

Snohomish County Hams Club

General Membership Meeting

Minutes

August 24, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order at 0800 by the President, David Cornell.

2. Introductions

A. The President made a call for first time visitors. There were two first-time visitors who introduced themselves:

(1) John Hicks CSP

(2) Dan DeVaul WB7ECV (returning after a 3-year absence)

B. The membership introduced themselves.

3. Announcements:

(1) . The President advised that Randy Mather and his team of VE's would conduct a licensing examination at the Bakerview Apartment Bldg after the meeting

(2) . The President announced the 50/50 raffle. Tickets will be on sale until 0845. The drawing will be held at 0900

4. Reports

A. Secretary's Report - Roger Hoot announced that the minutes of the last meeting (July 2019) 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 by John Van Dalen and approved by vote. The President advised that if anyone needed the Club Website password, to check with one of the Board members

B. Treasurer's report – Randy Mather announced that the monthly treasurer's report had been posted on the Club website. A motion was made by Roger to accept the report as posted; it was seconded by John Van Dalen and approved by vote.

C. The president announced that the Coordinator for next year's (2020) Field Day will be Curt Green.

D. John Van Dalen announced that there were two anniversaries to be celebrated on CW/SSB/digital: WWV (100 yrs) on Oct 1 (call ww0wwv) and the Founder of ARRL birthday, Hiram Percy 150 years: 31Aug to 8 September (N7AME/150). Any questions can be directed to John.

E. Tom Hutchinson announced the Jamboree on the Air for the Boy Scouts. It will be held on the third weekend of October, primarily on Saturday at two sites: 1) Fire Mountain - POC is Gary Bazzel WA7TUG, 2) Lake Rosiger - POC is Tom Hutchinson N7PKK. Volunteers are invited to set up their station at either site.

F. The President announced that we have a coordinator for the Christmas party. Rich Leavitt KI7QOI has volunteered to coordinate the event on 14 December however he was absent so additional details will be provided at future meetings.

G. Dennis Bradford W7DEB advised that he was the head of the Nominations Committee and that elections for next year's officers would be held at the September meeting. He advised that he is seeking volunteer candidates for the position of President, Secretary and Director. Any volunteers should contact Dennis.

H. Randy Mather provided the VE report: There was one test session conducted on 7/27/2019 with the following results:

(1) 7 Volunteer Examiners were present

(2) 11 tests were administered to 7 candidates with the following results:

(3) 5 new HAMS at the Technician level

(4) 2 Technicians advanced to the General Level

I. Education Report was made by Jim Blake who stated that a General class will be held over two weekends, starting on October 12. The cost will be \$35 and is limited to eight applicants (with 2 standbys). He described the basics of the class agenda which are attached to these minutes. He emphasized that this would be a 'beta' course, meaning 'test of concept'. There will be a Technician class on the first weekend (4-6 October) at the Hospital. The testing is accomplished in the Hospital through the efforts of Tom Hutchinson N7PKK and his POC Joel.

J. Roger announced the names of two new Club members:

(1) Lloyd Roberts KG5RHI

(2) Ron Bielawski KJ7HSJ

5. Round Table.

A. The President suggested that we discuss the desired location of next year's Field Day. There were several comments by the membership. While the Legion Park site is better for radio operations there is less exposure to the public. There will be no conflict with the City's 'Horticulture' event at Legion Park. There were suggestions to conduct better marketing.

B. John Sullivan KG7WFQ made an announcement that the Snohomish County ACS is in need of volunteer communicators on 7/8 September for a Bike Ride in Skagit County.

6. The 50/50 raffle drawing was held. The pot was worth \$114 with half value being \$57. Ticket number 5661 was drawn which was held by Bob Wheeler KC7QT

7. The President announced that we will have two presentations.

A. The first presentation was provided by Dennis Bradford about 6M communications. The 6M Band Plan is attached to these minutes.

B. The second presentation was provided by Ed Empey concerning satellite communications.

8. Chris Wartes K7II announced that he would be participating in the Salmon Run contest in September (21-22) and wanted other operators to join him. John Van Dalen advised that several club members would be participating in this event from the field.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 0921.

Submitted by Roger Hoot KF7WVT
Secretary