

SCHC General Meeting
Saturday, May 25, 2013

Rob NR3O called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM in the Rainier Room of Providence Medical Center. Members introduced themselves. Peggy Ray, whose husband Jess is in the hospital, will inform us when it is OK to visit him. The Club mourns the loss of friend Bob Huson, whose Saturday morning breakfasts go on at Bob's Brew and Burger, Tulalip.

REPORTS

Treasurer's report: Rob turned books over to Pamela, who is ready to resume her responsibility. The Club benefits from his Quickbooks primer for present and future treasurers. Pamela reported that Club finances are healthy. Checking account total is \$2859.12, and special funds add to that. The monthly report is filed with the minutes. Treasurer's report approved without objection. At the end of the meeting Treasurer reported that \$52.00 had been collected in the raffle and would be credited to the Storage Trailer Fund.

Minutes from Club meeting on April 27, 2013 have been available for member inspection on the Club website. Minutes approved without objection.

VE session. Loren reported that, in April, seven persons took eight tests, and *all* passed! There are four new techs, two generals, and one extra class ham. Funds were sent to ARRL. On Field Day there will be testing. Loren expects a crowd of examinees to appear today, because there have been several inquiries recently.

Education. Jim Ludden skipped his report to conserve time.

Tech Report: Steve briefly mentioned that interference still arrives on repeater input.

EmComm: Rob filled in for Ole Munson, W7OLE. There is a bike ride down Hwy 9, June 16, to benefit finding cures for cancer. Everett's July 4th parade is still needs ham volunteers. Hospitals at Cascade and Valley General need volunteers for communications. See Ole.

DX report. Frank said that the HF bands have been terrible owing to solar activity. This weekend is the WPX contest on CW.

Contesting: No report.

J-Pole project. Dave W9LD reported that four members met at N7OBI, Curt's, last Saturday, completed two J-pole antennas, and made progress on two others. Interest was shown in the possibility of building a two-meter cubical quad as the next project. Two complete J-poles will be given away as part of the raffle ticket drawing today.

Field Day: Coordinator Ray Smith KD7AVP shared a large flyer for posting about the event. Food coordinators are active. Ray is working on equipment in storage, and looks forward to seeing material that is on the list. Material storage is temporarily at Rob NR3O's house. Loading starts on Friday

afternoon at 1:30PM at Dave Crosby AG7F's home. Willis Tucker will allow the Club to use both the pavilion and amphitheatre at the Park. Teri KF7MYH has provided garbage bags.

Special event: Jim K7KFB reported on the special event station N7P at Paine Field. The local event was called Aviation Day. Jack Rookaird arranged for it. Slides showed the open-air tent, operating position, operators, JT65 mode, and aircraft on the ground and in motion. According to Jack, band conditions were poor.

Calendar of events:

May 3-June 2: SEAPAC

June 22, Deception Pass Challenge Swim-bike ride-run> 8AM – 1PM

July 4: Parade, Everett

July 19-20: Ragnar Relay

Elections: Dennis mentioned that elections will be September. They include President, Vice President, and Board Member. Pamela will continue as Treasurer if necessary, but is willing to turn the position over if someone else is interested, due to demands on her time.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:55 AM.

Program: Randy Mather AJ7B gave presentation on PSK31.

Respectfully submitted

Dave Cornell W9LD, Secretary

Approved

Rob Salsgiver NR3O, President