



Big Island Amateur Radio Club

Newsletter – January 2012

President's Message January 2012

I am looking forward to a very exciting year for BIARC as we have a brand new year and a brand new slate of officers to work with.

At this time, I need to express a thank you to some special hams in our club. First to Milt AH6I who has been exceptionally busy, since his arrival on the island, teaching amateur radio classes. Every couple months we have been sitting in as VE's at his testing sessions and passing quite a few new hams and just as many upgrades. Last year Milt was our vice president who handled many meetings for our president who had moved to Oahu during the year. This year Milt has agreed to act as treasurer. Keep up the good work Milt. Another very busy ham is Curt AH6RE as he puts together and sends out our newsletter every month. The second job he does for us is to keep the web site updated. He has reassured me that he will continue to do these jobs. He is always looking for articles to put in the newsletter to make it more interesting. He has also been a big help in assisting the treasurers in getting set up with a good operating system. He was researching software and lap top computers when Joe KO4RR donated a brand new HP lap top computer and John KH7T donated a Quicken software package to the club. This computer will be used exclusively for club use so that our treasurers can do a very efficient job. Thank you Curt for jobs well done.

Bob AH6J agreed to take on the secretary's position this year, even though he is to be busy again as our Pacific Section Manager in 2012. He has also taken over as head person on the VE testing. He and John KH7T did an excellent job on organizing our October 2011 Hamfest held in Waimea.

One of our new members Doug WH6DTD has accepted the vice president's position. He welcomes any suggestions for programming that you might have. So far programs are planned for January, February and March being presented by John KH6DLK, Joe KO4RR and Milt AH6I. In January John will present a program about Federai Island. As I mentioned last month he had been on the island setting up a computer system in the elementary school, setting up a ham radio area and getting three new hams licensed. I have talked to the hams there and Richard AH7G has been in contact with them every night helping set up phone patches as John tries to help with computer problems via radio. This week the phone patch has been used to connect the son of the island chief, who lives in Waimea, with the hams on Federai, checking on the medical condition of his father who has been taken ill. Pete KH7HI and Milt AH6I have also talked to the hams down there. John has just mailed five boxes of toothpaste, tooth brushes, men's shorts and school supplies to the island that have been donated by our hams and some friends of ours. John has some very interesting pictures to show of the island in his program.

Another thank you to Lloyd KH6LC, not only for doing the treasurer's job last year but also for opening his ham station for others to use, not only for DX contests but also for Kids Day. If you receive QST magazine you will note an article in the December issue on page 91 telling about the upcoming Kids Day with pictures from last year's day at Lloyd's shack. Thanks also for the hams who help make it a fun day for the kids. What better way to get our young people interested in ham radio.

Thanks to Robert NH6AH for offering to chair Field Day again this year at Wailoa Center in June and also for working on the emergency radio station set up at Hilo

Hospital. He could use some volunteers to help with both these jobs.

Beau NH7WV has agreed to take on the refreshment job, with I'm sure much help from his wife Janet NH7AK. She is thinking that we may have an ice cream social in February as the club has ice cream toppings still available for use.

There are many others that I'm sure to have missed like all the hams who assist in keeping our repeater system operating and working at the emergency communications. I could go on and on.....

The club took over the Incoming QSL Bureau in March 2008 for the entire state of Hawaii. During 2008 we handled 18,440 cards, 2009-35,534, 2010-18,325, 2011-28,161 for a grand total of 100,460. My thanks go to Mitch NH6JC on Kauai for distributing cards on that island. Also a special thanks to Chuck AH6SC for hand delivering many large boxes of QSL cards to Oahu where Ned KH7JJ and Kevin AH6QO see that they get distributed there. We currently do not have a contact person on Maui as Itsuo Yano WH6CZD is now a silent key.

Remember that 2012 membership dues are due in January. If you need to update any information a membership form can be downloaded from the web site: www.biarc.net Please make sure we have your correct E Mail address.

