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# Hoodview News

#### July 17th—General Club Meeting -

We will host a hybrid meeting: in-person and virtually on WebEx. In person at Mount Hood Community College, Room 1001 south end of the main campus) and you will receive a link emailed to you next week for the virtual meeting.

#### Hello Hoodview From the President's Desk - Joshua Higgins, KOOSH

If you didn't make it up to Field Day this year then you missed out. While the band conditions were quite the challenge our 4A radio setup was more active than ever and the Buddihexes pulled their weight. We hit 49 of 50 states this year with a total of 221 CW, 250 phone, and 131 digital contacts all while staying on battery and solar. We had over 30 attendees, most of which camped on site and enjoyed the fireside handout each evening. We even had some youths get on the radio for quite a while.

If you weren't aware we had come up with some improvements to the Buddihex system to try out this year. By inserting a 6 meter diplexer before the quadplexer and trading out the 12 meter antenna for a 40m dipole we were able to run a full 5 bands (6m, 10m, 15m, 20m, and 40m) on one antenna successfully and simultaneously. These will definitely become part of the permanent antenna kits that have become a keystone of our outings, right next to the wonderful trailers.

A big thank you to George KJ6VU and Garret KD6KPC for letting us take advantage of their incredible communications trailers. They are both constantly reviewing, considering, and improving these coms center so be sure to recognize their efforts and thank them next time you see them. The rumor is that next year we may have specialized intercoms through Halibut Electronics that help the operator and logger cut out the surrounding noise while still letting them talk to each other!

Kirk Goins KGOINS has volunteered to take on the Teaching Coordinator position! We all need to pitch in to make his job as painless as possible so when he approaches you about what portion of ham radio he would like you to talk about, make sure to give him all the help he needs. HARC has always had a goal of education and raising up new hams, lets continue this service to the community and show our dedication to this club value.

Do keep an eye out for a HARC groups.io request. We are trying out a new, less formal method of communication with the intent of the members being able to communicate with each other easier. The hope is that this opens avenues of discussion as well as allows members to easily invite the club to unofficial outings, like POTA or SOTA events. Thank you again for all the volunteering that you do. It is truly what makes this club special.

Sincerely,

Joshua Higgins K7OSH, HARC President

Points of Interest:

• Hoodview Amateur Radio Club can be found on the web at www.wb7qiw.org

• Email Cory with any information for the newsletter at ka7iug@ frontier.com

• Feel free to join our affiliated activities: Saturday Breakfast Group or Classy Radio Red Hatters

#### Hoodview Amateur Radio Club WB7QIW PO Box 95l, 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.

## 2025 Hoodview Calendar

July 17-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx July 19-VE Testing: 9:00am MHCC Fisheries Bldg. July 19– Fox Hunt, MHCC Fisheries , 11:00 am Aug 7-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Elmer's Gresham Aug 21-Gen Mtg: 5:00 – 8:00 Picnic- Red Sunset Park Sep 4-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Elmer's Gresham Sep 18-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx Sep 20-VE Testing: 9:00am MHCC Fisheries Bldg. Sept 20 – Fox Hunt, MHCC Fisheries , 11:00 am Oct 2nd-Brd Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx Nov Winter Formal: TBD

Nov 6th-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Elmer's Gresham Nov 20th- Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx Nov 1, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> VE Class

Nov 15-VE Testing: 9:00am MHCC Fisheries Bldg. Nov 15– Fox Hunt, MHCC Fisheries , 11:00 am Dec 4-Brd Mtg: 7:00pm @ Elmer's Gresham Dec 18-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx

## **Programs Scheduled:**

July 17th - AMSAT and contacting the ISS .

## Weekly Breakfast Gathering:

Join us for breakfast every Saturday morning at Heidi's, 1230 NE Cleveland, Gresham. Conversation/coffee starts around 7:00am with breakfast orders taken at 7:30am.





#### Hoodview'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 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 (call sign) or interested in ham radio. Check out https:// www.facebook.com/groups/709367785838462/ President:Josh Higgins K7OSHVice President:Alan Gordon N7AKGSecretary:Peter Landon KE6JPMTreasurer:Shaun Harteloo, N7TNPBoard:Paul Harchett AI7JR; Steve Norton N7LTC; RobRemler K7MR; Keith Bybee N7EE; Mike Welch N7CVZ

## Roster Changes & Roster Updates:

Remember when you change your call sign, email address, drop a landline or make other changes, please send Cory KA7IUG an email at so that the roster can be update. ka7iug@frontier.com

## **Check into the 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. The net is held every Wednesday night: HARC—2 M net on 147.28 MHz at 7:30pm.

