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Points of Interest:

- Hoodview Amateur Radio Club can be found on the web at www.wb7qiw.org
- · HARC is a Special Service Club
- · Email Cory with any information for the newsletter at ka7iug@ frontier.net
- · Feel free to join our affiliated activities: Saturday Breakfast Group or Classy Radio Red Hatters

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Hoodview News



General Club Meeting on September 17th at 7:30 PM. We will have a virtual meeting on Webex. See newsletter, page 3 for details.

From the President – Joel Harrington N7LF



With Summer coming to an end its time to think about all of those outside antenna projects that we've been avoiding because of "good weather" and other things going on in our lives.

Speaking of antenna projects, I recently participated in a regional Legacy Health hospital drill at the Mount Hood Medical Center (MHMC). The drill tested both VHF/UHF voice and Winlink communications between all of the Legacy Health hospitals in the Portland Metro area. MHMC has a well-equipped Amateur Radio station that includes two dual-band VHF/UHF radios and one HF radio. One of the challenges of operating at MHMC is the limitation of one VHF/UHF dual band antenna for the entire station. This causes missed voice calls or Winlink messages due to the sharing of a single antenna. The HF radio has never been used due to no coaxial cable and antenna. The new MHMC Facilities Maintenance Manager visited me during the drill and asked how it was going. I mentioned the single antenna issue and he immediately said "we need to fix this." I met the following week with his electrician to figure out what it would take to install two more coaxial cables from the radio room to the roof. MHMC will be purchasing and installing two additional coaxial cables and a second VHF/UHF antenna in the coming weeks. The HF coaxial cable will be installed for a future yet to be determined HF antenna. This is great news for the volunteer Amateur Radio Operators (AROs) at MHMC.

HARC still needs more AROs at MHMC to operate this station during the yearly communications drills and potential disasters. Consider being a MHMC ARO volunteer. Legacy Health is a locally owned nonprofit health provider that we all depend on during a medical emergency. Contact me if you're interested in helping out.

There was another HARC tailgate meet up at the Lowe's parking lot in Wood Village on Saturday September 5th. The group almost doubled in size from the previous meet up. Chuck Morris (W7HDF) and his XYL Betty celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with us. A new club member Elaine Wingren (WW7BEE) also join us. It's always fun to get together with club members. The parking lot allows all of us to meet the COVID-19 social distancing requirements. Hopefully we'll see you at the next meet up.

If you haven't already heard, a new FM cross-band repeater was recently installed on the International Space Station. AROs from around the country are reporting that you can hear the repeater with a handheld radio standing outside. The uplink frequency is 145.99 MHz (CTCSS 67.0 Hz) and the downlink is 437.800 MHz. Let me know if you can hear it on one of the passes. Remember to account for the doppler effect. (http://www.arrl.org/ arrlletter?issue=2020-09-03#toc02) (President's Column continued on Page 2)

Hoodview Amateur Radio Club WB7QIW PO Box 95I, Gresham OR 97030

A non-profit organization organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, Vol. 17, No. 6. We are a Special Service Club with the ARRL.

President: Joel Harrington N7LF
Vice President: Chris Jensen KG7ADQ
Secretary: George Dover W7GEO
Treasurer: Jim Schoch KA7AGH (1)

Board: Shaun Harteloo N7TNP (1); Tommy Yeung KJ7HRA (1),

Kenn Clulow K7ENN (1), Larry Bishop W4OPA (2),

Dennis Desper KI7SJY (2)

President's Column continued:

Our next club meeting on September 17th will again be a virtual meeting due to the closing of our Mount Hood Community College meeting location. The Webex login information will be emailed to all club members. Check the HARC <u>wb7qiw.org</u> website for upcoming meetings and events.

September Program Scheduled

Our program will be on Decoding Antenna Modeling Charts. Here is a Youtube video to watch. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7fq95MOrFR4&feature=youtu.be

September Technical Training Topic

Canceled until we can get in person. If you have any technical questions, reach out to a board member and we will try and find someone to help you.



Sunshine Committee Report

Please continue to think good thoughts and send prayers for ALL of our club members dealing with COVID-19 virus or forest fires.

