

# **Umpqua Valley Radio Club**

## **WATT'S UP MARCH 2021**

**Watt's Up Staff: Editor, LaDon Snyder KA7AAR**  
**Newsletter for the Umpqua Valley Amateur Radio Club**  
**P.O. Box 925 Roseburg, OR 97470**

### **Club Officers**

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**Members-at-Large: Steve Burke, (KB7WPD) & ( Lee Stumpe (K7AZW)**  
**Sargent of Arms Paul Ebelmesser (AG7UJ)**  
**Past President Steve Sunderland N7TPK**

### **NETS**

**UVARC NET SHEEP Hill 147.120 (-) PL 100.HZ Wednesday at 1900 hours**  
**HF Net Wednesday at 1930 hours at 28.405 MHZ USB**

## **Presidents Message**

**I am encouraged with the attendance of the meetings, even though it has been moved to Sutherlin. I also enjoy the comradery and respect we show towards one another. I enjoy being a part of this group of professional HAMS. As you all know we as operators not only enjoy the opportunities to share our hobbies with non-hams, run field days, run contest, and just rag chew, we also can play a key roll in helping our communities during emergencies / disasters. We have already had some practice at it with snowmageddon, forest fires (smoke), and pandemics. These are just reminders that we need to keep our gear ready for black-out situations. We can do this by continuing to take inventory and participating in emergency exercises. Thank you for all you who participated in the Church of Jesus Christ**

**Latter Day Saints Ward / Douglas County ARES exercise this month. Admittedly there were areas that needed improvement, but that is how you find out your weak spots, by exercising. I do not know what is going to be thrown at us next. The only thing I can think of right now are maybe floods and a repeat of fires. At any case, we need to be ready to help. I might suggest that for the Wednesday night net check-in's, if you have the ability, to do so with aux power, be it battery and/ or generator. That way you know at least once a week you are ready for lights out situations. At any rate, thank you all for what you do and the professionalism in the way you do it.**

**73's 's Dennis Riggs**

## **UVARC Minutes for March 18, 2021**

**Meeting called to order by President Dennis Riggs (WA7RIG) with 21 members present. Pledge of allegiance and introductions followed. No minutes from the February meeting due to Secretary being absent. Treasurer's report was given by Jim Stuntz (WN7COO), motion to accept was seconded and passed. The upcoming ham class report was given and Steve (KB7WDP) is asking for people to sign up with him. Breakfast is still on hold so keep an eye on the website for reopening. Repeater report indicated both repeaters are working great. By-Law Modification was read for the 3rd time, discussion followed and a vote was taken and motion to change was passed unanimously. Steve (KB7WDP) gave a report on the LDS/stake/ARES/UVARC exercise, the overall consensus was there needs to be more training and organizing before the next exercise is scheduled. Club projects were discussed at length and**

**various ways of funding were discussed. The overall agreement was that members need to sign up for the project they wish to build and pay for their materials either from the project coordinator or by themselves. Paul Branchfield (KJ7BFQ) gave a very interesting presentation on the online VE testing procedures and the guidelines that the ARRL has imposed on remote testing.**

**Due to the restrictions there will not be any remote testing for us in the near future. Meeting adjourned by President Dennis Riggs  
WA7RIG**

**A Note from Hugh Harbin (W7OVN)**

**Mission Statement: I will search for the lost and bring back the strays.**

**Safety Message: If you recreate outdoors, take your map and compass, it's poor to have to eat your friends. Slow is smooth, smooth is fast.**

**Useful Protocols; Change is inevitable and is useful as long as the change returns to the norm.**

**Never, Never, leave your wingman. Praying for guidance is encouraged. Take your GPS as backup.**

**Modus Operandi: When presented with competing hypothesis to solve a problem one should select the solution with the fewest assumptions.**

**Disclaimer: No trees were harmed during the production of this Email. However, many Electrons were inconvenienced possibly creating electromagnetic waves and contributing to global warming.**

**These disturbances are synchronized oscillations of electric and magnetic fields, may create a resonant condition.**