

# The Repeater

# **Next Club Meeting**

Saturday,
December 8, 2012, 6:00 PM
N5EG QTH
3950 Southview Terrace,
Medford, OR

Program: Christmas Pot luck
Party <u>SATURDAY</u> Dec 8th 6:00 PM
N5EG QTH (see map p3)

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#### President's Letter

Our annual Christmas party is coming up quickly. On Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm we will meet at the residence of Tom McDermott, N5EG for a pot luck dinner. Tom has a very spacious home, so there is plenty of room for everyone. There will be good food, fellowship and plenty of ham radio conversation. It will be fun to get caught up on what we have all been doing with our hobby lately. I got to preview some of the projects Tom has been working on recently and I guarantee you will find them fascinating. I sincerely hope every one of you will be able to join us.

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## **Secretary's Report**

MINUTES OF THE 1 NOVEMBER 12 ROGUE VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING.

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Statchwick W7KNX at 1900L in the Red Cross building in Medford, OR.

- 1. Guests in attendance where: two newly tested hams Ryan and John, plus Ray Abbott KK6AM and John Laybourne W8WOM.
- 2. The minutes were not read as they are in the newsletter.
- 3. Lud KB2EVN reported the club treasury has \$4280.01 in it.

#### Old Business:

1. Tom McDermott N5EG reports that he is all set for the Christmas potluck at his place.

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#### President's Letter, Continued

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I would like to congratulate Bud Larson, W7LNG and Herb Grey, W7MMI on their induction last month as honorary lifetime members of the Rogue Valley Amateur Radio Club. They have both contributed a great deal to the club over the years and it is a privilege to have them as active members.

The club board of executives will be meeting later in December to plan next years meeting presentations. If anyone has an idea for a presentation or would be interested in giving a presentation in 2013, please notify any of the club officers.

Speaking of presentations, I would like to thank Bob Deuel, K2GLO for his fascinating presentation on the 12v anode tubes that were used in the early 60's in automotive and portable radio applications. Bob is a very skilled craftsman and brought some of the 12v anode tube projects he built from scratch, all of them beautifully constructed.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Christmas party.

73, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to all.

Jeff W7KNX

#### Secretary's Report, Cont'd.

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He will send out directions and a map.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Tom as head of the nominating committee reports that the nominees for 2013 club officers are: Jeff for president and Scott Cummings KD7EHB for vice chairman, Allan Taylor K7GT for secretary and Lud Sibley KB2EVN for treasurer.
- 2. Jeff asked for nominees from the floor. There being none forthcoming, Tom made a motion that we accept the slate as presented by acclamation, Dale Trautman W7IXS 2nd the motion and it passed.
- 3. Scott Cummings KD7EHB suggested that we form a membership committee to recruit members and he volunteered to serve as chairman. Jeff asked for a motion which Joe Gunderson AF7GN made and Dale W7IXS 2nd after some discussion the motion passed. Joe and Curt Hadley KF7VZV will be on the committee with Scott.
- 4. Scott gave us the final field day report. He said, "We swept Oregon 3A by being number one in our category." We were 76 nationwide in our category.

Jeff put the meeting on hold for coffee and an "eyeball QSO" at 1945L and called the meeting back into session at 2015.

1. Jeff suggested that in accordance with our by-laws we can nominate some club members who have served the club in an outstanding manner for a lot of years as a life member and they no longer pay dues. He suggested that we nominate Herb Grey W7MMI and Bud Larson W7LNG for a life time membership, Dale made a motion as such and Scott 2nd it and the motion carried. 2. Bob Duel K2GLO put on an interesting Power Point slide show of the history, evolution and current usage of low anode voltage tubes. He also had a display table with many

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December Club Meeting: Pot-Luck Christmas Party NOTE DATE: SATURDAY, December 8th, 6:00 PM—??

The December Meeting this year will be a pot-luck dinner. There will be NO GIFT EXCHANGE.

If your last name begins with the letter:

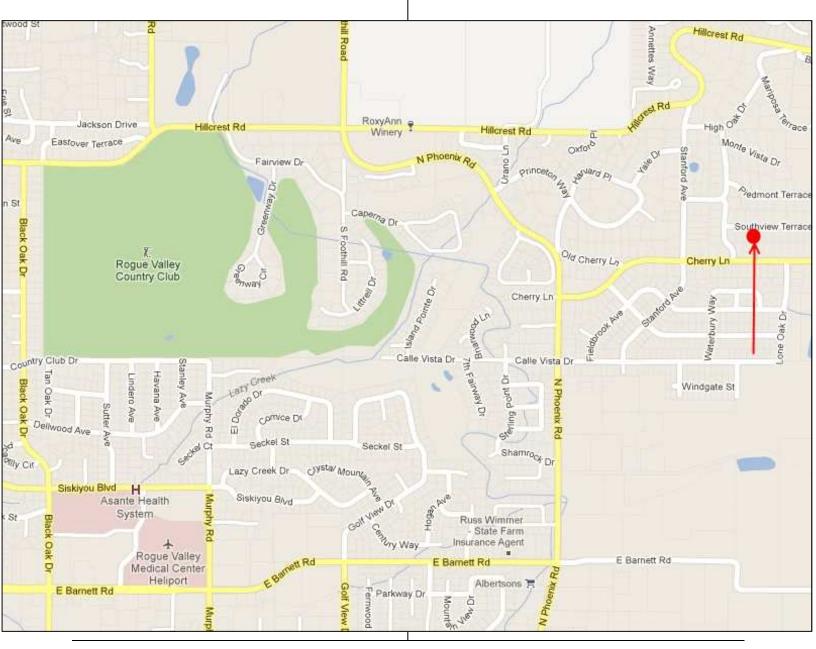
- A through F—bring appetizer or finger food
- <u>G through M</u>—bring hot dish, vegetables, or bread
- N through Z—bring desert, fruits, or soft drinks

Time: 6:00 PM-??

Place N5EG QTH 3950 Southview Terrace Medford, OR 97504

Far east Medford, just off Cherry Lane and Orchard View.

Note that the date is **SATURDAY**.



#### PIO happenings, Joe Gunderson AF7GN

Your PIO has been busy planning for next year's Field Day. Which I predict will be more successful than last years, at least from my perspective of getting the word out and operation of the paperwork. Ah, yes, I was amazed at what number of pieces of paperwork are required to be completed for the ARRL. It appears they have taken some lessons from big government on that front.

Our class of future Technicians is plugging along. We had to change our venue, because of access to the class room was unavailable. Our class has diminished in size, but we shall persevere. One of students Ryon Tucker KF7ZGW has already passed his tech test and received his ticket. Congratulations to him. He is also continuing to attend the classes.

I am currently planning on leaving Dec 10 to visit my son in Las Vegas for Christmas and I will be back December 27<sup>th</sup>. Everyone have a great holiday season and be safe. 73 – Joe AF7GN

### November Program—Bob Deuel, K2GLO

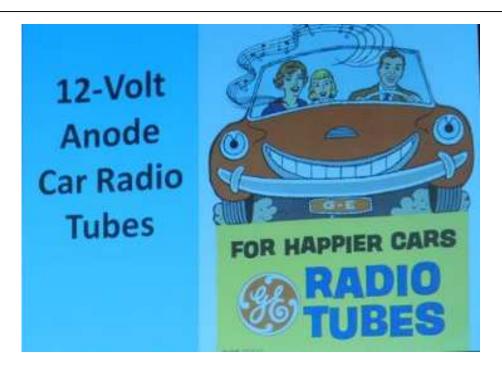


Bob displayed several vacuum tube projects he has built from the magazine articles. He has used original components (including dogbone resistors!) when they have been available.

## November Program—Bob Deuel, K2GLO, continued



Our November speaker, Bob Deuel, K2GLO, is introduced by Club President Jeff Statchwick, W7KNX



Photographs courtesy Walt Deutsch, KG6MZU

#### **RVARC Dues**

RVARC membership dues run from January 1 through December 31. Please bring cash or a check payable to RVARC to a club meeting, or mail (checks only) to:

> RVARC Membership c/o 102 McDonough Rd. Gold Hill, OR 97525-9626

Regular Member: \$20.00 Senior Member (62 and over): \$15.00 Family Member: \$20.00 Student Member: \$10.00

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examples of regenerative radios using the above mention tubes.

Jeff adjourned the meeting at 2100L

Submitted by Jacob O. (Jack) Schock WA7I-HU secretary.

#### **Amateur Radio Examinations**

In the Rogue Valley, amateur radio exams are provided by the RVARC and the SOARC. The 2012 and 2013 exam schedules have been announced. New exam participants need to provide identification, while upgrading amateurs need to **provide a copy of their current license** as well as show identification. Exam fee for 2012 is \$15.00. All license candidates must provide a picture ID. Upgrading amateurs must also provide a photocopy of their current license to send in with their application. To search for other exam locations, see:

http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml

## Medford—Phoenix, OR

**Time:** Saturdays, 8:00 AM. Walk-ins welcome.

**Location:** Fire District 5 HQ. 5811 South Pacific Highway, Phoenix, Oregon 97535

**Dates 2013:** Feb 23 June 22 Oct 26

Contact: Don Bennett, Email: kg7bp@rfwarrior.com Phone: (541) 973-3625

#### **Grants Pass**

Time: Arrive 6:00 PM. Exam session starts at 6:30 PM. Walk-ins welcome.

**Location:** Fruitdale Grange. 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass OR 97527-5288

**Dates 2013:** Feb 22 May 17 Aug 23 Nov 15

Contact: John Stubbe, K7VSU, email: K7VSU@arrl.net, Phone: (541) 218-2244

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