

Watt's UP

*News Letter for the Umpqua Valley
Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 925 Roseburg, OR 97470*

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Club Call Signs

KC7UAV

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ARES net frequencies...

DC ARES 145.430 rpt.

Mondays at 1900 hrs

District 5 ARES 3993.5
khz

Mondays at 2100 hrs

State ARES 3993.5 khz

Mondays at 2100 hrs

A message from our President...

Hi club members, some reminders for this month are---

Ham of the year nominations must be submitted via snail mail or hand carry and must be in by the November club meeting (11/18/04). please see form and guidelines on pg.3

Swaptober fest is OCT. 23rd at Recreall up in Salem. Save \$2.00 and get your registration in early and you won't have to stand in line either.

Nomination for 2005 club officers will be voted on at the November meeting and New 2005 officers installed at the December meeting. { Anyone care to head up a Nominating committee of 3 persons???) Your current Club President will only be available for the Board of Directors in 2005.

The Site for our club Installation DINNER / POT-LUCK has been reserved by K7DUR and will be published next month. It is the Club meeting night in December (12/16/04) so put it on your calendar and plan on attending.

October 16th is the BOY/GIRL/Cub Scout JAMBOREE week end and your club will support this event by setting up a vhf & HF Station over in the Winston Community Park located on Thompson st. between Grape and Edgewood. The Ham Station(s) will be up by the flag poles. Please contact Don Fulton KB7WTA to volunteer your services.

To learn more about JOTA visit the ARRL: web page and type JOTA in the site search engine.

JOTA frequencies are:

World Scout Frequencies

Band	SSB (Phone)	CW (morse Only)
80 meters	3.740 / 3.940 MHz	3.590 MHz
40	7.270	7.030
20	14.290	14.070
17	18.140	18.080
15	21.360	21.140
12	24.960	24.910
10	28.390	28.190

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
	12/08

For further information call:

Even Months - Mel, AB7DC, 672-5884

Odd Months - Norm, W0QOT, 863-7692

Random Quotes...

Everyone is a genius. It's just that some people are too stupid to realize it...

minutes from Setember club meeting...

Oct. 16th - Boyscout Jamboree in the Winston City park.
Don Fulton, KB7WTA will have his trailer there.

Operators who wish to help at the park should contact
Don. We also need operators standing by on the 146.90
repeater and maybe HF as well.

UVARC is looking for a volunteer to head up this years
nominating committee. Nominations and elections are
coming up in November.

Norm Neil, W0QOT, is resigning as the VE Liason for
south county. Anyone interested in taking on this job
should contact Norm.

Frank May, K6PID, donated an ICOM 751 with mike
and power supply to the club. We'll appreciate that at
Field day this year...thanks Frank!

Ed Stinson, KC7UFZ, won the World Radio
subscription.

Russ Nelson, W7DUR

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

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.

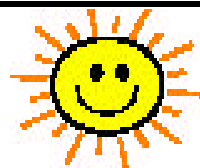
UVARC Current Membership...

At present, we have 74 active club members...

UVARC welcomes a new members!!!

Billy Myers, who will be taking his tecnician class this month...good luck Billy!

Frank May, **K6PID**, renewed his membership



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
information.

Hello UVARC members!

Any comments, suggestions or articles? Please send them to me via e-mail at mstruss@cmspan.net or give me at call at **673-8847**.
73, your editor...Martin, KD7QZA

Ham-of-the-Year
Nomination Guidelines

Each year the Umpqua Valley ARC honors one member with the Ham-of-the-Year Award. Many club members are good ambassadors for amateur radio. This is our opportunity to recognize and honor one of these unsung heroes. All it takes is some thought and a short letter to the selection committee.

The award is based on the following:

1. Someone in the club whom you think is an "ideal ham".
2. Someone who promotes amateur radio and uses good operating practices.
3. Someone who does more than asked.
4. Someone who works quietly in the background and is always there when needed.

Procedures:

1. You may nominate someone who has already received the award. Only current members are eligible to receive this award.
2. You must state the reasons why you are nominating the person.
3. Only one nomination per member will be accepted.
4. You must use the nomination form. E-mail nominations will not be accepted.
5. Nominations must be sent or delivered, in a sealed envelope, addressed to the nominating committee chairperson. Envelopes shall be opened by the chairperson when the committee meets for a decision. The current award winner will serve as the chairperson, and the last two preceding winners will serve as committee members. If any of the above are unable to serve, the next preceding winner or winners, as far back as necessary to establish full committee, will be used to make the current selection committee.
6. The committee shall meet in private to make their selection.
7. A copy of these instructions and nonimating form shall be included in the October issue of Watt's Up.
8. Selection will be made on quality, not the number of nominations.
9. Deadline for nominating letters is the November meeting.
10. Ham-Of-The-Year Award is presented at the December meeting.

NOTE: Any nominations not meeting the established guidelines or rules shall not be considered and the nomination shall be returned to the nominator with the appropriate explanation.

**UMPQUA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
HAM-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD NOMINATION FORM**

I _____ nominate _____ to receive the
HAM-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD for the year _____. My reasons are as follows:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

This sealed nomination was opened on _____ by the current award recipient, _____ and in the presence of the last two preceding award winners: _____, and _____.

