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From the Editor

Well half the year has passed and there have a few posts on the reflector from members. I have also heard members on the local nets. A few of you have even appeared at the local Hamfests. I also heard you on at Field Day, so I know Mile High DX Association members are out there!

Unfortunately, I haven't been hearing from many of YOU personally for the Newsletter. Thanks to Roger, K0YY for his contribution to his issue and to Greg, W0ZA for his treasurer's report. Both sent me timely information which I held on to hoping for more content, sorry for the delay Guys!

To all members:
PLEASE SEND ME MHDXA INFORMATION.

Without information there is no newsletter. Let me know if you are planning a DXpedition, have recently gone on a DXpedition or what else you are doing in Amateur Radio.

Check out the details on Roger's Mini DXpedition in July. The Young Ladies' Radio League Convention is being hosted by the Colorado-YLs and will be held in August. Details on both are in this issue.

Thanks and send me information!

Sincerely-
The Editor,
Cheryl, N0WBV

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Treasurer's Report

Income: Due for 2005 \$575.00

Expenses: \$325.00 for Club Insurance

Checking Account \$830.01

Savings Account \$1629.81

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July MHDXA MiniDXpedition

MINI DX-PEDITION TO STEAMBOAT LAKE STATE PARK--JULY 8 THROUGH 18 2005. A group of Colorado Hams is activating a new US Island at Steamboat Lake SP, putting Routt County, and Grid DN60 on the air.

Here is the basic information.

Location--Steamboat Lake SP--Dutch Hill Campground--Bridge Island. 30 miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO on County Road 129--paved all the way.

Time --July 8th through July 18th, 2005 (that's over two weekends for those doing the "W" word thing).

Point Of Contact--Roger K0YY k0yy@arrl.net

Notes--Advise Roger if you are reserving a campsite. Make reservations NOW.

Additional Information:

US Islands Program--This is a new (first time) activation of Bridge Island--the US Islands Qualifications Manager has already approved this Island for a new activation. Our US Island Number is CO-12.

Bands/Modes-- HF voice/data/CW 80-10 meters, VHF 6 meter SSB (Fairly rare Grid Square DN60 and County--Routt County)

Location/Camping Details-- The camp sites on Bridge Island are basic--non-electric but nice sites. There are about 15 RV and 15 tent sites on the island. There are nearly 200 other sites (many with electric hookups) and some yurts (mini camper cabins-reserve through the marina) to rent in the State Park. The Wheeler loop is close and has electricity. THIS IS A VERY POPULAR SP. SITES ARE RESERVED VERY FAST. I recommend those interested make their reservations IMMEDIATELY. I'm not sure if they allow doubling up on sites there. Just in case, always ask for the max number of people and vehicles per site.

Operating Parameters--We'll be operating off of batteries/solar panels/generators--bring you "quiet" generators. The State Parks sometime freak out over hanging things in trees. Bring you push up poles and other portable antennas. Be prepared to be creative with your antennas. Marilyn and I can run HF through 6 meters from our RV and 2 meter FM. We'll coordinate on rigs, antennas, and equipment in the near future.

Area Information--This is one of the most beautiful areas in Colorado. The park also has a marina where you can rent fishing boats, canoes, and pontoon boats. There is a small store, showers, and a laundry facility at the marina. Again, I recommend early reservations for anything you want to set up in advance. There is an outfitter (restaurant/bar/cabins/store) in the area that does day or overnight horse pack adventure trips. Hahn's Peak Lake Forest Service campground is also very close by and very pretty. There are miles of 4-wheel and off-road vehicle trails close by.

Here are some web references.

Online Park Reservations--<http://www.reserveamerica.com/jsp/commonpage.jsp?goto=/usa/co/stla/newindex.html>

Colorado State Parks--<http://parks.state.co.us/default.asp?parkID=58&action=park> <<http://parks.state.co.us/default.asp?parkID=58&action=park>>

US Islands Award Program--<http://www.eng.mu.edu/~usi/>

Local Outfitter (cabins/store/restaurant/horseback rides)--<http://www.steamboatoutfitters.com/>

County Hunters- <http://www.countyhunter.com/>

Marilyn and I are in site 174, Stan K0SDW is in site 173, and Phil K0UIE is in 176 (Leon N0GWM on the weekend) on Bridge island. Look forward to seeing you there.

73,

Roger K0YY
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Thanks Roger, for the invite and the information!



You are Cordially Invited...

Please join the Colorado-YLs as they host the Convention for the Young Ladies' Radio League August 11-14th, 2005. The Young Ladies' Radio League was founded in 1939, but it wasn't until 1955 that they started having Conventions. This year marks the 50th Convention year and there will be lots of celebration. In Amateur Radio every Woman is a Young Lady no matter what her age. YLs and OMs of all ages and at least 5 countries will be meeting at the Hotel Denver Tech center for this event. Along with tours and a Hospitality Suite, there will be forums, banquets and a vendor/craft area. We will also be holding a SWAPFEST on Sunday, August 14th. We also hope to have Field Checking available.

Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, please contact Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV at n0wbv@earthlink.net or check out www.ylrl.org for more convention information.

If you know of a nonprofit club that needs to be represented, please let me know. Tables in the vendor area (before the Sunday SWAPfest) will be provided. We would love to see you there!