

2014/10/25 October 2014 Meeting Minutes

General meeting

Raffle: Tickets were on sale for 50/50 raffle from 7:30-8:45AM; drawing at 9:00AM. Fifty percent of income goes to increasing value of prizes for the Christmas Party.

Dave WA7DGW called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM in the Rainier Room of Providence Medical Center. Visitors and members introduced themselves around the table.

REPORTS

Treasurer's report: Tom K7AFA read treasury balances for Sharon KF7YJW. Details are on sheet filed with minutes. Moved, seconded, and passed to approve the report.

Minutes: Minutes for the September 27, 2014, meeting have been on the website. Correction received that JOTA was across the road from Camp Edward, not Camp Howard. Motion to approve minutes as corrected was seconded and passed.

VE report: Loren KK7M reported on test session after the educational class. Three VE's had a very busy session. All students passed license class that they came for: Tech Class. Another test session will be held today following the meeting.

Education report: Jim K7KFB reported on the class last weekend, which included 24 students. As already reported, most succeeded in passing Tech Class tests, and several passed the General Class test. Plans are in the making for another class in the future. Handling books through Amazon worked more smoothly than doing it through the Club.

Tech report: Steve KJ7YL, gave no report, because he was absent. Frank, K7GSE, repeater control operator, emphasized the importance of adhering to the legal requirement to identify with call sign, whenever one transmits, including keying up the repeater.

EMCOMM Report: Bob KC7QT, said there was no report.

DX report: Frank K7GSE said the bands are very active, thanks to good propagation. The CQ worldwide DX SSB contest is this weekend. DXpeditions, include T7XG, VK9DLX, VK9XSP, K1N - a rare one off the island of Haiti. Other rare ones include Madagascar, and Iran. Signals have been great.

OLD BUSINESS:

Elected officers for 2015:

President Dave Williamson WA7DGW

Vice President Ken Dempsey KE7ND

Treasurer Randy Mather AJ7B

Director at Large Jim Blake KD7JB

Secretary Dave Cornell W9LD

Trustee Loren Hole KK7M (continuing)

Director at Large Jess Ray AD7PZ (continuing)

Director at Large Don Anderson AB7V (continuing)

Field Day: Dave WA7DGW asked if anyone would volunteer for coordinator position.

Tee shirts/patches for sale: See Quartermaster, Steve K7LKA.

FISTS CW training disks available for free: See Quartermaster.

Past Presentations: Rob NR3O has posted them on our website. Please send copy to him.

Salmon Run: Thanks to Shelley KF7SGP for hosting Club entry. Rob NR3O reported on extensive mobile operations, provoking lots of chuckles. Others hosted small groups too, including Chris K7II.

JOTA: Tom N7PKK reported on the event that served 35 boy scouts, thanks to several club members' participation.

Audit: Randy AJ7B presented the audit, which is the first such action in the past several years. Before Randy's presentation, Dave WA7DGW mentioned that Bylaws expect it to be an annual event, initiated by the Treasurer. Randy's report summarized records for 2013. The matchup of records showed small disagreements of a few cents, which are accounted for by small interest payments by the bank. Treasurer records present challenges owing to frequent officer changes in recent years. The Treasurer needs to adhere to expectation to have two officers sign off on payments greater than \$200. Randy mentioned several cases where documentation was inadequate. More careful paper records need to be followed to document the audit.

Greg Teufel: Tom N7PKK reported on welfare of long time member Greg Teufel, who is currently at Bethany of the Northwest, Everett, where he is being cared for following a plane crash.

Calendar:

- a. Christmas Party, Saturday, December 13, 2014, Bakerview Apartment, 6:00 PM. Anyone who will help set up should contact Jess AD7PZ. Ham of the Year Award will be given at the party. Submit nominee name(s) with bio(s) to Jess.

Program: Trevor, KG7OFG, presented UHF-radio-(433 MHz) controlled drone flight. Video transmits on 5.8 GHz. He shared radios, antennas, and drone devices, illustrating with a flight video made in Oregon. The presentation was highly engaging, made more fascinating by three drones of different sizes.

50/50 Raffle: Total of \$137 was collected, which divided to \$69 for the Club and \$67 for the drawing winner. The Club's portion goes to the Christmas Party prizes.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed at 9:08 AM.

Respectfully submitted
Dave Cornell, Secretary

Approved
Dave Williamson, WA7DGW, President