



WATT'S UP

News Letter for the Umpqua Valley
Amateur Radio Club

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Club Call Signs

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President's Message

2004 Oregon QSO Party - RULES

Hi fellow club members, May 8th is the date for the Oregon QSO Party where club members are encouraged to work as many Oregon stations and counties as possible. WE ARE PLANNING ON SETTING UP PORTABLE HF STATIONS ON TOP OF CAMAS MOUNTAIN SO PUT THAT DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR AND COME ON OUT FOR A DAY OF FUN. MIKE PHILLIPS, WB6RHW, IS OBTAINING PERMISSION FOR THE SITE AND WILL ISSUE AN E-MAIL WITH DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO GET THERE.

Date: 1400 UTC 8 May to 0200 UTC 9 May 2004. (7AM to 7PM PDT Saturday)

Object: Oregon stations work everyone, others work Oregon stations only.

Exchange: OR stations send QSO number plus county, others QSO# and state, province, or country.

Bands: 160 through 2m, no repeaters, WARC bands or cross-mode contacts. Suggested frequencies are 40 kHz up on CW, 50 kHz up on SSB - 3850, 7250, 14250, 21350 and 28450 on ssb.

Scoring: 1 point per SSB QSO; 2 points per CW QSO. Work stations once per band and mode. Mobile stations may be worked again as they enter new counties. Contacts with/by stations located on the border of two counties count as two QSOs; 3 counties, 3 QSOs, etc. Score: Non-OR stations multiply QSO points by OR counties worked on each mode (max

72). Oregon stations multiply QSO points by OR counties +states +provinces +DXCC countries. One extra multiplier for each 8 QSOs in the same OR county. 100 bonus points for working special club station K7O. A summary scoring sheet is available on the CODXC.org web site.

Awards & Prizes: One pound of the finest Tillamook Cheddar to the highest scoring station outside Oregon, ½ pound to the runner-up. A certificate will be awarded to the top ten Oregon fixed and top five mobile stations, the top OR county line station, and the highest score (reporting at least 10 OR contacts) in each state, province and country.

Logs: Entrants must submit a log containing times in UTC, call of station worked, QSO #, state, province OR county, band, and mode. Circle new multipliers worked. Oregon mobiles must indicate county changes in the log. Any station with more than 100 QSOs must either submit a dupe sheet or submit an electronic log. Any plain text electronic logging program output file is acceptable. A summary sheet must be submitted with every log. Send by June 10, 2004 to Oregon QSO Party, c/o K4XU, 61255 Ferguson Rd, Bend, OR 97702. Computer logs to k4xu@arrl.net.

Oregon Map, County sign-up sheet, Rules, Files for use with CT and TR logging programs, entry form summary sheet in .pdf and text formats are all available on the CODXC Web site at www.codxc.org

ton Clackamas Clatsop Columbia Coos Crook Curry
Deschutes Douglas Gilliam Grant Harney HoodRiver
Jackson Jefferson Josephine Klamath Lake Lane Lin-
coln Linn Malheur Marion Morrow Multnomah Polk
Sherman Tillamook Umatilla Union Willowa Wasco
Washington Wheeler Yamhill

**Standard county abbreviations: BAK BEN CLK CLT
COL COO CRO CUR DES DOU GIL GRA HAR HOO
JAC JEF JOS KLA LAK LAN LCN LNN MAL MAR MOR
MUL POL SHE TIL UMA UNI WAL WCO WSH WHE
YAM**

(www.codxc.com/new/SummarySheet.pdf)

June 19, 2004 Kid's Day

Kid's Day is intended to encourage young people (licensed or not) to enjoy Amateur Radio. It can give young people hands-on on-the-air experience so they might develop an interest in pursuing a license in the future. It is intended to give hams a chance to share their station with their children.

Anyone care to plan how the club can support the kid's day event? We should be able to get some great publicity and we may be able to set up in Stewart Park.

Hope to see you all at the next club meeting on April 15 th. Lee K7AZW

UVARC REPEATERS

- 146.900-, PL 100 (Lane Mountain)
- 147.120-, PL 100 (Boomer Hill)
- 145.390-, PL 123 (Chilcoot Mtn. direct)

PACKET

- Node - 145.090, DC:AB7DC-1
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UVARC HOME PAGE

<http://www.qsl.net/aa7gc/uvarc/home.html>

NOTES:

- Watt's Up is **on line** in the UVARC Home Page. It may be viewed in PDF format.
- Members **E-mail addresses** are included in the home page as a link. Password required. The **club roster** is included in the club home page as a link. Password required.
- Club **constitution** is available as a linked page.
- Back issues of **Watt's Up** are available through the club web page in PDF formats.

