

Snohomish County Hams Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting

0900 May 22, 2020

1. The meeting was called to order at 0900 by the Ray Smith KD7ADP. The meeting was recorded. Here is the link.

<https://youtu.be/pMuNOdsKGAq>

2. Welcome

- A. Zoom Etiquette and Protocols (Ray KD7ADP)
 - a. First & Last Name plus Call Sign in Screen Name
 - b. Keep yourself muted unless you are called upon to speak
 - c. Use the Hand Raising function in Zoom if you want to speak. The moderator will be watching for raised hands. You can use the Chat or the Hand Raising.
- B. We will be recording this Zoom meeting and posting it for members to watch (probably on YouTube because the file is too large to send by email). If you have any concerns about being recorded, we wanted to make you aware so that you can turn off your video if you wish.
- C. Any First Time Visitors/Guests? Harvey and Burt and Kelsey Brenton

3. Reports

- A. Secretary's Report - Anne K2MTN announced that the minutes of the last meeting in April 2021 had been posted on the Club website 5/14/2021. She requested approval of the posted minutes. A motion was made (by Roger Hoot KF7WVT) to accept the minutes as posted; It was seconded (by Dave KI7DPP) and approved by vote. No questions.
- B. Treasurer's report – Randy AJ7B announced that the monthly Treasurer's report had been posted on the Club website. He screen-shared the report. Income of \$20.11 and Expenses of \$0. Checking Account Balance of \$10,009.98, Repeater Maintenance Fd \$605.49, Repeater Endowment Fd \$15,241.75, General Investment FD \$562.50. No questions. A motion was made to accept the report as posted (by Roger KF7WVT); it was seconded (by Anne K2MTN) and approved by vote.
- C. VE Report - Randy said that members of our SCHC VE Team have joined the Lake Washington Amateur Radio Club (LWARC) and that group is still looking for more VEs if you are interested.
- D. Education report – Jim Blake KD7JB. Jim said he is looking forward to doing some in person Classes. He is hoping we can do 5 Classes this year since he has such a long list of emails for people who want to take the Classes but haven't been able to do it. As soon as our venue opens up, he is ready to go.

E. New Member Introduction – Anne K2MTN There was one new member Jason Hennig KJ7VAC who is a General Class.

F. List of Attendees – Anne K2MTN read a list of the members attending today using her attendance sheet and the names listed in the participant's window. There were 30 members and 3 guests Cody Linklater KJ7YRD, Ben Zupke KG7SXC, and Jerry Carscadden N7WAV.

G. Repeater Update

a. New Repeaters - Rob NR30. We have occasional power problems at the repeater site which effect the ECHO Link and the Board approved the purchase of a rack mounted UPS and that is ordered and will arrive at Randy's place on Tuesday. We look forward to getting that installed at the repeater site. Expect some ups and downs on the repeaters when that is being put in place. Rob said he would try to send an email before hand to let people know. He is hoping to get it done later that week.

b. Old Repeaters – Henry KH6VM did not have anything to add.

4. Old Business

A. Financial Investment Committee Position (Dave KI7DPP) We are still looking for someone for the Financial Investment Committee Position. Someone who is knowledgeable about investments is desired for this position. There has been some interest, but we are hoping to get someone who has some experience. Please let Ray know if you are interested in this position. Email would be good.

B. Net Control Operator (Ray KD7ADP) We are still looking for someone to add to the Net Control Operator rotation. Being able to consistently hit the Repeater is needed. We especially need someone for the Sunday Net. Please let Ray know if you are interested in this position. We have training available. Jim said that Kerry Burnette gave a training course during the Net one night and it went very well. There are a few requirements and the main one is access to the Repeater. If you have poor access to the Repeater...then being a Net Controller is just an exercise in frustration. We would be more than happy to work with people who are interested and get them trained. Ray asked that any interested people reach out to Ray, Anne, or Jim Blake to start the process.

C. Field Day Update (Tim KJ7AKV) We are planning to do an in-person Field Day. Tim was not there for the meeting, but John Van Dalen gave information. We have a reserved spot at Legion Park where we did Field Day 2 years ago. There will be a Field Day Planning Meeting by Zoom on Saturday 5/29 at 9:00am. Contact John Van Dalen or Tim Kepkart if you didn't receive the Zoom Invite and wish to attend. We would like to have anyone who has interested please attend and share your ideas. This is a great opportunity for new Hams to get some hands-on experience. At 7QP that we just did, there were 157 contacts, of which 70 have been confirmed so far with LOTW, and John heard that there were 6-7 people using their own call signs but doing an aggregated score with the Club call sign...So, they will be included in our Club's score for 7QP. The link for the Zoom Sat. 5/29 at 9:00am will be sent out Thursday 5/27. If for some

reason you are interested but can't join that Zoom call...please send an email to Ray, Tim, or John and let us know. We will keep you looped in on what is going on. June 26th is coming up soon. Dave said that we are not using the large tent...We will use the open air pop-ups instead for better ventilation. Ray said that we will be doing masks and any safety measures that the state rules indicate. We want to keep the members safe. If you have any questions about that, please reach out to Ray or the Board and we will listen and discuss your concerns.

5. New Business

A. Special Interest Groups on the website (Ray KD7ADP and John N7AME) We want to get some feedback on the Special Interest Groups on the website. John brought up the website and shared it on screen so the members could see what the main page looks like and where to go for the Special Interest Groups. John said that this area is the Mentors or "Elmers" section. Note that a few of the slots are empty. We have a lot of skill in our club and if you have any interest in sharing your knowledge on a specific area...you can contact Randy or Anne to have yourself added to list on the website. John said that he thought someone in the club was doing the Weather Watch...and also someone was doing DEM (Disaster Emergency Mgmt). John asked if anyone had questions or if anyone is looking for an Elmer or looking to learn a new skill. Steve Burling KJ7YL said he is a VE, and he is not listed in the VE list in that section. He requested to be added. Randy said he would add Steve to the list. Anne said that the Board was thinking that people may not be using this list or know where it is. Randy said that he put a link on the main page of the website. So, it should be easier to find. Ray encouraged the members to go on the website and check it out...and send any feedback to the Board. We want to know what you like and what you don't like.

6. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30am. Moved by Anne K2MTN second by Roger KF7WVT, passed by vote.

Presentation: Jennifer Blake KJ7ARG presented a program on "Summits on the Air". The Power Point presentation was emailed out on the reflector.

Submitted by Anne Garay K2MTN
SCHC Secretary