

December Meeting

The December general membership meeting will be held on Monday, December 12, 2005 at 7:00PM at Alfys Pizza in Silver Lake. We will announce the new club officers for 2006 at this meeting so please plan to attend if you possibly can.

Upcoming Changes

Dave Long, KC7ZHC, reported that as a result of a Recreation Department audit, we may need to make some changes to the existing club constitution regarding club officer eligibility and redefine club membership rules in accordance with new Recreation policies.

BEARONS Repeaters Update

Currently, Boeing Facilities is in the process of installing the new repeater antenna tower support bracketry required for the new installation. It is hoped that the brackets can be installed to allow for a tower and antenna installation and checkout before the end of 2005. Both repeaters are currently up and running although their ranges are severely limited by the current antenna installations. The 6 meter repeater still has a power output problem that we have not yet run down but it is still functioning.

ARRL Bandplan Proposal

For those of you who may not have heard or haven't been keeping up with recent events, the ARRL is getting ready to submit a petition to the FCC to propose revamping the current amateur band allocations. The new allocations would be based on signal bandwidths as opposed to the traditional "by mode" allocations. There's a complete summary of the proposal available on the ARRL website at <http://www.arrl.org>. It's worth a look – you may even want to submit a comment to the FCC during the public comment period which will be forthcoming. This is another "hot button" issue with many amateurs – no less controversial than the recent code vs. no-code debate.

BEARONS Website

The BEARONS website was recently updated to show current information for the month of December. We will be updating the website again over the holidays to show the 2006 ARRL VE Test sessions and identify the new club officers. We will also provide a link on the website for the 2006 membership application so you will be able to download and print the application on your home or work PC.

Upcoming Operating Activities

November and December are busy months for contests and operating events. By the time this newsletter is published, both of the ARRL Sweepstakes events will have occurred. The other big contest in November is the CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW). The SSB portion of this contest occurred back in October. This is a really good contest to try and add to your DXCC country totals. The only other major DX contests after this are the ARRL DX Contests in February. In December, both the ARRL 160 meter and 10 meter contests are scheduled. In addition, Straight Key Night will happen just like it always does - on New Year's Eve. SKN as it's called is really a lot of fun – it's very laid back and the object of it is to use your straight key CW skills for a few hours. In this contest, speed is not the object – CW ragchewing is the name of the game. Participants vote for their most interesting QSO and best fist during the contest when they submit their logs.

Classifieds

We're going to dedicate some space in each newsletter from now on for classified ads. If you have something you want to sell, trade, or if there's something you are looking for, we'll post it here for you. All we need is your name, callsign, a brief description of what you're offering for sale or trade or what you're looking for and a contact e-mail address or phone number. If you were looking for an opportunity to clean out your shack and make room for new toys, this is it.

ARRL 2005 Field Day Wrap-Up

The official results of ARRL Field Day 2005 will be published in the December 2005 edition of QST Magazine. Below is a compiled list of Field Day scores for all stations in the state of Washington who submitted logs.

Class	FD Call	Name (if any)	Score	Section
1A	N7AAW	Rodeo City Radio Club	214	EWA
2A	K7ZC	Mount Baker Amateur Radio Club	4352	WWA
2A	W7RDR	Pacific County Amateur Radio Club	4348	WWA
2A	W7VMI	Vashon-Maury Island Radio Club	3730	WWA
2A	W7LA	Eastern Washington DX Club	3474	EWA
2A	N7QT	Table Mountain Boys	2528	EWA
2A	W7AUX	Shoreline Auxiliary Communication Service	2284	WWA
2A	KC7Z	North Kitsap Amateur Radio Club	1584	WWA
2A	KC7KEY	Maple Valley Amateur Radio Club	1576	WWA
2A	KR7Q	Curmudgeons Ham Radio Net	1454	WWA
2A	WA7LAW	Snohomish County Hams Club	1228	WWA
2A	W7SKY	Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club	1102	WWA
2A	W7TD	Apple City Amateur Radio Club	922	EWA
2A	K7CPO	LINCARES	586	EWA
2A	KD6UAO		572	WWA
3A Battery	K7NWS	BEARS	3445	EWA
3A	W7DX	Western Washington DX Club	6904	WWA
3A	W7JCR	Jefferson County Amateur Radio Club	5474	WWA
3A	W7MRG	Machias Radio Group	3750	WWA
3A	W7VE	Amateur Radio Association Of Bremerton	2760	WWA
3A	K7EBC	Evergreen Baptist Church Amateur Radio Club	2342	WWA
3A	W7ZZV	Lower Yakima Valley Amateur Radio Club	2294	EWA
3A	NT7H	Olympia Amateur Radio Society	1832	WWA
3A	WQ7O	Kamiak-Butte Amateur Radio Association	1618	EWA
3A	K7JAR	Panoramaland Amateur Radio Club	1458	EWA
3A	N7SK	Mason County Amateur Radio Club	1220	WWA
3A	K17EL	C ⁵	1044	WWA
4A	N7OS	Microhams ICOM & RTKCC	8552	WWA
4A	K7RX	Northwest Society Of Amateur Radio	4698	WWA
4A	N7IG	South Kitsap Amateur Radio Club	2842	WWA
4A	W7AQ	Yakima Amateur Radio Club	2104	EWA
4A	W7FEL	Clallam County Amateur Radio Club	1658	WWA
5A	W7AIA		1966	WWA
6A	K7LED	Mike & Key Amateur Radio Club	11,594	WWA
7A	W7DK	Radio Club Of Tacoma	9352	WWA
1B-1 Battery	W7CD		700	WWA
1B-1	N7DLV		990	WWA
1B-1	K7SDU		578	EWA
1B-1	N7CFO		446	EWA
2B-1	W7DRA/7		478	WWA
2B-2 Battery	K7S		1175	WWA
2B-2	N7A	Yodeling Coyote Radio Group	712	EWA
1C	W7NNN		994	WWA
1C	N7EIE/M		172	WWA
1D	N7RVD		1654	WWA
1D	W6AEA	Spokane DX Association	591	EWA
1D	K7UIR		480	WWA

Class	Call	Name (if any)	Score	Section
1D	N7JO		468	EWA
1D	KF7VG		436	WWA
1D	N7XW		262	WWA
1D	AB7MP		122	EWA
1D	KA9AZD		112	WWA
1D	AC7CJ		106	EWA
1D	KD7HCU		12	WWA
1E	NR7F		1780	WWA
1E	N7DM		1395	WWA
1E	W6SGJ		568	WWA
1E	NJ7W		284	WWA
1E	AC7KY		160	WWA
2E	W7FLY	BEARONS	2530	WWA
1F	W7C		1172	WWA
2F	KA7EOC	Peninsula Amateur Radio Emergency Team	816	WWA

Results of the 2005 Boeing Amateur Radio Club – Field Day Challenge

Club	Call	Participants	Class	Section	QSOs	Bonuses	Total Pts
BEARS/Ø	WØMA	15	4A	MO	2243	1200	8268
BEARS/7	K7NWS	13	3A Batt	EWA	367	700	3445
BEARONS	W7FLY	5	2E	WWA	580	550	2530
BEARS/6	W6VLD	46	2A	ORG	637		2084
BEARS/W	KCØAHN	28	3A	KS	337	950	1624
Autonetics	K6NX						
Long Beach	W6RNK						
BEARS/3	K3BA						
Tulsa	KD5TFS						

Congratulations once again to WØMA for continuing their winning ways in the annual Boeing Field Day Challenge. "Job well done" to the other clubs that participated - hopefully we'll have all of the Boeing Amateur Radio clubs on the air next year for Field Day.