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Puget Amateur Radio Society

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This Month's General Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 16 from 7 to 9 PM, at the Bellevue Senior Center, located at 4043 - 148th Ave. in Bellevue, just north of the 148th exit on I-520.

Before the meeting, you're also invited to join our new president, Van, for dinner at Coco's, 14804 NE 24th St. in Redmond, at 6 PM.

This month's program will be on the history and practice of ham satellite communications by members Doug Bell & Van Kichline.

There will be a door prize; tickets are free and anyone attending, member or visitor, gets a ticket. As usual we supply coffee, juice and cookies. We hope to see you there.

Happy birthday to you!

Sep 23	Don Hickman	KC7MDA
Oct 2	Clair Martin	KC7ARX

Sorry, No Articles This Month

Sorry, but I didn't allow time to edit down some articles this month. Hopefully, you'll get a big newsletter next month.

Minutes of the PARS General Meeting, 17 June 2004

The members met at the Bellevue Senior Center. The meeting began shortly after 7 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Attending were members Don Hickman WF7Z, Van Kichline KD7QIT, Charles Beckmeier N7CEB, Dick Schwanke W9HXM, Les Kahan K2ENC,

PARS 2004 - 05 Club Officers:

President	Van Kichline	KD7QIT	425-820-7278
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The Puget Amateur Radio Society (PARS) is an ARRL-affiliated club serving radio amateurs in the greater Seattle area. Meetings are normally held on the third Thursday of the month (except July, August, and December) at 7:00 PM at the North Bellevue Senior Center, 4063 148th Ave. NE. Visitors are always welcome.

and Doug Bell KD7KKR, plus one visitor, Chris Baumgartner WA2AMX.

Election: Beginning in September, Van is our new President, Don is our new Vice President, Doug is secretary, and Charles is treasurer.

Field Day: Van reported that he had contacted Hef, who will not be able to make it to Field Day. Hef recommended software to download for the digital modes.

The members discussed who would be available when on Field Day weekend, June 26-27.

The plan is to do some maintenance work on the trailer. Anyone who wants to show up and run radios is welcome to do that. We also want to try to work some digital modes. If we have enough people to put up an antenna, fine, otherwise we'll use the long wire and the vertical.

Van will bring his rig with a built-in TNC.

Doug will bring his 440 MHz 8 element quad Yagi and HTs to try to contact satellites, plus a printout of when they're up from heavens-above.com.

There was a discussion of airfares and commercial flights.

Les just got an ICOM 740 tranceiver, and with a friend put up a vertical against a tree.

The meeting was adjourned near 9 PM.

Respectfully Submitted -
Doug Bell, KD7KKR
PARS Secretary

Annual dues are \$15.00 for individual membership, \$22.50 for family (2 or more persons at the same address). PARS will prorate the dues of new members joining after Jan. 31. Contact Doug, KD7KKR, for a membership application.

Visit our Web page at www.qsl.net/k7par This is always a work in progress, so check back often.

Send articles, comments, want ads, etc. for inclusion in this newsletter to Doug Bell, KD7KKR, 12755 27th Ave. NE, Seattle, WA 98125-4311, or email to Doug at kd7kkr@arrl.net.

Send all other club-related correspondence to PARS, PO Box 32, Kirkland, WA 98083-0032.

Next general meeting - Thursday, September 16 at 7:00 PM at the Bellevue Senior Center, 4063 148th Ave. NE in Bellevue. Also join us at 5:30 PM for dinner at Coco's, 14804 NE 24th St. in Redmond. Visitors are always welcome at the meetings and at Coco's.

Next board meeting - Thursday, Oct. 7 at 7:00 PM at the Cowboy Steakhouse, located on the east side of the Totem Lake Mall in back of the Bank of America Bldg. Take the 124th St. exit off of I-405 and go east to the first street with a left turn lane. Turn left, cross the railroad tracks, continue to the next light, turn right at the bank, go one block and take a right. All PARS members are welcome.