Hope that you all have had a Merry Christmas and that you will have a very Happy HEALTHY New Year. 73 and 88 Barbara NH7FY President.....again



Outgoing and Incoming Presidents



Doris Mae Carlson KH6ER 1928-2011

Doris died on November 23, 2011 at the age of 83 at the Life Care Center in Hilo. Doris was born in Los Angeles, CA and was an only child. She was active in the school choir and also played the trumpet in the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps. While in high school she worked as a nurse's aide at the county hospital. She also worked part time in the credit department of Sears. In 1958 she started working as a teller with the Bank of America. She worked her way up to Branch Manager and retired after 28 years of service. Doris and her husband Wilbur were first involved in CB radio, but finally got their ham licenses (Wilbur in 1976 and Doris in 1980). Doris had three call signs over the years: KA6LAG, NH6ER and KH6ER. Doris had attained DXCC and WAS with 261 entities confirmed. They moved to the Big Island in the 80's after Wilbur retired on disability. They joined BIARC in 1985 and have been involved in many activities in the club over the years.

Doris is survived by her husband Wilbur KH7E of Hawaiian Paradise Park, daughter Joyce also of Paradise Park, two granddaughters Michelle and Lisa and two great-grandchildren.

Doris will be missed by all of us in BIARC.

- Barbara NH7FY



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Officers

President	Barbara Darling NH7FY	982-9126
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One Year Directors

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Two Year Directors

Richard Darling AH7G	982-9126
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Standing Committees

Service/Awards	Ron Phillips	AH6HN
Education	Vacant	
Emergency	Paul Ducasse	WH7BR
Equipment	Lloyd Cabral	KH6LC
Health&Welfare	Barbara Darling	NH7FY
Hospitality	Beau Mills	NH7WV
Newsletter	Curt Knight	AH6RE
Programs	Doug Wilson	WH6DTD
Repeater	Paul Agamata	WH6FM
Webmaster	Curt Knight	AH6RE

Special Committees

Improvement	Ron Phillips	AH6HN
Field Day	Robert Oliver	NH6AH
Hamfest	Bob Schneider	AH6J
co-chair	John Buck	KH7T
QSL Bureau	Barbara Darling	NH7FY

Meetings and Get-Togethers

Membership meetings – Second Saturday of each month at 2PM at the Kea'au Community Center

Board Meetings – will be held every other month 1 hour prior to the general membership meeting at the same location as the general meeting (January, March, May, July, September, November).

Friday Lunches – A group meets for lunch every Friday at 11:30 at Hokulani's Steak House in the mall at Kea'au near the Post Office.

East Hawai'i Net

The East Hawai'i Net meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 8AM HST on the 146.76 MHz repeater.

BIWARN accessible Repeaters

Repeaters in bold font are BIWARN/MCDA linked. When operating over a link, remember to leave extra time in each transmission for the link to be established. The number in parentheses is the tone access frequency.

145.29-	HOVE-Ka'u WH6FC (100)
146.66-	HOVE (100)
146.68-	Kea'au limited area KH6EJ
146.76-	Kulani KH6EJ
146.82-	Mauna Loa ARES KH6EJ
146.88-	Pepe'ekeo KH6EJ (may be linked)
146.92-	Ka'u PD KH6EJ
146.94-	Haleakala Maui KH6RS (110.9)
147.02+	Haleakala Maui RACES AH6JA
147.04+	Mauna Loa RACES AH6JA
147.16+	Kona (Hualalai) WH6DEW (100)
147.32+	Waimea Hospital NH7HI (100)
147.38+	Waimea East KH7T experimental
442.35+	Ka'anapali Maui (136.5)
442.5+	Kea'au KH6EJ
443.40+	Ocean View KH7MS (77.0)
443.40+	Kona KH7MS (100.0)
443.65+	Ocean View Hub
444.225+	Haleakala Maui KH6RS (110.9)
444.45+	Parker Ranch KH6EJ (88.5)
444.9+	Hilo WH6FM WIN system (100)
444.775+	Hilo WH6FM XO system (123)



New VP Doug Wilson WH6DTD



Ken N6KB at KH6LC during the Stew Perry 160 meter contest



Paul WH7BR in uniform



Created by Jean Nodacker WH7WT



Early Sunday morning – CQWWCW at KH6LC



Tom ND2T Living Dangerously at KH6LC - CQWWCW