HELLO! Well, here it is; the long-promised BARS club newsletter has finally arrived. We hope you like it. Any comments, pro or con, will be welcomed by either of us at the meetings, or at any other time. This first newsletter is being sent to some 100 licensed amateurs in the campus community. A list of calls can be found on another page.

Before we go any further, here are the meeting schedules:

MARK THESE ON YOUR CALENDAR:
BARS MEETINGS FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Room 142, E. E. Bldg., 7:30 CST
Tues. Nov. 8
Tues Nov. 22

IN ADDITION, since many persons have trouble making the regular meetings, there will be informal sessions held at which you may come and join, learn how to operate the rig, and get YOUR key to the "shack". We urge everyone interested who has not already joined the club to drop in at any time during one of these sessions. The sessions will be held at the following times:
7 PM - 10 PM, Fri., Nov. 11
9 AM - 12 Noon, Sat. Nov 12

KEYS As many of you know, the one big improvement in the club this year is that we finally are able to issue a key to each licensed member. No longer will it be necessary to take that long walk over to the shack just to find that you can't get in. Understandably, the University is worried about key duplication—many items of value disappear from various departments from time to time, as the University is not singularly immune to thieves. Thus, we could not duplicate the keys to the shack and hand them out. We have, however, done the next best thing.

The keys to the shack are kept in a lockbox which is located on the hallway wall just to the right of the basement door as you enter. The padlock on this lockbox belongs to the club, and each member who has a license gets a key to this lock upon payment of a $35 deposit. If you are already a member and do not have your key, pick it up from Bob Gosse at the next meeting or call him at 317-2536. To those of you who have your key, remember: Always put the shack keys back in the lockbox IMMEDIATELY after you have opened up the doors. So far this system has worked out well.

OTHER CLUBS We had asked Tom Macon, K9BTO, president of the Lakeshore Hall's Radio Club, to be ready to say a piece about the activities of LHRC/W9GOC in this paper, but due to our last minute haste in getting it out, we slipped up and...... well, we'll definitely have a piece by Tom in the next BARSLETTER.
However, we urge every dorm resident to call Tom for dope on the club at U-3847, or drop over to the clubroom in the basement of Faville House (Adams Hall) for the regular Wednesday night meetings. W9GCC consists of a DX-100 and an Ha-100, which really gets out on 75. Later this year, the shack will be moved to brand new quarters in the Elm Drive Commons, complete with new furniture, and the antenna on top of the building. Sounds FB, gents!

The Four Lakes Amateur Radio Club (FLARC), which is the club serving the entire Madison area, meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the basement of the Red Cross Building, 302 East Washington Ave. If you are looking for transportation to get to the meetings call Ted Dresen, WSFX, at Al 7-1207 about 6:30 on the night of the meeting, and he will see that a member drops by to pick you up. Why not drop down and meet the local gang?

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**EQUIPMENT**

For those of you who don't already know, this year's equipment consists of K6DDO's 75A4 and Thunderbolt Linear Amp. driven by W9SJR's Viking II. The six-meter gear is an 829B running 50 watts and a Tecraft converter (all owned by the club) fed into W9SJR's SX-100. Antennas (all the club's) are a 3 element beam on six meters, a triband 3 element beam for 10-15-20 meters, and a trap doublet for 40 and 80 meters.

The Thunderbolt is not operative at present. As soon as the following steps are taken, we will be able to put it on the air:

1. New grid meter (which we have) must be installed
2. Power reducer (we have parts) must be built.

If you have any time to help with these repairs, call Dave Morgan, K6DDO, at Al 5-8747, and find out how you can help.

Harry Gold, K9GMP, has been working on the six meter rig, and finds it such a mess that he is going to try to rebuild it. He could probably use some help on this, so he will be looking for volunteers at the next meeting. Don't be afraid to raise your hand.

Thanx to Pete, W9LPI, Larry, K9ANJ, and Tom, K9BTQ, for the fine work on installing the new traps on the triband beam. It is really working fine.

