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UARC MEETING

The next regular monthly meeting of the University Amateur Radio Club will be held Tuesday 4 October 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.

The meeting room is located in the west old original portion of the Wyoming Union building immediately across the corridor from the passenger elevator and main stairway.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT / COTW EDITOR John KD7NAE

It's been a busy and enjoyable summer for Laramie area hams. Activities included support for the Dead Dog Classic and Laramie Enduro bicycle races, the Happy Jack Rides horse races, Field Day activities at Fox Park and the High Plains Roundup at Curt Gowdy State Park. Efforts continue to strengthen ham emergency preparedness in Albany County through ARES and RACES, spearheaded by Steve WL7CMA and

Welcome to our new student club members, many of whom signed up at RSO Day. I've included a list later in this COTW issue. Some are Electrical Engineering students of Bob N7CII and Jerry KD7CTP. Thanks to them and the many other UW faculty members who are active hams and promote amateur radio and public service in the classroom. 73s John KD7NAE

UARC CALENDAR

4 October 2005 **UARC regular monthly meeting** 7:30 pm local time in room 2 of the Wyoming Student Union
Agenda includes election of new officers for 2005-2006.
All persons interested in amateur radio are invited to attend.
Regular meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.

12 & 26 Oct 2005 **RACES regular meeting** 7:00 pm local time at the KOA Campground recreation room adjacent to the main campground office near I-80 and Curtis Street.
All persons interested in the role of amateur radio in emergency situations are invited to attend. Regular meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

Upcoming ARRL Special Operating Events of note include:

8-9 Oct 2005 **Amateur Radio Technology Day** 1600Z-0300Z, Menlo Park, CA.
12th Month, Amateur Radio-Technology Day, N6T
Stanford Linear Accelerator Center
14.240 14.044 7.240 7.044. QSL
David A. Cooper, 270 Redwood Shores Pky, PMB #41
Redwood City, CA 94065 **www.fars.k6ya.org**

11-12 Oct 2005 **200th anniversary of the Discovery Corps encampment at Snake and Clearwater Rivers confluence** 1600Z-2359Z, Lewiston, ID.
Lewis and Clark Amateur Radio Club, W7C. Gen portion 20-40 m bands 146.880. Certificate. TARC, 858 Harold Ave, Moscow, ID 83843-3539.
www.73se.com.

31 Oct – 1 Nov **All-Saints Day/Halloween.** 0500Z-0500Z, **Frankenstein, MO.**
Warrensburg Amateur Radio Club, W0O. 21.378 14.315 7.233 3.943.
QSL. Keith Haye, WE0G, 70 NW 601 Rd, Centerview, MO 64019-9228.
http://**waarci.dyndns.org**.

5 Nov 2005 **75th Anniversary of RCA Transatlantic Wireless Transmission**
1500Z-2000Z, Rocky Point, NY. Radio Central Amateur Radio Club, W2RC.
14.260 14.050 7.260 7.030. Certificate. Radio Central ARC, PO Box 396, Centereach, NY 11720. **www.rcarc.org**.

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

Upcoming contests include:

5-7 Nov 2005 ARRL November Sweepstakes - CW
12-13 Nov 2005 ARRL Earth-Moon-Earth 50 Mhz – 1296 Mhz
19-21 Nov 2005 ARRL November Sweepstakes - phone
2-4 Dec 2005 ARRL 160 Meter Contest
10-11 Dec 2005 ARRL 10 Meter Contest
see http://www.arrl.org/contests/calendar.html for more info including contest rules

UARC welcomes new members

UARC is proud to welcome our new student members, many of whom signed up at RSO day in early September – Jaeson Boyers, Josh Brynildsen, Anthony Carroll, Peter R. Comstock, Jerry Gallegos, Jon Held, Jason Herreman, Cody Kent, Katherine Kerber, Justin Matoska, Warren Parsons, Leslie Popp, Bronwyn Thompson, and Elizabeth Trout. Apologies if you were missed. We may not have found you in the student directory listings or have not been able to verify spelling of your name. We hope to see you all at next Tuesday's meeting where we will provide membership materials and information on getting your ham licenses. Please attend even if you are not listed here and invite any interested friends and classmates. We will clarify contact information at Tuesday's meeting. Welcome also to new member John Pearce who attended our September meeting. Everyone with an interest in or curiosity about amateur radio is welcome at the University Amateur Radio Club.

