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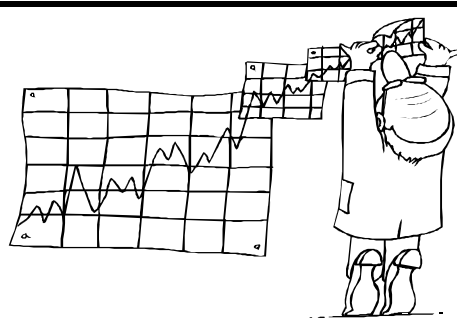
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## HAMFEST '97 - BEST EVER !!

**S**aturday April 19th, Ham operators from all over the midwest converged on Joplin for the 7th annual event. With over 900 in attendance and all 200 tables sold out, the event which has gained momentum each and every year was admittedly the best ever. The bargains seemed to be everywhere. Of course, this cub reporter enjoyed visiting with many of my fellow amateur friends, some whom I have only worked on the air, never having had an opportunity to "eyeball QSO" before. Comments from all were very positive about the improved organization this year!

**1997 Hamfest one of the best ever... Thanks to all those who helped make it a success...**

Probably the farthest to travel was a visitor from New South Wales, Australia. States represented besides our immediate KS, MO, AR, OK four in-



**Andy at work evaluating this year's Hamfest!**

cluded TX, ID, MN, MI, IA, and NB. In the four state area we had visitors from all over, including (to name just a few), Cabool, Poplar Bluff, Blue Eye, Columbia, Wichita, Pea Ridge, Ft. Smith, Harrison, Edmond, Oklahoma City, McAlester, and numerous other towns from all over the four states.

Many many thanks to all those who helped make this such a successful event. Who would have ever thought this fest would become so popular?

Mark your calendar for April 18th 1998, this is sure to be a hamfest you won't want to miss.

## Field Day Scheduled for June 28th!

**F**ield Day is scheduled for June 28th at Ewert Park, located at the intersection of 7th Street and Murphy Boulevard in Joplin (Same location as last year).

Set-up will begin at around 9AM, and if you want to arrive even earlier than that, there would probably be someone there! Field Day is always an excellent opportunity for both new and younger hams to work some HF and find out more about operating on different bands, as well as different modes than they may have had exposure to in the past..

Contact Dave NØKMP (781-3154) to find out what equipment is needed for this event. Plan to bring a covered dish (to be shared) and your own food to cook. The club will provide refreshments at a nominal charge. Those who operate overnite will be treated to breakfast by Mark KBØVVQ.

Plan to come, we know you will want to contribute your assistance to making another successful Field Day for 1997!

**inside...**

The World of VHF/UHF  
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Miscellaneous /Classifieds

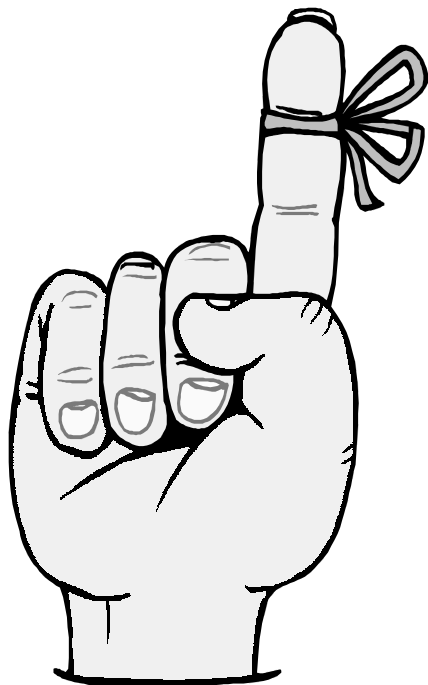
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# Rabbit Hunt Scheduled for July

**P**lan to join the fun when we attempt to go rabbit hunting armed with only our radios and



any other contraptions that you think you can use to sniff those creatures out! I have been told that the use of specially crafted antennas for direction finding work well, however, if you ask some of the OTs in the club, they claim that intuition and simple antennas with attenuation work well. Anyway, the club is sponsoring a hunt on Saturday, July 12th at 09:30 CDT. The activity will take place on the 2m band with a special rabbit located somewhere within a seven mile radius of downtown Joplin. More details of the starting place will be announced later. If you need materials or help to prepare for this event, come to

the meeting June 10th for more details. We will have several hams there who will be happy to assist you in getting organized. After the event the

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club will provide refreshments and prizes for all of the participants. Pictures will be taken.

## **EDITING PROBLEMS!!!**

We apologize for the lateness of this issue. In fact, you may have noticed that we have consolidated this into two issues. We are getting things squared away. Hopefully we will be back on track next issue and we appreciate your patience. Thanks!

## Short Takes

An easterner who walked into a western saloon was amazed to see a dog playing poker with three men.

"Can that dog really read cards?" the easterner asked?

"Yeah, but he ain't much of a player," said one of the three men. "Whenever he gets a good hand, he wags his tail."

If you look like your passport photo, you aren't well enough to travel.

Every parent believes in heredity, until the children start acting goofy.

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## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

### **FOR SALE**

HUSTLER 10m base Antenna  
Jim Stanley WAØBZW  
624-7092

ICOM 730 HF Rig 80-10m solid state mobile/base with PS-15 matching power supply. Also, Dentron 1kW tuner. Asking \$550/set.

Jim Coleman KDØRO  
673-4643

### **WANTED**

Set of 440MHz Duplexers for new repeater in Joplin Area. If you know of anyone, or have a set, please call.

Jim Scott WBØIYC  
781-2211



## Meeting Times, Testing, Events, other Club Information

**T**he **Joplin Amateur Radio Club, Inc.**, a Missouri *not-for-profit* organization, meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Joplin Municipal Building, on the lower level in the Civil Defense dining room, at 7:30 PM. The facility is accessible to the handicapped.

The club supports and promotes annual operating events, assists area agencies with communications when requested, and offers training classes for advancement in amateur radio. It also sponsors the JARC HamFest each year in April, and maintains a wide area coverage OPEN 2m repeater on 147.21 MHz.

Several club members meet every weekday morning for coffee at Hardee's, 804 S. Rangeline in Joplin about 8 AM. Members also meet

for breakfast on Saturday morning around 9AM in the restaurant at Smitty's on South Maiden Lane in Joplin.

### 1997 CLUB OFFICERS:

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| President:      | Jim  | WBØIYC |
| Vice-President, | Russ | NØQLT  |
| Treasurer,      | Jim  | NØZSQ  |
| Secretary,      | Mark | NØZPD  |

### Testing is offered for Amateur Radio

licensing by volunteer examiners on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The tests are given at the St. Paul's Methodist Church at 2423 West 26th St. in Joplin, with sign up at 6:30 PM and testing at 7 PM.

### ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Items for the newsletter, including classified ads as well as amateur radio related articles, are solicited. Please send to Wes Thorn, ARS **KGØYH**, at P.O. Box 554, Carl Junction, Missouri 64834-0554.

Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month preceding the month of publication. Classified ads will be run on a space available basis and will be run more than one month, if desired. Articles do not have to be typewritten, but should be legible.

Refer to previous editions for our editorial policy. The club newsletter is an open forum for the Four-State area amateur radio community, and your contributions are sorely needed and invited. You may also call the editor with late-breaking stories at 629-3244. Thanks!