

## The Repeater

### **Next Club Meeting**

Thursday November 3, 2022, 7:00 PM

**Medford Police Department Community Room** 219 S. Ivy St., Medford, OR

Program: TBA Before meeting: FCC License Exam (check-in at 5:15 PM)

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### Club Notes

The editor wishes to apologize for the lack of an October newsletter, web update, and email. I lost Internet for 3 weeks at the time the newsletter, web update, and emails occur. It was due to an equipment failure (failed passive cable that is proprietary to the Internet service provider equipment). It took the provider 3 weeks to send the replacement cable.

This issue will include meeting minutes for both the September and October meetings thanks to our club secretary John, KF7UMK.

Don Bennett has announced an FCC license exam right before our club meeting on November 3rd at the Medford PD Community room. . The check-in for the exam starts at

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### Secretary's Report

RVARC meeting minutes Oct 6, 2022

Meeting begins at 7pm, President Pat Cunningham, KD7MPA, calls meeting to order. 15 Attendees.

Tonight's program is "Tips for programming your mobile HT by Fred Townsend, AE7IM.

Treasurer's report: bank balance is \$4934.98 plus two dues pending deposit, and club insurance of \$200 is due.

Elections for club officers will be held at the November meeting, and an appeal for willing nominees is made

Also, there will be a license exam session starting at 5:15pm, before the meeting. See more info at k7mfr.org/license-exams/ or contact Don Bennett, KG7BP (note: if the website still shows a Sep 1 date, it should be changed to Nov 3)

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### **Club Notes, Continued**

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5:15 PM. Don has asked that you preregister if possible but he will take walk-ins. The FCC no longer allows use of a Social Security number for registration, the applicant MUST have already received a FRN registration number on-line (in the new improved CORES system), and must have supplied the FCC with a valid email address.

### **RVARC Email List**

RVARC maintains a private closed email reflector for members and friends.

An email sent to the reflector will be sent to everyone else subscribed to the list.

You can also browse past messages and create new messages from the web interface if that is more convenient.

Several folks have been sent invitations, but they have expired unused.

If you are not on the list, send an email to our club webmaster, Tom, N5EG (address on the front page) and he will have googlegroups send you an invitation.

### Secretary's Report, Continued

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Amy will be in Modoc county as K6G for the upcoming 7QP. Scott, NA7OM, mentioned that we should get Amy an award and see if she would give a presentation on her activities.

Greetings to attendees Tom Hartkop, N8BKJ, and Dennis Stevens, WL7AQ.

The swap meet is set for Saturday, Oct 29, starting 9am at the Kathrein Broadcast parking lot on Ave. G at 11th St. in White City. Pat, KD7MPA, will contact the CARE club and the Grants Pass club for additional participation.

Lud Sibley, KB2EVN, showed us the Bell Labs Picture Phone (s/n 12) which had debuted at the 1964 Worlds Fair. It had a black & white display and was all analog, constructed of germanium transistors. It communicated over 2 pair of wires, using 500kHz bandwidth. The long distance link was over microwave, which had a capacity for 3 PicturePhone circuits. The comms cost \$150/month in 1970 dollars.

Fred Townsend, AE7IM, gave tonight's presentation on "Tips for programming your mobile HT" He also gave this talk at Pacificon on 2021-10-16. You can reach him at ae7im@arrl.net

Fred gave us the history of the progression of amateur radio transceivers from discrete analog through to integrated circuit frequency synthesizers. He went over the PC connection to current handie-talkies and the programming software for easier setup of the select-able frequency channels and modes. He also provided the attendees each a thumb drive with the talk and other info contained therein.

8:30pm break for refreshments and discussion.

Submitted, John, KF7UMF, Secretary.

### **September Meeting Minutes**

RVARC meeting minutes Sept 1, 2022 Medford PD community room 17 attendees

7pm President Pat Cunningham, KD7MPA, called meeting to order.
Tonight's program: Scott Cummings, NA7OM, Philippines DXpedition

Reports of our Field Day 2022 said about 1400 contacts were made, and total expenses amounted to \$435 for food and gasoline. \$250 had been approved and the costs were split 50/50 with the CARE club, so we were under budget.

Treasurer's report: checking account bank balance is \$4833.93

Welcome new attendee: Curtis Hall, KM6YOP

Upcoming CQP: 1600Z October 1 - 2200Z October 2

Scott, NA7OM, wondered if there might be wildfire smoke problems. Also, fire regulations prohibit use of gasoline generators. Perhaps we could use AC7S's location? Motion was made and seconded to authorize \$175 of club funds for CQP. A vote was taken, and passed in the affirmative.

Pat, KD7MPA, asked if there was interest in a club swap meet, and a handful of folks said they would participate. Mike, WB6FFC, thought perhaps it could be held at the Kathrein, Inc., Scala Div. parking lot in White City. Lud Sibley, KB2EVN, said perhaps it could be held at the Sams Valley Tube Museum. A date will be decided upon at a future meeting.

7:25pm Break for refreshments.

7:50pm Presentation by Scott, NA7OM, of his Philippines DXpedition this summer. Scott presented slides and videos of his trip

to the region of Binangonan on Laguna Lake. After much time, paperwork, and "redtape" he was able to get his FT450D and Morse keyer legally imported and set up to work the world while there. He worked with the Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA), found online at www.para.org.ph

His callsign over there was DU1/NA70M and he is a PARA international associate member. The weather was quite wetter than we are used to, with 26 typhoons/year on average.

Of note was that the raindrops could be up to 1" in size, and gutters were 14" wide with 6" diameter downpipes.

8:55pm End presentation

Next month's program will be "programming handhelds"

Submitted, John, KN7UMF, Secretary.

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**Program:** To Be Announced

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# November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 • RVARC Meeting • JC-ARES Net	4	5 • ARRL Sweep- stakes CW
6 • CP ERC Net • ARRL Sweep- stakes CW	7 • CARE Net	8 • 2M SSB Net	9 • 2M SSB Net	10 • Rogue Hack Lab • JC-ARES Net	11	12
13 • CP ERC Net	14 • CARE Net	15 ● 2M SSB Net	16 • CARE Meeting • 2M SSB	17 ■ JC-ARES Net	18	19 • ARRL Sweep- stakes Phone
20 • CP ERC Net • ARRL Sweep- stakes Phone	21 • CARE Net	22 • 2M SSB Net	23 • 2M SSB Net	<ul><li>24</li><li>Thanksgiving</li><li>JC-ARES Net?</li></ul>	25	26
27 • CP ERC Net	28 • CARE Net	29 • 2M SSB Net	30 • 2M SSB Net			

### **Events**

### Meetings

• RVARC Medford Police Dep't Community Room, 219 S. Ivy St., Medford, OR.

Rogue Hack Lab Varies each month.

CARE Second Wednesday at 6:30 PM New Far East restaurant, Medford

JC-ARES UNKNOWN status.

### **Nets**

- JC-ARES Thursdays 7:30 PM K7JAX Mt. Baldy Repeater 146.840 ( ) [ PL 123.0 ]
- CARE Mondays 7:00 PM—. KB7SKB Jacksonville Repeater 147.100 ( ) [PL 136.5], open, directed net, visitors welcome
- 2 Meter SSB Tuesdays 7:00PM and Wednesdays 10:00 AM—144.200 USB
- Central Point Emergency Radio Communications Sundays 8:30 PM—— KB7QMV Medford Repeater 145.410 ( - ) [ PL none]. Move to simplex net on 147.585 MHz when finished. Directed net.
- Siskiyou County ARC Thursdays 7:00 PM—Net K6SIS Repeater 146.79 ( ) [PL 100.0]

### **RVARC Membership**

RVARC membership dues run from January 1 through December 31. Please bring cash or a check payable to RVARC to a club meeting, or mail (checks only) to:

> RVARC Membership c/o 1940 Stevens Rd. Eagle Point OR 97524-6523

Regular Member: \$20.00 Senior Member (62 and over): \$15.00 Family Member: \$20.00 Student Member: \$10.00

### 2022 Amateur Radio Examinations

In the Rogue Valley, amateur radio exams are provided by the RVARC and the SOARC. New exam participants need to provide identification, while upgrading amateurs need to provide a copy of their current license as well as show photo identification. Applicants also need a Federal Registration Number (FRN) and email prior to taking the test. The exam fee for 2022 remains \$15.00. All license candidates must provide a picture ID. Upgrading amateurs must also provide a photocopy of their current license to send in with their application. To search for other exam locations, see:

http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml or our club webpage: http://w7dta.org

### Medford, OR

**Time:** Registration 5:15 PM, exam session at 5:45 PM. **Pre-registration suggested**. **Location:** Medford Police Department Community Room 219 S. Ivy St., Medford, 97501

Dates 2022: Sep 1 Nov 3

Contact: Don Bennett, Email: kg7bp@arrl.net Phone: (541) 973-3625

### Grants Pass, OR

**Time:** Fridays Registration 6:00 PM. Exam session at 6:30 PM. **NO WALK-INS**. Please email a reservation request to John.

Location: Fruitdale Grange. 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass OR 97527-5288

Dates 2022: Nov 18

Contact: John Stubbe, K7VSU, email: jstubbe7@gmail.com Phone: (541) 218-2244

**Roseburg, Bend, Redding, Brookings, Crescent City**— Please see our club webpage, http://k7mfr.org for updates as we receive schedules for these cities.

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