



# The Heligate Static



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## **Club Officers:**

- President: K7MSO Mike Leary [Email](#)
- Vice-president: NZ7S Eric Sedgwick
- Treasurer: K7MTD, David Herzberg [Email](#)
- Secretary: Donna KC5WRA

## **Standing Committees:**

- Emergency Coordinator: N7GE Jerry Ehli [Email](#)
- QSLs, Awards: N7MSU, Bob Henderson [Email](#)
- Webmaster: K7MSO Mike Leary [Email](#)
- Radio License Examinations Contact VE: K7VK Vick, [Email](#)

## **Repeater Advisory Committee**

Chair: Eric Sedgwick

- David K7MTD
- Tom K7QA

Newly elected or reelected:

- Tom K0SN
- Paul Shuey N7PAS



## **Upcoming Events**

- 9 Apr – Meeting
- 21 April – Grizzly Triathlon
- 28 April – Riverbank Run
- 5 / 6 May – 7QP
- 14 May – Meeting
- 11 June – Meeting
- 23 / 24 June - Field Day
- 4 July – W7PX Special Event
- 9 July – Meeting
- 15 July – Missoula Marathon
- 13 Aug – Meeting
- 10 Sep – Meeting
- 8 Oct – Meeting
- 19 / 21 Oct - JOTA
- 12 Nov – Meeting
- 1 / 2 Dec - Skywarn
- 10 Dec – Meeting / Christmas Party

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

**Remember 2018 dues are due!!! (\$35.00 + \$5.00 / additional family member)**

# March Meeting Minutes

**Attendance:** Donna Pecastaing KC5WRA, Rich Kingdon K7QNZ, Dick Walton W7XT, Jerry Ehli N7GE, Paul Shuey N7PAS, Tom McGinley K7QA, Tom Hellem K0SN, Bryce Rowe KI7LMV, Larry Stipe K7GIS, Joe Geldrich AG7FH, Terry Cook KF7BQ, Jackie Harrington KC7RBC, Elaine Case KS7LDS, Gary Bruce K7OIJ, Bryce Nordgren AF7RQ, Dan Somerlott KI7HLW, Jason Lindsay K1JAL, David Herzberg K7MTD, Eric Sedgwick NZ7S

**Approval of last meetings minutes:** Approved

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:** Approved. 31 paid members.

**Repeater Committee Report:** No Report

**HF Committee Report:** HW101 Fixed. TS 520 not ready. Dick W7XT will work on it later.

**Recent Events:** None.

## **Upcoming Events:**

- 21 April – Grizzly Triathlon (0730)
- 28 April – YMCA Riverbank Run
- 5/6 May – 7QP (0600 local to midnight)

## **Net Control Operators:**

- 14 Apr David K7MTD
- 21 Apr Bryce Rowe KI7LMV
- 28 May ?
- 4 Apr Donna KC5WRA

**Other business:** Gary K7OIJ mentioned that Montana Aeronautical Beacon sites may open up. He will keep us posted.

**Program:** None

**Adjournment**

## **Grizzly Triathlon and YMCA Riverbank Runs**

Signup to volunteer for these two events. Hellgate ARC members provide for public service and emergency radio communications for hundreds of runners, bikers and swimmers. Some members even compete in these events.

Club members will be located at strategic locations along the routes. Both events usually finished by early afternoon and then we normally get together for burgers at club expense. Those helping can give the HARC event coordinator their choice for the after-event get together. These are good activities to get involved with if you haven't participated in any of these events in the past.

### **7QP**

This is a great way to get your feet wet in HF operating in general and contesting in particular. The stations of the US 7th call area (Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming) become "the pursued", and the rest of the US, Canada, and the world tries to work as many of us, on as many bands/modes as possible, over an 18-hour period commencing at 6:00am Pacific Time (1300 UTC).

In the 2015 7QP, nearly 1200 stations in the 7th call area participated, and more than 6500 stations from elsewhere, including stations from more than 80 countries.