



# Hoodview News

**Points of Interest:**

- Hoodview Amateur Radio Club can be found on the web at [www.wb7qiw.org](http://www.wb7qiw.org)

- Email Cory with any information for the newsletter at [ka7iug@frontier.com](mailto:ka7iug@frontier.com)

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

**February 19th—General Club Meeting - 7:30PM**

**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 Vice President's Desk – Alan Gordon, N7AKG

While Josh is doing double and triple duty at home, and going to work, I said I would help with the letter to the membership this month. We all wish his wife, Chy, a speedy and complete recovery. So, I will use this platform as a plea for help in our two most needed positions; VE coordinator and Hoodview Board Secretary.



We are looking for a new VE coordinator. Chris, KU7PDX, has gotten the process all set up and it should be an easy transition to another ham in our club. Chris is ready to step away and we thank him ever so much for getting us started with the new all digital VE testing. You do not need to be an Extra or General class operator. The job is to coordinate with the ARRL about a testing session we plan to hold, set up the session in the “exam.tools” website, use the club’s PayPal service to collect the testing fees, be onsite for the testing session, and then send the results to the ARRL. All done electronically. So, please consider helping out the club with this vital community service. If interested I am sure Chris will be glad to chat with you and give you the details.

Peter, KE6JPM, has been most generous with his time and agreed to stay on as secretary of the club for another month. But his imminent move out of the area does add immediacy to our need to find another secretary. The job is simple. Be at the board meetings we hold on the first Thursday of each month at the Elmers in Gresham (come early and eat some food and rag-chew with us before formal meeting starts at 7pm), and at the general club meetings we hold on the third Thursday of each month. Take notes on attendance and motions, and send the notes to the board and Cory for publication in newsletter. That’s it. Please consider joining the board, helping us out, and getting to ‘see how the sausage is made’ as they say.

This coming general meeting on the February 19th, George, KJ6VU, will be giving a presentation on his trials and tribulations with “All Star”. This was one on those “how hard can it be” projects and George will be there to tell you all about it. Should be much fun and informational.

Sincerely,  
Alan Gordon N7AKG  
HARC Vice President

**Hoodview Amateur Radio Club WB7QIW**  
**PO Box 951, 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:** Josh Higgins K7OSH  
**Vice President:** Alan Gordon N7AKG  
**Secretary:** Peter Landon KE6JPM  
**Treasurer:** George Dover, W7GEO  
**Board:** Rob Remler K7MR; Keith Bybee N7EE; Paul Hanchett, AI7JR; Mike Welch N7CVZ, Jason Hibbert, KK7ZBH

## 2026 Hoodview Calendar

Feb 19-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx  
 Mar 5-Board Mtg: 7:00 pm, Elmer's in Gresham  
 Mar 19-Gen Mtg: 7:30pm, MHCC Rm 1001/WebEx  
 Mar 21-VE Testing: 9:00 am, MHCC Fisheries Bldg  
 Mar 21-Fox Hunt: 11:00 am, MHCC Fisheries Bldg

### Programs Scheduled:

February—All Star—How it works

### 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/>

### 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.

### HARC now has a groups.io page

Some members have been trying out groups.io to coordinate POTA and other get out and radio events, and are finding success. This is your invite to join in the discussions, join in on or plan a POTA/SOTA activation.

The intent of our groups.io page is for club members to discuss ham radio related topics, coordinate portable operations, or notify others of special events. [HARC's Groups.io page](#)

### 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.

### 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

### Sunshine Committee Report from Lindi:

January 2026: Nine birthday e-cards sent. Seven were viewed. No requests for other types of cards.

We are hoping that Chyanne (Josh's wife) heals soon and makes a full recovery.

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.

[sunshine@wb7qiw.org](mailto:sunshine@wb7qiw.org) or 503-939-5282



**HARC General Meeting January 15, 2026**

In person meeting held at MHCC, Rm 1001. President Josh, K7OSH, called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm. In-person Officers and Board members present: Secretary, Peter, KE6JPM, Treasurer, George, W7GEO, Past President Rob and members Keith Bybee, N7EE, and Michael Welch, N7CVZ and . Paul, AI7JR attended via WebEx.

**Secretary Report:** The December General meeting minutes will be presented in February.

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer's report was posted in the January newsletter. Michael moved that the report be accepted as published. Seconded by Joel and the motion was approved.

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

**Announcements / Business:**

- The Club still has Yagis and towers for sale. Please see Josh if you are interested.
- The VE Coordinator position is still vacant. Please consider volunteering.
- A new Club secretary will be needed by April.
- The Club is in discussions with PARC for a joint communications van. More to follow.
- The 2026 Club budget was presented for review.
- The Club newsletter is now available online to the public.
- Lindy made a motion that the Club spend up to \$750 for a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration for all members. Seconded by Joel and the motion passed.