HARC—70cm net on 443.475 at 7:45 pm

Plus, on every Sunday, Hoodview has a Sunday Evening Social Net on 443.475 at 7:30. This is a good place to meet other members and say hi.

#### **General Club Meeting:**

We will be meeting at Mt. Hood Community College for our July meeting. It will be a Hybrid Meeting; both in person and it will also be available on WebEx. A link will be sent out early next week for those that would like to join us from home. Our meeting room will be 1001. This is located in the #10 building, located on the south end of the main campus. Parking near the pond is



#### July 2025

## HARC General Meeting June 19, 2025

In person meeting held at MHCC, Rm 1001. President Josh K7OSH called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. In-person Officers and Board members present: Keith, N7EE, Michael, N7CVZ, Rob K7MR, and Steve N7LTC. Absent was VP Alan N7AKG, Secretary, Peter, KE6JPM, Treasurer, Shaun, N7EN, and board member Paul, AI7JR

Secretary Report: A motion was made by Chris KG7ADO to accept the secretary minutes from both Club Picnic will be August 21st the April and May General minutes that were published in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Bjai KG5ZIF. Motion to accept passed.

Treasurer Report: A motion was made by Chris KG7ADQ to accept the treasurer's report from the April General Meeting that was published in the newsletter. There was no May treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Bjai KG7ZIF. Motion to accept passed.

Sunshine Committee: Please let them know if you know someone who may be sick or need encouragement. sunshine@wb7qiw.org

#### **Announcements / Business:**

- The Club has listed Yagis and towers for sale. • Other local clubs have been notified of the sale and some may be interested.
- There is a severe need for a Training Coordina-• tor. Please contact Josh if you are interested in the position.
- Please see or e-mail Cory for a Club name • badge.
- Club VEs MUST email Chris at • chris@darkstarpro.com so he can start coordinating the session for July. The May VE session was canceled because we only had two VEs. Denny WB7UFJ said the July VE session hasn't been listed with the ARRL yet. He suggested getting the VE names from the precious coordinator. Josh said he had reached out via email and had not received any correspondence.
- Cory KA7IUG presented a short SeaPac report. • She thanked the volunteers that helped out with the club fund raising. The club made a profit of \$1675. The money was handed over to Josh to deposit in the bank. Josh also thanked the SeaPac committee volunteers and reported that the board decided to split the profits in

thirds. The thirds would be designated to Scholarship, Repeater fund, and General Fund.

## **Future Scheduled Programs:**

July - AMSAT and contacting the ISS. The July General meeting will be held on July 17th at MHCC, Room 1001.

## **Activities:**

Field Day June 27-29th Fox Hunt – Denny will be running a Fox Hunt on Saturday July 19th at 11:00 at the Fisheries Building at MHCC.

Tonight's Program: Field Day Planning Details for Field Day were discussed. Volunteers are needed for a few jobs during the weekend. Some of the details can be found in the June newsletter. Another survey and more information should be coming out between the General meeting and Field Day. Please check your e-mail for Field Day surveys and details.

The next General Membership meeting will be July 17th at 7:30 PM at MHCC, Room 1001.

The meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Cory Schoch KA7IUG, acting secretary.



Fox Hunt - Saturday July 19th, 2025 -

The next East County Fox Hunt will start at Mt. Hood Community College Fisheries Building #22 West parking lot Saturday July 19th, 11:00AM. Several low pow-

er VHF (2 Meters) transmitters will be hidden on the MHCC campus.

This Fox Hunt we'll add the ability to log the find by scanning a QR code. A card with a QR code will be placed near the hidden transmitter. It's simple, just scan the attached QR code with your camera

phone for instructions. Saturday July 19, 2025 **MHCC Fisheries Building** 45.51856 - 122.39172 Fox Hunt Starts at 11:00



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Denny WB7UFJ@arrl.net or cell 503-956-5876

## HARC Board Meeting Date: July 3rd, 2025

Time/Location: 7:00 PM/Elmer's Restaurant Gresham. Call to order – Joshua Higgins (K70SH) Roll Call of Present Officers and Board of Directors: President - Joshua Higgins (K70SH); Treasurer -Shaun Harteloo (N7TNP); Past President - Rob Remler (K7MR); Board Members - Steve Norton (N7LTC), Paul Hanchett (AI7JR), Michael Welch (N7CVZ) Absent: VP – Alan Gordon (N7AKG); Secretary - Peter, KE6JPM; Keith Bybee (N7EE).

