

Watt's Up

*Newsletter for the Umpqua Valley
Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 925 Roseburg, OR 97470*

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Club Call Signs

**KC7UAV
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ARES Nets

Douglas County ARES
146.900 repeater
Mondays at 7 PM

District 5 ARES
3964 kHz
Sundays at 5:30 PM

President's Message

Greetings all UVARC members and Guests.

Can you believe that summer is almost over? I hope everyone had a Great Labor Day Holiday weekend.

I am sorry I missed the Ice Cream Social but a longtime planned visit with my daughter's family on the Oregon Coast took priority. From what I have been told the Ice Cream Social was another success with lots of food and Ice Cream. One thing for sure is that if food and ice cream is involved Hams will show up.

The much anticipated 10M net is beginning to take shape, however the frequencies that were picked at random appear to be close to other marker frequencies. So I will try and get a vote on a good channel to hold the net.

As we transition in to the Fall season there are quite a few things we need to get in place for the club to meet our constitution. The September thru November meetings will be an important time for all to attend. Please plan to attend if you are able.

I am going to put a "Radio Gear for Sale" spot on the website, if you have gear for sale or trade drop me a line and I can put it on the webpage. Along that line the 80' tower that was Jim Zurchers (WB7OTM) is being put up for sale by his family, contact me for more information if you are interested.

The Vaux's Swifts project is rolling along and I hope to have a report at the September Meeting. This is going to be a fun project for the club. I met with Steve (KF7UBQ) at the chimney and saw the thousands of birds circle around. We are waiting for the "tagged" birds to be released from Yakima very soon. We are going to try and listen for one of the 6 birds or more as they travel south for the winter.

I hope everyone stays cool in the upcoming heat and hope to see everyone at the September Meeting.

73's Jim Stuntz KF7FIB

UVARC MEMBERSHIP

As of July 18 the club has 71 members.

The renewal form is on the last page.
Online renewal is no longer available.

The August UVARC meeting was the potluck dinner and ice cream social at Singleton Park. There was no formal meeting, so there are no meeting minutes for the month of August.

The September UVARC meeting will have a presentation about remote control of HF ham transceivers.

**If you have ham equipment to sell,
it can be advertised in Watts Up
and on the club's web page.**

Editor's Note

Steve Randolph KF7UBQ will make the October issue of Watts Up.

Please send any news or information to Steve at kf7ubq@tidelink.net

Wayne Estes W9AE



SUNSHINE

If you hear of someone who is ill or in the hospital, please let me know. Also notify me of any silent keys.

Russ Nelson, W7DUR, at 440-3840

UVARC REPEATERS

146.900-, PL 100 (Lane Mountain)

147.120-, PL 100 (Boomer Hill)

PACKET NODE

144.930, DC:WB6RHW-10

New UVARC Web Page

<http://www.uvarc.net>

NOTES:

1. Watt's Up is **online** in the UVARC web Page.
It may be viewed in PDF format.
3. The **club roster** (names and callsigns) is online.
4. Club **constitution** is available as a linked page.
5. Recent issues of **Watt's Up** are available in PDF format.

VE Testing in Douglas County

Testing sessions are affiliated with the ARRL. They are scheduled the second Wednesday of even months except August. Sessions are held in Roseburg at the Douglas County Courthouse, room 310, 6 PM.

ARRL VEC Test Fee for 2014 is \$15.00

This fee is charged once, no matter whether taking any one, two, three or all four test elements, one time. Retests of an element failed at the same test session will require payment of an additional test fee.

2014 Testing Dates Second Wednesday of each even Month

February 12

April 9

June 11

August - None

October 8

December 10

**For further information contact Jim WA6KHG,
at (541) 496-2262**

Radio Caroline Returns

Radio Caroline was a world-famous pirate AM broadcast station that operated from 1964 until 1990. The station operated from ships in the North Sea, in international waters between England and The Netherlands.

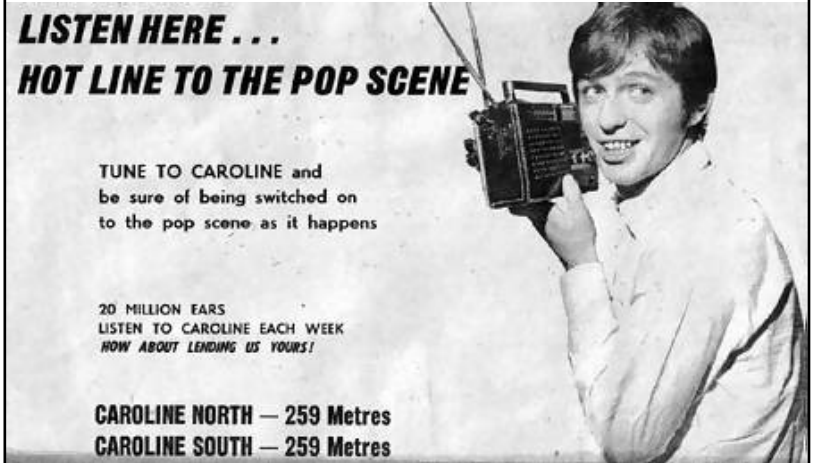
In the 1960's virtually all radio broadcasts in Europe were from government-owned monopolies that weren't responsive to public tastes. Stations such as the BBC aired very little popular music. To remedy that situation, pirate broadcasters popped up throughout Europe to play popular music. Radio Caroline was by far the most famous and most successful pirate broadcaster.

The first offshore pirate radio stations were legal until the British government passed the *Marine Offences Act* in 1967, criminalizing pirate radio broadcasts. Most pirate stations shut down afterwards, but Radio Caroline remained and prospered. Attempts to prosecute the DJ's, engineers, and investors were unsuccessful.

By the 1970's government broadcasters such as the BBC were airing more popular music, but were ignoring the emerging "album rock" format preferred by many English rock groups. Once again, Radio Caroline revolutionized radio broadcasting by playing "album rock". The DJ's became celebrities and Radio Caroline is credited with launching the record-selling careers of many rock groups such as The Who, Cream, and Led Zeppelin.

Radio Caroline operated from 5 different ships over the years, using 20 to 50 kW transmitters. It was well financed and generally assumed to be profitable. Radio Caroline's broadcasts came to an end shortly after the UK increased their maritime boundary from 3 to 12 Nautical miles, forcing the ship to anchor in less protected waters. A winter storm took down the ship's 300 foot tall broadcast tower, and another storm caused the ship to run aground.

Radio Caroline is an important piece of the cultural history of Europe in the 20th century. Many books and documentaries have been made. Radio Caroline still "broadcasts" 24/7 over the Internet and will soon return to the airwaves as a low-power legally-licensed broadcaster in England.



LISTEN HERE . . .
HOT LINE TO THE POP SCENE

TUNE TO CAROLINE and
be sure of being switched on
to the pop scene as it happens

20 MILLION EARS
LISTEN TO CAROLINE EACH WEEK
HOW ABOUT LENDING US YOURS!

CAROLINE NORTH — 259 Metres
CAROLINE SOUTH — 259 Metres





Just a reminder: If you have e-mail capability, Let Russ, W7DUR know! you'll be able to see all pictures in color and save money for the club !

September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 DC ARES net 7 PM 146.900	2	3 UVARC net 7 PM 146.90 rpt	4	5	6 Club breakfast 7 AM Denny's Roseburg
7 ARES Dist. 5 net 3964 kHz, 5:30PM	8 DC ARES net 7 PM 146.900	9	10 UVARC net 7 PM 146.90 rpt	11	12	13 Club breakfast 7 AM Denny's Roseburg
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ON-LINE FORM AVAILABLE ON CLUB WEB PAGE

UMPQUA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC

ON-LINE FORM AVAILABLE ON CLUB WEB PAGE

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____

STREET _____ CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____

ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO [] E-mail Address _____

Other names at your address desiring family membership

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____ ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO []

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____ ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO []

Please show names the way you want them to appear in the roster

HOME PHONE _____ RECEIVE YOUR NEWS LETTER BY: U.S. MAIL [] OR E-MAIL (PDF) []

RENEWAL _____ *AMT. ENCLOSED _____ DATE _____ **DATE OF BIRTH (STUDENTS)** _____

SPOUSE'S NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

Membership dues are \$10.00 for individuals and \$5.00 for each additional family member living at the same address per calendar year. Associate membership dues are \$5.00. Dues are prorated (NEW members only): Jan - Mar \$10/5 (each additional member); Apr - Jun \$7.50/3.75; Jul - Sep \$5/2.50; Oct - Dec \$2.50/1.25. Membership is free for **Licensed** students, 18 and younger. Make checks payable to: **UVARC, PO Box 925, Roseburg, OR 97470.**