If you know of any other members that need well wishes, please let Mary Taylor know at <u>marytay-lor.portorford@gmail.com</u> or 541-425-0213



Breakfast Gathering on the Repeater

Join us for coffee and conversation at 7:00am each Saturday on the 147.28/88 repeater. You are responsible for your own coffee. This is great fun!

VE Session Canceled

Our next scheduled VE session was to be held on September 17th. This has been canceled as the campus is closed to the public.



Club Calendar

Sep 17- Gen Mtg: 7:30pm @ Webex Oct 1-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Webex Oct 15-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm @ Webex Nov 5-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Webex Nov 7-Tech Class: on hold Nov 14-Tech Class: on hold

Nov 19-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm @ Webex

Nov 21-VE Testing: on hold Dec 3-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Dec 5-Christmas Banquet

Dec 17-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm @ MHCC, RM 1001

Happy Birthday to our Members

K7EWY	Doug Baldwin	09/08
KJ7HDW	Merilyn Abe	09/12
KG7ADQ	Chris Jensen	09/23
W7SMB	Sylvia Barmore	09/24
KJ7MLL	Warner Swarner	09/26
N7LF	Joel Harrington	10/02
KJ7CHL	Don Greer	10/03
K7GNR	Henry Lines	10/15
KJ7ANJ	Steven Stewart	10/29

Club's Facebook Page

Did you know that the club has a Facebook page that we share information about classes, activities, etc for club members and interested public hams. The page is Hoodview Amateur Radio Club—WB7QIW. To join just like the page and click join. You will be asked if you are a ham (callsign) or interested in ham radio. Check out https://www.facebook.com/groups/709367785838462/

Member Profile Updates Needed

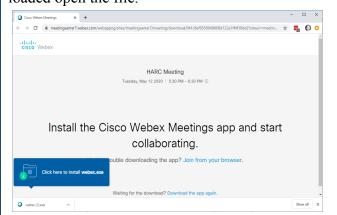
We are asking each member to log into the website and update their profiles, especially phone numbers, email addresses, birthdates, and ARRL status.



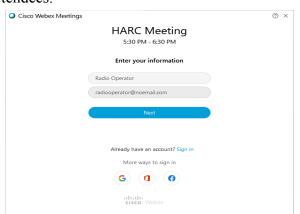
Virtual Meeting Information.

We are currently hosting our meetings online since we can not gather. It isn't hard and doesn't require much work. Shaun N7TNP wrote up these simple directions for members to follow. If you need additional help. You may call him 503-512-0199 or email him at kf7skb@gmail.com.

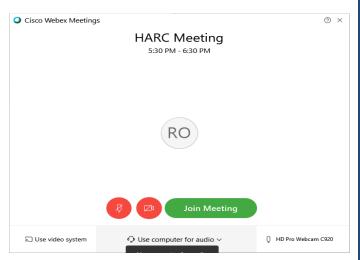
Joining a HARC Webex Virtual Meeting
Click the 'Join Meeting' link in the email you received from Hoodview Amateur Radio Club. You
will be prompted to download the Webex Meeting
Client, if you do not already have it. Once it is downloaded open the file.



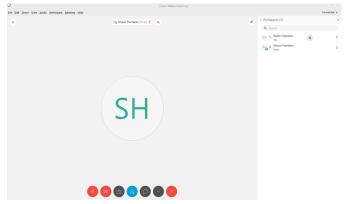
You will get a new window that asks for your Name and Email Address. Please enter your name and an email address, as this allows us to track attendees.



Click on Next, and then select to disable video, and mute your microphone. This is a best practice for HARC meetings to reduce background noise (mute TV, music, cell phones) and bandwidth usage. You can use your computer for audio, or dial in with a telephone. Select from the drop down in the middle what you plan on doing, and follow the instructions. The call in details will pop up once you click on join meeting.



Once you are in the meeting you can control meeting settings like mute, and other features with the 7 circles at the bottom center of the webex application. You might have to move your mouse over webex to see the options in the window.



Class/VE Location Ideas

At present time MHCC is closed to visitors. We can't hold our classes or VE sessions there. If you know of any alternative locations, please contact one of our board members or Cory KA7IUG.

