hope to see everyone at North Bend at the NØB special events station, KF0MS Steve.

### Special points of interest:

- CLUB MEETING: NO MEETING THIS MONTH. See You at the Special Events Station. Come and help.
- *Put It On Your Calendar* PARC Picnic, Sunday, Sept. 17th
- Think Programs!!!

**Check into the PARC Net Every**

**Wednesday at 7 p.m. on the**

**146.67 repeater!**

### **Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Minutes for May 2006**

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club gathered for dinner at 630 PM on Friday, May 26, 2006, at Hero's/Gambino's in Fremont, Nebraska.

The meeting was called to order at 730 PM by President Steve Benke, KF0MS. There were 15 people present, who introduced themselves.

The minutes for the April 2006 meeting were approved as printed in the May PARC News.

The Treasurer's report was approved as printed in the May PARC News. Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ moved that all bills be paid. The motion, seconded by Lance Hoffman, WN0L, was approved.

**...Correspondence...** A thank-you note was received from the North Bend Elementary School thanking PARC for the amateur radio demonstration.

#### **...Committee Reports...**

**Field Day and Special Event Station-** Larry Martens, K0SW and KB0ARZ went over the Field Day and Special Event operation in North Bend. Set-up will be on Thursday afternoon/evening. Greeters and operators are needed. There is an article in the June CQ Magazine on greeting and public relations. Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN moved that PARC pay for the generator gasoline. The motion was seconded by Darlene Hoffman, N0LOP and was approved. Jim Kilby, KG0RD said he could run his rig at night on a battery. Material and equipment is needed for the exhibit. There will be a sign-up sheet for people interested in attending a license class. Members were asked to dress appropriately with a club shirt and/or amateur radio shirt. We will use the NOB call-sign for the entire period. So far, there will be 3 stations for RTTY, CW, and Phone. Dave Theophilus, W0NRW will have a VHF station.

**Picnic** – W0NRW said the event will be September 17 at 530 PM. A PARC board meeting will be held at 5 PM.

**Christmas Party** - Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN said the date has not been set yet but will probably be a Saturday.

**Hospitality** – Sharon Martens, KB0TVB called attention to the item about Lois Roberts, XYL of Joe Roberts, WA0STV that is in the May PARC News.

**Education** – KF0MS said he has people interested in a class but more are needed. Let him know of people who are interested. The Special Event/Field Day operation will be a good place to recruit people. Mel Cunningham, K0VLA suggested the CAP and Boy Scouts for possible recruitment.

**Technical** – Nothing to report.

**ARES** – W0NRW reported on a regional Emergency Coordinator meeting on May 15.

**ARES Net Manager** – John Beranek, KC0KKE passed around sign-up sheets for Net Controls.

**...Old Business...** Nothing to report.

**...New Business...**

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**...New Business...**

**Flea Market** – KB0ARZ has received more donated door prizes. Rich has been cutting down postage costs by not mailing to individuals but is still sending packets of material to clubs.

**Dayton Trip** – Todd LeMense, KK0DX reported that he will be going again in 2008 but probably not in 2007. He asked for suggestions on how the 2006 trip could have been better. He mentioned that rooms might be available at the University of Dayton. Todd also had a slide show of the 2006 trip running on a laptop in the back of the room.

**Omaha Hamfest** – KK0DX reported that a Hamfest will be held in Omaha on October 8 at the Millard American Legion Club.

**POT** - In the drawing for the POT, the name of Dave Theophilus, W0NRW was drawn. He was present and received \$6.65.

**HAT** – In a drawing for a black ICOM hat donated by KK0DX, the name of Tara Eltiste, KB0VNA was drawn. She was not present so the name of Sandy Cunningham, KB0TVA was drawn. She was present and received the hat.

**June Meeting** – There will not be a meeting in June since the Special Event operation will be in progress on June 23.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 816 PM.

Following adjournment, KF0MS read several humorous articles.

W0NRW presented a mini-program on 2 meter propagation.

KF0MS handed out Grid-Square Maps and Frequency Allocation Charts that he picked up in Dayton.

