

SNOHOMISH COUNTY HAMS CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

July 24, 2010

President Jim Ludden, K7KFB called the meeting to order at 8 AM.

Introductions were made of members around the room.

Club Secretary, Paul Erickson – KD7EJI read minutes from the May meeting and they were approved.

The treasurers report was read by treasurer, Pam Snook – KE7WSK and it was approved.

Steve Burling KJ7YL gave the tech report. The repeater would need to be kept at a Jon Fortier's house for a couple of weeks for testing before moving it back to the repeater site. The repeater originally went off the air because there was a problem with it locking up three different times, possibly due to the new elevator system work going on at the repeater site.

Grant Hopper, KB7WSD gave the Education Report. A digital modes class was tentatively being planned for the end of August. Steve Burling and Jim Blake were building the initial material needed for the class. The Technician's question pool expired in June, 2010, at which we had only 1 book left in our supplies. The club will order 20 new Tech books for future classes. A General class will be planned for sometime in October 2010.

Loren Hole KK7M gave a VE report. In May and June, 18 people were served, 19 tests given, and 17 passed. 4 earned Tech, 7 General, and 4 Extra class licenses.

Frank Dolan, N7WUB gave the Mentoring committee report. Jon, KI7PY, was kind enough to assist Frank with email access. Frank said there were 20 names listed in the program and asked that everyone respond to the email requests from KI7PY@yahoo.com.

Grant, KB7WSD discussed the website, and it was noted that Bob Watson, K7RBW and Curt Green, N7OBI have joined the committee.

Frank, N7WUB noted that the October 2010 meeting would not be at the Providence location, but would be at the Bakerview Community center instead. Mention was made that perhaps the Everett Eagles could be looked at as an alternative location.

There was no EMCOM/ARES report. But their monthly meeting be at 7PM on the first Wednesday of the month. The ARES net occurs Tuesday at 8:30 PM on 444.975 or 145.390 with a PL of 123.

Frank Remington – K7GSE gave the DX report. He noted the bands were improving. He mentioned that through August 2 KL7RRC from Russian Amateur Radio Club would be active. The IOTA was occurring this weekend. He noted an emergency call handling was successful for the Dxpedition off Kodiak Island in Alaska. Good information about DX could be found on the ARRL bulletin.

Grant Hopper, KB7WSD, mentioned that it would be nice to activate Hat Island for IOTA.

Eric Nordin, AD7BF reviewed the club activities at Field Day 2010. The club as a whole made 500+ contacts. Thanks were given to all who participated.

Grant Hopper, KB7WSD proposed that the club participate in Salmon Run in September and that he would be on it like a Rat on Cheese.

Jess Ray, AD7PZ read a letter to the club from Jim Blake, KE7UFP, who send his thoughts and remarks on the field day operations.

Tom, N7PKK suggested the club could make up cards for GOTA operators with club information on it.

Frank Remington, K7GSE mentioned that some people wanted to operate at field day, but didn't have a chance too.

Frank N7WUB said that he had the new brochures if anyone was interested.

The meeting was adjourned by President Jim Ludden at 9:05 AM