

Snohomish County Ham's Club
Minutes of General Meeting held on 05-24-2003 at Providence Medical Center

The meeting was opened at 0808 R by President, Steve Burling, KJ7YL.

Jon Fortier, N7WDF, gave a Technical Committee report. He said the revamped repeater system is functioning satisfactorily. He reported that the new 160 wat amplifier will actually put out 180 watts.

A VE report was made by Loren Hole, KK7M.

The last regular exam was held on April 26, 2003. Those VE's participating were:

W7MGG	Gary
KJ7YL	Steve
N7WUB	Frank
KT7W	Tony
N7AOB	Bill

We served 4 and administered 6 tests - 5 were passed

1 earned Technician 2 earned General 1 Element only

Those on the team today are:

W7MGG	Gary
N7WUB	Frank
WT7Q	Dick
KK7M	Loren

President Steve Burling announced that the jammer was supposed to be at this meeting for a public apology but he hasn't shown up. Steve said that the FCC has suspended the jammer's amateur license.

President Steve Burling talked briefly about a new ICOM transceiver, the IC-7800, that has been released.

President Steve Burling introduced Marve Gotner, KG7JS, who has agreed to fill in as the Vice President for the remainder of the year. He is replacing Jim Pratt, K7QI, who resigned.

President Steve Burling said that he would be heading up Field Day this June. He is planning on having two HF stations included for operating. Steve will send out the public notices.

President Steve Burling introduced Randy Celori, the Lake Stevens Chief of Police. Chief Celori talked about upcoming events in Lake Stevens in July. The Aquathon will be held on Saturday and Sunday, 12 and 13 July. He noted that hams would be invited to assist with communications.

The Chief also spoke of the upgrading of emergency communications which are planned in Snohomish County. The system will be going to 800 MHz and he said that it will be a whole new integrated and improved communications system.

The meeting was adjourned following the completion of the program after 0915 R.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary N. Whiting, W7MGG
Secretary