*Recorded by Secretary Dave Theophilus, W0NRW*

### **Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Treasurer's Report - June, 2006**

Savings	\$130.68
Petty Cash	6.70
Checking	755.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$892.72</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Dues	6.00
10% Drawing Pot	.70
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$6.70</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Newsletter and Postage	\$ 7.50
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$7.50</b>

**Membership Dues:** Dues are \$10 for first member of a family and \$3 each additional member per calendar year if paid between Jan. 1 and March 1. Dues are prorated at \$1. Per month after March 1 for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10 whenever they are paid. Life membership is \$200.  
SEND TO: Sharon Martens  
2316 E. First St.  
Fremont, NE 68025

# This & That!!!

Dear Sirs:  
 Many thanks for volunteering your time again for the benefit of our students.  
 There were buzzing about the sessions for days. They were fascinated by the process and the possibilities. Perhaps you've planted some seeds of interest.  
 You are appreciated!  
 Cecilia Hall  
 North Bend Elementary"

*This thank you from North Bend Elementary School was for the hams that spent time promoting ham radio to the students.*

## New VUCC Award Manager in Nebraska

Lance Hoffman, WN0L, has been appointed as VHF Awards Manager for the AKSARBEN ARC, an ARRL Special Service Club.

As an awards manager, he has the ability to check QSL cards for VHF radio operators. 6m operators, he's available.



I made a new friend in Dayton. My buddies name is Sparky. He's kinda quiet, but I guess that's alright.



Dear Ones,

Dok had a tough day today. He expected to be released from the hospital this morning, but when his pulse was being taken, he was told there were extra beats. Next, in came a rolling heart monitor. It was interesting watching the heart beating. I told Dok it looks rather like a Hula dancer swinging her hips with a hold on one of the swings. A video cassette captured the action for review.

Eight hours later, the heart specialist stopped by to tell Dok all looked well, but he was keeping him for a day or two longer. Then Dok's regular physician came and released him. The two doctors had been in conference about his case. Dok was immensely relieved to be going home. It was an emotional trauma to spend hours wondering about the outcome.

Dok had an large number of pokes. Two of the aides told him he had the toughest skin they ever had to penetrate.

Dok is grateful for visits, cards, prayers, and telephone calls he received.

Iris

*Editor's Note: All our Best to Dok.*

LOCAL REPEATER FREQUENCIES		
KOASH	145.310	Ashland
WN0L	146.07/146.67	Fremont
KOKKV	146.760	Lincoln
KF0MS	147.705/147.105	Fremont
WN0L	223.06/224.66	Fremont
W0UVQ	444.175	Fremont
KF0MS	449.375/444.375	Fremont
W0QOU	449.575/444.575	Logan View

# Here It Is—The Special Events Info For This Weekend!!

The following operators volunteered to help set up at 5 P.M. Thursday evening June 22 and/or tear down equipment at St. Charles Parish Center Sunday, June 25 at 8 P.M.: WNØL, KCØKKE, KØVLA, KØSW, KFØMS, WØNRW, WØUVQ, and KGØRD.

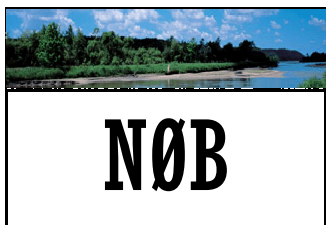
Attached is the current sign-up sheet for the NØB station. This shows the times that are available to work a station or greet the public. As you can see, many of the time slots still need volunteers. If you know of a time or times you can help out, we REALLY NEED OPERATORS TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE (OR SHOULD I SAY MIKES AND CODE KEYS) and volunteer.

The committee has mapped the layout of the antennas (provided they are not directly on top of a natural gas line!) I am meeting with Diggers Hotline to insure safety, and with the Nebraska Antique Power Association for placement and the securing of towers. We are using four antennas: a tri-bander beam for 10, 15 and 20 meters; a vertical for 10 – 80 meters; dipole for 40 and 80 meters; and a beam for 2 and 6 meters.

We want to limit the stations to three, with the goal to keep them running at all times if possible. We are planning to use KØSW's (TS50/Orion II), WØNRW's and WNØL's FT100D's, and KBØARZ's TS440. If you would like to bring your radios for a backup or for display purposes, please do so.

