

DMR Now

Focus of this Presentation:

- Local Repeaters
 - Talk groups
 - Codeplugs &
- How Customize Them



Please hold your Questions & Comments until the end



NOT Covered in this Presentation

- Hot Spots (MMDVM)
- Open Spots
- Zum Spots
- Brandmeister System



Elmer Help Available

- Join "PNWdigital groups.io" <u>https://dmr.groups.io/g/PNW</u>
- More in depth help available on the fourth Saturday of each month.
 - Technical Classes Fisheries 1 from 9–12.



User Radios

- Motorola has many different products which can be purchased via eBay or Ham Friendly dealers (Motorola CPS is very expensive)
- Connect Systems offer a handheld and mobile.
- Anytone also has a popular handheld and mobile.
- TYT (aka Tytera) has several different affordable products
- Baofeng are not encouraged.

User Radios

- All of these radios are commercial radios that the manufactures have adapted to the Amateur market.
- Some of the adaptations are the greatly increased contact list.



User Radios -TYT



User Radios - Anytone







PTT

User Radios - Connect System





User Radios - Motorola Portables



User Radios - Motorola Mobile



First Thing!

- You need to get a DMR ID Number from RadioID.net.
- You can't do much until you get one.
- There are nearly 800 DMR ID's in Oregon.



Mt Hood Medical Center N7LF 443.1000Mhz + 5Mhz Color Code 1 PNWdigital Network I-84 Group Open Rpt. (Privately Owned)



Mt. Scott KA7AGH 441.3250Mhz +5Mhz Color Code 7 PNWdigital Network I-84 Group Open Rpt. (Privately Owned)



Providence Medical Center 443.8375Mhz +5Mhz Color Code 7 PNWdigital Network I-84 Group Open Rpt. (Privately Owned)



Lookout Point N7LF 444.1500 +5Mhz Color Code 1 PNWdigital Network I-84 Group Open Rpt. (Privately Owned)



West Hills K7RPT 440.51350 +5Mhz Color Code 1 PNWdigital Network I-84 Group Open Rpt (ARRG partnership)



There are several other sites in consideration. These will on the be PNWdigital Network.



Time Slots

- There are two time slots which allow two QSOs on the same repeater at the same time.
- This is accomplished by TDMA modulation (first time slot 1, then time slot 2) The timeslots alternate in 30ms blocks.



Time Slots

- When you transmit you transmit in 30ms then off for 30ms.
- This means that your battery last longer.



DMR Number & Contacts

- You must get a DMR Number from RadioID.
- Talk groups have DMR numbers just like you.
- Contacts are both Talk Groups and Personal IDs
- Talk group IDs are assigned a time slot unlike personal ID which can be used on either time slot

Talkgroup Examples

Talkgroup/TG viewer	<u>TG ID</u>	<u>TS</u>	Timing
Local 1	3181	1	F/5
Oregon 1 (bm)	3141	1	F/3m
British Columbia 1	3027	1	P15/3m
California Statewide 1 (bm)	3106	1	P15/3m
Cascades East 1	3191	1	P15/3m
Comm 1	3777215	1	P15/3m
Idaho 1 (bm)	3116	1	P15/3m
I-5	3168	1	F/3m
Parrot 1	9998	1	P2/0
Washington Statewide 1	3153	1	P15/3m



Talkgroup Example

F= Full Time P =Part Time Talkgroup 1st #= Is How Long the TG is Active 2nd # = Is Hold Off Time

<u>Talkgroup/TG viewer</u>	<u>TG ID</u>	<u>TS</u>	<u>Timing</u>
Audio Test 2	9999	2	P2/0
Baynet 2 (bm)	31075	2	P15/3m
Bridge 2 (bm)	3100	2	P15/3m
I-84	31419	2	F/3m
Local 2	3166	2	F/5
Mountain 2	3177	2	P15/3m
Montana 2 (bm)	3130	2	P15/3m
MPRG 1 on 2 (bm)	31301	2	P15/3m
Net 2 (bm)	31002	2	Nets Only
North America 2	3163	2	P15/3m
PNW Regional 2 (bm)	31771	2	P15/3m
SoCal 2	31066	2	P15/3m
TAC 1	8951	2	P15/3m
TAC 2	8952	2	P15/3m
TAC 3	8953	2	P15/3m
	21.0	2	D1 C (D
TAC 310 (dmrx & bm)	310	2	PI5/3m
TAC 311 (drmx 7 bm)	311	2	P15/3m
TAC 312 (drmx 7 bm)	312	2	P15/3m
USA 2 (MIT)	1776	2	P15/3m
Utah Statewide 2 (bm)	3149	2	P15/3m
Washington 2	103153	2	P15/3m
Worldwide 2	3161	2	P15/3m
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Worldwide English 2	13	2	P15/3m

More on Talkgroups

- Quick hopping between Talkgroups can cause several timers to be activate.
- It is good practice to announce what talk group you are on, so those using the monitor and scan functions can respond to you.

