



The Repeater

Next Club Meeting

Saturday December 15, 2018,
6:30 PM

N5EG QTH
3950 Southview Ter.,
Medford, OR

Program:
Holiday Pot-luck party

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Club Web Page:			http://w7dta.org	

Club Notes

Allan Taylor, K7GT will be departing as president. Our president for 2019 will be John Laybourne, W8WOM.

Please wish John welcome.

The club's December meeting will be our annual pot-luck dinner, to be held at Tom McDermott (N5EG) house on December 15th. The date had to move a bit due to avoid a schedule conflict with the CARE December meeting.

Please also say thank you to our other club members who stepped up and agreed to be officers for 2019.

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Secretary's Report

John Armstrong was not able to make the November meeting so John Laybourne recorded them. Here is a transcription and edit of those notes.

November 2018 RVARC meeting notes.
Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Allan Taylor, K7GT

First order of business: date and time for Christmas/Holiday potluck. After discussion, the date/time will be December 8 starting at 6:30 PM at N5EG's home.

Elections were held. Voting was unanimous:

- President John Laybourne
- Vice President Scott Cummings
- Secretary John Armstrong
- Treasurer Mike Bach

A pleasant break and chat session ensued. The evening's presentation was given by

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ARRL Northwestern Election Results

The ARRL has announced the results of contested elections for Director and Vice Director. Ballots were opened and counted on November 16 in seven contests within five ARRL Divisions. Of local interest, the Northwestern Division results are:

Northwestern Division Director

- Mike Ritz, W7VO 1,589
- Bonnie Altus, AB7ZQ 1,308
- Horace Hamby, N7DRW 495

Mr. Ritz was declared elected.

Northwestern Division Vice Director

- Mark Tharp, KB7HDX 1,368
- Daniel Stevens, KL7WM 1,228
- Delvin Bunton, NS7U 767

Mr. Tharp was declared elected.

Secretary Report, Cont'd.

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Lud Sibley on LF and VLF history. Lud's presentation included truly historic photos of early spark and alternator equipment dating back to the 1900's through the 1920's.

Visitors:

K7FUR	Doug
KI7ONK	Scott Searcy
KJ7BKH	Luke Bryon
KJ7BKI	Linda Bryon

ARRL Contest Portal

ARRL Announces New Contests Web Portal

The ARRL Contest Branch has announced a new ARRL Contests Portal,

<http://contests.arrl.org/>

which ARRL Contest Branch Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, calls "a one-stop shop for all of your ARRL contest interests, offering access to everything from the starting bell of a contest to your post-event hard-fought certificate of accomplishment."

Use the navigation tabs on the left to locate information about specific contests. Use the tabs at the top to submit logs, manage club eligibility lists, download certificates, and view other information for all contests. Jahnke said the new portal is still under construction, and information on specific contests and other contest-related content is being added every week.

ARRL Field Day 2018 Results

The ARRL 2018 Field Day results have been published on their webpage, and are printed in the December issue. 2018 was a poor year in terms of the sunspot cycle, and stations on the west coast are affected more than most other areas of the country due to geography.

10 and 15 meters did not open from the west coast to the east coast, and conditions on 20 meters were as struggle as most folks vacated 10 and 15 and moved to 20 meters resulting in huge crowds, coupled with poor propagation. 20 meters closed in the late afternoon, forcing our operations to 40 and 80 meters. Our 40m yagi did an outstanding job on phone.

Our 3-club effort at K7N resulted in a good score in comparison to other west coast and northwestern division outings. We had the top score for 3A in Oregon. We placed 3rd in Oregon amongst all categories, and 3rd in the Northwestern division for 3A.

The club is looking at future field day locations. While Scienceworks in Ashland is a wonderful location for public access, the location being in Ashland comes with significant paperwork and permit requirements. In 2019 we will be looking for locations that are easier to manage for the limited time of our volunteers.

#	Call	Score	Category	QSOs	Power Mult	GOTA Call	Section	Participants	Club
1	K7N	4,264	3A	1,260	2	W7DTA	OR	51	RVARC & CARE & JCARES
2	W7AU	3,108	3A	612	2	W7SST	OR	9	Terrie Hill & Friends
3	K7CCH	2,880	3A	453	2		OR	30	Coos Co. RC
4	W7Q	2,560	3A	518	2	K7BAT	OR	25	
5	W7FLO	2,264	3A	228	2	W7L	OR	40	Central OR Coast ARC
6	W7SAA	1,788	3A	229	2	K7JLT	OR	12	Salem ARC
7	WA7LO	1,384	3A	167	2		OR	15	Lake Oswego ARES
8	WC7EC	1,302	3A	96	2		OR	15	WARS-Wasco AR Svc
9	K7YL	484	3A	67	2		OR	3	Bear Mountain