VE TESTING

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Roseburg even months - ***Tri City** odd months

*Note: Testing at Tri City requires preregistration. **NO "Walk-ins" please.**

Testing Locations:

Roseburg: DC Courthouse, Room 310.
Tri City: Tri City Veteran's Memorial Building,
252 Old Pacific Highway

TESTING DATES

ODD Months	EVEN Months
7:00 PM	6:30 PM
01/14	02/11
03/10	04/14
05/12	06/09
07/14	NoTesting in Aug.
09/08	10/13
11/10	12/08

For further information call:
Even Months - Mel, AB7DC, 672-7564
Odd Months - Norm, W0QOT, 863-7692

Minutes of the Meeting

Dick, N6Mok and C.J.,WB3DRF audited the treasury books recently, all accounts in good order.

Our speaker was Chris Novan and friend Johnnie Jones from Grants Pass area. He introduced the new unit that he builds for various repeater locations. This can be used to link all repeaters from south to north to Salem. No action was taken at this meeting.

Motion seconded and passed to purchase club patches.

Dick, N6MOK presented the Guidelines for Ham of the Year award. This motion was passed.

By-Laws committee was formed to update our club guidelines. Secretary, Russ-W7DUR



SUNSHINE

If you hear of someone who is ill or in the hospital, please let me know. Also notify me of any silent keys. Contact Stan, K7SUJ at 672-5826 with any informa-



Lt. Col. L.A. Nelson

USAF RET.

Lyle received his first HAM license, W0ELF, after leaving the army. When he went to work for NACA (NASA) in Virginia he was assigned W4OFF. Upon moving to California he was assigned W6OFF.

Lyle was the first HAM to report the positions of the yachts in the Trans pacific Tahiti races of 1964 due to the Coast Guard's decision not to send a communication vessel to accompany the yachts. On later races he reported several serious emergencies. He was also the first U.S. HAM to get a reciprocal FO0 call sign in Tahiti which was TOOTB.

He was awarded The Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. His group, the 465th Bomb Group, was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster. Since he was with that group when the awards were given he is able to wear them forever on his uniform. He is also entitled to wear a number of Campaign Ribbons for his overseas service. In addition he was awarded The Liberation Medal for WW2 from France and a similar medal from Greece. Lyle flew 27 missions in Korea and was awarded two more Oak Leaf Clusters to his Air Medal for a total of five.

Lyle's abbreviated biography follows:

At Jefferson Barracks near St. Louis, we were shown a large number of Army Air Corps Technical Schools which were available. I knew the least about radio radio, and therefore could learn the most , so I volunteered for the **Aircraft Radio Operator and Mechanic School** at Scott Field. The war was just starting. I received a very good education in the mysteries of **Aircraft Radio Operation and Repair**. Upon

graduation, I was appointed instructor. Several months prior to this, I had applied for an Aviation Cadet appointment. Ten days after graduation from radio school, I received orders to report to Randolph Field at San Antonio. I was an Aviation Cadet.

Upon graduation from Flight School and appointment as a brand new 2nd Lieutenant, I was appointed Aircraft Navigation Instructor at Hondo Army Air Force Base west of San Antonio. I also spent about a year as Squadron Engineering Officer. This involved calibrating and maintenance of navigation instruments on 25 to 30 AT-7 navigation training aircraft and several Lockheed B-34 bombers converted to navigation trainers. Later I was transferred to Navigation Research and Development. We researched aircraft navigation methods and equipment and wrote text books for Army Navigation Schools.

After a stint at Selman Field, Monroe, Louisiana and AAFNIS (Army Air Forces Navigation Instructor School) at Ellington Field, Texas, I was ordered overseas in July 1945. On the basis of a test at Lincoln Army Air Field in Nebraska, I was declared a Lead Crew Navigator and assigned to a B-29 squadron at 3rd AF Headquarters in Florida. On my way to Florida, Japan folded. The Enola Gay had delivered the worlds first tactical A-Bomb. One of the high points of my flying while in Florida was when we flew in echelon formation. Looking out the navigation dome you could see the huge awe inspiring wings of the B-29's stacked up above us.

At 3rd Air Force Headquarters in Florida I was assigned to a B-29 lead crew. The aircraft was relatively new and still had a few bugs. The huge R3850 engines swung large props with wide blades (like a foot wide) as longer, thinner, more efficient blades were more efficient were limited by the landing gear length. Every so often we would come down with an engine out.

To read Lyle's entire story purchase the book "Crews of Big Bombers" published by the Dykema Publishing Co., or check it out from the Douglas County Library.

