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UARC MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the University Amateur Radio Club will be held Tuesday 1 February 2005 in room 2 on the lower level of the Wyoming Student Union building at 7:30 pm local time on the University of Wyoming campus. Talk in on the UARC repeater at 146.610 MHz 600 kHz standard negative offset.

This new meeting room has been reserved for UARC through the spring academic semester. It is located in the west old original portion of the building immediately across the corridor from the passenger elevator.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT / COTW EDITOR John KD7NAE

Efforts continued over the last month to gain RACES recognition for an Albany County ham group led by Steve WL7CMA. A meeting was held with Albany County Emergency Management Coordinator and Laramie Fire Chief Randy Vickers and Tom Dodson KF7VR our state RACES Officer. Contact Steve WL7CMA or John KD7NAE if you are interested in participating. Information is available at www.wyomingraces.org including the state RACES application form and suggested on-line courses for RACES members.

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UARC CALENDAR

20 February 2005 Aurora Repeater Association ARRL Hamfest http://www.qsl.net/n0ara
Talk-In 147.715/147.15 Brighton, CO Adams County Fairgrounds
9755 Henderson Road
Contact Wayne Heinen N0POH PO Box 471802 Aurora, CO 80047-1802
Phone: 303-699-6335 Email: n0poh@arrl.net

12 March 2005 Denver Radio League/District 22 ARES http://www.denverradioleague.org/
Denver (Castlerock), CO Douglas County Fairgrounds 500 Fairgrounds Drive
Talk-In: 146.880 and/or 146.580 Simplex
Contact: Al Cooley N0AUS 6199 South Broadway Littleton, CO 80121
Phone: 303-794-6511 Email: alcooley38@prolynx.com

2 April 2005 LARCFEST 2005 Longmont ARC http://www.qsl.net/larc
Longmont, Colorado
Contact Brian Steege, K0BRS 942 Spencer Street
Longmont, CO 80501 Phone: 303-678-0406 or 303-678-8731
Email: larc@qsl.net

23 April 2005 Northern Utah Hamfest Ogden Amateur Radio Club
Browning Armory Building 625 East 5300 South Ogden, UT
http://www.ogdenarc.org/ Talk-In 146.82 (PL 123)
Contact Gary Liptrot, N7ZI 511 South 775 East
Ogden, UT 84404 Phone: 801-394-8793 Email: N7ZI@arrl.net

27-29 May 2005 **Wyoming State Convention** hosted by the Sweetwater ARC
Parkway Plaza 123 West E Street Casper, WY
http://www.qsl.net/wy7u talk-in 146.94
Contact Dave Gregory N7COA 1000 Dakota Street
Green River, WY 82935 Phone: 307-875-1716
Email: n7coa@arrl.net

Upcoming ARRL Special Operating Events of note include:

28 Jan-4 Feb 2005 Lubbock, TX: Buddy Holly Memorial, W5B. 2200Z Jan 28-0400Z Feb 4. 46th anniversary of the death of Buddy Holly. 28.336 21.360 14.260 7.260. QSL. W5B Buddy Holly QSL, c/o Bryan Edwards, 3801 68th St, Lubbock, TX 79413. www.amcrc.com/w5b.

12-13 Feb 2005 Rapid City, SD: Dakota Chapter 102, QCWA, W0DAK. 1500Z Feb 12-0300Z Feb 13. Commemorating the 28th anniversary as a QCWA Chapter. 28.450 14.250 7.250 3.889. Certificate. Frank Shaw, NU0F, 118 E Van Buren, Rapid City, SD 57701.

14-18 Feb 2005 Fort Myers, FL: Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club, Inc, W4LX. 1500Z Feb 14-2100Z Feb 18. The Edison Festival of Light and Thomas Edison's birthday. 28.430 21.330 14.250. Certificate. Ft Myers Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 61183, Ft Myers, FL 33906. http://fmarc.net.

26-27 Feb 2005 Davis Mountains, TX: Tyler Amateur Radio Club, K5TYR. 1200Z Feb 26-2400Z Feb 27. DM-80 TXpedition commemorates the Last Unspoiled Frontier. 432.150 144.250 50.150 14.250. QSL. Tyler Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 6393, Tyler, TX 75711. www.tylerarc.com.

Refer to http://www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html for more ARRL Special Events

Upcoming ARRL contests include:

14-19 Feb 2005 School Club Roundup
19-20 Feb 2005 ARRL International DX Contest (CW)
5-6 March 2005 ARRL International DX Contest (Phone)

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

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FCC Chairman Resigns

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ARLB003 FCC chairman resigns

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To all radio amateurs

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ARLB003 FCC chairman resigns

FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell announced January 21 that he'll step down, effective "sometime in March." Nominated by former President Bill Clinton, Powell joined the FCC in 1997 and became its chairman two days after President George Bush was sworn in for his first term in 2001. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, called Powell's performance "a deep disappointment" after some initial optimism--especially given his unabashed cheerleading on behalf of the FCC's broadband over power line (BPL) initiative.

"It's no secret that we thought Chairman Powell was going entirely in the wrong direction on BPL and dragging the other commissioners and FCC staff along--willing or not--because he was, after all, the chairman," Sumner said. "A new chairman might be a chance for a fresh start."

When the FCC adopted new Part 15 rules for BPL last October, Powell called it "a banner day." While conceding that BPL will affect some spectrum users, including "all those wonderful Amateur Radio operators out there," Powell implied that the FCC must balance the benefits of BPL against the relative value of other licensed services. He listed the FCC's adoption of BPL rules among the "policy highlights" of his tenure.

Possibilities to replace Powell include the other Republican members of the five-member FCC--Kathleen Q. Abernathy, a staunch BPL supporter, and Kevin J. Martin. Speculation also has been raised about various outside candidates. "We look forward to the opportunity to work with the new chairman, whoever that may be," Sumner said.

In his announcement, Powell said it was "with a mixture of pride and regret" that he informed the president of his decision to step down. "Having completed a bold and aggressive agenda, it is time for me to pursue other opportunities and let someone else take the reins of the agency," he said. "During my tenure, we worked to get the law right in order to stimulate innovative technology that puts more power in the hands of the American people, giving them greater choices that enrich their lives."

The chairman said the seeds of the Commission's policies under his leadership "are taking firm root in the marketplace and are starting to blossom." He cited the increased use of cell phones, digital TV and other digital technology "increasingly connected anytime, anywhere by a wide variety of broadband networks." Proclaimed Powell, "Our children will inherit this exciting future."

As FCC chairman, Powell also was in the forefront of enforcing the Commission's rules on indecency, largely through imposing huge fines on violators. He also supported changes in media ownership rules that permitted even greater concentration of broadcast station ownership.
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UARC Meeting Minutes 7 December 2004

Call to Order:

The December meeting was called to order by President John KD7NAE at 7:42 pm in room 106 of the College of Business Building. 11 members were in attendance; all officers were present. Those attending were: Larry Dean K7UWR, Doc Newberry W7EMA, Steve Coulthard WL7CMA, Bill Frazier N7SXC, William Wright AF7E, Paul Pheneger W7MO, David Rush KY7DR, Mac McDonald WB7K, Suzanne Luhr AA7AY, John Harrison KD7NAE, and Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX.

The review of prior minutes and treasurers report were not done so that the club could hold a discussion of the Federal Office of Homeland Security First Responder system, lead by Steve WL7CMA.

Doris
KD7RQX

Fall yellows near Wood's Landing
11 October 2004

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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