



# The Hellgate Static



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Everyone was all smiles as Wayne KE7BPU helped these Cub Scouts talk to other scouts during Jamboree on the Air.

## Upcoming Events

- 12 Nov - Club meeting
- 7-8 Dec Skywarn Recognition Day
- 10 Dec - Club meeting and Christmas Party

See club website for more meetings and events:  
[http://www.w7px.org/meetings\\_and\\_events.html](http://www.w7px.org/meetings_and_events.html)

**Jamboree 2012 at Fort Missoula**  
*“NZ7S we have found the beacon!”*

Hams and scouts enjoyed another good time together at Fort Missoula during Jamboree on the air 2012. Almost 40 scouts got the opportunity to try fox hunting, geocaching and talking to other scouts via two hf stations.

Each group of scouts was shepherded through each of the three activities by HARC hams. For the fox hunt they used a 2 meter handheld to report to Eric, NZ7S, that they had found the fox beacon. Eric also had an Army field telephone for the scouts to talk to each other. On HF the bands were excellent. Unfortunately, there were no scouts around early in the morning when Guam and Hawaii plus the battleships Iowa and New Jersey were booming into Missoula. However, later in the day the bands still held out for cross country contacts into Arkansas, Georgia and plus Michigan.



Eric NZ7S talks to scouts on 2 meters



A scout leader helps a scout with the Geocaching



Dean KJ6CQC demonstrates DF techniques



Mike K7MSO helps scouts talk to scouts via HF



Wayne KE7BDU, Tom K0SN, Rich K7QNZ, and Jim N0XPO at the tent for JOTA 2012.

### **Congrats to Elmer WG7P!!**

In 2012 WG7P did what no other ham has ever done. In October Elmer became the first 2-time winner of the All Hellgate Award. The All Hellgate Award is one of amateur radio's most exclusive and elusive awards. In fact, only 3 club members have claimed this prize, ever. In 2005 HARC created the award to encourage HARC members to communicate with each other on the amateur bands. To date only K7VK, NN8A and WG7P successfully worked for the All Hellgate, but now Elmer is the first to do it twice. Congratulations Elmer!

*By the Old Gatekeeper Himself N7MSU*

### **Radio telemetry at next club meeting!**

At November club meeting Megan Kosterman, University of Montana, who will talk about using radio telemetry to study wildlife. Ms Kosterman has been studying Canadian lynx in Blackfoot area for 5 years. Might be some tips there for hams in "Fox Hunting" hobby.