June 2025 Board Meeting Minutes was published in the newsletter - moved to accept by Shaun, seconded by Michael - approved

## May & June 2025 Treasurer's Report was pre-

sented by Shaun - Moved to accept by Steve, seconded by Paul – approved. Shaun noted an unexpected approx. \$11 digikey charge and will be investigating.

## **Committee Reports**

- Sunshine committee 11 bday cards sent out, no sunshine requests
- Rules Committee Increasing board approval • amount - review. On as placeholder, board did again discuss the need of the increase with discussion on both sides. All agreed that we will work on a year long budget approval for next year. Committee will be working on that as well.

## **Club Business**

- Field day was a success, any thoughts, feedback, recommendations. Recommend not using repeater output as site frequency, recommend board call and invite membership that hasn't been to meetings in a while to come to field day.
- Calendar for next few board meetings, Aug 7th, • Sept 4th, Oct 2nd, Nov 6th, Dec 4th. All were in favor of these dates.
- Someone to spearhead Winter social. Agreed to • put to club membership to see if there was interest - more interest in social over fancy.
- Sept prep for elections- advertise positions • available
- Club WebEx kit Fundraise, fund, grant? Recommend creating committee - will bring to general membership, Paul has temp kit for us to

test/borrow. Will start with grants first then go to fundraise.

Club insurance cost-Shaun will be looking at • this to look for reduced costs

## **Unfinished Business**

Training coordinator – Still needing a candidate – Kirk has volunteered to be our TC, emphasis on coordinator. He will be working on bringing together presenters.

## **Upcoming activities**

August picnic – any grillers? - Steve to grill, Shaun to buy

Nov - Winter social - Open to club for organizer

## Programs -

July 17th – Satellites finally! Aug 21st – Club picnic Sept 18th – Remote operating – George KJ6VU Also election discussion opens Oct 16th - Local organization and Winterizing your shack and home - Joel N7LF Open nominations

## Announcements

- Next General Membership Meeting-July 17th, • 2025 7:30 PM MHCC Room 1001
- Net control Announcement July 17th General meeting
- VE volunteers needed contact Chris Arneston KU7PDX chris@darkstarpro.com
- Sunshine@wb7giw.org
- Next Board Meeting- August 7th at Elmer's in Gresham on Burnside

## **Adjournment**

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Shaun N7TNP presented the June End of the Month Report. Income was from dues. We paid expenses this month for PayPal fees, Oregon Secretary of State, SeaPac Table Rental, and Consignment Proceeds from SeaPac.

CURRENT BALANCES		
General	\$986.35	
Repeater	\$6,934.08	
Training	\$115.47	
Scholarship	\$2,238.37	
Bal end of 06/30	\$10,608.22	



#### July 2025

#### **Hoodview For Sale Items**

Monoband Yagi 20m 4 element (red tape) Monoband Yagi 10m Phone 3 element? (yellow tape)

Monoband Yagi 15m 3 ele (blue tape)

Monoband Yagi 15m CW (green tape)

Monoband Yagi 10m or 6m?

30' tower: one hinged base, two 10' middle sec-

tions, and one 10' top. We have two.

20' tower: one hinged base, one 10' middle section, one 10' top.

10x20 Very heavy duty carport tent See a board member about the items.



#### We Have a Training Coordinator

The club would like to thank Kirk Goins for volunteering to coordinate our training sessions. He will be calling on other members to teach a section or two of the material needed so students can pass the exam. Please support him when asked to help. This is part of the Club's Purpose in our Constitution.

#### **Electronic Testing for New Licenses**

With the help of the free ExamTools website, it couldn't be easier or faster for HARC to offer inperson testing.

People start by using the "Find A Session" list at HamStudy.org to get registered for a test session and get their payment submitted. When they arrive on-site they get checked in, seated at a PC, and then are able to get started. The new system is able to provide them immediate feedback once they have passed and the VEs electronically sign their CSCE (Certificate of Successful Completion of Examination). Once the examination session is completed, the VE Team submits the data to the ARRL electronically as well which drastically improves how quickly new licenses and upgrades appear in the FCC database (sometimes within two business days).

MHCC has been very helpful and is allowing HARC to use the computer lab across from the classroom at the Fisheries Building.

If you are an Amateur Extra license holder and would like to help our VE team reach out to me at <u>ve@wb7qiw.org</u> and I'll help get you set up.

