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- Vice-president: NZ7S, Eric Sedgwick
- Treasurer: N7GE, Jerry Ehli
- Secretary: AE7MH Mike Henry

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HARC Needs You !



We need volunteers for the following events:

Upcoming Events

- Apr 8 – Montana QSO Party
- Apr 11 – HARC monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m.,
VEC testing starts at 5:30 p.m.
- Apr 23 – Grizzly Triathlon
- Apr 23 – Grizzly Man
- Apr 30 – River Bank Run
- May 7 – 7QP Contest
- May 14 – YMCA Triathlon
- May 21-22 TOSRV

March Club Meeting Notes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m., March 15th, at Miller Creek Firehouse. Introduction of members present. NZ7S, N7GE, KD7HP, K2GCN, KC7RBC, NQ7D, WG7E, WG7P, N7MSU, K7GIS, N7DLP, KF7GZR, N7JGS, N7PAS, NN8A, K7QNZ, W4YMA, KF7ECS, KI7NL, K7MSO.

Minutes from last meeting were read. Motion to accept by Todd K2GCN and seconded by Jackie KB7RBC. Discussion with corrections made to some call signs and motion to accept passed by membership.

Treasurer's report by Jerry N7GE. Motion made to accept by Elmer WG7P and seconded by Paul N7PAS and with no discussion, motion carried.

Liz WG7E reported that she audited the club books as requested by the club and they looked okay.

Net operators for the Wednesday night net were assigned: March 16th NN8A; March 23d K2GCN; March 30th K2GCN; and April 6th N7PAS.

Old Business: Wednesday night net procedures were discussed. Todd K2GCN agreed to be the coordinator for the Griz Triathlon. Bill W4YMA agreed to be the coordinator for the Iron Man. These events are held on the same day.

Jerry N7GE, presented the 2011 Budget. Elmer WG7P made a motion to approve. Lewis NQ7D seconded the motion. During discussion a motion was made by Byron NN8A to raise the expenses for TOSRV by \$200 to cover gas expences. This motion was seconded by Paul N7PAS and there was no more discussion and motion carried by members present.

Bob N7MSU, agreed to coordinate the 4th of July activities at Fort Missoula.

New Business: Motion was made by Todd K2GCN for this year's Field Day to be at Fort Missoula. Seconded by Paul N7PAS. Motion carried with one opposed.

Elmer made a motion to make Cub Day a club supported activity. Seconded by Todd K2GCN. Motion carried.

Lewis NQ7D commented on the Missoula Marathon being number one in the country. Applauded the Club for their efforts. There were other positive comments from club members.

Byron NN8A has Club property that he would like to return. He will bring it to the next meeting where it will be up for auction or disposed of.

Lewis NQ7D commented that the procedure for dealing with Club equipment is working well.

Mike K7MSO agreed to be the editor for the April Static.

A motion was made to surplus a Club power supply by Jerry N7GE. Seconded by Lewis NQ7D. Motion carried.

Some Club equipment was then auctioned off and Elmer WG7P made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jerry N7GE. No discussion. Meeting ended.

K7VK – Many Thanks

MANY THANKS for the GET WELL CARDS

K7VK recently spent 24 days in St Patrick hospital without a radio! A bummer for a 'ham'. But after receiving 'get well' cards signed by a slew of ham call signs, I am feeling great and back home on the radio. Many thanks to HARC members and others for the cards and hospital visits!

73, k7vk Vick

Montana QSO Party April 9-10

From the ARRL Contest Update Newsletter - Montana QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 9, 0000Z to Apr 10, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW- 1.81, 3.54, 7.035, 14.04, 21.05, 28.05 SSB - 1.845, 3.810, 7.244, 14.262, 21.365, 28.325. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or MT county. Logs due: May 31.

For more information go to the Flathead Valley ARC website, <http://www.fvarc.org/>.

Volunteers needed! - Grizzly Man and Grizzly Triathlons BOTH on 23 April!

