



The Repeater

Next Club Meeting

Thursday October 2, 2025,
7:00 PM

LOCATION FOR October:
Jacksonville Library
340 W C St., Jacksonville, OR.

Program: HF and NVIS Propagation, N5EG

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Newsletter & Membership

Club Notes

The Medford PD Community room is not currently available for our meetings, right now we do not know if this is temporary or permanent. This also affects the amateur license testing location.

The October 2nd meeting will be held at the Jacksonville library. Locations for October-through-December are not yet known.

We are looking for programs for. Please volunteer a program or we will have difficulty filling all the months. Contact the club newsletter editor (contact details above in the masthead).

The Repeater is the official newsletter of the Rogue Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc. It is published 10 times a year—once per month excluding July and August.

Secretary's Report

2025-09-04 RVARC Meeting Minutes

15 Attendees

6:57pm Meeting called to order by VP Allan Taylor, K7GT.

Bruce Cook, KG7TUO, mentioned that there will be a license class & exam on Sept. 20 at the 920 Summit Ave location.

Pat Cunningham, N7UH, reported the 2025 Field Day results: 4228 total points, with contact counts of 123 CW, 17 Digital, and 751 Phone.

Treasurer's Report: \$5769.27 bank balance, after \$200 club insurance payment.

7:24pm Break for coffee & snacks

7:35pm Presentation: Vintage Homebrewing Radio, by Bill Ostrander, N7AGX

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Club Notes, Continued.

Secretary's Report, Continued

Bill has been into amateur radio equipment since age 8, and recently has been building homebrew transmitters, receivers, power supplies, and preamps. Constructing from scratch entailed hole-punching chassis', & front panels, and painting in the classic wrinkle-paint texture. Several of the units were on display, with some live demonstrations, as well.

8:10pm end presentation.

Lively discussion followed.

8:32pm Meeting Adjourned.

-John, KF7UMK, Secretary

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.

You MUST respond to the invitation from googlegroups to join the list. 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.

This Month's Programs

1. HF and NVIS Propagation.

Program: Tom will present on the fundamentals of High Frequency (HF) 3-30 MHz radio propagation and discuss Near-Vertical Incidence Signals (NVIS).

Biography: Tom McDermott, N5EG is the RVARC newsletter editor and worked in the telecommunications equipment manufacturing industry for many years.

Planned and Potential Programs for 2025:

November	Matt Stagg, KC7OOY— An amateur radio trailer with towers, antennas, and power.
December	Michael Fowler. Michael will speak about weather balloon tracking, chasing, re-purposing, and pico balloons
Future	Michael Fowler Digipi and digital modes
Future	<i>Volunteer a program !! Your name here !!</i>

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 • 2M SSB Net	2 • RVARC Meeting • JC-ARES Net	3	4
5 • CP ERC Net	6 • CARE Net	7 • 2M SSB Net	8 • 2M SSB Net • CARE Meeting	9 • JC-ARES Net	10	11
12 • CP ERC Net	13 • CARE Net	14 • 2M SSB Net	15 • 2M SSB Net	16 • JC-ARES Net	17	18
19 • CP ERC Net	20 • CARE Net	21 • 2M SSB Net • JC-ARES Meeting	22 • 2M SSB Net	23 • JC-ARES Net	24	25
26 • CP ERC Net	27 • CARE Net	28 • 2M SSB Net	29 • 2M SSB Net	30 • JC-ARES Net	31	

Events

Meetings

- **RVARC** 7:00 PM **JCLS Library**—Location changes, see newsletter front page.
- **CARE** 2nd Wednesday, **6:30 PM, Fiesta Restaurant – 1016 N. Riverside, Medford.**
- **JC-ARES** 3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM, **Elmer's Restaurant, 66 Stewart Ave. Medford, OR.**

Nets

- **JC-ARES** Thursdays 7:30 PM - K7JAX Mt. Baldy Repeater 146.840 (-) [PL 123.0] open, directed, visitors welcome
- **CARE** Mondays 7:00 PM—. KB7SKB Jacksonville Repeater 147.100 (-) [PL 136.5], open, directed net, visitors welcome
- **2 Meter SSB** Tuesdays 7:00 PM 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
Dual Member (CARC+RVARC):	\$30.00

For Sale / Wanted

Don Montgomery WB7Q estate sale:

- Mosley TA-33-M 3 element 10-15-20 Meter yagi, in almost new condition, aluminum show no corrosion. \$350.00 (new price is \$819).
- Hy-Gain Ham-IV rotor and control box. Only up for a short time, looks like it just came out of the box. \$350.00 (new price \$800).
- 33 foot of tower, 25 foot Tri-Ex aluminum tower, exact same dimensions as Rohn-25, 8 foot top section is steel, Rohn-25, with thrust bearing and rotor shelf and guy anchor frame. \$150.00.
- Bring your pick up. All equipment located in Eagle point For info, call 541-261-5215 or email EaglePoint.Or@Juno.com
Mike W6FFC

2025 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 2024 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

Walk-ins Ok. Pre-registration suggested, use the link on our webpage:

<https://k7mfr.org/license-exams/>

Location: 932 Summit Ave, Medford, OR 97501 (near SE corner of Summit & McAndrews).

Dates 2025: **Saturday Nov 15 2:00 PM**

Contact: Pat Cunningham N7UH, Email: ve@k7mfr.org

Grants Pass, OR

Time: Fridays Registration 6:00 PM. Exam session at 6:30 PM. **Walk-Ins Ok.** Please email a reservation request to John.

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

Dates 2025: **Nov 21**

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.