For Sale Listing:

KA7IUG (ka7iug@frontier.com) from K7DSZ SK Estate:



- ⇒ Icom 7410-IC-7410 Solid State but older HF Rig, tested and working, \$600
- ⇒ Yaesu FT-101EE Tube HF Rig \$225 Tested and working
- ⇒ Ameriton AL-811 Amplifier \$550 This is a powerhouse amp.
- ⇒ MFJ-989D Antenna Tuner \$200
- ⇒ MFJ-994B Antenna Tuner \$200
- ⇒ ARRL Antenna Book 2015 \$25

K7MR—LDG YT-1200 Auto Tuner, Like new Original box and paperwork, Connector cables for a Yaesu FTDx-3000. Email rob@otconstruction.com

W7AUF—Motorola XPR 4580, 900 mhz, DMR and Analog. Programmed for local repeaters. Just add your call and DMR number.

WA7HAA—ICOM F-24 radio package: ICOM F-24 is a 4 watt UHF 16 channel FM analog HT that covers the amateur and commercial bands. Package consists of: 2 radios, Speaker Mics, Lithium battery packs (multiple), Drop in chargers, AA battery packs, Programming software (no cable included, but readily available), very simple to operate. Price for package: \$200.00 Motorola

XPR3500 UHF 403-470mhz DMR/Analog HT. 4 watts, 128 channels. Includes Impress lithium battery and drop in charger. \$200.

wa7haa@comcast.net 971-212-3773

"OceanPac Swap Net" in lieu of SeaPac

Wednesday nights after the club's VHF/UHF net there will be an opportunity for club members to list Amateur Radio related items for sale, trade or wanted to be held on 147.28/88 repeater around 8ish. *Note:* no prices on listed items to be mentioned on the net. Free net listing can be stated on the net. Personal information to be obtained from club roster. This net is for club members listed in the Club Roster.

Patches and Badges

Jim KA7AGH now has all of the beautiful patches for the club. You can see him to purchase either size and he will bring them to the club meetings. He has the 10 inch blue and white jacket patches. Also the 3.5 inch patch in white, green and blue for shirts and hats. The cost of the patches will be \$5.00 (3.5 in) and \$25.00 (10 in).

If you are interested in getting a club name badge made with your call sign and the club's logo, he can also assist you with that. Or you can go to Crown Trophy, 811 N Main Ave, Gresham, OR 97030. They can make pin or magnet backs. Cost is under \$10.

Crown Trophy can customize stainless coffee mugs as pictured here.



Check into Two Hoodview Nets

The Hoodview Amateur Radio Club Information Net has been expanded to both repeaters. The UHF Information Net will follow the VHF net at 7:45 PM or after the VHF net if it goes past 7:45 PM. This is an

attempt to assist more local amateurs in checking in to our Club's Net and broaden our exposure. Club members are encouraged to volunteer to be net control of either net. Contact Art W7AUF to volunteer. Every Wednesday night:

HARC—2 M net on 147.28 MHz, at 7:30pm. HARC—70cm net on 443.475 at 7:45 pm



HARC August General Meeting

We held a virtual picnic in place of the club meeting. There are no minutes from this meeting over dinner.

Hoodview September Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 3, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Webex Conference Call Call to Order – Joel Harrington (N7LF)

Roll Call of Officers & Board Directors present – Present: Joel N7LF, president; Chris KG7ADQ, vice president; Jim KA7AGH, treasurer; Shaun N7TNP, past president; Larry W4OPA, board; Dennis KI7SJY, board; Tommy KJ7HRA, board; Kenn K7ENN, board.

Absent: George W7GEO, secretary

Guests Present: Cory KA7IUG, acting secretary;

Denny WB7UFJ, Rob K7MR

<u>Secretary's Report</u> – Cory KA7IUG emailed the August Board minutes out for George so everyone could read them. No corrections. Shaun N7TNP made a motion to accept the secretary's report that was emailed out to all of the board members, Chris KG7ADQ seconded the motion, Motion passed with a call of the board members.

Treasurer's Report as reported at the September 2020 board meeting by treasurer, Jim KA7AGH. Jim reported that our income for the month was dues, donations and consignment sales. And our expenses were PayPal fees, payout for the consignment items, new website fees, and field day pins. Bank and Report balanced. No discussion was needed. Chris KG7ADQ made a motion to accept the treasurer's report that was emailed out to all of the board members, Shaun N7TNP seconded the motion, Motion

CURRENT BALANCE

General Fund	\$ 4,862.92
Repeater	\$ 7,224.68
Training	\$ 115.47
Scholarship	<u>\$ 2,239.87</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	\$14,442.94

passed with a call of the board members.