The club will have double the fun helping out with both triathlons on 23 April this year. Todd, K2GCN (544-7643) has volunteered to head up the Triathlon at the U of M and Bill, W4YMA(207-1764) will coordinate the Man race out in Lubrecht Forest.

During the Grizzly *Triathlon* Hellgate ARC members will provide for public service and emergency radio communications for hundreds of runners, bikers and swimmers. Some members even compete in this event.

Club members will be located at strategic locations along the route. It is usually finished by early afternoon and then we normally get together at Tower Pizza or the Five Guys for burgers at club expense. Those helping can give Todd their choice for the after-event get together. A good activity to get involved with if you haven't participated in any of these events in the past. The Grizzly Triathlon website is <http://www.grizzlytri.com/>.

The Grizzly *Man* is another event we've been asked to help at is the new Grizzly Man Adventure Race, in April in the Lubrecht Forest near Greenough. This is an exciting race, and with the remote location, our communication support is of great value to them. The Grizzly Man Race website is <http://grizzlymanrace.com/>.

Both Todd and Bill will have the particulars of where, when to meet by the next HARC monthly meeting.

30 April - Volunteers needed! - YMCA Riverbank Run

Todd, K2GCN, has also volunteered to head up this race for HARC. This is a fun race that has three parts (1k, 5k, 10k) and we definitely help the race organizers keep it together. Some HARC members are even on top of the Wilma building! Hellgate ARC members provide for public service and emergency radio communications for hundreds of runners. Some members even compete in this event.

Club members will be located at strategic locations along the route: on top of the Wilma building, near Sentinel High School, the University and many points in between. It is usually finished by early afternoon and then we normally get together at Tower Pizza or the Five Guys for burgers at club expense. Those helping can give their choice for the after-event get together. A good activity to get involved with if you haven't participated in any of these events in the past.

Volunteer Position Available - MTN

Below is a message from Doug, K7YD.

Hello Montana Members:

Just a note to notify members that our MTN net manager has resigned from his position, effective immediately. This has been a busy 3 years for Mike, W7MPK and he'll be missed by all of our active MTN membership. Thanks Mike for your effort and dedication.

If you have any interest in this position, please notify this station or Todd, AE7V of your thinking. We'll need someone to fill this position soon, so be prepared to move into it soon.

Thanks and be safe

73

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Congratulations New Amateurs and Upgrades

By Vick, K7VK and Jerry, N7GE

November 22 saw Todd from Missoula passing his Technician Examination. One day later he had his new call sign, **KF7MWW** (now **K2GCN**). Congratulations Todd.

January 10 prior to club meeting a single successful candidate: Congratulations to **KF7NKU** Judy from Charlo.

February 14. Three successful Technician candidates: **KF7NYL** Ryan from Pablo, **KF7NYI** Trent from Missoula, and **KF7HYJ** Dawn from Superior. Within two days they had their new call signs.

February 26. Four candidates were successful at the W8QMD Argus Hamfest. Congratulations to upgrading General class: **KF7OCI** Larry from Swan Lake, **KF7OCJ** Creighton from Missoula, **KF7LOW** James from Corvallis and upgrading to Amateur Extra, **W7EVL** Eric from Stevensville.

March 15. Congratulations to three successful candidates: New technician **KF7OOA** Donald from Hamilton and upgrading to General (passing both Tech and General): **KF7ONZ** William from De Borgia. Both received their new call signs on March 16! **K2GCN** Todd from Missoula passed Amateur Extra Class. Todd's new call? It's for "GeoCachiNg, that outdoor sport of finding hidden objects using GPS (somewhat like "fox hunts").

As you can see from the towns listed, hams from around Western Montana visit Missoula to take their amateur radio examinations. Thanks to volunteer examiners administering these examinations: **K7PX** Steve, **K7VK** Vick, **N7GE** Jerry, **N7PAS** Paul, **NQ7D** Lewis, **WA7W** Morey, **WG7E** Liz & **WV7Z** Mike.

Our next examination session is scheduled for April 11, 5:30 PM prior to the regular HARC meeting.