Denis, K9JIG, Dave, K6DDO, Miles, K9HMC, and Phil, K9ELT, as well as your editors, pulled down the roter on the big beam one rainy afternoon and worked it over. It has since been working fine but the indicator does not travel the full distance of the scale due to the resistance of 250 feet of control cable. It's accurate at South, though, and you can interpolate from there.

One final note: If you are using the station and something goes haywire, leave a note on the faulty piece of gear or get on the 'fone and call chief engineer Don Stisch at Al 5-7932.

For your own protection - DON'T OPERATE DURING THUNDERSTORMS. The beam tower got hit last year with one of the fellows operating the rig at the time. A leak charge came down the coax, but fortunately he was using the doubler and the charge was grounded by the overhead water pipe. Always disconnect the antenna lead from the rig before
closing the shack and put it near the shack ground lead.

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CONTESTS  Sweepstakes is coming up the week-ends of Nov. 12-13 and
19-20. Everyone gets a chance to operate it, and SWL’s are invited
to help with the logging. It's a good way to brush up on your
operating procedure. We are not out for a big score. It is
more important that everyone gets in and has a little fun. We
hope to have the KW going by then and will operate both fone and CW.
Sign up sheets are posted in the shack. Call Contest Chairman
Bob Dixon, W9GKX, at CE 3-2356 or Dave Morgan at AL 5-8747 for details.

Thanksgiving week-end, when most of us will be laid up with
"Turkey-itis", is the date of the CQ World-Wide CW DX Contest. Our
contest chairmen, who will both be staying in town that week-end,
urge all members who will be around to get aboard of them and sign
up. They will try to keep the station going the full 48 hours if
possible. A good way of working off that Turkey! After
Thanksgiving is a good time to work up an appetite for DX; you
won't have one for anything else.

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TRAFFIC  We would like to have W9YT check into the BEN and the
WSSN and/or the WIN every evening possible. Those interested
in checking into any or all of these nets on any evening should contact
Bud, W9GSS, either at the next meeting or at AL 5-9309. We hope to
have enough interested members to check in every night of the week.
A schedule of net operators will be issued within the next few weeks.

.... many thanx to Cloyd, W4VRD, for the assistance in the
production of this month’s BARSLETTER.

73,

W9GSS

W9SZR
For your information, this paper is being sent to the following campus amateurs:

K2OWY  K9CYD  K9JCK  W9BMR
K2PHP  K9DCO  K9JIG  W9ETG
K2T2F  K9DEI  K9JLU  W9EXB
K3DHR  K9DFS  K9KTF  W9GSS
W4VRD  K9DIE  K9LBQ  W9GWG
W6YSC  K9DIM  K9LCJ  W9GXL
K6ODO  K9DWS  K9LDE  W9HHE
W6NNI  K9DXX  K9MAW  W9IIR  W9VVN
K9AES  K9EIT  K9MBI  W9LPL  W9VZI
K9AIJ  K9ELW  K9MQX  W9MES  W9WMA
K9ANJ  K9ELX  K9MKV  W9MSU  W9WVE
K9AUM  K9EOF  K9MQO  W90KN  W9WZI
K9AYU  K9ESE  K9OGS  W9PYR  W9YXW
K9BDN  K9EZK  K9PBX  W9RTP  W9ZDZ
K9BTQ  K9EZY  K9PKO  W9RTH  W9ZZH
K9CAI  K9GCF  K9POJ  W9RUD
K9CRI  K9HIB  K9QDF  W9SXH
K9CEY  K9HMQ  K9QMA  W9SZR
K9CHL  K9HQZ  K9ULA  W9UNW
K9CJL  K9IER  K9VEH  W9VEF
K9CMP  K9ILZ  K9VHH  W9VLU
K9CPT  K9ITW  W9ADJ  W9VOD

W2CKZ  K9AEF  K9SZL  K9VBG
LA1DF  LA9DF

If you know of any others, contact either W9GSS or W9SZR so that they may be put on the BARSLETTER mailing list.