Committee Reports

- Policies & Procedures The committee will have a report for the October Board Meeting with proposed suggestions. It will be the first reading of these changes.
- Website Shaun N7TNP did an update this past weekend and everything is working fine. Shaun will be going through the list of mailchimp users and our paid up member list. The goal is to make sure they are the same. Users will receive an email reminding them to renew their membership or be deleted from receiving the newsletter.

Business:

Next General Membership Virtual Meeting – September 17, 2020 7:30 PM, Confirm Webex Access (W7GEO), Confirm Email Notifications (N7TNP), Joel asked for Program suggestions. He said he would let Art W7AUF know what the program was for the net. It was suggested that we find an antenna program of 10-30 minutes that can be shared for members viewing. Shaun will take care of researching a program.

Future Club Programs
October - Needed
November - Solar Program (N7LF) - Confirmed
December - Elections & Social - Confirmed

Unfinished Business

- Joel thanked Tommy KJ7HRA for volunteering to help with the social media committee. Joel asked if we had any report from the Nomination Committee. Shaun said that all of the Board Members are members of this committee and that we should start visiting with members about holding an office for next year.
- ARRL Special Service Club Report: Denny said that we are ARRL affiliated but we will need to fill out questionnaire (online) and have it reviewed to qualify for the Special Service designation. Shaun reported that we have just under 100 members and he was able to find quite a few as ARRL members from their website. He said he will also be able to do a survey with the mail-chimp to ascertain if we have more ARRL members in the club. Joel will add something in his column and Cory will write up an article for the newsletter. (Minutes continued on Page 6)

September Board Meeting Minutes continued:

- In Person Board Meetings There was some discussion about only allowing 10 people to attend if held in a restaurant, hearing issues with noise from other customers, sharing of club information to the public, holding meetings outside in hot and cold weather. Chris said he visited with Heidi's and were told that we could meet there but the limit would be 10. That would be for the 9 board members and only one guest. Dennis talked about how he enjoys the WEBEX meetings.
- Shaun N7TNP made a motion to continue the Board Meetings using the WEBEX format so that members and guests could all attend. Tommy seconded the motion, Motion passed with a call of the board members.

Announcements: Cory reminded everyone of the Tailgate Party this Saturday, September 5, 2020 at 6:00 PM in the Lowe's parking lot. She also reminded Joel that the newsletter deadline will be on Monday, September 7th, 2020.

Adjournment: Shaun N7TNP made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Chris KG7ADQ seconded the motion, Motion passed with a call of the board members. Minutes Submitted by Cory Schoch, KA7IUG Acting Secretary



Hoodview Working for Special Service Club

For many years our club was designated as a Special Service Club with the ARRL. We all knew we were special and it was wonderful to be recognized.

Then ARRL changed the way they honored clubs with that designation. And our club was dropped from the club. In fact, almost all clubs were dropped. Now we are working to regain the title.

To do so we need our members to also join <u>American Radio Relay League (ARRL)</u>. The American Radio Relay League is the largest membership association of amateur radio enthusiasts in the USA. It is also the group that fights for our frequency allocations, the upcoming fee with the FCC, etc.

With your membership you also get the monthly magazine *QST* or *On the Air*. Consider joining this great organization.

Thank you for Celebrating Us!

Hi there! Our 50 year wedding anniversary was on Saturday, September 5. So, a party was arranged, a 'Tailgate party' at the parking lot of Lowe's Home Improvement store in Fairview, Oregon. Our group was the ham radio club that we've been friends for many years (Decades), and there were over 12 of us, I didn't bother with counting. It was a very nice time for us. We brought our own food and sweet treats, were provided, some from BBQ places in the community, some was homemade meals. We were able to maintain some sort of 'social distancing. The weather and temperature was just perfect at about 82 degrees F. Chuck W7HDF and Betty Morris





HOODVIEW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Make checks payable to: HOODVIEW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, PO BOX 951, GRESHAM OR 97030

Name:		Call Sign:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	License Class:
Email:		Birth Date:
Address:		
City:		State: Zip:
Spouse Name:		Call Sign:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	License Class:
Email:		Birth Date:
Addt. Family Name:		Call Sign:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	License Class: