



RAINBOW CANYONS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
CEDAR CITY, UTAH 84720

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Here is the clubs Presidency for the year 2007



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Fellow Hams,

What an exciting year for HAM operators! In 2007 we will see some interesting changes in our hobby. Can you imagine the influx of new HF operators if the code requirements are lifted? I have had mixed feelings about this new change. On one hand I purposely upgraded to my general license last year in anticipation of this new rule change. I always wanted to learn Morse code and wanted to have that milestone for my license upgrade.

I've heard some of the old timers say, "I had to learn the code, so everybody should have to learn the code." I've heard others say, "I'd use the HF bands if it weren't for the code requirement." There are many facets to our hobby. Even in our club there is much diversity among the members as to what they do within the hobby. We have users who only use 2 meters on the local and statewide repeaters. We have some who enjoy IRLP and Echo Link. We have others who live for the thrill of a good 6 meter DX contact and yet others who enjoy CW or making contacts in the HF bands. There are members who have antique "glow in the dark" tube radios while others use modern digital rigs to send messages via the airwaves to computers all over the world.

Morse Code is one of these facets of good HAM radio. For those that love a good challenge I recommend you learn Morse code and start tapping away on a key. If Morse code is not your thing then get involved in one of the many other areas our hobby offers.

The new officers have met and approved a proposed calendar of events for this new year. We will be having a couple of fox hunts, setting up at the county fair and also some good guest speakers at our meetings. We will also be having a look at some of the areas that HAM radio offers such as a demo of HF usage, HAM radio on the internet and digital radio usage. Watch the newsletter for upcoming events and come out and get involved in your club!

Terry Lee, KD7TTT

Up coming Calendar for the 2007 Year

Jan 9th Dinosaur Night. Old HF rigs with an HF demo. Ken will bring antenna.

Jan 23rd another planning meeting at Ken's house 7:00 PM

Feb 13th Digital Night. Echo Link, IRLP demo, Packet TNC, etc. Ken and Chris

Mar 13th Red Cross month. Program by Joel

Apr 10th Ham Radio on the Internet. Terry

May 8th Fox Hunt Demo and Training

May 12th or 19th Fox Hunt

Jun 12th Prep for Field Day and Antenna Project Richard

Jun 23 and 24 Field Day

Jul 10th Fox Hunt 6:30PM

Aug 14th Field Trip - Jim Wilson or member's shacks

Sep 11th Mel Parks at our club with Dixie Club invited

September County Fair Saturday Demo with trailer and rigs

Oct 9th Club Auction of donated items Fundraiser

Nov 13th Nominations and RACES and ARES Demo

Dec 11th Elections and Christmas Party

Just as a reminder, the club dues are do in January. Please feel free to send payment to Ken Oliver W7KBM. The amount of the dues are \$20.00 per member or \$30.00 for family. Mail to:

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Treasury Report January 2007

12/31/2006	Balance	\$575.77
Member Dues		\$130.00
01/01/2007	Balance	\$705.77