
HAM HAPPENINGS

Lewis-Clark Amateur Radio Club

April 7, 2009

THE LEWIS-CLARK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB IS A GREAT WAY TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH AMATEUR RADIO. OUR CLUB HAS MUCH TO OFFER THE BEGINNER AS WELL AS THE SEASONED VETERAN. PLEASE JOIN US AT AN UPCOMING MEETING AND DISCOVER THE LCARC.

**Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month, 7pm at the EAA Hanger #N14
406 Burrell Ave. in Lewiston, Idaho**



CQ from the President

LCARC meets at 7:00PM at the EAA Hanger #14, located at 406 Burrell Ave. in Lewiston. An ARES-RACES meeting is held right after the club meeting. There will be *FCC license exam testing after the meeting

Ah, the daylight hours are getting longer, and the weather is going to improve some day, and soon we hope. I know I am beginning to find yard work and home maintenance jobs getting more attention lately, and spending a little less time in the shack. But with what seems like renewed interest in LCARC activities, I am hopeful that we will all feel like participating in more of our planned functions, one of which is scheduled for Tuesday, April the 7th. It is our noontime visit to SEL in Pullman.

We will still be holding our regular membership meeting on Tuesday evening at the EAA Hangar, beginning at 7:00p.m. No doubt we will have plenty to report about the tour of the Schweitzer Engineering Labs, and specifically about seeing their employee amateur radio club shack. There will not be a specific show and tell or guest speaker scheduled for this meeting because of the Schweitzer tour, but we hope to have something for every future meeting. If you are aware of some interesting subject that you feel we could all enjoy, that can be discussed in a 15 minute time frame, please feel free to bring it to my attention so I can encourage its inclusion as a meeting topic.

So, 73's to you all, and I expect to see you all Tuesday evening.

OscarTango, KE7ATD



Are you looking for test sites and dates? Check out the Internet site below.

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml>

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Minutes from March 3, 2009 meeting

The March meeting was called to order by President Jim Otey. There were 12 members and three visitors in attendance.

The members in attendance were:

Alan Russell (KC7CXV), Kelly Blackmon (KD5ALU), Michael Blackmon (KE7OEH), Jim Otey (KE7ATD), Elaine McLaughlin (N7RYL), Paul Woelfel (N7RXY), Ray Ulrey (KE7WOE), Dave Ostrom (KE7OEG), Lyle Cable (K7LWC), Allan Saari (KB7UPC), Arne Halleen (W7TRO), Emmett McCormick (NA7EM),

The visitors were: Ken Tuning (KT7KEN), Jim McCullough, Jeremy (took a test, unsure of Jeremy's last name)

-Ray moved that the minutes of the last meeting should be approved as prepared. It was seconded by Kelly and all were in favor.

--Introductions of members and visitors were made.

--Treasurer's Report: \$371.23 --- Paul is collecting dues for 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

--Visitation with Other Clubs --Ray brought CD's and information for attending the radio club meeting that is held at Schweitzer Engineering in Pullman. He passed around a signup sheet so attendees can have badges made. The meeting at Schweitzer is held on the first Tuesday of the month (April 7th) at 11:45a.m. There might be a car pool to go up to the meeting.

--Scouting Update—Dave said, Michael got his merit badge for radio communications. (Good job Michael!!) Kelly said there were three disciplines that the scouts could choose from. They were: Amateur Radio, Commercial Broadcasting and Shortwave Listening. Discussion was held about how the scouts did and how the Club will be able to help.

--EAA membership—Jim thanked the Club membership for being a dues paying member of the EAA.

--Repeater Repair and Updates—Arne told the group about the work that he, Ray and Bob did on the 146.86 repeater on the Lewiston Hill. Discussion was held about what might cause noise problems. Jim asked if the 100 Hertz tone should be put back on the repeater. He thinks if the tone is on the repeater it should be put in a repeater directory. Discussion was held about the repeater already being in the directory but listed in the wrong site. All members agreed that the tone should be back on. Discussion was held about items that were at the repeater shack that might be sold at the Puyallup Hamfest this coming weekend.

--Walmart --Jim asked Dave if he has heard anything more from Walmart about the community grant it is offering. Dave said they keep telling him to check next month.

