

**Snohomish County Hams Club (SCHC)**  
**Minutes for the General Membership Meeting**  
**Saturday, August 27, 2022, 11 AM**  
**Everett Public Library**  
**Hybrid Zoom / In-Person**

Called to order: 11:04

1. Welcome by President Kerry KC7YL

a. Zoom Etiquette and Protocols

- i. First & Last Name plus Call Sign in Screen Name
- ii. Keep yourself muted unless you are called upon to speak
- iii. Use the Hand Raising function in Zoom if you want to speak

b. We will be not be recording the Zoom meeting

c. First Time Visitors/Guests

- i. Presenter, Mike Ritz, W7VO
- ii. Member, Mark Weeks, KK7BHY
- iii. Calvin Armerding, WRNW453 (GRMS)
- iv. Paul Stayback, KG7DOF

2. Secretary's Report by Meg KC7WWO. The Treasurer's report has been posted to the website. A motion was made by Kenn W7SLW to accept the report as presented, it was seconded by Henry KH6VM, there was no discussion, it was approved by unanimous vote, motion carries.

3. Treasurer's Report by Randy AJ7B. The minutes have been posted to the website. A motion was made by John N7AME to accept the report as presented, it was seconded by Eric KI7ZYC, there was no discussion, it was approved by unanimous vote, motion carries.

4. VE Report by Randy AJ7B. There was no testing since the last report.

5. Education report by Jim KD7JB. Per Kerry KC7YL, there are no classes setup at this time.

6. New member introduction by Meg KC7WWO. Welcome to Matthew Hackett KK7HTU and Stephen Studley K7ZDF

7. Repeater Update by Henry KH6VM. No update on the repeater. Echolink has had issues, please advise Henry if you experience issues. WlreX – has been active and working well.

8. Old Business

a. AV Crew Member (by Kerry KC7YL) Our crew members are Directors Eric KI7ZYC, Michael AF7KB, and Kenn W7SLW. If anyone is interested in assisting, please contact Kerry or one of the board/crew members.

b. Net Control (by Kerry KC7YL) We have four net controllers for the Sunday Evening Net. The Wednesday evening Dewey Digital net is covered. The Thursday evening net is a great place to start as a net controller. We have two net controllers in training. Training is available for anyone interested.

c. Posting Board Minutes to Members Only section on Club website (Kerry KC7YL). The Board and General Meeting minutes are now being posted to the Members Only section of the website for greater transparency for the members. This item is now closed.

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- d. By-Laws update for Secretary (Kerry KC7YL). A special committee of the Board made up of Kerry, Meg, and Anne is working on a By-Laws update proposal which would break the Secretary position duties into two positions which would be called the “Secretary” and the “Membership Director”. The committee presented a draft to the Board at the August 22, 2022, Board meeting. The committee will revise and re-present to the Board for discussion at the September Board meeting. Once the Board has a final version, it will be presented to the membership for review and vote.
- e. \$500 one time Scholarship Donation to ARRL in Memory of Lorna Hole (Kerry KC7YL). We thank the membership for their unanimous vote for a one-time Scholarship Donation to ARRL in Memory of Lorna Hole. We sent a card to Loren so he is aware of the donation. This item is now closed.
- f. \$73 to sponsor Salmon Run Award Plaque (Kerry KC7YL). The Snohomish County Hams Club is sponsoring the “1<sup>st</sup> WA Station to work all 49 states and 8 Canadian Multipliers” for the 2022 Salmon Run. Salmon Run will be held the weekend of September 18-19, 2022. We are sponsoring this event in hopes that many of you will participate.
- g. Volunteers needed for to run for Board positions and to serve on the Nominating Committee. (Kerry KC7YL). The following positions will be on the ballot: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director Position 3. Please contact Dennis W7DEB or Kerry KC7YL.
  - i. Dennis W7DEB, nominating committee lead, spoke sharing that if you would like to be on the committee, would like to run for a position, or have any questions, please contact Kerry KC7YL or himself.
- h. Meeting Location (Kerry KC7YL). After consulting with Jordan Thompson, the board has decided to meet at the Historic Everett Theater, 2991 Colby Avenue in downtown Everett, for our September club meeting. We can also hold VE testing and Education Classes at this venue, the upstairs lobby is bright and light and excellent for these purposes.
  - i. We are using this venue with the promise that we will be a positive group that takes good care of the meeting space and that we will develop good will and help the theater by volunteering our services. This is a trial to see how it goes for the club and for the theater, so be thinking of how you can contribute to the theater’s success. Please contact Jordan Thompson, N7XLD, or one of the board members to find out how to volunteer.

9. New Business

- a. Trailer Repair (rust) – Mini work party will be needed to unload the trailer prior to repair and to reload after. We will email the membership a request at that time.
- b. Insurance – Kerry KC7YL is researching options for insurance for our club assets.
- c. Zoom Account – The Board voted to get a Zoom account for the club. Kerry asked the membership for any questions or comments. None raised.

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- d. New Business – Open to Members (Kerry KC7YL). No business raised.
10. Next meeting September 24, 2022. Historic Everett Theater, 2991 Colby Avenue, Everett. Tentative start time is 9 am (AV crew arriving 8 am).
11. Adjourn (Kerry KC7YL). 11:27 am.
- a. A motion was made by Kenn W7SLW to adjourn, it was seconded by Eric KI7ZYC, there was no additional discussion, and it was approved by unanimous vote. Motion carries.

**30 Attendees** (*italics indicates attended by Zoom [8]*)

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| <b>President</b>      | <b>Kerry Burnette KC7YL</b>   |
| <b>Vice President</b> | <b>Tim Kephart KJ7AKV</b>     |
| <b>Treasurer</b>      | <b>Randy Mather AJ7B</b>      |
| <b>Secretary</b>      | <b>Meg Engelter KC7WWO</b>    |
| <b>Director 1</b>     | <b>Eric Worden KI7ZYC</b>     |
| <b>Director 2</b>     | <b>Michael Burnette AF7KB</b> |
| <b>Director 3</b>     | <b>Kenn Rich W7SLW</b>        |
| <b>Trustee</b>        | <b>Henry Poland KH6VM</b>     |

*NN7P Joshua*  
*W7DEB Dennis*  
*KJ7YL Steve*  
*KI7OYP Phyllis*  
*KI7GVM Kelly*  
*KJ7ARH Fred*  
*N7CS Burt*  
*KH6CN Jim*

*KF7WVT Roger*  
*K7BA Don*  
*KE7FQJ Mary*  
*W7ACM Greg*  
*KC7YE Jack*  
*KK7CWI Mark*  
*N7XLD Jordan*  
*KG7RLU Carl*

*N7AME John*  
*KK7BHY Mark*  
*WA7DGW Dave*  
*WRNW453 Calvin*  
*W7VO Mike*  
*KG7DOF Paul*

Respectfully submitted  
Meg Engelter, KC7WWO  
SCHC Secretary

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**PRESENTATION:**

Mike Ritz W7VO "The Storied History of the Ham Radio Call sign"

Website: <https://www.w7vo.com/>

About: <http://www.w7vo.com/about.html>

Podcast by QSO Today -<https://www.qsotoday.com/podcasts/w7vo> - "Michael, "Mike", Ritz, W7VO, left the big city for rural Oregon to build his dream contest station, and uses his station to help new and local hams to learn and build necessary skills to become lifelong testers and HF operators. Mike is a leader in the Oregon amateur radio community, serves as the ARRL Northwest Division Director, and is a new board member of the ARRL Foundation."