



Chipola Amateur Radio Club

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Newsletter

March 17th, 2009

REPEATERS

146.670 –
147.045+, 123CG
444.950+, 123CG

CLUB NET

Our club, along with the Jackson County ARES, sponsors a net every Monday night at 7 PM on 146.670-.

CLUB EVENTS

Apr 18th, Club Meeting/Test
May 19th, Club Meeting
Jun 16th, Club Meeting

OTHER EVENTS

Mar 21st, Fort Walton Swapfest
Apr 25th, Headland Tailgate
Jun 27-28, Field Day

CLUB OFFICERS

President
Bill, KG4ZJT
Vice President
Gary Brown, WW4JDO
Secretary/Treasurer
Becky, KI4UJB

CLUB OFFICIALS

Repeaters Coordinator
Jeff Hagan, WO4J
146.670 Repeater Trustee
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Bill Everitt, KG4ZJT
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Jeff Hagan, WO4J
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Echolink Moderator
Bill Everitt, KG4ZJT
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Gary Brown, WW4JDO
Web Master
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NET CONTROL OPERATORS

Mar – Bill, KG4ZJT
Apr – Ricky, KD4AST
May –
Jun -

THE VP'S CORNER

Hi folks. Spring is in the air and the trees are beginning to get new leaves. Now is a good time to check those dipole antennas to make sure they'll make it through the hot summer. Right now, while the leaves are thin, it's relatively easy to get a line across those coveted top branches. In a few more weeks, the leaves will be as thick as pea soup and getting a new line through the top will be much more difficult. All of you no doubt have your own method for tossing lines. My favorite, until I find another, is an old Master lock tied to the end of catfish line. I can sling that sucker 60 feet up there easily and the weight of the lock brings it down the other side really well. Of course, some of you have more sophisticated methods, like those fancy ham fishing poles and slingshots. I even heard one member discuss making a Polish canon to launch his line. That I want to see. I just hope he doesn't blow himself up in the process, or kill some poor squirrel trying to find a nut. Don't forget to duck if you're around. See you on the airwaves. 73.

Gary, WW4JD☺



Ham Antenna Launcher

ANTENNA ROMANCE ... From The Internet

**Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married.
The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent.
Since they were a perfect match, soon they generated harmonics.
Wrapped the harmonics in dipoles.
But later the harmonics turned out to be parasitic elements.**

The true story -- she was a tri-bander and he felt trapped, so they went on separate beam headings.