UVARC CLUB REPEATERS

I have been working on getting our repeaters working well. The command and control for 147.120 is being updated first, and KB7WDR donated a radio, Mike, WB6RHW is donating the DTMF switch, and technology to build this unit. Mike and I with the help of Tom, W7TCH and KB7OOB, Dave Camky to get it installed. Our club gives special recognition to Dave Camky for the years of donating his Boomer Hill site and support of this repeater. This machine has served South Douglas County well, and can be critical during times of floods or other disasters.

The club has authorized Mike Phillips, WB6RHW to build a replacement for the 146.900 which is ancient. Coax has been purchased, and we will be looking for a crew to move the antenna up the tower later this year.

We will be looking at the 145.390 repeater and a DTMF switch and preamp replacement before it goes back up on Chilcoot Mt. It is important that these repeaters be up and working not only for our access and for emergency needs, but also to maintain the coordinated frequency pairs which are nearly impossible now to obtain. Again, special thanks to Fred Mayer who maintains the commercial site on Chilcoot Mt., and brought down the repeater when it failed.

Our club is very thankful for the monthly work that Charlotte Clauson, AC7XM, has given to this newsletter. We thank you so much Charlotte, and wish you well in your busy life of family and home schooling.

I was happy to see such a turn out at the last club meeting. This was generated by e-mail and telephone reminders, and a presentation and discussion about our repeaters. Hope to see this same turn out regularly to keep our club active, providing advancement for the hobby of amateur radio, and for the fellowship of other hams.

Jerry

KB7WDR

CLUB BREAKFAST: The UVARC is continuing its search for a breakfast meeting place. Please contact Lee, K7AZW for the meeting place of the week.

Silent Key

Kathryn R. Weis, KB6RJX became a Silent Key 3/16/2004. She and Larry, KB7RJX, were living in Hemet, CA. They were UVARC members in the early 1990's. Our condolences go out the her family.

Bogus ARRL.net Messages

Circulating via e-mail

March 3, 2004 -- Several members have notified ARRL that they have received e-mail messages alleging to be from the ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service, "The ARRL.net team" or some variation. The messages, which often carry a subject line along the lines of "Warning about your e-mail account," indicate that the recipient's ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service <call sign>@arrrl.net address will be closed within three days because of an alleged violation of acceptable practices. These messages are false and did not come from The ARRL Forwarding Service. They are the result of one of the variants on a number of viruses now permeating the Internet. A file usually is attached to these messages. As always, **do not open** any attachments that you cannot identify. Opening the file could result in your computer being infected by a virus. This is only one of the several virus-laden messages currently propagating across the Internet. The ARRL advises its members to be cautious in opening any message and/or attachment, even if it appears to be from someone you know. All of these viruses use e-mail addresses from the address book of an infected computer to falsify the "From:" address in the header to make it appear that the message is from someone the recipient knows.

Thank you for your support while I was editing the Watts Up! It was greatly appreciated.

73's,

Charlotte Clauson, AC7XM



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Board-meeting.	2	3 Breakfast Contact K7AZW For Location
4 Daylight Savings	5 DC-ARES NET 7 PM 145.430 Repeater	6	7	8	9	10 Breakfast Contact K7AZW For Location
11	12 DC-ARES NET 7 PM 145.430 Repeater	13	14 VE Testing 6:30 PM, Rm 310 DC Courthouse	15 Club Meeting 7:30 PM, Rm 310 DC Courthouse	16	17 Breakfast Contact K7AZW For Location
18	19 DC-ARES NET 7 PM 145.430 Repeater	20	21	22	23	24 Breakfast Contact K7AZW For Location
25	26 DC-ARES NET 7 PM 145.430 Repeater	27	28	29	30	

UMPQUA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC

Membership Application

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____

STREET _____ CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____

ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO [] E-mail Address _____

Other names at your address desiring family membership

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____ ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO []

NAME _____ CALL SIGN _____ LICENSE CLASS _____ ARRL MEMBER YES [] NO []

Please show names the way you want them to appear in the roster

HOME PHONE _____ RECEIVE YOUR NEWS LETTER BY: U.S. MAIL [] OR E-MAIL (PDF) []

RENEWAL _____ *AMT. ENCLOSED _____ DATE _____ DATE OF BIRTH (STUDENTS) _____

SPOUSE'S NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

Membership dues are \$10.00 for individuals and \$5.00 for each additional family member living at the same address per calendar year. Associate membership dues are \$5.00. Dues are prorated (NEW members only): Jan - Mar \$10/5 (each additional member); Apr - Jun \$7.50/3.75; Jul - Sep \$5/2.50; Oct - Dec \$2.50/1.25. Membership is free for **Licensed** students, 18 and younger. Make checks payable to: **UVARC, PO Box 925, Roseburg, OR 97470.**