**Programs:**

January – Winter Field Day operating presentation  
February – All Star in depth with George KJ6VU

**Activities:**

- Fox Hunt – Denny will be running a Fox Hunt on Saturday January 17th at 11:00 at the Fisheries Building at MHCC .
- License testing on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the Fisheries Bldg.

The next General Membership meeting will be on February 19<sup>th</sup> in MHCC, Rm 1001 at 7:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25. Respectfully submitted by Club Secretary, Peter, KE6JPM.

**HARC Board Meeting Minutes February 5, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Vice President, Alan, N7AKG. Present were Secretary, Peter, KE6JPM, Treasurer, George, W7GEO, Past President Rob, K7MR and Board members Paul, AI7JR, Michael, N7CVZ, Keith, N7EE, and Jason, KK7ZSH.

**Secretary Report:** The January Board minutes were published in the January newsletter. A motion to accept them as printed was offered by Paul, seconded by Keith. The motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** The January Treasurers report was presented by George. A motion to approve the report was made by Keith and seconded by Michael. The motion passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

Sunshine: No report

Welcoming Committee – No report

**Club Business:**

- A VE Coordinator is still needed
- Website – Alan would like to initiate a discussion to update the website.
- WebEx to Zoom – George will lead the research to transition the Club to Zoom vs WebEx.

**Programs:**

February – All Star in depth with George KJ6VU

**Announcements:** The next General Meeting will be held on Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 7:30 pm at MHCC Room 1001.

The next Board meeting will be March 5, 2026 at Elmers's Gresham.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42. Respectfully submitted by Club Secretary Peter, KE6JPM.

*(Treasurer's Report on page 5)*

**Hoodview Amateur Radio Club  
1976-2026  
Fifty Years of East County Radioing**

The club has reached fifty years of age this year. I asked Art W7AUF to give us a first year history of the club.

**History of HOODVIEW Amateur Radio Club  
As Remembered by W7AUF  
Art Zehner, first Club President**

In 1974 I purchased a Learn CW record from Radio Shack and obtained a Novice ARRL study book from Portland Radio. I worked hard to learn CW and memorized the study book. I had to find a General Class Amateur Radio operator to give me the test (difficult). My neighbors knew a ham who lived in Boring.

I met Howard Radke N7TI. Howard was holding Novice Classes at the Boring Fire Department and suggested I attend them before taking the test. I did and passed the Novice test. I became WN7AUF. With Howard's help and the Head of the Mathematics Department at MHCC, a licensed ham (Sadly don't remember much about him) I was able to go to the Federal Building and upgrade to General/Advanced, WB7AUF. During this period of time, Novice tests (Morse code required at 5WPM) were taken from a General or higher class amateur. Technician, General, Advanced, and Extra class license tests were all taken at the FCC office, in Portland. Without a local club and the assistance of MHCC it was difficult to find information on obtaining an amateur license in our area.

During my time on the Novice CW bands I met WA7YCY, a retired Naval Architect, and Jerry Sanden K7YCI, a buyer for Handy MAN (store like Home Depot).

With new phone privileges I started meeting with other local hams on 21.400, fifteen meters, the Columbia River Air Pollution Net (CRAP Net).

We did not have a local Amateur Radio Club and Howard K7IT thought a club could result in bringing new Hams into the hobby via classes and fix the problems I had in finding a Ham to give me the test. At the time the FCC was cracking down on 'CBers' and they were interested in Ham licenses.

Jerry Sanden K7YCI, John Marshall WA7YCY, Howard Radke N7TI, sadly these three hams are SKs, Bob Griswold WA7ASF and maybe a couple others met at my house in Boring and decided to start a club.

We were all ARRL members so John Marshall WA7YCY contacted the ARRL for help starting a new Amateur Club.

He received a Sample Bi-Laws, Constitution and postcards that had local hams names, calls, and addresses. All we had to do was fill in a date, location, and time for our first organizational meeting. Bob Griswold WA7ASF obtained permission for us to use a small bank community meeting room at 182nd and Burnside.

We had one more meeting at my house, I don't remember who all was there but we decided a date, Thursday, and time, and filled out the postcards. John Marshall became the Secretary, bought the 1 cent per postcard postage and mailed them off.

First several meetings were spent auditing the Constitution and By-Laws and deciding a club name. I acted as the director of those meetings I wish we still had John Marshall's minutes. I don't remember all the names and ham calls of the first attendees. But Howard Radke N7TI, Bob Ronspiess WB7BDD, Floyd Loftis WB7BJF, Jack Stickel WB7FGF, Jim Hart W7UIV, Frank Richards WA7WEA, Jerry Sanden K7YCI, Bob Griswold WA7ASF, I remember for sure. There were around eighteen to twenty at our first meetings. And after about two or three meetings we had swelled to more members than could fit in the small meeting room.

Our intentions for the clubs goals was to provide training for new members, Novice classes, and training for licensed amateurs who wanted to upgrade their privileges. We wanted to provide Public Service using our amateur radios and to have a club for members to meet and socialize.

