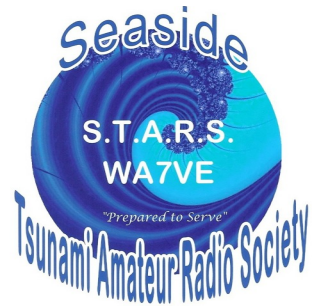


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The STARS ARES net meets on the STARS repeater on 145.490 Mhz. at 7:00 PM Wednesday evenings.

The WHONet (Women Ham Operators) meets on the W7BU repeater on 145.450 Mhz. at 8:00 PM Sunday evenings.

The monthly STARS membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday September 10th. at 5pm at the Seaside campus of Clatsop Community College, 1425 North Roosevelt (Highway 101).

The Clatsop County 10 Meter Net runs at 7:00 PM every Tuesday evening on 28.305 Mhz. Chuck (NN7U) usually operates as net control. Technician class operators may use this frequency. It is a good way to break in to the HF world.

This is not an ARES check in. You check in and tell the net what you have been up to in ham radio for the week and then rag chew a bit.

Upcoming Tech Class

On Oct 14th & 15th there will be a Technician License training class and a testing session afterward. The class will run from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday and 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Saturday. The test will be given at 4:40 PM on Saturday. The class will be held at the Clatsop Community College South County Campus in Seaside.

STARS Board Elections Coming Soon

We need to put together a three member Nominating Committee to work on finding appropriate candidates for President, Vice President and Secretary. Please volunteer and serve.

STARS T-Shirts

Vianne reports there are still a few members who have not claimed their T-shirts. Call Vianne at 503-738-4390 to make arrangements for pick up.

Heathkit is Back!

Well, they *will* be back. After a 20 year hiatus, the Heath Company announced they would re-enter the amateur radio market with an antenna tuner and a few other products initially and slowly add more products.

Ham Radio + Scouting

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Trick or Treat



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STARS ARES Net Report

Our Wednesday night net had 72 check-ins with 4 different net control operators last month. Nice job, my little ghouls and goblins. Keep up the good work. Please also consider checking in on the Monday night net at 7:00 PM on the 45 or 74 repeaters. The more we practice the better we become.

For Sale:

Yaesu Ft-8800 like new with lots of extras \$325.

Kenwood D7A also like new with lots of extra's.

Contact Hal (WA7FIV) at 738-6593.

Buddistick deluxe portable HF (10-40 meters) antenna in carrying case plus collapsible mast. \$100

Contact Pat (KE7DOX) at 717-3484

FCC Enforcement Action

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Ham Radio + Scouting

JOTA 2011 - OCTOBER 15 - 16

Get Ready for Scouting's Jamboree on the Air. This year's JOTA takes place on October 15th and 16th. Here are the details:

This international event is getting a big push this year from the Boy Scouts of America, which, in cooperation with the American Radio Relay League, has been promoting not only participation of Scouts, but ham mentors who have a great opportunity to become Elmers to the next generation of potential radio operators.

Jim Wilson, K5ND, is the national organizer for the Boy Scouts of America participation in Jamboree on the Air...

"Jamboree on the Air is the largest Scouting event in the world," Wilson explains. "Last year, the World Organization of Scouting Movement reported just over 700,000 Scouts participated in the event from just under 6,000 stations around the world."

This year, Wilson says the BSA and ARRL, have teamed up to boost U.S. involvement. And, so far, the numbers are looking pretty good.

"We have 76 stations registered and if we count up the number of participants that they're expecting at their event, we're right around 10,000," Wilson says.

Many of the American stations will be setting up at weekend camporees or jamborees with a big opportunity to introduce Scouts to the fun of talking on the radio, using a computer for PSK activity, or even talking to an astronaut.

"NA1SS, which is the International Space Station, is going to be on the air throughout the JOTA weekend," Wilson says.

"Astronaut Mike Fossum (KF5AQG), who is also a Scoutmaster, is going to be on the air during breaks from his work schedule.

"And, they think he's going to be available most of the passes around the world. The uplink is 144.490 and the downlink is 145.800 megahertz. So watch for that. I think that will be pretty cool."

Wilson, is also the new trustee for the Boy Scouts of America K2BSA call sign. He says you'll hear that and other special call signs on during JOTA.

"K2BSA actually has authorized some operations in California, here in Texas, in Alabama,"

Wilson says. "A number of 1-by-1 call signs like W2H is out of the Southern New Jersey Council and there's quite a few others."

