



The Louie Net at LWHC

“There I Fixed It!”

Introduction

- Hi - I'm Kurt - KL7DZQ
- First licensed as KJ7IYM in Sept 2019
- 2 meter, 220, 70cm, GMRS, and CB Radio
- I enjoy building antennas out of spare materials around the house
- Member of LWHC since 2020



“Pulling A Louie”

- Named for my late father David Lewis Clark - the original KL7DZQ
- SK (1933 - 2021)
- Born during the Depression in Upstate NY
- Parents were very frugal, and lived simply
- Raised to work with his hands and fix things that were broken
- Spent a lifetime fixing things that would have normally been thrown away or driven to a scrapyard
- In our house, we called this “Pulling A Louie”

Became a Ham in 1963

- Port Of Call: Sand Point Alaska, Eastern Aleutian Islands
- No communication off the island
- Emergency and Priority communication needed for the Clinic
- Tested as a Mail-In Candidate and was issued General (Provisional) license - KL7DZQ
- License expired in 1973 after we moved to "The Lower 48"



Relicensed!

- Passed test for Technician in Feb 2020
- Retrieved his original callsign after proving use in the 1960s - KL7DZQ
- Weekly rag chew with Dad on 2 meter repeater - Wednesday at 1900 hours
- Passed away after battle with Leukemia, Jan 2021



“There I Fixed It!” - A Break-Fix Social Net

- Wednesday Nights at 1930 hours on the LWHC Repeaters
- The Louie Net is dedicated to David Clark’s work to save, repair, and recycle instead of buy
- Consumerism has moved us away from visiting repair shops
 - Inexpensive components and parts break before reasonable end of service life
 - “Just buy another one”
 - “Bigger newer and better”
- Testing, Repairing and building equipment is at the center of the Ham radio hobby
- Primary subject will be real-world repairs and solutions for broken equipment and products
- Breathing new life into parts and products through creativity
- “Break-Fix” - Getting out of situations using triage skills
- Questions-of-the-day, social check-ins, and I/Os also welcome

Join Us Wednesdays @ 1930 Hours Pacific Time!

- Check in and say hi to other operators
- Learn from friends
- Share when you have “Pulled A Louie”

73s!