The name? We didn't want to name the club with a location like Gresham, Colombia River or Multnomah. Jim Hart W7UIV suggested Hoodview Amateur Radio Club. That became the agreed-upon Club Name. Jim's father Joe Hart, also a ham owned a garbage collection company, Hoodview Sanitary Services! I think I know how Jim came up with that name! *(continued on page five)*

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After two or three organizational meetings we voted to approve the Bi-Laws, Constitution, and club name and Hoodview Amateur Radio Club was official.

John Marshall filed the necessary papers and Hoodview Amateur Radio Club was an official Ham Club.

We moved the club meetings to a church on Glisan and quickly grew to over a hundred members.

We had guest speakers at all of our meetings and Portland Radio supplied us with some really nice raffle prizes!

This was before the internet, wifi, and cell phones. We used our radios for communication for Walk-a-thons, Marathons, and Parades.

Our club Amateur radio classes were done under Mt Hood Community College's Adult Enrichment Program and were posted in the college's class schedules. Some Novice classes attracted over 40 students.

We did the first club field day on Larch Mountain. I got permission from the Springdale Ranger Station. We didn't have a club call yet so we used my Call WB7AUF. We hadn't done a club field day before as a club, weren't certain what to take so we took everything! As I remember we were 6A and did really well. We counted up our contacts at Ed and Rosie Cullow's house, W7TLW and KA7CED.

The Club had drop of the hat pizza meets at Abby's pizza and a Fall Club Banquet.

It was great year for a new club!

It was Howard Radke's N7TI idea to start the club. John Marshall WA7YCY did the paper work. I wish we had access to his early minutes. Jerry Sanden K7YCI and Bob Griswold were also involved in the early formation of the club. I acted as the director of the first meetings so ended up the first club president. I don't remember all the early members who attended our first meetings at the bank building.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

George W7GEO presented the January 31st, 2026 Report. Income was from membership dues and the sale of the club trailer. We paid expenses this month for ARRL VE testing cost and the club's PO Box Renewal.



#### **CURRENT BALANCES**

General	\$6,466.71
Repeater	\$7,060.08
Training	\$115.47
Scholarship	\$2,238.37
Bal end of 1/31	\$15,880.63

### **WELCOME to our newest member:**

Jim Hill K7KEY—T 503-706-1822  
9700 SW Nimbus Avenue Birthday: 08/23  
Beaverton, OR 97008  
Jimhill.K7KEY@gmail.com

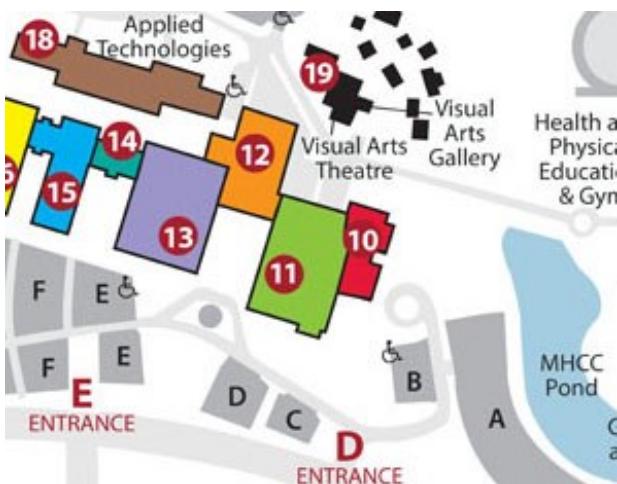


**Winter Field Day** has come and gone and we are anticipating June with the ARRL Field Day. The weather was cold but sunshine helped and we had no rain! The club did well with a short day operation. The radios and antennas are proving themselves. Here are a picture of the day courtesy of Chuck W7HDF.



## General Club Meeting:

We will be meeting at Mt. Hood Community College for our February 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 recommended. Join us on February 19th at 7:30 PM.



## Fox Hunt Saturday March 21st, 2026

The next East County Fox Hunt will start at Mt. Hood Community College Fisheries Building #22 West parking lot Saturday, March 21st, 11:00AM.

Several low power VHF (2 Meters) transmitters will be hidden on the MHCC campus. A QR code will be placed near the hidden transmitter. It's simple, just scan the QR code with your camera phone and log that you found the transmitter. Bring that antenna you have been working on and learn how to use it.



Don't forget! Saturday March 21st, 2026  
MHCC Fisheries Building, 45.51856 -122.39172  
Fox Hunt Starts at 11:00

Here are a few links to Transmitter Hunting and Equipment. <http://www.homingin.com/equipment.html> or <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pAjvaiMUbQc>

The hunt will be canceled if it is icy and the campus is closed.

Mark your calendar for May 16, July 18, September 19, and November 21st for the 2026 Hoodview Fox Hunts.

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

### **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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

License Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

License Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Addt. Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

License Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

- Regular Adult Membership
- Family Membership
- Patron Donation
- Repeater Donation
- Scholarship Donation

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