#### Another Ham Breakfast

The invitation is for all hams from a new member. Hello, we have a breakfast meeting scheduled for Friday, July 25, August 8th (and every two weeks after that) at Millers Homestead, located at 17933 SW McEwan Rd, Tigard, OR 97224. Breakfast is at 9 A.M. If you are going to attend, please send me an email with the number of guests in your party. My email address is <u>Cowan.bob3@gmail.com.</u>

Feel free to invite your spouse. Hope to see you there. 73, Bob KI7QI





## This Year 2025

Score Statistics		
Total CW Contacts	221	
Total Phone Contacts	250	
Total DIG Contacts	131	
Total QSO Points	954	













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## Hoodview ARC Field Day 2025: Adapting and **Excelling Under Challenging Conditions**

amateur radio at its finest-demonstrating adaptability, skill, and teamwork when conditions demanded tactical thinking. Operating as W7Q with 30 dedicated participants, we achieved a solid preliminary score of 2,898 points while maintaining our Class 4A status.

This year presented unique propagation challenges that affected clubs nationwide. Reports from across North America described conditions ranging from "challenging" to "awful," with many operations struggling. Yet our team's smart tactical decisions shone through. By concentrating our efforts on 15 meters (243 contacts, 40% of total) and 20 meters (192 contacts), we maximized our potential on the bands that were actually working.

While our overall contact numbers shifted from previous years—with 602 total QSOs versus 2024's higher totals—this actually represents excellent performance given the widespread propagation difficulties. The Peel Amateur Radio Club in Canada noted similar weather challenges, calling it "another very wet Field Day weekend," while other clubs reported operator shortages and technical difficulties.

Our perfect 990 bonus points demonstrate our continued commitment to Field Day's core mission: emergency preparedness, public outreach, and technical excellence. Operating entirely on battery and solar power, we proved amateur radio's reliability when conventional systems fail. Special thanks to all 30 participants who made this challenging Field Day a success, and to George Zafiropoulos (KJ6VU) for handling our submission. Your dedication turned difficult conditions into a demonstration of amateur radio's adaptability and community spirit.

#### **Uncovering Field Day Archives**

While preparing for Field Day Josh K70SH Our club's Field Day 2025 operation exemplified found a flag presented to the club in 1990 by our Sister City Club in Sapporo, Japan. The club's call sign was JA8YAB. The first agreement between the clubs was in 1989. Hoodview's President, Bill Jager N7HIL (SK) met with a representative from their club at Gresham's City Hall to make it a formal invitation.

> The uncovered flag was given to Yoshio Abe KD7AM while at Field Day since he was our Sister Club Liaison for many years until the Sapporo club folded.

> Also Hoodview's flag was made by Cory Schoch KA7IUG and Carol Jager after a contest was held to submit designs. The club flag can be seen on page six in the field day pictures.



Many thanks to Cheri Harrington N7KOJ for organizing the snacks, coffee and water table to keep the operators and loggers energized.



#### June 2025

#### Sunshine Committee Report:

Thinking good thoughts for anyone dealing with health issues and hoping they feel better soon. Please let me



know of any members that need well wishes or who have passed. The club will send the appropriate card via US mail. Electronic birthday cards, through Jacquie Lawson https:// www.jacquielawson.com, are sent to members

with a birthday listed on the club roster. sunshine@wb7qiw.org or 503-939-5282. Lindi Goins

#### **Hoodview Simplex Frequency:**

If our repeater goes down during an emergency or is being used by MCARES, that the members of Hoodview Amateur Radio Club should check in on the 443.475 repeater or use 147.48 Simplex and 147.52 Simplex? We will monitor those frequencies to offer assistance if available.

#### **Oregon ARRL Has a New Instagram Page**

So you don't do social media. Let's get you going, shall we? The Oregon section now has an I N S T A G R A M page.

The goal is to provide a place for YOU to catch up on interesting photos and videos, cool ideas, and news... And since this is your section, it should contain YOUR content, shouldn't it?

PLEASE send photos, videos, and other interesting items, along with a short blurb, to: OregonARRLpublicinfooffice@gmail.com

We can't guarantee your content will show up on the Instagram page, but if you never try, you'll never succeed. Come visit, take a look around, follow us, and invite your friends.

Via browser, we are found here: https://www.instagram.com/oregonarrl/

Via the instagram app, we are found here: OregonARRL

If you know of ARRL Oregon members who DO NOT get these emails, encourage them to OPT-IN to Section Manager emails via their membership page. Thanks!!! Scott N7JI, Section Manager Nelson NF7Z, Hannah W7HER, & Matt K7EPW, Public Information Officers

#### HOODVIEW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Make checks payable to: HOODVIEW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, PO BOX 951, GRESHAM OR 97030 DUES: SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$20; FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$25

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