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**UARC MEETING**  
**ATTENTION ALL UARC MEMBERS**  
**LOCATION CHANGE FOR THE FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

The meeting location has been changed to accommodate guest speaker Rick Damiani, KD7TVV. The topic of his program is ***Wyoming Cloud Radar***. Rick will be presenting the program after the meeting.

This month's meeting will be held in **room 6085**, in the **UW Engineering Building** due to the special program. Parking is available on and adjacent to Lewis Street. Entrances are at ground level off Lewis Street at the east and west ends of the building. Elevators are available near the entrances. Proceed up to the 6<sup>th</sup> floor Atmospheric Sciences area to room 6085.

This is a program you will not want to miss.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Jim KD7KMU

The weather in January has been fairly nice at times. Suzanne, AA7AY, has taken advantage of it. With the help of Wes KD7P XK, Wayne NQ7Q, Bill AF7E, and Jerry N7JT, they have Suzanne up and operating on HF.

Along with all the club members and myself, I would like to congratulate Paul Pheneger W7MO, for receiving the Work All Possible DX Countries Award. Congratulations, Paul!!

The first 7<sup>th</sup> Call Area QSO Party (7QP) will be conducted on May 6-7, 2006. Anybody thinking they would like to participate should be getting together with Walt, W7SE.

Hope to see you at the February 7th meeting.

Jim  
KD7KMU 73s

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## UARC CALENDAR

- 7 February 2006**    **UARC Monthly Meeting** 7:30 pm local time in **room 6085 of the UW Engineering Building**. All persons interested in amateur radio are invited to attend. Regular meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.
- 14 Feb 2006**        **ARES RACES regular meeting** 7:00 pm local time in Room 134 of the Physical Sciences Building on the University of Wyoming west campus. All persons interested in the role of amateur radio in emergency situations are invited to attend. Regular meetings are the second Tuesday of each month.

### Upcoming ARRL Special Operating Events of note include:

- 11 Feb 2006**        **1600Z-2300Z**, Colorado Springs, CO. Mountain Amateur Radio Club/US Olympic Committee, K0O. Opening of 2006 Winter Olympic Games. 21.370 14.280 7.235. Certificate. Wm A. Sands, Ph.D., US Olympic Committee-Sport Science, 1 Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909
- 25 Feb 2006**        **1400Z-2300Z**, Rapid City, SD. Dakota Chapter 102 QCWA, W0DAK. Commemorating the 29th as a QCWA Chapter. 28.450 14.250 7.250 3.889. Certificate. Frank Shaw, NU0F, 118 E Van Buren, Rapid City, SD 57701.

Above are just a few of many ham special events. Refer to <http://www.arrrl.org/contests/spev.html> for more ARRL Special Event listings.

## **Upcoming contests include:**

**13-17 Feb 2006** School Club Roundup  
**18-19 Feb 2006** ARRL International DX Contest (CW)  
**4-5 March 2006** ARRL International DX Contest (Phone)

see <http://www.arrl.org/contests/calendar.html> for more info including contest rules

## **UARC and Albany County Amateur Radio news**

The 10 January 2006 ARES / RACES meeting was held in room 130 of the UW Physical Sciences Bldg. Bill AF7E led a discussion on radio message handling.

Albany County Sheriff's Search and Rescue hosted a dinner for area emergency responders on Tuesday 31 Jan 2006. The dinner was held at the Epsom Center. Attendees included members of area volunteer fire departments, law enforcement agencies, medical units, ski patrol and snow mobile organizations, search and rescue volunteers and communications volunteers.

Wayne NQ7Q spoke on behalf of Albany County ARES and the amateur radio community. David Roolf of Albany County Sheriff's Search and Rescue helped organize the dinner. Dave has attended UARC meetings and is familiar with amateur radio volunteers through our communications efforts for the Dead Dog Classic bicycle race.

The dinner provided an opportunity to meet and talk with other emergency responders and to learn about the capabilities, equipment, areas of coverage and roles of the various organizations.

Cheers. John KD7NAE.

## **UARC meeting minutes from 2 January 2006**

### **Call to Order:**

The January meeting was called to order by President Jim KD7KMU at 7:32 pm in room 2 of the Student Union. 10 members and one visitor were in attendance; all officers were present. Those attending were: John Pearce, Bob Hansen WS7C, John Harrison KD7NAE, Walt Marshall W7SE, William H. Wright AF7E, Wayne M. Sutherland NQ7Q, Doug Wheeler KD7W, Jim Johnson KD7KMU, Suzanne Luhr AA7AY, and Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX. Bob was visiting from

### **Secretary's Report:**

Bill AF7E moved that the minutes of the November and December meetings be approved as published in the Code of the West. John KD7NAE seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Suzanne reported the following transactions and balances in UARC accounts:

UARC Expenses:	\$21.73 phone
	\$65.00 World radio club subscription
	\$25.00 Wyoming Secretary of State
Income:	\$50.00 dues
New balance:	\$696.49
Repair Fund	\$1,000
High Plains Ham Roundup account	
Income:	\$35.00 deposit fee for Kurt Goudy State Park returned
	\$90.00 of registration fees
New balance:	\$646.89

## **Committees:**

Bernie clubs: Bill AF7E reported no news.

VE Exams: Bill AF7E reported for Jerry N7JT that review sessions will be held this Spring after classes start. Dates will be provided to Jim KD7KMU for advertising and Doug KD7W for posting on the UARC web page.

## **Old Business:**

Jim KD7KMU reported that Don Barnes of the Laramie Fitness Center will attend a future meeting (possibly February) to discuss radio support for a state soccer championship to be held in Laramie on Memorial Day weekend (Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The event will be held at all soccer field locations in town (Washington Park, Kiwanis Park and the UW fields).

There was discussion of the Forest Service lease for the .82 repeater. KD7NAE had contacted Mike Winters at the Forest Service Jim KD7KMU requested that John KD7NAE get the status of the site fee waiver in writing.

John KD7NAE submitted renewal forms for the club's 501C tax exempt status to the Secretary of State with the renewal fee.

The club's World radio subscription was renewed in December by Doris KD7RQX.

## **New Business:**

Jim will contact Jerry N7JT regarding review sessions for VE exams previous discussions indicate that laramie test dates will be different than Cheyenne test dates. John KD7NAE asked if review would cover upgrading to General class. Bill AF7E said that previous sessions in the Spring were limited to Technical class license. Bob said Rawlins High School had video tapes of course material.

Bob WS7C asked if anyone had information on Longmont/Loveland hamfest dates.

**Announcements:**

Wayne NQ7Q said that future ARES/RACES meetings, previously held at the KOA campground meeting room, would be held in Jerry's lab in the Physical Sciences building on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm MST. The next meeting will be January 10<sup>th</sup> with the agenda of discussing traffic handling.

**Drawing:**

Wayne NQ7Q won a one year subscription to World Radio.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

Wayne NQ7Q moved and Bill AF7E seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm.

**Special Presentation:**

Walt W7SE addressed the club regarding a 7 call area QSO party to be held May 6-7, 2006. He provided additional information available on the web site [www.7qp.org](http://www.7qp.org) and invited interested club members to participate.

Doris  
KD7RQX



A scene from the old cement plant in West Laramie  
Photo by John KD7NAE.

Submissions to COTW are welcome from all UARC members, area hams and persons interested in amateur radio communications and activities.

Printed copies of COTW are available from John KD7NAE.

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