

Snohomish County Hams Club
General Membership Meeting
Minutes
August 25, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order at 0758 by the President Rob Salsgiver NR3O
2. Introductions
 - a. Call for first time visitors. There was one visitor who introduced himself as Eric Worden KI7JYC from Silver Lake
The membership introduced themselves
 - b. The following announcements were made by the president:
 - (1) The 50/50 Raffle drawing will be at 0900 - buy tickets prior.
 - (2) Islands On The Air - IOTA is this weekend. The Stanwood/Camano Club (W7PIG) is participating; more info is available on 146.52
 - (3) The NW APRS Summer Gathering will be in North Bend on 7-9 Sep
 - (4) Salmon Run is WA State QSO party - 15-16 Sep; several members of this Club plan to go to the field in rare counties and Chris Wartes K7II is planning to host a team at his residence. He described his plan and invited members to join him. John Van Dalen N7AME is going to the field and invited anyone to join him. Victor Harris KI7MMZ asked about the feasibility of finding a facility to use and was advised that nothing is free.
 - (5) Equipment sales: John Van Dalen N7AME announced that he holds radio equipment donated by old HAMS that he will dispose of through silent auction on line (reflector)
 - (6) Education: Jim Blake KD7JB announced that there would be a Technician Licensing Class on 7-9 September in the same room as this meeting. He's developing the slide lesson content now. He needs instructors.
 - (7) Repeater status: Jim Hill W7ETE reported that new antennas have been installed on the tower. APRS station is installed and operational. He predicts that APRS will become a learning vehicle for the Club. There was no cost - all equipment was donated (by him and Rob).
 - (8) Rob announced that the Meeting format will be modified to include more educational presentations and less business.
 - (9) Dave Archer KA7RRA announced that there will be a HamFest in Spokane on 22 September. He noted that they have some expensive prizes. He plans to attend the NW APRS Gathering mentioned earlier.
3. Reports
 - a. Treasurer's report – Randy Mather announced that the monthly treasurer's report had been posted on the Club website and requested approval of the posted report. A motion was made by Roger to approve, seconded and approved by vote.
 - b. Secretary - Roger Hoot announced that the minutes of last meeting (July) had been posted on the Club website and requested approval of the posted minutes. A motion was made by Randy Mather to accept the minutes, it was seconded and approved by vote. Roger reminded the membership to sign the sign-in roster.
 - c. JOTA: Gary Bazzell WA7TUG announced that the Boy Scout's Jamboree On The Air will be on 19-20-21 Oct at both Monroe & Mount Vernon; he is looking for volunteers and will accept sign-ups after the meeting. He plans to operate on all bands. He will also use APRS and digital modes.

d. Larry Warner, as Chairperson of the nominating committee (Don Anderson, Don Mittelstaedt, Loren Hole, and Kevin Lynch) announced the following positions that need to be filled:

- (1) President
- (2) Vice President
- (3) Secretary
- (4) Director at Large (John Van Dalen's position)

He hopes to conduct the election in September. There is no candidate for the position of President so additional nominations are invited.

e. Randy announced that at the last VE testing session, not only did Eric (visitor) get his Technician license, Jim Grieco KI7MMY upgraded to General.

f. A presentation was made by David Cornell W9LD about how the sun and weather impacts HAM radio.

g. At 0900 the 50/50 raffle drawing was held. Ticket number 4917029 was drawn. It was held by Jim Hill who received \$38; half of the \$75 pot. He donated it to the Christmas Party allowance.

4. The meeting was adjourned at 0940.