Remember to bring any amateur radio memorabilia that you would like to share with the public as part of our display. We will have one lockable cabinet and some "under glass" space available for the safe keeping of items if that will ease your concerns.

If you have any questions or concerns, or can donate any time to the success of this venture, please email me at the above address or call 402-652-3410. Thanks! Rich, KBØARZ, Event Chair



## SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS AND EVENTS

Friday, June 23, 2006

Operators: Greeters:

7:00 A.M.: KBØARZ

Set up and get ready for the greatest weekend on the air

8:00 A.M.: KBØARZ, KCØKKE, KCØRD

[WNØL available 8:00 – 8:00]

History Book goes on sale – Library closes @ 6:00 P.M.

NØB opens to public and is on the air!

Work them stations hot and heavy!

9:00 A.M.: KBØARZ, KCØKKE

KFØMS [NØLGU all day until alumni supper]

10:00 A.M.: KCØKKE KFØMS

11:00 A.M.: KCØKKE

12:00 P.M.: KCØKKE

1:00 P.M.: KCØKKE

2:00 P.M.: KFØMS

3:00 P.M.: KFØMS

4:00 P.M.: KØSW KBØTVB, KBØTVA

5:00 P.M.: KØSW KBØTVB, KBØTVA

Alumni fest 5:30-8:30 P.M. –High School Everyone welcome YOU don't have to be an alumni.

WØGAJ

Boy Scout Concession stands open-park,

Concession stand open - football field

high school, Baseball-Park, Legion Jr.

BBQ Cook off Demo- old pop corn plant

grounds, Logo Postmark – NBC High

School

7:00 P.M.: WØGAJ

8:00 P.M.: Baseball – Park - Legion Seniors.

NØB Station(s) close to the public. You can continue to operate all night if you like!

Concert 14 & older- Auditorium 8:00 P.M -1:00 A.M.

8:30 P.M.

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Kick-Off Program- High School Football field

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9:00 P.M. 1 A.M.: Dance-Bottom Road

Bar

10:00 P.M.:

11:00 P.M.: KBØARZ

11:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. Corner Cafe

OPEN for Breakfast

12:00 A.M.: KBØARZ

1:00 A.M.: KBØARZ

Saturday, June 24, 2006

7:00 A.M.: KBØARZ

Set up and get ready for the greatest

day in radio history

PEO Concession Stand opens at football field

8:00 A.M.: KBØARZ, KCØKKE

KFØMS [NØLGU all day ]

[WNØL available 8:00 – 8:00]

Work 'em! Special event station NØB opens to the public! Here we go!

5KM & 1 mile run & walk start- high school football field

Massage chairs and tables to 10:30 A.

M –high school

10<sup>th</sup> Annual golf tournament to 12:00

noon-golf club

9:00 A.M.: KBØARZ, KCØKKE

KFØMS Log them all!

Health Fair- senior center to 11:00 am

Historic Veterans Memorabilia Dis-

play- VFW downtown to 4:00 P.M.

Nebraska Antique Power Association-

St. Charles Church to 6:00 P.M.

Garden & Prairie Tour-start at Frank-

lin Cotterell Greens to 4:00 P.M. (with art displays)

10:00 A.M.: KCØKKE NØLOP

Can you just here your pile up!

North Bend Library Open House to

12:00 noon

Petting zoo- Library to 12:00 noon

North Bend Swim Meet to 1:00 P.M.

Quilt Show (Quilting on the Prairie) -

Masonic Lodge to 7:30 P.M.

Miniature Golf - park to 8:00 P.M.

Boy Scout Concession Stand - Park -

to closing

11:00 A.M.: KCØKKE

Farmers Market opens- Masonic

Lodge tent to 7:00 P.M.

Concession stand open-high school

foot ball field

Vintage Airplane Fly Over- any time

now!

Pictorial Postmark- Masonic tent to

1:00 P.M.

BBQ Cook OFF- pop corn plant

grounds to 2:00 P.M. awards

Harold Soukup Toy Museum to 5:00

P.M.

Historic Demos and art display sales-

Masonic tent to 7:00 P.M.

12:00 P.M.: KCØKKE

Horse pulled covered wagon rides –

charge? to 5:00 P.M.

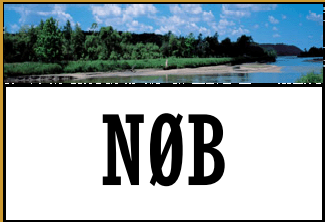
World War II Reenactors Camp-

Birchwood north lot - times?

# NØB—Schedule of Events, Operators and Greeters

## Saturday, June 24, 2006, continued

**2:00 P.M.:** KFØMS  
 Alumni swim meet-pool park  
 Fremont Pathfinders Civil War Reenactors  
 Battle- football field  
**2:30 pm** children's games-park to 3:30 pm.  
**3:00 P.M.:** KFØMS  
 Chambers Beer Garden Opens to 11:00 pm  
 Civil War Band-Football field  
**3:30 P.M.** children's tractor pull- park  
**4:00 P.M.:** KFØMS  
 Baseball - park field  
 Dunking Booth - park  
**5:00 P.M.:** KFØMS, WØGAJ  
 Civil war reenactors - foot-  
 ball field



**Chamber's BBQ  
 park- everyone welcome!  
 5:30 to 8:30 P.M.**

**6:00 P.M.:** WØGAJ  
 Baseball-park  
 Community Band Performs- park  
**U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Team  
 Football field**  
**7:00 P.M.:** WØGAJ  
 Did you work him? Did you work him? Did  
 he work you?  
**8:00 P.M.:**  
**8:30 pm** Pathfinder Chorus Concert-park  
 NØB Station(s) close to the public. You can  
 continue to operate all night if you like!  
**9:00 P.M.:** Alumni Dance- City Auditor-  
 ium to 1:00 A.M.  
**About 9:30 P.M.**  
**FIREWORKS DISPLAY-PARK**  
**10:00 P.M.:**  
**11:00 P.M.:**  
**12:00 A.M.:** KBØARZ  
 Breakfast Buffet Open- Corner Café to 2:00  
 A.M  
**1:00 A.M.:** KBØARZ  
**2:00 A.M.:** KBØARZ

## Sunday, June 25, 2006

**7:00 A.M.:** KBØARZ  
 Set up and get ready for another great day  
 of radio!  
**7:30AM to 10:30 A.M**  
**WAFFLE FEED- Masonic tent**  
**8:00 A.M.:** KBØARZ, KCØKKE [NØLGU  
 all day]  
 [WNØL available 8:00 – 8:00]  
 Special Event Station NØB opens to the  
 public. Let's work them and the stations  
 hard!  
 RUN that qso number higher----higher  
 Quilt Show open- Masonic Lodge to 6:00  
 pm  
**9:00 A.M.:** KCØKKE  
 Veterans display- VFW downtown to 4:00  
 P.M.  
 Neb. Ant. Power Association- St Charles  
 Church- to 5:00 P.M.  
 North Bend History Book Sale- Library &  
 St Charles Church-to 8:00 P.M.  
**10:00 A.M.:** KCØKKE NØLOP  
**11:00 A.M.:** KCØKKE  
 Miniature Golf-park  
 ALL Community Worship-park  
 Loving Cup-park  
 Church in the park  
**12:00 P.M.:** KCØKKE  
 Jack Zeleny Entertains to 1:30 P.M.  
 Horse pulled covered wagon rides - 5:00 P.  
 M.  
 Carnival opens  
 \*\*\*Church lunch stand opens-park  
**12:30 P.M.** parade lines up - high school  
**1:00 P.M.:** KCØKKE WØGAJ  
 Field Day Closes  
**2:00 P.M.:** WØGAJ  
**OLD SETTLES DAY PARADE-**  
**high school starting point. End-park**  
 Ollie the Trolley Transportation-around to  
 the events FREE to 5:00 P.M.  
**3:00 P.M.:** WØGAJ  
 OPPD Respect the lines trailer-park  
 Otto Rose from Valentine-story teller-park  
 to 4:30 P.M.  
 Metal calf roping-park to 5:30 P.M.  
 Water fights  
 Chamber Beer Garden OPENS to 11:00 pm  
 VFW bingo - park  
 Toy Museum open-downtown