No.	TG/DMR ID	Call Alert	Name	Call Type
1	3181	None	Local 1	Group Call
2	3166	None	Local 2	Group Call
3	9999	None	Audio Test	Group Call
4	3027	None	BC 1	Group Call
5	3106	None	CA State 1	Group Call
6	3191	None	Cascade East	Group Call
7	3116	None	Idaho 1	Group Call
8	3168	None	1-5	Group Call
9	31419	None	1-84	Group Call
10	3141	None	Oregon 1	Group Call
11	9998	None	Parrot	Group Call
12	3187	None	PNW 1	Group Call
13	103187	None	PNW 2	Group Call

Code Plugs

- Code plugs are the name for the program that you load into the radio
- CPS is the common name for the software used to make the code plug (Customer Programming Software)
- You can obtain a code plug from various websites, from friends, build you own, or do a combination of all of the above



What You Need to Build a Code Plug

- A DMR ID from RadioID (you can have 2)
- What talk groups you want (you may not want to have all the available talk groups)
- What a Talk Permit tone is and how to use it
- What "Admit Criteria" is and how to set it. (AKA TX permit-TX Admit)
- How you want to arrange your "Zones"
- Get the "contact list"
- Color Code
- RX Groups

Admit Criteria

- The "Admit Criteria" determines when your radio is allowed to transmit.
- The recommended setting for repeater channels is *Color Code Free*; this configures your radio to be polite to your own digital system.
- You should configure your "In Call Criteria" to Follow Admit Criteria.
- Simplex channels should be configured as *Always* for both "Admit Criteria" and *Always* or *Follow TX* for "In Call Criteria"

Color Code

- Color code is compared to CTCSS (PL tones) or DCTCSS in an analog world.
- There are 16 color codes.
- Color codes are MANDATORY.
- Most repeaters seem to use Color Code 1, however not always. Check with the repeater operator.





Zones

- Might be all the TG on a TS1or TS2 on a repeater
- OR all the TG on both TS1 & TS2 on a repeater
- Or all of one TG on all the local repeaters in the area
- Or mix & match all of the above



Contact List

- Is the list of all the DMR ID and the associated Call Signs and Names for every person on DMR in the world!
- Plus a list of all the talk groups
- Of course you also need to know the limits of you radio so you can delete some of these

Motorola=1000 contacts Anytone= 200,000 contacts TYT=1000 Contacts (Hacking can yield more) CS800D=130,000



RX Groups

- If you have an at-d878uv it best to say "None"
- With other radios you have, you will be forced to create a RX group list.
- Usually the RX group list is the same as the contact list talk groups
- However if you want to hear activity on other talkgroups you can add them to list.
- Example: RX group "Local 1" could have in it Local 1, Oregon 1, Wash1, & PNW 1

Building Your Codeplug

- Enter your DMR ID & Call
- Enter your Talkgroups (& RX groups)
- Enter the channels (one for each TG on a Rpt)
- Create channels for the club & other analog Rpt
- Create Zones and populate them with channels
- Run thru the list of options for buttons & set them up
- Scan list can set up later
- Lets test it out and look for mistakes



Parrot



- A special talk group for testing.
- When you transmit to Parrot talkgroup it records you and then retransmits it back to you in a few seconds
- The special server that does this in the PNWdigital network is called "Polly"



PNW Digital Network

- The local repeaters are connected to a the PNW Digital Network via an IP connection. Now it is the internet but we are working toward an all ham network (perhaps HamWan).
- All the data is routed to a device called a "C-Bridge" which steers the data to all the proper locations.



C-Bridge

- The "C-Bridge" uses individual managers for each repeater.
- You can monitor what is happening on the network by connecting to Netwatch.
- http://www.pnwdigital.net/welcome.html then choose netwatch on the top



Shall we look at a CPS?

