

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE JARC WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST AT 7:30 PM AT THE WEATHER FORECASTING OFFICE

NEWSLETTER
of the
Juneau Amateur Radio Club
KL7JRC

November 1, 2006

JARC 2006 Club Officers:

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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, November 1, 2006.

In Brief:

- We would like to get lists of equipment available for sale by area hams. See article.
- Jerry is having a VE session on October 31st.
- The Club will be sending out a letter to all hams in the area inviting them to become active members.
- We had a VE session on September 29th. Jim Craig passed his General Class license requirements.
- This report is coming to you from sunny Colorado as your Club Secretary is on vacation. Sorry that it is abbreviated.

October Meeting Highlights:

- Jerry Prindle, Mike Caughran, Sam Smith and Charley Gray will continue to work on a proposal to install a remote HF link that can be accessed from a handheld and/or the Internet.
- The Club's bank balance is \$7,148.26.
- We will send out a letter to all hams in the area inviting them to join our Club.
- Jerry will be talking to the CBJ about the possible use of their tank site on Engineer's Cutoff for a repeater site.
- Jerry will look at the Heinzelman Ridge Repeater to see if we can eliminate some of the noise that seems to be making use of the repeater system unpleasant.
- We will offer an incentive to some of the hands at the Lena site to help us get the antenna installed on the big tower.
- The application for non-profit status has been forwarded to the IRS with responses to their recent correspondence.

VE Report:

A VE session was held on September 22nd. Jim Craig passed all requirements for his General Class license. Thanks to Jerry (KL7HFI), Glenn (KL0QZ) and Jack (KL1AS) for monitoring the session. A VE session will be held on October 31 for two Skagway residents - good luck.

VHF Report:

The Heinzelman Ridge repeater will remain in place and in use until a new location is available. All other equipment is functional although Jerry will take steps to eliminate some of the noise originating from the Heinzelman repeater.

Wednesday Lunchtime Meetings: 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 eating area in the Jordan Creek Mall at noon every Wednesday. Bring your lunch.

Membership:

Rob Kindred is handling membership duties for Bob Simpson. We currently have about 50 paid members for 2006. We are going to initiate a campaign to increase our membership. 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, KLOKZ, 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 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

Skagway Crossband 440 mHz band Frequencies not yet established

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