

Snohomish County Hams Club (SCHC)
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY MARCH 22, 2025, 9:00 AM
Hybrid Zoom/In Person-First Presbyterian 1306 Lake View, Snohomish

1. Called to order: 9:10 and Welcome by President James.
 - Zoom Etiquette and Protocols
 - <https://zoom.us/j/97140823867?pwd=XbdlI4HwIXPX9JQl8yTx2NjwFm5Z5I.1>
 - Meeting ID: 971 4082 3867
 - Passcode: 919428
 - 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
2. First Time Visitors/Guests Tim Caulfield, Ryan, George taking class, Jeff, Andrew
3. Secretary's Report (Rich - KK7SHN) The February General Membership Meeting and Board Meeting Minutes have been posted to the club's web page. John-N7AME noted a correction needed of his callsign on the minutes and then made a motion to approve the corrected General Meeting Minutes for February, Michael-KK7MLF 2nd. The motion carried.
4. Treasurer (Randy - AJ7B) The Treasurer's Report has been presented and posted on the club's website. John-N7AME made a motion to approve the Treasure's Report, Michael-KK7MLF 2nd. The motion carried.
5. VE Team (Randy)
 - Session 22 March 2025
 - 3 in attendance
 - 6 VE's administered exams for this test session
 - 4 Exams were taken
 - 1 became new hams at the Tech class level
 - 1 became new hams at the General class level
 - 1 upgraded from Tech to General class level
6. Education (Gary – AB7RK)
 - Thank you for those who helped at Frank Love Elementary on March 14th!
 - Stem night. 200 kids came through. 20 QSO cards for getting on the air.
 - Sent their name in CW
 - Rich, Amanda, Tim, James, John on Pilchuck Repeater.
 - Technician Class coming soon! April 4-6th at Grandview Village Community Center, 5800 64th St. N. E., Marysville, WA
 - 8 students so far

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- Need some more instructors
- Cub scout Pack would like a 10 minute presentation. Help with CW
- Home school class to come test.

7. New Member Introduction (Lynny)

- Mark Wahl (W5AHL)
- Julia Youngs (W7BGK)
- Jeff Riechel (KK7ZHU)

Welcome to the club!

- b. Website Password –Will be sent out April 1
- c. Reminder to pay dues

8. Old Business

- a. 50/50 Raffle Reminder - Get your tickets! 50% to First Presbyterian Church and 50% to the winner.
- b. Update on Website security and Members List (Henry – KH6VM)
- c. T-Shirts Order (Henry) So far 6 shirts, minimum order is 25 Can we order smaller orders?
- d. Investment Committee: James sent Jess the names of Holly and George who have volunteered. Thanks you.
- e. Repeater /Echolink Rob and Henry received updated credentials for roof access. A new router was installed. The antenna may need adjustment. It may be possible that HamWan settings need changing or a change in the IP address or DNS settings. Henry:
 - Rob set up the connection.
 - Need some assistance with adjusting on the tower

9. New Business

- a. Narrow banding of the Puget Sound repeaters. - Sharing about a change coming to Puget Sound repeaters. From wide to narrow mode.
 - Henry: This is awareness. for the future.
- b. Programs for General Meeting
 - Tools for new Hams QRZ;
 - Gary, DMR,
 - Fox Hunt Antennas
- c. 7QP - May 3,4 Volunteers are needed.
 - Tim is coordinating

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- At the LDS church
 - Costco Pizza and Drinks will be provided
 - Portable toilet has been ordered
 - Setup Friday night, Take down early Sunday morning.
- d. Field Day Late in June Legion Park Everett.
- e. Fox Hunt Timing / coordination Tracking birds with yagi's:
Thank you Curt N7OBI for picking up a Fox
Have a workshop at the church to build yagi antenna.
Everyone can participate even if you do not have a license.

Larry Schwitters is the project coordinator at "Audubon Vaux's Happening" and asked if our club could help in August track baby swifts. Need to find out what the VHF frequency. It would be best to practice with the Fox hunt first.

10. Randy will be moving. Trailer and equipment will need housing Looking for options.
- Contact James or the board if you have ideas
11. ARRL is asking for feedback March 21 Member Bulliten FCC Changes Made: ARRL is asking for comments
12. Question about Whisper
13. Reminder to pay membership dues.
14. Next Meeting **Saturday, April 26, 2025; 9:00 am** on Zoom.
15. Adjourn. John N7AME Dennis W7DEB second 9:52