--Rewrites of Club Constitution and Bi-Laws--- Emmett has been getting the Club Constitution and Bi-Laws ready to submit to the ARRL. He used some templates, with a few changes, that the ARRL had on their site. Discussion was held about the location of the Constitution. Dave said he has a copy of it. Alan suggested it should be given to Emmett. Paul said it would be better to approve what Emmett has done and amend it later if it is needed. Copies of the Constitution and Bi-Laws were passed out and discussion was held.

--Antenna at Fire Station— The antenna at the Clarkston Heights Fire Station is not up yet per Lyle. Next Tuesday, March 10th at 11a.m there will be a gathering of retired radio members to have pizza and help put up the antenna.

--Riggins Boat Race Updates—Ken Tuning said the Riggins Boat Races that will be held on April 18th and 19th. There is mandatory attendance at the safety meeting on April 17th. Contact K7HBJ@ARRL.net or N7UBO@msn.com right away if you are planning to help. The event organizers want to assign radio people to boats and river spots as soon as possible. Further discussion was held. Ken said no date has been set yet for the ARES-RACES meeting that will be held in Orofino.

NEW BUSINESS:

--Two Meter Antenna given to the Club—former club president Baxter Brown gave the club an 18' vertical antenna (a four bay dipole per Arne). Arne said he will check it out.

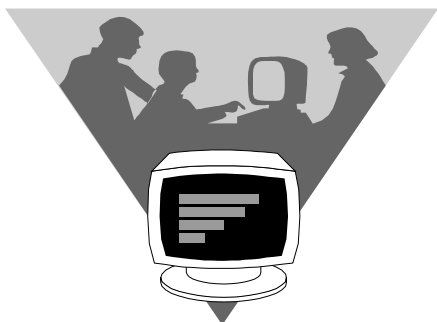
--Web Page—Kelly and Emmett have been working on a web page for our club. Emmett brought in his lap top computer and showed the memberships the pages on the web site and explained what information will be on them. Discussion was held.

The meeting adjourned around 8:30p.m.

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LCARC PROGRAM NOTES



Program Director –Lyle Cable **K7LWC**

*****Any comments, suggestions or HELP is greatly appreciated*****

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FEB. 3--- VE Testing

MARCH 3 -- VE Testing—FEMA Emergency Communication Training contact Ken Tuning if interested at Robert Finch's number 208-926-0088—Idaho QSO Party March 14th per Kelly

APRIL 7-- VE Testing—April 11, 2009 Yakima Hamfest at the Selah Civic Center (216 S. 1st Street) see page 7 for more information.

-- Riggins Boat Races, April 18th & 19th

--- State Ham Convention in Boise on April 24th, 25th and 26th.

MAY 5-- VE Testing—Pacificon 2009, (ARRL Pacific Division Convention, will be held May 1 thru 3 at Emcommwest at the Circus Circus Hotel in Reno, Nevada—Reservation and info at pacificon.org

JUNE 2 --

JULY 7 --VE Testing

AUGUST 4 –VE Testing

SEPT.1 --VE Testing

OCT.6 --VE Testing.

NOV.3 -- VE Testing

DEC.1- Dinner meeting at Antonio's- 1407 Main St.- Lewiston, Idaho

2009 Dues Paid Members 1-29-09

Call	Last Name, First Name	Phone	E-mail
KD5ALU	Blackmon, Kelly		
KE7OEH	Blackmon, Michael		
KB7UEK	Cable, Jacquelin		
K7LWC	Cable, Lyle		
KD7XD	Clark, Ray		
KB7VPN	Cline, Leo		
WA7UZG	Dickeson, Robert C.		
W7TRO	Halleen, Arne		
NA7EM	McCormick, Emmett		
N7YFY	McCormick, Richard		
No Call	McCullough, Jim		
N7RYL	McLaughlin, Elaine		
KE7OEG	Ostrom, David		
KE7ATD	Otey, James		
W7NCP	Rozelle, Walt		
KC7CXV	Russell, Alan		
KB7VPC	Saari, Allen		
KE7WOE	Ray, Ulrey		
N7RXY	Paul Woelfel		

REMINDER

CLUB DUES FOR 2009 ARE DUE. DUES ARE \$25.00. Please remit to Paul, N7RXY

Yakima Hamfest is Saturday, April 11, 2009. There will be a Swap and Shop, VE testing, ARES meeting, Packet Radio meeting with K7BFL, Bunny Hunt, and much more. W7AQ will once again be serving it's world famous breakfast, and lunch on site.

Many prizes, fun, and fun!

For further information please visit W7AQ on the web at
<http://wa7aq.org>