Wilson cautions that JOTA operators, in the excitement of the moment, have to also be aware of third-party agreements.

"We have some information on that on our website, thirdparty traffic agreements," Wilson says. "So, if they're talking with a particular country that doesn't allow third-party traffic, they do need to be cautious.

"The ARRL keeps that list up to date working with the IARU and so we link to that list and we warn them about those concerns because we don't want to get anybody into trouble."

Wilson says the best resource on JOTA right now is the BSA's own website, which contains all the right links.

"We offer a website with resources on there for Scouting leaders and for amateur radio operators to get involved in Jamboree on the Air," Wilson says. And that's at www.scouting.org/jota."

Look for KC3BSA, Venture Crew 59's station on the air from eastern Pennsylvania on JOTA Friday night and Saturday during JOTA.

If you have the time, please get on the air October 15th and 16th, and support this very worthwhile scouting and ham radio event. (ARNewslineT, NT3V)

FCC ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED PUERTO RICO STATION OPERATOR FINED \$15000

The FCC has issued a \$15000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Eleuterio Lebron of Guayama, Puerto Rico. This for operating a radio station without Commission authorization to be on the airwaves.

After receiving an interference complaint this past June, agents from the San Juan office traced the source of radio transmissions on 88.5 MHz to a building in the city of Guayama. They then made measurements and determined the signals exceeded Part 15 operation limits. During a station inspection, Lebron confirmed over the phone that he owned the station. He then told the operator on duty to take the station off the air.

In issuing its decision to fine Lebron the FCC said that he controlled the station's operations, and the agency found that he willfully operated the station in apparent violation of the rules. Because the operation occurred on more than one day, the regulatory agency also found that the apparent violation was repeated.

The base fine for operating a station without a license is \$10,000. Because Lebron had been warned verbally and in writing illegal back in February 2010 that operating a station without a license was, and continued to operate the station anyhow, the commission tacked on another \$5,000, bringing the total fine to \$15,000.

Lebron was given the customary 30 days to pay or ask to have the fine cancelled or reduced. (FCC)

AMSAT 2011 SYMPOSIUM NOVEMBER 4 - 6 SAN JOSE, CA

The 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held November 4th through the 6th at the Wyndham Airport hotel in San Jose, California. This annual gathering will feature sessions on satellite operating techniques, the latest plans from the amateur satellite world and much more. Coinciding with the symposium, the AMSAT Board of Directors will hold its annual meeting at the same venue on November 3rd and 4th. If you plan to attend either or both, you can register on-line at tinyurl.com/space-symposium-reg (ANS) If you don't know about AMSAT check out amsat.org on the world wide web.

CQ PUBLISHING TO OFFER ALL MAGAZINES IN DIGITAL FOMMAT

New York based hobby electronics publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, has announced that his CQ Communications will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011. These titles include CQ magazine, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online.

According to Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU, the digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium. Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms including PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.

Examples of features that will be possible in the digital world include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue as well as supplemental content. This will include such additions as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more.

The digital editions of the CQ publications will be hosted by Zinio dot com. Zinio is one of the top names in the emagazine publishing business. Moseson says that CQ's choosing of Zinio will assure that our magazines will always be able to take advantage of new technology when it becomes available.

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will again become a paid subscription publication. This will be followed by the November issue of CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and the December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions.

Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will be in the near future in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites. Moseson noted that many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD. (CQ)

Helping Hands—Helping Hams

On a cool and wet Saturday, Hal (WA7FIV), Steve (N7JED), Terry (KF7QFR) and Pat KE7DOX showed up to install an new DX Engineering 6BTV HF antenna for Ollie Vernor. The picture below shows Hal and Steve taking turns hammering the mounting pole into the ground.



Here are Terry, Steve and Hal figuring out which part connects to what.



Antenna parties like this one are where you can learn from experienced hams how things are done in the real world. You can learn the tips, tricks and techniques of highly experienced hams. It is not just an antenna raising but a great learning experience.

As the antenna sections came together we started to outgrow the garage. Luckily, it wasn't a gully washer that day. It was only a light intermittent mist. I have heard reports that Ollie was on the air that very afternoon enjoying his station.



If you would like to join the next antenna party, let us know and we will keep you advised of the next opportunity to serve the ham community.



TURN ON THE ATTENUATOR!!!

NOTICE

Please bring your “Go-Packs” to the October membership meeting so we can all share ideas, sources and discuss the possibilities.