



Mike & Key Tech class spawns 14 hams

Fourteen students earned their Technician-class amateur radio license after successfully completing a course sponsored by the Mike & Key Club and BEARS.

The two-day class, held at Mercer Island Fire Station 91 in late October, was organized by Education Committee Chairman Dave Smith, KB7PSN.

Sixteen students attended, including one who elected not to take the test and another who dropped in just for the exam. That translates into an 87.5 percent passing rate.

Aside from the hard work of the students, credit and thanks go to Dave, as well as Harry W7JWJ, Mary W7QGP, Jim N7HKO and Sam N7RHE, who served as instructors and assistants.

After the course ended on Sunday, VEs Frank KA7QHG, Scott AG7T and Michael KG7MX administered the exam.

The president and secretary of BEARS, along with Mercer Island ARES, also helped to ensure the success of the course.



Paul K7STQ

The faithful: Jeanne McDonald, left, and Rachael Palmer review course materials Sunday morning. They took the class to make ham radio a full-family affair; Jeanne's husband, Jeffrey, is KA6TXM. Several hours later, mother and daughter passed the Tech exam to become Jeanne KE7CBD and Rachael KE7CBC.

Below: Dave KB7PSN, primary organizer for the course, leads the discussion.



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The *K7LED Relay*, published monthly, is the official newsletter of the Mike & Key Amateur Radio Club. Mike & Key ARC is an ARRL-affiliated club dedicated to the growth and betterment of amateur radio.

The club meets at 10 A.M. the third Saturday of every month at Salvation Army Headquarters, 720 S. Tobin Street, in Renton (near the southeast corner of Renton Airport). Anyone interested in amateur radio is invited to participate in the Mike & Key ARC and its activities. Annual dues are \$12 for individuals and \$18 for families.



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Several club resources are available electronically:

Web: The club's site at www.mikeandkey.com includes extensive information about club events, VEC testing, membership, past editions of the *Relay* and more.

Mike & Key Online

Reflector: The public message board offers an easy and free way to converse with club members. To sign up, surf to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/mkarc>.

E-Relay: Want the newsletter in color and a day or two before the print edition arrives by regular mail? You'll also help the club save money in printing and postage costs.

To sign up, send a message to the editor: k7stq@arrl.net.

A life on the mend and a new trustee

Michael Dinkelman / N7WA

President

There's been a lot going on the past month. First, Radio Officer Terry WX7S has been riding a health crisis roller coaster that seems to have nearly cost him his life. Fortunately, he seems to have stepped back from that brink, although there is a long recovery ahead.

From the Hot Seat

My thanks to Jim KC7EVY and Dave KB7PSN for keeping us informed with regular updates on the club Reflector. Terry, get back soon.

The board reviewed the past year's expenses and the proposed budget at the last board meeting and things are looking acceptable. We should come in way under the expenses planned for 2004—which is good because it had a built-in \$3,000 deficit—and probably come out close to even.

We tweaked a couple of items for 2005, but it should look a lot like the 2004 edition. We'll be going over the final proposal at the next board meeting so if you have inputs, you need to make them there. The proposed budget will be mailed out with the December *Relay* and voted on at the December club meeting.

Speaking of the next board meeting, the normal date is the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. That

probably won't be a good idea (I've got five pies to bake!), so the board meeting will be the first Wednesday in December (12-1). Same place and time.

Looks like the ARRL is bringing back commissions for League membership renewals. If you renew your ARRL membership through the Mike & Key ARC, the club gets \$2. If you submit a new ARRL membership through the Mike & Key, the club gets \$15. There is a form to be filled out and I hope to have some available at the next meeting.

Please welcome our newest board member! Dick K7NEX stepped forward to volunteer when Richard N7MER had to step back from his trustee position. Thanks for coming onboard, Dick.

Finally, after a long and divisive political season, crazy energy prices, terrorism fears, military conflicts, and a so-so economy, it's easy to forget that most of us have a lot to be thankful for. The next couple of months will bring us occasions that should remind us to think back on what has gone well in our lives.

Please take some time to reflect on the good things that have happened over the last year and that have brought you some joy. Also, in the hectic times that usually accompany the next few weeks, please remember to step back, take a breath and let something good catch up with you.

On the behalf of the board, I would like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday.



Paul K7STQ

Programs & Activities

Coast Guard radio officer Michael Sealfon, WA2OCG, will be on hand at the November meeting to explain how ham radio operators can assist with homeland security. Come learn how you can help us all stay safe.

In October, members enjoyed a presentation by Scott AG7T (shown at left), who explained several models for Field Day antennas on 75 and 80 meters.

Key Club Dates

Next General mtg.: **Nov. 20**

Board mtg.: **Dec. 1**

Relay deadline: **Dec. 10**

Help the needy by ringing bells

Michael Dinkelman / N7WA

President

I would like to organize another bell ringing activity for the Salvation Army.

The idea is to emulate what we did a couple of years ago. Back then, we had a team of bell ringers working two-hour shifts at the Renton Fred Meyer store. We had enough people to cover two collection pots for a full day and I don't think anybody had to ring more than a few hours.

I remember it as being a lot of

fun, too.

I propose we offer to the Salvation Army that we cover the second Saturday of December (a week after the club's holiday party). I would like to do the Fred Meyer again, but that isn't a given. They may want us to cover another site.

We would need 12 to 20 volunteers to do the job. I'll pass around signup sheets at the next club meeting. If we get enough people, we'll take it to the Salvation Army and see if they want our help.

Help our club by labeling flyers

Another labor of love requiring volunteers in December will be people willing to label Flea Market flyers.

We usually label around 12,000 flyers for mailing in January. It's a fairly easy job but does take time. You can do it handily while sitting in front of the TV during the evening. The more people who volunteer, the

less each of us will need to do.

Since I am running a bit late this year, I don't expect to be able to get flyers to you at the November club meeting, but would be happy to deliver them to your doorstep. They would need to be back in my hands by the December meeting.

Please see Mike N7WA at the club meeting or drop me a line.

Help Florida's hurricane victims

Ham radio clubs and individual amateurs across the United States are taking part in ARRL's recently announced nationwide holiday toy drive to benefit children in Florida displaced or left homeless by the recent hurricanes.

Between now and Thanksgiving, hams are invited to send new children's toys, accompanied by a QSL card, to: Ham Radio, The United Way White Dove Project, 50 Kindred St. - Suite 207, Stuart, FL 34994.

Carol Hodnett of Martin County United Way said hurri-

canes and their aftermath have been especially traumatic for children.

"In addition to the frightening experience of going through the hurricanes, youngsters are coping with a great deal of stress within their families and at school," she said.

Martin County United Way is handling the toy distribution. ARRL Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, said the focus is on Central Florida because that region took the brunt of the three storms.

— *The ARRL Letter*



Mike & Key's Christmas party is set for Dec. 4

The Mike and Key Christmas party will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, at the Salvation Army headquarters, 720 S. Tobin St.

Doors will open at 5 P.M. for socializing, with dinner following at 6. The club will provide the turkey and ham.

This year's festivities are being coordinated under the fine stewardship of Calvin KC7IYP and Jim N7HKO.

To round out the main courses, people who attend with last names starting with A through L are asked to bring a hot dish.

Those with names ending in M through Z are asked to bring a salad or dessert.

The traditional gift exchange will be held after the dinner. For those who would like to participate in all the fun and games, please bring a wrapped gift under \$10 in value.

Any help cleaning up afterward would be greatly appreciated.

Spooling up for another great swapmeet

Michael Dinkelman / N7WA

President

As votes were being tallied on election night, Nov. 2, we met at Salvation Army headquarters.

Present were Hal N7WA, Mike N7WA, Diane KB7DNE, Gary KG7KU, Pam N7PRS, Wayne KC7ORB, Dawn N7VWH and Jim KD7BAT.

The latest status:

Hal / Chairman: Will check on mailing permit and requirements. We also need to think about signs.

Mike / Publicity: ARRL has given its sanctioning. Labels are ordered. Flyers will be ordered

Flea Market Committee

this month. Need to arrange for labelers (see the article on page 4). The worker signup book was at the October club meeting and will be available at all meetings through February.

Diane / Registration: We're receiving table requests just about every day, with some 40 spoken for, plus 1.5 booths. The first deposit is in hand.

Gary / Loading: Looking for vests. Some questions about the exit procedure.

Pam / Announcing: All is un-

der control. Looking to get some materials from the Wolborskis.

Wayne / Hospitality: An issue for 2005 is that the RV is three feet longer and probably will not fit in the traditional location between the planters. Discussion about a new site near the State Patrol building.

Dawn / Country Store: Discussion about the raffle baskets. They are popular, but provide very little profit and are very labor intensive. Will try something new for this year (see related article below).

Our next meeting is Jan. 4 (the first Tuesday).

Without help, gift baskets are *arrivederci*

Michael Dinkelman / N7WA

President

A couple of years ago, our Country Store chair, Dawn N7VWH, came up with a neat idea for additional interest—raffling off themed gift baskets. It has been popular and the crowds step up to participate.

Yet, the work involved to search for bargains and the low profits after costs have threatened to scuttle the raffle. This month, we came up with an idea that might save the concept. It involves all of us.

Instead of Dawn scurrying about the countryside looking for bargains, we probably have plenty of items in our homes that we could donate to fill up a themed basket. Or, perhaps you like looking for items that you'd be willing to purchase and donate.

The idea is to have members

supply the items for a theme basket once each month between now and March. Bring the items to the monthly club meeting and Dawn will be happy to package it up.

One, this reduces her work greatly. Two, it reduces the cost to almost nothing. Three, it saves the raffle.

The theme for November is Italian. Maybe you have something in your home (new and unused) that would be great in an Italian basket. I, for one, received a jar of pesto sauce (yuck!) last year that I'll never use.

Maybe you have a special pasta jar someone gave you. Did you buy a jar of olive oil or special tomato sauce you'll never use? Maybe some fancy napkins or a checkered tablecloth? How about that fancy wine you'll never open? Biscotti (does that ever go bad)?

Maybe you have *the* basket

that would be perfect to hold all this stuff?

You be the creative ones and think about what you would like to see in an Italian-themed basket. Remember, though, it all has to be new (or like new) and certainly any food items must be sealed, non-perishable and can't be past the expiration date as of March 2005.

By the way, this is an experiment. If the support isn't there and we don't have sufficient donations, we'll cut it off here in November and the raffle baskets will, indeed, go away. (I think we should do chocolate in December.)

We have decided to take this chance and let you decide if you want to continue supporting the project. It could be a lot of fun!

Please contact Dawn if you have any questions about appropriate items or ideas. Her e-mail and number are in the roster.

Mike & Key places second in Field Day

Call	Score	Cat.	QSOs	Mult.	GOTA	Sec.	Part.	Club
N6ME	14,984	6A	4,361	2	N6VNI	ORG	35	Western ARA
K7LED	14,634	6A	4,876	2	K7OV	WWA	64	Mike & Key ARC
K2AA	13,852	6A	3,976	2	W2EA	SNJ	74	South Jersey Radio Assn.
AA4NJ	7,942	6A	2,254	2		KY	14	Central KY ARS
K1MUJ	7,192	6A	2,036	2	N1MD	CT	34	Eastern CT ARA
W8VY	6,240	6A	1,853	2	K8KZO	MI	25	Kalamazoo ARC
K6BB	5,696	6A	1,456	2		ORG	20	
W9DUP	5,668	6A	1,957	2	KC9AOP	IL	26	DuPage ARC
W9UUU	5,316	6A	1,319	2	K9IKQ	IN	58	Wabash Valley ARA
N4A	5,310	6A	1,616	2		AL	30	DCARA/TARC.WAARS/UAARC
N4EH	5,176	6A	1,371	2	KL7IV	NFL	73	Lake Monroe ARS
VE3NAR	5,004	6A	1,553	2		ON	15	Nortown ARC
W3EM	4,868	6A	998	2	W3PSH	EPA	20	Philmont Mobile RC
W3EM	4,868	6A	998	2	W3PSH	EPA	20	Philmont Mobile RC
WC3A	4,798	6A	910	2	N3IRN	EPA	15	Columbia-Montour ARC
N4E	4,572	6A	1,139	2		NFL	47	Orlando ARC
W4WC	4,346	6A	1,140	2	W4GRV	TN	31	Andrew Johnson ARC
W4HFH	3,522	6A	805	2	N4GWT	VA	25	Alexandria RC
W9MKS	3,398	6A	551	2		IL	56	Starved Rock RC
W8CDZ	3,340	6A	673	2		MI	8	
W6RHC	3,012	6A	732	2		SV	25	Golden Empire ARS Inc.
W6RO	2,980	6A	834	2	K6CHE	LAX	77	ARALB
W9DUA	2,520	6A	688	2		IL	10	Sangamon Valley RC
W7DK	10,062	7A	2,818	2	W7OS	WWA	125	RC of Tacoma (1st in cat. 7A)

You know you're a dedicated ham if . . .

Editor's Note: Thanks to Bob Nielsen of the Western Washington DX Club for sharing this with the amateur radio community.

You buy electrical black tape in 10-packs.

You've stripped wire with your teeth.

You've told your son that, "One day, all this will be yours," and he doesn't respond.

You'd rather help a buddy put up a new tower than mow the lawn.

You've grabbed the wrong end of a soldering iron.

You give out RST reports when you're on the telephone.

The propagation forecast means far more to you than the local weather forecast.

The microphone or visual aids at a meeting don't work and you rush up to the front to fix it.

The XYL notices a new rig in the shack and you tell her, "That's been there for years."

Your watch is set only to UTC.

When you pray at night, it starts off something like: CQ CQ CQ God de (your callsign).

You've had to patch your roof after an antenna project.

Ham radio magazines comprise more than half of your bathroom library.

You've put a GPS tracker in the XYL's car, just so you could watch her on APRS.

You and the XYL took a cruise so you could visit the radio room.

You've tapped out HI in Morse on your car horn to another ham.

You've had an antenna fall down.

Your teenager refuses to ride in your car because it looks like a porcupine.

You know the latitude and longitude of your home QTH.

You go into the local Radio Shack and the store clerk asks you where something is.

Public Service Events

**Sunday, Nov. 28
Seattle Marathon**

Seattle
Contact: Gene, W7AKA
425-226-4115
w7aka@arrl.net

**Sunday, Dec. 5
Holiday Cruise**

Seattle
Contact: Tom, WB7OUT
206-784-9243
bc994@scn.org

**Monday, Dec. 20
Santa Talks**

Seattle
Contact: Tim, K7QMI
206-368-3970
tvschnee@eskimo.com

Board meeting rescheduled

As noted in the president's column, the Board of Directors meeting for November, previously scheduled for the day before Thanksgiving, will be held instead on Wednesday, Dec. 1.

Hands across the the land — a member from Arizona who still enjoys our club

Editor's Note: *The Relay doesn't get much mail. I suppose that's because our hobby is about talking—not writing. But one of our long-distance members wanted to let us know how much he enjoys keeping up with what we're doing. Thanks, Vic, for taking the time to write and for your kind comments!*

Thanks for e-mailing the *Relay* to me. It is a professional publication and keeps me up to date with my many friends in the club.

Regarding Mike's (N7WA) trembling knees—no such problem for me with a simple Butternut vertical. Just tip it over, sit on a padded chair and fix whatever needs fixing!

Of course, the Butternut is a *major* compromise to Mike's setup.

Nice to read Dawn's (KC7YYB) advice on stress.

"Been there, done that."

After 41 years as a Boeing engineer, I retired in 1982. I immediately left on a motor home trip with my wife to Pennsylvania to visit her family. I even skipped my retirement party!

It took a couple of years to discover "what I couldn't do today, I could do tomorrow."

During my visit to Seattle in August, I was privileged to attend one club meeting and your picnic. I had read about the "Big Unit," but got to inspect it—smoke and all! Fantastic!

When my wife passed away in January of 2003, I found it necessary to sell my home in Des Moines and buy a house Mesa, Ariz. I left many friends in your area and the *Relay* helps me recall the many pleasant times the club provided.

— 73 de Vic WB7TBR

Meeting called to order by Dick.

In attendance: Brendan, Gary, Pam, Dawn, Dan, Dave, Jim, Ted, Robert, Steve, Jim, Jim, Hideki and Dick.

Old Business

Need to select a chairperson. Brendan is willing to take over for now, but will have to let the position go as family expansions happen. Ted is willing to step in at that point.

Ted has found some errors in the past edition of the *Puget Sound Amateur Radio Special Events Guide* and is going to continue keeping track of them for correction in the upcoming edition.

It appears that most of the booklets from last year have been distributed; maybe a half box are left over.

New Business

Public Service Minutes Oct. 16, 2004

Assignments for this year's booklet:

Advertising: We will use Terry's old letter with revisions to bring it up to date.

Net section: Gary and Dave. Jim noted that there is updated net and repeater information on the Web page.

How to become a ham and Field Day pages: Jim.

Repeaters: Jim KD7BAT, Robert KD7WNV.

Hamfests: Dan and Dawn.

Exams: Ted.

Public Service: Pam.

Club Contacts: Steve and Gary.

Emergency Preparedness Checklists:

Terry, plus Robert if assistant is needed.

Pam suggested shrinking the emergency preparedness info and putting it on the inside of the front cover with the parade preparedness info.

Jim told us that WWARA is looking for a way to distribute their pamphlet that lists repeater information other than having them available for distribution at meetings. There was considerable discussion of the merits of this idea.

Discussion next month

Possible format change?

We also need to develop selection criteria to keep things down to the size that will fit the booklet.

Look through last year's booklet, and bring your suggestions to the next meeting.

FCC fixes glitch over new ham licenses

The FCC is back in the business of issuing amateur service license grants after a shutdown of several days.

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau halted processing of applications Nov. 5 after a Universal Licensing System computer programming problem caused application grants to go awry. Besides creating an ap-

plication backlog, the glitch resulted in the issuance of nearly 130 out-of-sequence Group D (2x3) amateur call signs. Those erroneous grants have been set aside, and licensees have been issued new, in-sequence calls.

Bart Jahnke, ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator manager, said each of the 130 or so licensees issued out-of-sequence

call signs will get a set-aside letter from the FCC listing the corrected call sign. The problem seems to have affected only new 2x3 call sign grants.

Despite the processing error, Jahnke said the anomalous Group D call sign grants, which included numerous WQ-prefixes, were legal to use on the air.

— *The ARRL Letter*

Officers present:

President – Michael Dinkelman (N7WA)
Secretary – Gary Bryan (KG7KU)
Treasurer – Jack Grimmett (N7IHS)
Activity Manager – Adrian Roth (KB7BVL)

Trustees present:

No. 1 – Scott Robinson (AG7T)
No. 2 – Dick Radford (WA7NIW)
No. 3 – Steve Cook / CoB (KD7IQL)
No. 5 – Dave Smith (KB7PSN)

President Dinkelman called the meeting to order at 10 A.M. at the Salvation Army Building in Renton, Wash. All members and guests repeated the Pledge of Allegiance. The president made several announcements: The Mike & Key ARC is affiliated with the ARRL, which members are encouraged to join; everyone, including visitors, should sign the rosters; visitors are reminded not to vote on membership matters; smoking is allowed in the parking lot but not in front of the chapel. Members and guests introduced themselves.

Quorum present.

Minutes: Motion by Steve KD7IQL and seconded by Brendan KD7IKV to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as printed in the *K7LED Relay*. Motion passed.

Officer Reports

President – Mike N7WA: Next M&K board meeting is Oct. 27, everyone is welcome to attend.

Vice President – Sam N7RHE: Not present.

Secretary – Gary KG7KU: The October '04 *Logger's Bark* of the Radio Club of Tacoma is available.

Treasurer – Jack N7IHS: Issued the

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P&L statement.

Radio Officer – Terry WX7S: Not present.

Activity Manager – Adrian KB7BVL: Raffle items are available; please participate.

Chairman of the Board – Steve KD7IQL: Next board meeting is Oct. 27. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Standing Committee Reports

Technical – Richard N7MER: Nothing new to report.

Education – Dave KB7PSN: Technician class is scheduled and currently there are 10 sign-ups.

Facilities – Steve KD7IQL: Nothing new to report.

Public Service – Dick WA7NIW: The committee will be meeting at the Yankee Diner following the presentation.

Strategic Planning – Carolyn Pasquier WV7Q: Nothing new to report.

Public Service Communications – Dick WA7NIW: Public Service opportunities are listed on the slips of paper located at each of the tables.

Flea Market – Mike N7WA: Looking for Ticket chair. Next meeting is Nov. 2.

Holiday Party – Jim N7HKO and Calvin KC7IYP: Site and date are in the works.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Mike N7WA: Next general membership meeting is Nov. 20.

Steve KD7IQL: Richard N7MER has expressed that his schedule has filled to such an extent he cannot fulfill the duties for Trustee Position No. 4. Dick Vance K7NEX expressed his willingness to run for this position. A vote was taken of the membership and Dick won with unanimous approval. Welcome to the board, Dick.

Good of the Order

Mike N7WA: An Audit Committee has been determined – Dick WA7NIW, Scott AG7T, Sam N7RHE, Paul K7STQ and Jack N7ZS. They will meet as appropriate to accomplish their task.

Jim N7HKO: On each of the tables is a report on the status of BPL.

Dan N7QHC: Has a 2-meter handheld (Kenwood TS-2500) and an Isopole which he picked up from a Silent Key equipment sale. Contact Dan at 206-243-0163.

Pam N7PRS: The Seafair Parade Marshals need ham radio volunteers to help with the Auburn Veterans Day Parade, Saturday, Nov. 6. Please contact Pam at 253-661-7882.

There being no further business, Jim N7HKO moved and Paul K7STQ seconded a motion to adjourn. Approved and President Dinkelman closed the meeting at 10:33 A.M.

Attested: Gary Bryan – Secretary, KG7KU

From the Mike & Key ARC K7LED Relay of November 1974 (just two single-sided sheets):



30 Years Ago in the Relay

◆ **S a n t a** talks are scheduled for November and December at various hospitals.

◆ K7LED placed sixth in the country during the past Field Day exercise out of 36 entries (class entered wasn't mentioned).

◆ Christmas Party is planned for December 7th at McMicken Heights running from 8PM to 1AM in the morning.(!) Pot luck at 9:30PM and BYOB. The cost was \$3 a head.

◆ Gossip about members we still see: Steve K7KOT is back from Japan. Chuck WA7EBH has started flying lessons. Ken (K7YR, then K7YRQ) acquired a 6M handi-talkie.

Items for sale

◆ Yaesu VX-5 handheld transceiver, tri-band 6M, 2M and 70CM with NC-72B charger, MH-34 microphone and "The Pouch" carrying case. Excellent condition, very clean, like new, non-smoker. Asking \$185 / OBO. Negotiable.

◆ Icom IC-R10 handheld communications receiver, 500 KHz - 823.9999 MHz, 849.001 MHz - 868.9999 MHz, 894.0001 MHz - 1.3 GHz with BC-110A charger, operating manual and "The Pouch" carrying case. Excellent condition, very clean, like new, non-smoker. Asking \$225 / OBO. Negotiable.

◆ Barker & Williamson ASW-60 shortwave listening multiband trapped antenna, 11M - 160M. Excellent condition, like new, never used. Asking \$50 / OBO. Negotiable.

Contact Ed Maher, NL7VP: 206-248-5547 or by e-mail at hamradioed@msn.com.

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No. 4 - Dick Vance (K7NEX)
No. 5 - Dave Smith (KB7PSN)

Visitors: Jim Etzwiler, KD7BAT.

Chairman Cook called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. at the Salvation Army Building in Renton, Wash.

Minutes: Motion by Dick WA7NIW and seconded by Dave KB7PSN to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as printed in the *K7LED Relay*. Motion passed.

Officer Reports

Chairman of the Board - Steve KD7IQL: Nothing new to report.

President - Mike N7WA: Flowers were sent to Terry WX7S during his past hospital stay.

Vice President - Sam N7RHE: Review of new membership applications.

Secretary - Gary KG7KU: Nothing new to report.

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Treasurer - Jack N7IHS: Provided the P&L report, including a preliminary view of the 2005 proposed budget.

Activity Manager - Adrian KB7BVL: Nothing new to report.

Radio Officer - Terry WX7S: Nothing new to report.

Committee Liaison Reports

Facilities - Steve KD7IQL: Nothing new to report.

Strategic Planning - Carolyn Pasquier WV7Q: Working on membership data collection and metrics.

Technical - Dick K7NEX: Nothing new to report.

Public Service - Dick WA7NIW: Assignments for the 2005 *Puget Sound Amateur Radio Special Events Guide* provided good momentum.

Education - Dave KB7PSN: The Technician class had a net result of 14 with passing grades.

Flea Market - Mike N7WA: The first meeting was held; next meeting is Nov. 2. Vendor letters have been mailed.

Holiday Party - Adrian KB7BVL: Jim N7HKO and Calvin KC7IYP ... nothing new to report.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

No new business.

Good of the Order

Dave KB7PSN - Asked if there will be ham volunteers for the Salvation Army holiday bell-ringing. Mike N7WA suggested that interest be determined at the next general membership meeting on Nov. 20. Dave also requested possible ham contacts for Boy Scouts seeking Communications Merit Badge. Contact Dave at 425-235-5095.

There being no further business, Dick WA7NIW moved and Dick K7NEX seconded a motion to adjourn. Approved and Chairman Cook closed the meeting at 8:13 P.M.

Attested: Gary Bryan - Secretary, KG7KU



Ham Nets & Events November / December 2004

Nets are on 146.82 unless indicated otherwise
Send calendar items to the Relay editor: k7stq@arrl.net

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 2000 — King Co. ARES (weekly) 2000 — Amateur TV net: 147.08 (weekly)	15 0545 — Weather net: 145.33 (M - F) 1645 — Weather net (M-F)	16 2000 — Snoho. Co. RACES: 146.92 (weekly)	17 2000 — General Info & Tech net: 145.33 (weekly)	18 1900 — Pub. Service net (weekly)	19 2000 — Youth net: 145.33 (weekly)	20 0900 — Club net 1000 — Club mtg. 1300 — Ham exams ARRL SSB sweepstakes (Sat. - Mon.)
21 2030 — Snoho. Co. ARES: 146.92 (wkly.)	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving	26	27 CQ Worldwide DX CW cont. (Sat. - Sun.)
28 Seattle Marathon	29 1800 — WARTS: 3.970 (daily) 1845 — WSN I: 3.658 (daily)	30	1 1915 — Board mtg.	2	3 ARRL 160M contest (Fri. - Sun.)	4 0900 — WA Emerg. HF: 3.985 (weekly) 1800 — Mike & Key Christmas Party
5 2200 — Northwest Astronomy net: 145.33 (weekly) Sp. People's Cruise Seattle	6 1900 — Elmer's net: 145.33 (weekly) 2000 — YL net: 145.33 (weekly)	7 2000 — Maple Valley ARC/ARES: 146.54 (weekly)	8 2030 — WARFA swapnet: 3.908 (weekly) 2100 — NWSOAR net (weekly)	9 2000 — Computer & Packet net: 145.33 (weekly) 2000 — Amateur TV net: 147.08 (weekly)	10 Relay deadline	11 ARRL 10M contest (Sat. - Sun.)
12	13 1730 — Puget Sound Traffic Sys. (daily) 1830 — WA Emerg. HF: 3.985 (weekly)	14	15	16	17	18 0900 — Club net 1000 — Club mtg. 1300 — Ham exams