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Subject: JARC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND NEWSLETTER - GRP 3

**JARC MEETING TO BE HELD AT 7:30 PM APRIL 5TH AT
WEATHER FORECASTING OFFICE ON BACK LOOP ROAD
-- PROGRAM WILL FEATURE ANTENNA BASICS BY
JERRY PRINDLE**

NEWSLETTER
of the
Juneau Amateur Radio Club
KL7JRC

April 5, 2006

JARC 2006 Club Officers:

President KL7MK Mark Miles
Vice President KL1AS Jack Gregson
Secretary KL0KZ Sam Smith
Treasurer WL7WB Paulette Sill
VHF Chair KL7HFI Jerry Prindle

The regular monthly meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club will be held at the National Weather Service Office on the Back Loop Road on Wednesday at 7:30 PM, April 5, 2006. Jerry Prindle is presenting a program on antennas.

In Brief:

- The JDHS Science Fair was held on March 17, 18 & 19. The Radio Club awarded \$100 to Peter Erickson for his very fine project involving radio communications. See story.
- The Heinzelman repeater seems to be working again, but the Mt Roberts repeater needs some tuning up.

March Meeting Highlights:

- Mark Miles spoke to Mike Patterson, the CBJ Emergency Coordinator, concerning the equipment list that we proposed for the HF station at the Emergency Operations Center. They were a little concerned with the cost involved, but they will be moving it forward for grant money funding. It will be a few months before we hear if they are going to be able to go ahead with the installation.
- We are going to continue going forward with the sale of the ambulance as soon as we find a buyer.

JDHS Regional Science Fair:

The Club awarded the \$100 prize to Peter Erickson who is a freshman at JDHS. His project is titled: "The Effect of Line of Sight and Distance on Power of Propagation of Ham Radios." Frederick Hoskinson and Charlie Gray mentored the young man. He had a good project and we hope that he will continue his interest

in amateur radio.

VE Report:

No VE report this month

VHF Report:

The repeater at Heinzelman Ridge is suddenly working again, but we will continue to look at the possibility of moving it to Saddle Mt. on Douglas Island or the possibility of moving it to Jerry's home in the Valley.

Wednesday Lunchtime Meetings: Heritage Coffee has taken over the lunch counter at the Atrium Café. Not certain if they will be offering lunches in the future, so you might bring a lunch with you. We've been having 8 to 10 members at our Wednesday lunch meetings. The informal lunch meetings continue to take place at the Atrium Café in the Jordan Creek Mall at noon every Wednesday.

Membership:

We currently have 36 paid members for 2006, Bob Simpson is sending out a letter encouraging unpaid hams to join. Memberships are available at monthly meetings and on-line at www.qsl.net/jarc

Annual membership dues are:

\$36.00 for an individual membership including one autodial number, plus
\$12.00 for any number of additional family members;
\$10.00 for reverse patch and mailbox;
\$5.00 for each additional autodial numbers; and
\$10 for a youth membership.

Please bring your dues to the next meeting or mail to:

Juneau Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 35484
Juneau, Alaska 99803-5484
Attn: Treasurer

The Club needs your active participation and dues.

ARES Activities: We need more participation in the ARES Net that meets on the Mt Roberts repeater each Tuesday at 7PM. It only takes about 10 minutes and provides good practice for any events that could overwhelm our community. The Northern Southeast Alaska Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) net operates with good participation from Haines, Gustavus, and Juneau. The purposes of this net are to check on the readiness of ARES members and their equipment, to make announcements pertaining to amateur radio, to conduct informal training and to give members experience in managing a net. All are welcome to check in. We hope to see you on the radio!

Tell us your new E-mail Address: Sam Smith, KL0KZ, our Newsletter editor has been sending out our Newsletters electronically to the 90 percent of our membership who use Email. Please contact Sam at ssmith@ptialaska.net if you obtain a new e-mail address.

The Newsletter: The Editor of your Newsletter continues to search for interesting information from Club members that can be used in the Newsletter. We are frequently able to include articles and information by Club members, which are far more interesting than the usual dry information produced by the editor. If you have time to put something together that would interest the membership, please send by e-mail to

ssmith@ptialaska.net. We will edit it for you; so don't hesitate to send something to us. The appropriate length is less than one page.

Club Web Site: The Club's website is <http://www.qsl.net/jarc>. The site is maintained by Mike Caughran. An archive of past Newsletters, Club Minutes and ARES information are available on the site. It also provides excellent exposure for selling used radio equipment.

Repeater Status: Following is the status of repeaters in the Juneau area, which are available for use by Club members and out of town guests. For additional information on the Club's network of repeaters see the 2004 JARC Repeater Guide

REPEATER LOCATION H-T FREQUENCY CONDITION

Mt. Roberts Tramway R146.82/T146.22 Operating normally needs a tune up.

Lena Point R147.00/T146.40 Operating normally antenna not in final location.

Heinzelman Ridge R146.64/T146.04 System is functioning properly

Hoonah Mountain R146.70/T146.10 Operating normally antenna not in final location.

Petersburg/Duncan Canal R147.36/T146.76 New equipment is nearly ready for installation.

Haines Repeater R147.06/T147.66 Functioning and linked to Juneau

Skagway Crossband 440 mHz band Frequencies not yet established

(Receive and transmit frequencies refer to your hand held transceiver)