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This thrilling movie takes to the air with the daring aces who invented an entire new form of combat and left their mark on military history.

President's Message

This message comes to you while I am high. Eight thousand feet high to be exact. I am up in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado. I set up for field day with a 43' Vertical I built myself, using a homemade bumper mount on the back of my trailer (license plate 4HAMS by the way). This type of antenna requires a tuner since it is not resonating on any ham band, so I use a old ICOM AT2 which is easily remoted. Pictures will be else ware in MikeShy. I used this for part of Field day on Saturday and then worked Sunday mobile from higher in the park at 11,700 ft. level. Saturday I also went to see the local Estes Valley Radio Club at their field day site in town at the parking lot by the school.

The guys from Estes Park were very friendly and I exchanged Eyeball QSL cards with KDoZIW Bill, K6OG David, and W9INE, Larry. It seems the members are mostly folks who moved here from other places. They have repeaters on 2meters and 440MHz which are linked and have different coverages to increase their coverage. The club is very active in Emergency services (ARES) in the area. During disasters (and there have been a few) they are there when other methods fail.

It's interesting listening to the park rangers (there are on 169 MHz - 172 MHz) to find out what is going on in the park, from traffic violations to lost hikers. I keep their frequencies in both my mobile and handhelds.

Well that's it for now, going hiking at Rock Cut (about 11,000'). Got to take more pictures

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SRO Notes for June 14, 2018 (Or: *"It's Alive!" Howled Baron Frankenstein*)

By Jim Hawes AA9DT



TONIGHT'S MEETING begins at about 7:30 pm. As you look around the room, you'll see that I'm not there. In fact, I'm reclining at home with an ice pack, after

emergency oral surgery. Meanwhile at the Salvation Army Citadel, the ball drops. The two Mikes swing the mallet, and the great gong chimes.

TREASURER'S REPORT. According to Mike WA9FTS, we have the thingamabob that does the job. Proving that we do, we'll be back in August for another session. Mike will release treasury details to members at the next meeting. Then perhaps he'll lead us all in a round of "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo." Anyone want to volunteer for a solo?

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM is Sinkholes—Buried Alive. (This is a NOVA episode that aired in 2015 on PBS.) The footage includes dramatic location sequences in Florida. Sinkholes open up before the camera and swallow cars, homes, and people. Florida sinkholes result from the porous nature of the limestone under much of the state. Not far below the surface is an extensive network of aqueous caverns. Midway through the program, divers don aqualungs and masks and descend through a large sinkhole. (No doubt, Mike Leibovitz WA9EVF, intrepid soul that he is, would love to explore down there.) On the show, the divers enter a subterranean river that flows for miles. Warmists claim that a rising ocean is submerging Florida. I'd dispute that statement. Meanwhile, due to the underlying porous rock, much of Florida is subsiding.

BAOFENG. Our president Mike Leibovitz WA9EVF discusses programming the BaoFeng HT. This handy talkie has a rich software tool set. There are some tricks to persuading it to work for you. Mike shares a few of the secrets. For example: A user can program in the VFO mode and then save in the Memory mode.

SUSPENDED ANIMATION. In icy Siberia, researchers have thawed out many animals that froze in the ice. Some of these animals are from long extinct species: Saber toothed tigers, woolly mammoths, etc. Until now, none of these prehistoric animals returned to life. Yet this time, a few actually did!

The subject creatures were humble nematode worms. They'd been stuck in the ice for since the Pleistocene period. You know, before cell phones, Facebook, and SpaceX: The Bing Crosby era. The frozen worms ended up at the Institute of Physico-Chemical and Biological Problems of Soil Science in Moscow. There, while inspecting soil samples, the scientists accidentally thawed out 300 worms. Two returned to life.

ONE OF THE SURVIVING worms had iced up 32,000 years ago. The other had been frozen for 42,000 years. After the protracted fast, the worms were hungry and began eating. The online article doesn't say what the worms eat. I'll assume that they started on SRO cookies, and proceeded to coffee and pop.

SUSPENDED ANIMATION. The Siberian worms are now the oldest living creatures. Apparently, they're also the first creatures that have survived such a long period of suspended animation. Perhaps we could apply this knowledge to cryogenic freezing of small creatures on say, Mars. Yet there are limits to the type of a lifeform that might freeze and later return to life.

THAWING OUT NEW IDEAS. No one is saying that a more complex animal with a large brain could survive freezing and thawing. (Stories of Walt Disney's frozen head notwithstanding.) But the prospects for a developing science might be improving. You can read more about the discovery at this link: goo.gl/9Z3ukX

Foxhunt Report



CFAR 2M Foxhunt - July 7th, 2018 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox Tony AA9CC

Five hunt teams awaited the test transmission from Tony. It was weak but to the south - slightly to the west. Tony's actual direction was SW but the water tower directly to the south has in the past caused accuracy problems at the starting point. Everyone headed south on Rt 83. It soon was evident that Tony was to the SW. Several hunters chose I55 with John EXW taking Woodward Av north. Matt and Pete got off at Joliet Rd and to International Pkwy. We got almost a 5 and got out on foot in a field with evidence of car tracks in the weeds. We ended up at a 55/355 ramp and had to get back to the Ford 250 - on to the other side. Pete had a stronger signal east of 355 and determined that was the place to be and it proved to be correct. They went from Int'l Pkwy to Werch Dr to the AMC theater. Pete spotted the 5/8 vertical on a car. Tony was in one of his cars in front of the AMC theater. Pete beat Tom who was a few hundred feet away for the win as Don arrived for 3rd a few minutes later. We got there as John EXW and Janet drove around to find Tony. We finally found Tony to end the hunt. We met at Al's Pizza on 87th St in Woodbridge. Results:

1. Pete K9PW, John K9JK
2. Tom N9CBA
3. Don W9RA
4. John WD9EXW, Janet
5. Matt KC9SEM, Patty, Mike WA9FTS,



Foxhunt Report



CFAR 2M Foxhunt - Aug 2nd, 2018 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox Don W9RA

Don W9RA was hiding for Pete K9PW & John K9JK. Don's signal was weak but hearable for the three hunt teams. Matt and I guessed that Don was hiding near the Schaumburg Airport and would pick Pilot Pete's for the munch. We headed NW on 290 and then Lake St. Me met up with John & Janet several times as our original thought was correct. Don was near the airport but where? We got ambiguous readings but then settled on Gary and Central Rd. This lead us to Fuji Film to find Don in his car for the win. Tom drove by 10 min before us but drove away. Several minutes later, Tom arrived for 2nd and another few minutes brought John and Janet to end the hunt. We went to Pilot Pete's for the munch. Results:

1. Matt KC9SEM, Patty, N9PLS, Mike WA9FTS, Jacob, Mac
2. Tom N9CBA
3. John WD9EXW, Janet





Meeting Attendance



Regular Meeting
Salvation Army - Norridge
June 14th, 2018

Mike WA9FTS
Mike WA9EVF
Cathy KA9ZWZ
Pete WV9P
Danny KD9HIL
John W9JFS



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