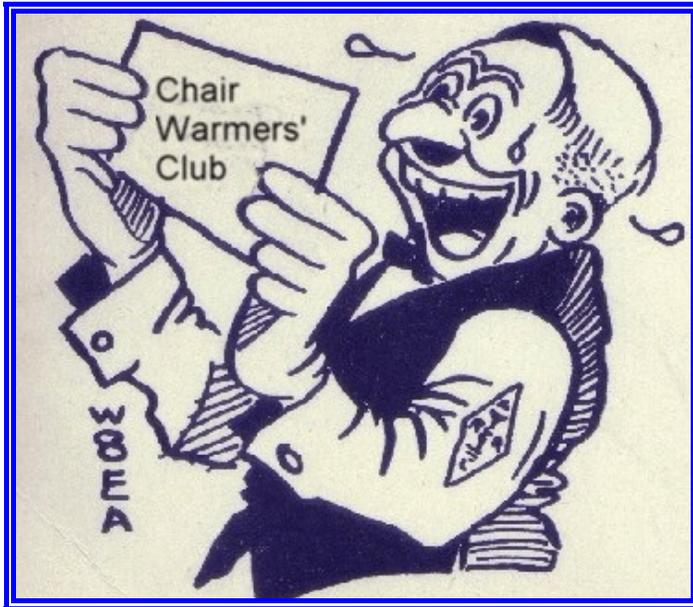


The Chair Warmers' Club



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This fascinating fraternity group was organized in April 1929 by Walt J. Colpus W8BRS, of Pontiac, Mich and in its 18 months of existence had grown from a small group of some half dozen members to an international organization of nearly one hundred members in this country, Canada and UK.

The CWC is unique in more than one respect, it publishes a neatly mimeographed official organ, made up like a regular magazine with cartoons

drawn especially for it by a loyal good friend of the society, Otto Eppers W8EA. Outside of the illustrations all work of issuing the bulletin is done by members, James Lisk, W8EQ of Lima Ohio is the editor. Hugh Hossler W8DIK is the assistant editor who prepares the stencil and mails them to Rudy Drews, a junior member in Lansing Mich who runs off the sheets, makes up the magazine and places them in the mail to the members. A technical editor in the person of F.R. Gibbs W8BAU (W8IJ) of Columbus Ohio writes an article each month on transmitting equipment and answers the questions of the members. Editors note; Gibby was the founder of popular amateur radio sales "Universal Radio" Columbus Ohio) They have a heritage page on the Universal Internet site.

Anyone requesting literature in writing to Walt Colpus W8BRS Secretary, who is eager to get in touch with other shut-ins, blind and physically handicapped amateurs, will send a twelve page illustrated booklet telling about the Chair Warmers Club.

CWC was affiliated with the ARRL and virtually all members holding operating licenses are League members. The purpose of the club is to band together all licensed shut-in amateurs and any other

shut-ins who wish to take up amateur radio. The members are divided into two groups; Junior and Senior. The seniors being those who already have stations and are helping the juniors to obtain licenses. (Partially scripted from Charley Estes W9FYM QST Feb 1931 P98)

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