

Minutes of General Meeting held on 07-23-2005 at Providence Medical Center

The meeting was opened at 0802 R by President, Loren Hole, KK7M. Members introduced themselves. There were eleven present.

The minutes of the May meeting and the financial report were read and approved. There was no formal meeting held in June due to the Field Day activities falling on the same weekend.

Volunteer Examiner's Report:

Loren Hole, KK7M, reported on the June 25 session.

VE's in attendance:

W7MGB	Gary
N7AOB	Bill
K7VHV	Greg
KK7M	Loren

We served 3 and administered 3 tests

3 passed; 1 earned General and 2 earned Extra Class

Today's team will be:

W7MGB	Gary
N7YH	Bill
N7WUB	Frank
KK7M	Loren

Steve Burling, KJ7YL, related the FCC proposal to drop the Morse Code requirement from all future amateur radio operator exams. This proposal was sent out by ARRL 21 July 2005 to all Amateurs.

Loren Hole, KK7M, reported that the Aquafest at Lake Stevens will be held the weekend of 30 July. Our volunteers will be needed only on Saturday for the Run and the Parade. Volunteers are asked to assemble at the new police station in Lake Stevens about 1130 R for assignment to stations. 0830A

Loren requested the Secretary to send out a bulletin via the club website asking for more volunteers to help with the communications.

Loren Hole, KK7M, announced that for August meeting we will be focusing on 2 meter portable antennas for use in a Bunny (Fox) Hunt in September. Frank Dolan, N7WUB, has been selected to expedite the project, and is dubbed "The Fox" for this event.

Loren Hole said that there will be a "HF" session sponsored by Loren and Lorna Hole at their residence following the "Fox" hunt in September. (HF means Hot Fudge)

Loren Hole projected the idea to hold a "Tailgate Swap Meet" in October. This event will need some planning, including selection of a location suitable for such an event. Perhaps Arlington Airport could be considered. More about this in August and September.

Tech Committee Report:

Steve Burling, KJ7YL, reported that the repeater is functioning OK. He said that all Speed Dial numbers are up to date. All the old numbers not currently used have been deleted. Steve agreed to edit the website and change the signature on the Website Letter. He agreed to update the Ham of The Year to reflect the 2005 recipient, Jon Fortier, N7WDF.

Program:

Loren Hole, KK7M, presented a slide-show of photos taken at the 2005 Field Day event. The projection hardware was provided by Providence Medical Center through the efforts of Dr Tom Hutchinson, N7PKK.

The meeting was adjourned at 0905 R.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary N Whittinger, W7MGG
Secretary