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Okeechobee Ham Fest

Bill Schwartz and Bob Ledford made the trek to the Okeechobee Amateur Radio Association 2nd annual hamfest in Okeechobee, FL on December 27th which was held at the "Freedom Ranch."

The hamfest was basically a tailgate affair that started at 7 AM and ran through 12 PM Saturday. The hamfest was held in a church yard arrangement with the church providing a breakfast that sold out by 8 AM (\$6) and a noon meal (\$10) that was both hot, tasty and plentiful for the most hungry of appetites.

The church earns all of what it sells and the OARC earns what it gains from their 100 ticket sales of a 50/50 pot give-a-way and ham fest ticket sales.

Yours truly won a 2008 ARRL all publications CD-ROM disc.

We were on the shared data list. They had 465 tickets go through the front gate so they had a good turn out. There were between 75 and 100 tailgate sales vehicles parked in 2 separate areas in the shape of a inverted horse shoe.

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The 2010 new and old Officers for DBARA are

Office of the President John LoCicero, K4TUG, re-elected for another year.

Office of the Vice President Leah M. Bowen, AJ4MR, replacing Tom Davies, AA3AS, who wanted to retire.

Office of the Secretary Carolyn Truesdale, KA4VWP, re-elected for another year.

Office of the Treasurer is Frank Reda, AJ4LE who replaces Frank Haas, KB4T.

Board of Directors one position open each year. Arthur Byrnes, KA4WDK, re-elected to a three year term.

Congratulations to the winners of the election and a big thank you to those that did not want to be re-elected for your years of unselfish service to the organization.

Notice of Intent to Change Publication Dates [2009-10-21]

Originally it was my intent to only publish the eGroundwave once a month. But, more and more I am finding that by doing that I don't have the time to get articles or information to you all in time for you to be well informed as to what is going on before it becomes historical.

Starting today things will be on a day to day basis in the read only format. Also I will try to keep the data on line for no longer than thirty (30) days at a time. Then it will be converted to PDF Format.

Old issues of the eGroundwave will be retained for 12 calendar months not to exceed 24 months before deletion.

Subject: 3 Invitations for Amateur Radio Clubs

I hope you have found the recent emails about our amateur radio webinars helpful to your club members. We've been overwhelmed by the positive response from hundreds of amateur radio operators from around the country. That's why we're pleased to be offering both an introductory and advanced webinar to Amateur Radio Operators as a continuing series every Thursday. Our next webinar is this Thursday at 1 PM EST/10 AM PST.

If you are able and willing, we would love it if you could put information in your club newsletter about these webinars. Here's a quick blurb you can just drop in: