

Next Club Meeting

The next scheduled club meeting will be on Saturday, September 8th, 2007, @ 10:00AM at the Boeing Everett Activities Center. We have a number of items to discuss/update so be sure to attend.

Upcoming Operating Activities

This month, the following states have their respective QSO parties – Arkansas, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Washington. The two other major events this month are the North American CW and SSB Sprints. Check the latest editions of QST and CQ Magazine for contest rules.

FCC Reduces Vanity Call Fee

Beginning on September 17, the new vanity call licensing fee will be \$11.70. The previous fee was \$20.80 so this change is a major reduction. There was one prior reduction late last year that took effect but that one was small in comparison to the latest fee.

ARRL Newsletters and Publications

Are you subscribed to any of the newsletters that the ARRL publishes? If not, here's a list of what's currently available:

The ARRL Letter – published weekly, contains a news summary of all things amateur radio related.

The Contester's Rate Sheet – edited by local ham Ward Silver, NØAX. Published every two weeks, it contains a comprehensive contest calendar with articles and technical content.

The ARES E-Letter – a monthly publication – it is a source of news of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

The VE E-Express Newsletter – published 4 to 6 times per year, this document keeps Volunteer Examiners up to date on the ARRL VEC program and other items of interest to VEs.

The ARRL has released their Fall 2008 publications lineup as follows:

85th ARRL Handbook 2008 - \$44.95

4th ARRL HF Digital Handbook - \$19.95

3rd ARRL Low Power Communications - \$19.95

4th Antenna Compendium - \$20.00

3rd AC Power Interference Handbook - TBA

BEARONS VE Testing

There will be a VE test session on Wednesday, September 26th at 6:30PM at the Everett Activities Center. After the September test session, there is only one remaining test session date for 2007.

787 Rollout Event Follow-Up

QSL activity for the 787 Rollout Special Event is underway and approximately 50% complete as of this writing. The special event certificates were created with help from the Boeing Photo Lab and John Meister, W7JAM. The certificates are an 8 X 10 lithograph of the actual 787 rollout with the callsigns of the three participating stations appearing in the upper LH portion of the print and with the 787 Dreamliner logo and rollout date appearing at the bottom.

2007 Washington State QSO Party

The 2007 rendition of the Salmon Run (WA QSO Party) will be held on September 15th and 16th. There is one minor rule change this year – you can score an additional 500 bonus points for contacting W7DX using one of the HF digital modes. This is in addition to the 500 bonus points available for a CW contact with W7DX and the 500 bonus points available for a SSB contact with W7DX. BEARONS will be participating in the Salmon Run from Dwayne and Judy Broderson's QTH on Camano Island (Island County). The Salmon Run is one of the more recognized state QSO parties across the USA so it's a good opportunity to get on the air and "be the DX" for a change.

Classifieds

For Sale: Timewave DSP-599zx digital signal processor. Excellent condition, includes power cable and manual. \$250. Mark McLauchlin, KN7T, EvernhamMS91@verizon.net

For Sale: MFJ-962D Versa Tuner III (roller inductor), w/manual. Good condition. \$150. Mark McLauchlin, KN7T, EvernhamMS91@verizon.net

For Sale: B&W BWD-90 folded dipole antenna, w/center mounting kit. Used less than 1 year. \$100. Mark McLauchlin, KN7T, EvernhamMS91@verizon.net