Oregon, 3A

ARRL Field Day 2018 Results, Continued

#	Call	Score	Category	QSOs	Power	GOTA	Sec-	Partici-	Club
1	W7TST	6,516	3A	1,964	2		EWA	3	Western WA Contest Club
2	W7PIG	4,304	3A	932	2	K7UDG	WWA	64	Stanwood-Camano ARC
3	K7N	4,264	3A	1,260	2	W7DTA	OR	51	RVARC & CARE & JCARES
4	W7AIA	3,556	3A	877	2	K7JAO	WWA	157	Clark Co. ARC
5	W7AU	3,108	3A	612	2	W7SST	OR	9	Terrie Hill & Friends
6	K7CCH	2,880	3A	453	2		OR	30	Coos Co. RC
7	W7Q	2,560	3A	518	2	K7BAT	OR	25	
8	K7M	2,348	3A	414	2	KG7MF	ID	13	Central ID ARC
9	NC7G	2,274	3A	347	2	WA7ST	WWA	20	Highline ARC
10	W7FLO	2,264	3A	228	2	W7L	OR	40	Central OR Coast ARC
11	NT7H	2,116	3A	321	2		WWA	11	Olympia ARS
12	K7MVA	1,806	3A	312	2		ID	14	Magic Valley ARC
13	W7SAA	1,788	3A	229	2	K7JLT	OR	12	Salem ARC
14	W7MIR	1,690	3A	159	2		WWA	25	Mercer Island Radio Operators
15	K7Q	1,654	3A	220	2		MT	7	Musselshell ARC
16	W7VMI	1,606	3A	237	2		WWA	50	Vashon Maury Island RC
17	WA7LO	1,384	3A	167	2		OR	15	Lake Oswego ARES
18	K7E	1,380	3A	65	2		EWA	25	Rodeo City RC
19	WC7EC	1,302	3A	96	2		OR	15	WARS-Wasco AR Svc
20	K7SEL	1,006	3A	161	2	W17EO C	EWA	12	SEL ARC
21	AF7FQ	880	3A	165	2		ID	6	Elmore Co. ARES
22	W7RAG	833	3A	447	1		WWA	3	
23	K7YL	484	3A	67	2		OR	3	Bear Mountain
24	KI7OHH	460	3A	5	2		WWA	8	Am Red Cross Snohomish Co.
25	W7BLR	106	3A	14	2		WWA	6	

Northwestern Division, 3A

This Month's Programs

1. Holiday Party

- **Program:**

The club's annual holiday pot-luck party (in lieu of the December meeting) will be held:

- Saturday, December 15th, starting at 6:30 PM
- at Tom (N5EG's) house: 3950 Southview Ter., Medford, OR 97504
North of Cherry Lane in east Medford.

Last name beginning with:	Suggested food item to bring
A through F	Hot dish, vegetables, or bread
G through M	Desert, fruit, or beverage
N through Z	Appetizer or finger food

December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 • CP ERC Net	3 • CARE Net	4 • 2M SSB Net	5 • 2M SSB Net	6 • ARES Net • Sis-Q ARC Net	7	8 • CARE Party
9 • CP ERC Net	10 • CARE Net	11 • 2M SSB Net	12 • 2M SSB Net	13 • Rogue Hack Lab • ARES Net • Sis-Q ARC Net	14	15 • RVARC Party
16 • CP ERC Net	17 • CARE Net	18 • 2M SSB Net	19 • 2M SSB Net • JCARES Meeting	20 • ARES Net • Sis-Q ARC Net	21	22
23 • CP ERC Net	24 • CARE Net?	25 • 2M SSB Net?	26 • 2M SSB Net	27 • ARES Net • Sis-Q ARC Net	28	29
30 • CP ERC Net	31 • CARE Net?					

Events

Meetings

- **RVARC** Saturday, December 15th — 6:30 PM, N5EG QTH 3950 Southview Ter., Medford
- **Rogue Hack Lab** Thursday December 13th — 6:30 PM, Medford Library
- **CARE** Saturday, December 8th — 2:30 PM — Belleview Grange
- **JCARES** Wednesday, December 19th — 6:00 PM — Jackson County Sheriff's Office on Crater Lake Highway

Nets

- **ARES** Thursdays 7:30 PM - K7JAX Mt. Baldy Repeater 146.840 (-) [PL 123.0]
- **CARE** Mondays 7:00 PM— KB7SKB Jacksonville Repeater 147.100 (-) [PL 136.5], open, directed net, visitors welcome
- **2 Meter SSB** Tuesdays 7:00PM and Wednesdays 10:00 AM—144.200 USB
- **Central Point Emergency Radio Communications** Sundays 8:30 PM— KB7QMV Medford Repeater 145.410 (-) [PL none]. Move to simplex net on 147.585 MHz when finished. Directed net.

RVARC Membership

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 1940 Stevens Rd.
Eagle Point OR 97524-6523

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

For Sale / Wanted

Be sure to visit our club's Sell / Swap webpage for more items.

<http://w7dta.org/sellswap/>

2018 Amateur Radio Examinations

In the Rogue Valley, amateur radio exams are provided by the RVARC and the SOARC. New exam participants need to provide identification, while upgrading amateurs need to **provide a copy of their current license** as well as show identification. The exam fee for 2018 remains \$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> or our club webpage: <http://w7dta.org>

Medford—Phoenix, OR

Time: Saturdays, Registration 8:30 AM. Exam session at 9:00 AM. Walk-ins welcome.

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

Dates 2018: No remaining 2018 sessions.

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

Grants Pass

Time: Fridays Registration 6:00 PM. Exam session at 6:30 PM. Walk-ins welcome.

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

Dates 2018: No remaining 2018 sessions.

Contact: John Stubbe, K7VSU, email: jstubbe7@gmail.com Phone: (541) 218-2244

Roseburg, Bend, Redding, Brookings, Crescent City — Please see our club webpage, <http://w7dta.org> for updates as we receive schedules for these cities.

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