



Umpqua Valley Radio Club

WATT'S UP

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Newsletter for the Umpqua Valley

Amateur Radio Club

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Club Call Signs UVARC Club Net Info

146.900 (-) PL 100.HZ

Wednesday at 1900 hours

HF Club Net

HF Net Wednesday at 1930 hours at 28.445 MHZ (This is an open Net)

KC7UAV

KC7TLY

ARES Nets

Douglas County ARES District 5 Ares District 5 Ares 3964 KHz Sundays at 5:30 PM

146.900 repeater PL 100.

Mondays at 7 PM

President's Message

Dennis Riggs WA7RIG

Presidents Note:

Greetings!

Field Day 2016 is soon upon us. This is a perfect time to come together as a club to show the community what Amateur Radio is all about. I think it is good that we have been involved in community services like the North Umpqua Trail Run and the Tour De Fronds. These involvements remind the community how important it is to have communications available for emergency assistance and event communications. The field day helps us to show the community the nuts and bolts on how it is done, and maybe show them why we get excited about what we do. There is no other hobby, that I can think of, that is so important to our culture as Amateur Radio.

Although there are many ways these days to communicate, whenever there is a natural disaster of any kind, it is the Ham Radio Operator who keeps the communication lines open. So this year at the Ham Field Day, let us show the community that we are there for them, and show them the passion we have for our hobby. This is not only a day to show off what we have and what we can do, but to share the passion and excitement and hopefully bring others to our group in the process. Remember, passion is contagious.

Dennis Riggs

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May 19, 2016 CLUB MINUTES

UVARC meeting of May 19, 2016

President Dennis called meeting to order. Pledge to Flag.

Roll call by name and call sign. 22 present.

Reading of April meeting minutes by secretary Nelson. (one correction)

Motion by La don, second by Don Fulton to accept - motion passed;

Treasure report by Jim Motion by Hutch, second by Wayne to accept. Motion passed.

Wayne reported on Bike race, good turnout. Lee acknowledged all radio calls.

Wayne made some photo prints of the Mercy parking location for June field day. Discussion of Saturday evening 'pot luck' location and where; With no definite plans.

The Saturday breakfast at Karen's (Diamond Lake) 3rd Saturday at 7:30 to 8:45. Another group starts at 8:45.

The boomer hill repeater not in operation. Wayne reported the North Umpqua trail meeting on June 11.

Hutch reported that Tom who was active with the Search and Rescue unit has lost his left arm . He was always active with his Radio when the Units went out.

Coffee Break ---

Dennis reported that he would like to see more presentations at our meetings so our meetings will be more interesting.

Hutch had an idea that everyone report on his own opinion of how he became interested in radio. There were four members reporting..

Dennis opened nominations for Member at large -, we need two.. Motion by Jim KF7FIB seconded by LaDon KA7AAR., that the present officers remain in office. motion passed. those being Lynn W7HDU. and Lee K7AZW.

No further business, Dennis adjourned meeting (8:20) Sec.-Russ

Tour de Fronds Directions June 18, 2016

From the Riddle exit, go west 28 miles. This follows Cow Creek upstream into BLM land, winding but little elevation gain.

Turn right onto Dutch Henry road (3 miles past the West Fork road intersection). Go 8 miles up Dutch Henry road, climbing to a saddle at 2300 feet elevation. This is the aid station and turnaround point for the "Cruiser Century" route.

A bit of information and a somewhat useful map are here:

<http://www.tourdefronds.com/index.php/mnu-rides/cruisercentury>

Other people set up and operate the aid station. The ham writes down the time and number of each arriving cyclist and reports that to net control. There are occasional questions, messages for the aid workers and organizers. No cell phone service-ham radio is the only link.

Be set up by 10 AM. Shut down after confirming with Arrasta Saddle that nobody else is coming. Can probably tear down by 2:30. Bring chair, maybe a table, clipboard, water, food. The aid station should be in a shady area. Very quiet most of the time.

June Calendar is posted on UVARC web Page