

2007 November Membership Meeting Minutes

The club has a new toy! Early this week, a new (to us) Icom 736 HF radio was installed in the radio room. Though it was upstaged at the mini-swap by Tom K8TB's new Elecraft K3, the rig was tested out last Tuesday with excellent results. The desk mic and CW paddle are now connected to this new radio, as is the 6 meter beam antenna. For those who like to work CW, this radio has a much better speed control than the 735. It is likely that the 736 will become our main voice and CW radio, with the 735 being used mostly for digital work.

The following work needs to be done to put the finishing touches on everything:

- * The rotor control box needs to be moved over to the other side of the room
- * The coax for the 6 meter antenna needs to be re-routed (we will have to cut the PL-259 off and put a new one on)
- * An interface for the linear amplifier needs to be wired up
- * We need a 1/4" STEREO plug for our straight key to use it with either of the HF rigs

If anyone wants a nice, older HF radio to play with, our Ten-Tec Triton IV Digital is still available, asking price \$200. It is all solid-state, and although it has a mechanical VFO, there is a digital frequency readout. Last I checked, it is sitting under the table in the library. Talk to WD8BWK or KC8KE if you're interested.

Net control schedule:

- * Nov 05: KF8EV
- * Nov 12: N8FQ
- * Nov 19: KB8QAP
- * Nov 26: N8KAL
- * Dec 02: K8PVH

-Joe, N8FQ