Kittitas County Ham News

November 2021

Important news first -- There will be no meeting on November 6. It has been canceled.

Yesterday I was thinking about how to start the newsletter. At that time, I did not know that the meeting had been, or was going to be canceled. So instead of starting the newsletter, I looked at the newspaper. And there it was -- 4 pages, including 4 big color pictures, all about ham radio in Kittitas County! Thank you and congratulations to whoever managed to get that printed. Also, thanks to everyone who talked with the reporter.

Also – thanks to everyone who volunteered to work the 100-mile races. I'm assuming everything went okay as I haven't heard anything else.

The following October club meeting highlights are from President Linda KJ7JVB. Thank you, Linda. There were two formal decisions made at the meeting – the group voted to approve expenditure of up to \$100 from the General Fund by Mike KJ7ISM, Chair of the Activities and Membership Committee. This will be for KCARCS decal stickers. It will include any design and set-up fees, and an undetermined number of stickers, depending on cost.

The group also authorized Steve W7JAA and Linda KJ7JVB to sign the agreement with KITTCOM on behalf of KCARCS. Steve signed as Chair of the Emergency Preparedness Committee and Linda signed as President. Having this agreement in place is a big deal – it includes details of access and responsibilities for the repeaters on KITTCOM property (including the soon-to-be-up Stampede Pass equipment), as well as various ARES/RACES issues (under the umbrella of KCARCS). Thanks to all those who worked to get this in place!

In response to a query by Linda, the group indicated that the club emails would be best sent as BCC's, so member emails would not be available to everyone or able to have messages forwarded to the group by individuals. If an individual would like to send a message to the group, they may send it to Linda to be sent out, if appropriate. (Linda apologizes for forgetting this when sending out the group email on 10/27, in spite of it being her concern. Oops.)

Some members had previously raised the question of having some of the meetings in Cle Elum, to spread the load of travel more equitably. After some discussion, it was generally agreed that we will shoot for holding meetings in the Upper County 3 or 4 times a year. We will address that when setting the 2022 meeting calendar in January.

Okay, that sounds like a good meeting. Lots of information. Thank you, Linda

Have you looked at our club web page lately? You should, we have a good web page. Thank you to Bob AI7CS who is responsible for it. You can find it at https://www.qsl.net/kcarcs/ Look for a new section called "Reminders and other items of interest". It sounds interesting. If you have something or know of something that should be added to our web page - contact Bob at ai7cs@arrl.net.

Remember – the November 6 meeting has been canceled.