After careful review of this nomination our decisions are noted as follows;

1. (chairperson) _____ Evaluation score (0 thru 10) _____
2. _____ Evaluation score (0 thru 10) _____
3. _____ Evaluation score (0 thru 10) _____

Total score: _____

Name plate and plaque ordered on:(date) _____

Awarded on: (date) _____.

Nomination filed on (date) _____.

**If this nomination is mailed, address it to:
UMPQUA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Nominating Committee Chairperson
P.O. Box 925**

==>FCC POISED TO ACT ON BPL REPORT AND ORDER IN MID-OCTOBER

The FCC Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) will present a draft broadband over power line (BPL) Report and Order to the full Commission when it meets October 14, the ARRL has learned. More than 6100 comments have been filed on the topic since the FCC released its initial Notice of Inquiry in the proceeding, ET Docket 03-104, in April 2003 and a subsequent Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM), ET Docket 04-37, in February of this year. The ARRL so far on this round has taken its concerns regarding Amateur Radio and BPL to three of the Commission's five members. In a meeting this week with FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein, an ARRL delegation again asserted that the FCC is pushing the proceeding to a predetermined conclusion with little regard for technical issues.

"Because the FCC has been unwilling to release for public review the results of its own tests and observations of BPL systems, the ARRL has no confidence that the draft Report and Order will be based on sound engineering and believes the rush to adoption is unwarranted and premature," ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, said in a follow-up letter to Adelstein. The letter reiterated the League's key points that, it said, "represent the minimum protection" that should be incorporated into the BPL Report and Order prior to Commission adoption.

"Without adequate safeguards, the deployment of BPL systems will result in the pollution and degradation of the unique natural resource of the high-frequency radio spectrum," Sumner said.

The League argued that the R&O include a reduction in the radiated emission limit. The ARRL wants the limit set 30 dB below current Part 15 requirements, which, it says, were established with narrowband point-source radiators in mind. "The record in this proceeding clearly establishes that BPL is not a point-source radiator," the ARRL's letter asserted.

The ARRL pointed out that the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has concluded that at the current Part 15 limit, interference is "likely" to receivers in land vehicles 75 meters from BPL-connected power lines and to fixed stations 460 meters from such power lines.

"Given the number of amateur stations and the fact that they almost invariably are located near power lines, the areas of potential interference at the existing Part 15 limit are clearly too large to permit case-by-case resolution of interference issues," Sumner said. "Based on experience with the very limited test deployments of BPL systems to date, notably in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Southern Wake County, North Carolina, and Cottonwood, Arizona," the ARRL told Adelstein, "widespread BPL deployment at the existing Part 15 radiated emission limit will result in an unmanageable incidence of interference."

The only way to reduce these areas of potential interference is to reduce the radiated emission limit, the ARRL maintained. Mandatory "notching" of the amateur bands by 30 dB would reduce the probability of interference to amateur stations sufficiently that the remaining interference cases might be resolved on a case-by-case basis. "However," the League added, "such notching would not solve the problem for other radio services."

The ARRL contingent, which included Sumner, ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and ARRL Chief Technology Officer Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, decried the FCC's lack of response to issues Sumner raised two months ago regarding a North Carolina Amateur Radio interference complaint. The ARRL representatives carried copies of correspondence questioning a July OET report that essentially gave the Progress Energy Corp BPL field trial a clean bill of health despite continued interference on amateur frequencies.

The League delegation suggested to Adelstein that the OET has swept the North Carolina BPL interference case under the rug and has attempted to discount interference issues in general

FCC Warns Additional Trucking Firms About 10-Meter Unlicensed Operation

NEWINGTON, CT, Sep 24, 2004--The FCC has issued warning notices to five more trucking companies asking them to respond to allegations that their drivers may have transmitted illegally on the 10-meter amateur band. The alleged violations, based on "information before the Commission" as opposed to FCC monitoring, are said to have occurred in North Carolina, Pennsylvania and California.

Swap-Toberfest

Saturday, October 23, 2004 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 p.m.

West of Salem where highway 22 meets 99W at the Polk County Fairgrounds

flyer available online at <http://www.swaptoberfest.net>



*just a reminder: if you have e-mail capability,
Let Russ, W7DUR know!
you'll be able to see all pictures in color and save the club some money!!*

October

2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Breakfast 0800 Rsbg. Denny's
3	4 DC ARES Net 1900 hrs 145.430	5	6	7	8	9 Breakfast 0800 Rsbg. Denny's
10	11 DC ARES Net 1900 hrs 145.430	12	13 VE Testing DC Courthouse Room 310	14	15	16 Boy Scout Jamb 0800 - 1400 ??
17	18 DC ARES Net 1900 hrs 145.430	19	20	21 BOD meeting 1815 UVARC meeting 1930 DCCH rm 310	22	23 Swaptoberfest Polk County Fair
24	25 DC ARES Net 1900 hrs 145.430	26	27	28	29	30 Breakfast 0800 Rsbg. Denny's
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EARLY-BIRD 2005

UMPQUA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC

Membership Application

EARLY-BIRD 2005

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.**