

# Kings Point

## Amateur Radio Club Newsletter

Bringing together all levels of ham operators, both newcomers and veterans, to share in the enjoyment of shortwave radio and emergency communications

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The Kings Point Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of the month from October through May at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Club House Craft Room

## Repeater Operation Tip

By Dave Schultheis WB6KHP



Using the phrase "clear and monitoring" is not really necessary. Neither term is required by the F.C.C. or anybody else. If you call another amateur, using his/her callsign and yours, and that person does not answer, it is **not** necessary to advise "clear." You have already identified your station and any other identification is superfluous.

**Recommendation:** use "clear" **only** to mean that you are shutting down operation and will not be there to answer any subsequent calls. Under normal circumstances, when you are finished with a contact but will continue listening, it is sufficient (and just right!) to merely say your call sign.

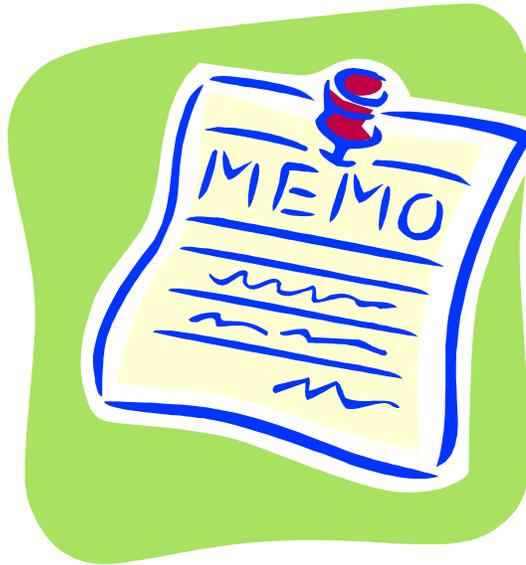
**Contrasting Recommendation:** If you attempt to contact someone and there is no answer, you can notify others that you are finished by saying, "KF6xxx clear," or "no contact, this is KF6xxx clear W6ABC repeater." This allows someone who may have been standing by to go ahead and make his or her call.

## Welcome Home Mr. President

After months sailing the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea in their 45 foot sail boat, Kings Point Amateur Radio Club President Dick Bishop, W4NWD and Eileen Bishop, AB9T will return to the good old United States about August 14th. They are now busy packing up the sails and readying the boat for winter storage in Marmaris, Turkey after spending many weeks in some of the most dangerous parts of the world. My conversations with Dick while he and Eileen were visiting Lebanon, Israel and Egypt describing the conditions in these battle torn areas eye opening to say the least. Both Dick and Eileen echoed the same sentiments: "there's nothing like the U.S.A." and both are looking forward to getting home.

Both Dick and Eileen plan to share their experiences with the club as soon as they can put together a Power Point presentation. There is no doubt we can anticipate a full house at that KPARC meeting. Dick is also looking forward to getting back into the swing of club activities and the completion to our new radio room. So, we all say WELCOME HOME MR. PRESIDENT we missed you.





DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE  
FIRST MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER  
IS LABOR DAY WE WILL  
AGAIN TEMPORARILLY MOVE  
OUR MEETING DATE TO  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2007  
AT 3:00 P.M.

**STAY TUNED FOR LOCATION**