

Snohomish County Hams Club (SCHC)
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY January 25, 2025, 9 AM
Hybrid Zoom/In Person-First Presbyterian 1306 Lake View, Snohomish

1. Called to order: 9:05am and Welcome by President James (WA7JNJ).
 - a. Zoom Etiquette and Protocols
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Meeting ID: 985 8929 9247
Passcode: 574117
 - 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. First Time Visitors/Guests.
Brian Meagher -testing, Bryan Balsly – testing, Benjiman Crum-Testing
2. Secretary's Report (Rich - KK7SHN) The November 2024 and January 2025 Board Meeting Minutes and the November General Meeting Minutes have been posted on the club's web page. Randy -AJ7B made a motion to approve General Meeting Minutes for November 2024, Dennis Bradford-W7DEB seconded the motion. The motion carried without discussion.
3. Treasurers Report(Randy - AJ7B) – The Treasurer's Report has been presented and posted on the club's website. Tom Huffard-KK7MLF made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dennis Bradford-W7DEB seconded the motion. The motion carried without discussion. Randy also explained that there will be an audit next week. We are asking for volunteers to assist.
4. VE Report (Randy - AJ7B)
 - Session: 23 November 2024
 - 4 Candidates
 - 4 VEs administered exams for this test session
 - 5 exams were taken
 - 2 became new hams at the Tech class level
 - 1 upgraded from Tech to General Class level
 - 1 upgraded from tech to Extra Class level
5. Education Report (Gary AS7RK)
 - Technician Class April 4-6 at the Marysville Sr. Center. Instructors needed.
 - There is a desire to put on another Technician Class this Fall.
 - A Fox hunt with tape measure antennas would be a great educational opportunity this year.

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- Gary is working with a local Cub Scout Den to present information on the world of Hams. Kids could possibly build their own keys and use them for CW on the repeater. Asking for club members to monitor.

6. New Member Introduction (Lynny -KJ7LSK)

- David Frisk- not licensed yet
- Richard Kowalsky (N7RAY)
- Mark Sideman (KJ7CLQ)
- Ron Colton (KK7SJE)
- Amanda Stickney (KK7MDU)
- Ashley Stickney (KK7VLC)
- Kevin Stickney (KK7VLB) (Family Member)
- Complimentary memberships
 1. James Hall (KK7WGH)
 2. Gregory Moonie (KK7WUO)

Reminder to pay membership dues to have access to the new password.

7. Repeater Update (Henry- KH6VM)

Echolink is offline. We are working on getting access for Rob -NR30 to reset the servers and reset the system.

8. Old Business

- a. a. 50/50 Raffle Reminder - Get your tickets! 50% to First Presbyterian Church and 50% to the winner.
- b. Membership Board. James WA7JNJ thanked the previous board members for their work on the board. He especially thanked Kerry Burnette- KC7YL for stepping in as Secretary and to Paige Butler-WOFLZ as Vice President and for teaching after the meetings. James introduced the new board members for 2025.
- c. Trailer Repairs (Tim). Tim brought is making some much needed repairs and protection for the trailer. With the Board's approval he is purchasing ¾ inch plywood for replacement pieces for the trailer and a tarp to cover the trailer.
- d. T-Shirts (Henry – KH6VM) There has been some interest for new club T-Shirts. Minimum order is 25 shirts. Contact Henry if you would like to order. The company we use has a direct order store on the web. When the orders have shipped, Henry will pick them up and deliver them to the club meeting.
- e. Investment Committee Gaps (Randy - AJ7B) The Repeater Endowment fund is doing very well. (\$23,000) More committee members are needed. There is only one member on the committee at present. Holly-KJ7KIU expressed interest in helping.

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- f. New Ham List: A statewide list of new Hams is provided to the club. The list is parsed down to the County Level. James suggested we would like to reach out to the new Hams via a letter or Postcard congratulating them and provide information about our club. Henry-KH6VM suggested sending QSO cards. Randy-AJ7B suggested sending one of the brochures to the new Hams.
 - g. Website security update. A club member reported that the Club Roster was not secure.
 - h. 2024 review/2025 Looking Forward.
9. New Business
- a. 7QP 2025 Tim volunteered to coordinate. Location to be determined. Please submit location ideas
 - b. James (WA7JNJ) Presented a Year in Review of events, happenings and future activities
 - i. New Location: Thanks to Curt (N7OBI) we are now meeting at First Presbyterian.
 - ii. 7QP Qso Party
 - iii. Updated Brochure
 - iv. Field Day at Legion Park
 - v. Several Great teachings after the general meetings -Thank you to the instructors
 - vi. Great Christmas Party (Thank you to Michael, Lynny, Eldon and Page)
 - vii. Technician Classes are coming up in April (Thank you Gary)
 - viii. May 3-4 7QP
 - ix. June 28-29 Field Day
 - x. Possibility of Fall Technician Classes
 - xi. TBD Fox Hunt and Antenna Build
10. Next Meeting **Saturday , February 22, 2025; 9am** Hybrid Zoom/In Person-First Presbyterian
11. Adjourn. 9:59am