## Sunday, June 25, 2006, Continued

**4:00 P.M.:** WØGAJ  
 Announcement of Parade Winners - park  
 Button and Bows, Brothers of the Brush  
 Winners-park  
**5:00 P.M.:** KBØARZ KFØMS  
 Buffalo Bill Cody-park  
**6:00 P.M.:** KBØARZ KFØMS  
 John Cooper Duet-park  
**7:00 P.M.:** KBØARZ  
 We made HOW many contacts? Is that  
 number real?!  
**8:00 P.M.:** Special event station closes  
 SPECIAL EVENT STATION NØB  
 CLOSES

## Field Day Chair Maps Out The Plan

We are planning a 80/40 doublet on  
 the East side with Rich's push up pole  
 in the middle and the 2 light poles at  
 the ends. The field will work for a  
 small tower and beam they want to put  
 up with a tractor to anchor the tower.  
 There is room for a vertical to the west  
 center of the lot with no radials but use  
 a tractor frame for the ground connec-  
 tion. Dave T. has asked for that north-  
 east corner of the yard for his 144 and  
 440 antennas. Rich has a vertical all  
 bundled up from last field day so we  
 can use it. Lance is bringing his RTTY  
 set up with 2 monitors so we can use  
 that when you want to operate RTTY  
 or the phone station when you want.  
 There is no room for radials with all the  
 foot traffic going on around the field.

We plan on setting up on Thursday  
 afternoon and we can finish up Friday  
 morning before the tractor guys all get  
 set up.

*Hope to see you then.  
 73 de KOSW*

**PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB - Fremont, NE**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Larry Martens; Carl Johnson, Mel Cunningham + 2  
Officers

**Committee Chairs**

Field Day—Larry Martens	Publicity—Kiel Eltiste
Flea Market—Rich Mehaffey	Education—Steve Benke
Picnic—Dave Theophilus	Net Manager—John Beranek
Christmas Party—Jane Mehaffey	ARES Mgr.—Dave Theophilus
Hospitality—Sharon Martens	Technical—Carl Johnson
Special Event—Rich Mehaffey	

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**PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

**9th Annual Flea Market**

**Saturday, July 15, 2006**

St. Charles Parish Center 8th & Locust St.  
North Bend, NE

Admission \$2. Donation at the door  
8' Space is \$5 in Advance—or \$7 At the door  
Door Prizes

Food by: Darlene's Diner (N0LOP)

Serving: Breakfast & Lunch and Snacks

**\*\*\*\*Homemade Cream Puffs\*\*\*\***

**By Virginia Beranek (John's Mother)**

Contact: Rich Mehaffey KB0ARZ  
402-652-3410 mehaffey@dtnspeed.net

**Rich can always use help is setting up on  
Friday night.**

**I could use the help of 1 person—or 2 in  
shifts in the kitchen on Saturday—Darlene**

**MISSOURI VALLEY FLEA MARKET**

**Sunday, September 17, 2006**

**8 a.m. to 12 noon**

**Eagles Club Hall—118 S. 5th St**

**Missouri Valley, IA**

Admission: \$2. (Family Members under 16 Free)

Tables: \$2

Tail-Gate Spaces \$2

Food available

**Drawings every 1/2 hour**

Grundig Pocket Radios

ARRL Books

Lots of Flea-Bucks

**Grand Prize: Dual Band Handheld**

**AK-SAR-BEN HAMFEST '06**

**Sunday, October 8, 2006**

**9 a.m. 2 p.m.**

**Millard American Legion Hall**

**4618 S. 139th St., Omaha, NE**

**Admission: \$3.**

**Super Door Prizes**

Yaesu 1802M 2m Mobile

Vertex VX-150 w/m HT

144/440 Base Antenna

12v Switching PS

And More

ARRL VE Exams  
Kitbuilding Forum  
ARRL Forum  
APRS Forum

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