Ronald 'Mick' Marchitelli WA7LEA, SK 1943-2005

(Portions from obituary published: 6/28/2005)

Ronald "Mick" Marchitelli WA7LEA, 62, Laramie, died Friday, 24 June 2005, at Ivinson Memorial Hospital. He was born 5 June 1943, in Niagara Falls, N.Y., the son of Hercule and Marian Marchitelli. He worked as a mechanic in New York, Connecticut and later in Wyoming, where he spent the majority of his life. He owned and operated Mobile Mechanic in Laramie and enjoyed working for the University of Wyoming during the last ten years of his life.

Mick had numerous hobbies and interests. He was an amateur radio operator for more than 40 years and was active in the University Amateur Radio Club, ARES and RACES. He was an accomplished CW operator and CW proponent. He taught Laramie ARES members message handling procedures and protocol. He enjoyed operating HF mobile, both CW and phone.

Mick also rehabilitated raptors for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, and was an accomplished falconer, an award-winning pigeon racer, a licensed private pilot and plane owner and an avid history buff.

In recognition of his work with falcons, Mick's wife Cindy has set up a memorial fund with the Archive of Falconry in Boise, ID, home of the Peregrine Memorial Wall, honoring those who were dedicated to caring for these birds. If you are interested in remembering Mick through a donation, please send funds to the following address -

Peregrine Memorial Wall
Archive of Falconry Memorial Fund
5668 W. Flying Hawk Lane
Boise, ID 83709

Mick is survived by his loving wife, Cynthia Ann Marchitelli, of Laramie; two children, Michael Marchitelli and his wife Barb of Rawlins and Rita Marchitelli and her husband Damon of Memphis, Tenn.; eight grandchildren, Keesha, Stonie and her husband Josh, Mark, Michael Jr., Amanda, Angela, Damon Jr. and Dustin; one great-grandchild, Timothy; a sister, Joan Mort of Derby, Conn.; nieces Colleen and Paula; uncles Calvin and James Richards; and a cousin, Jim Meggleton of Niagara Falls.

Laramie and Wyoming hams will miss Mick's friendship, his valuable amateur radio experience and advice, his good humor and his willingness to share his many unique life experiences and enthusiasms with others.

Happy Jack Rides equestrian event 18-19 June 2005

Laramie area hams provided much appreciated communications support for summer races.

Field Day at Fox Park 25 June 2005

Dead Dog Classic bicycle road race 25 June 2005

High Plains Ham Roundup 10 September 2005

Chili cook-off

Conversation with friends was enjoyed by all

UARC meeting minutes from 6 September 2005

Call to Order:

The September meeting was called to order by President John KD7NAE at 7:33 pm in room 2 of the Student Union. 16 members were in attendance; all officers were present. Those attending were: John Pearce, Foncey Taylor N0FT, Fred Crowell KS7Q, Mac McDonald WB7K, Jim Johnson KD7KMU, Doug Wheeler KD7W, Bill Frazier N7SXC, Bill Wright AF7E, Wayne Sutherland NQ7Q, Judy Sutherland K7JMS, David Young KC6WZP, Bob Kubickek N7CII, Jerry Tastad N7JT, Suzanne Luhr AA7AY, John Harrison KD7NAE, and Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX.

With many new (and returning) members present there were introductions from all.

Old Business:

There was a report from the Officer Election Committee comprised of Bill AF7E, Suzanne AA7AY, Jerry N7JT and Wes KD7PXK. They worked for a month to get volunteers for offices. No one volunteered to be President or Vice-President/Secretary. The present treasurer volunteered to remain in that office. It was suggested and agreed by the club that the election be postponed until the October 4th meeting so that the committee could continue to pursue volunteers.

John KD7NAE reported that the summer's events went well and passed around a letter from Bob Atherton thanking the club for its support of the Happy Jack Rides horse races. Thank yous were also relayed from the organizers of the Dead Dog and Enduro bike races.

There was a discussion of the radio equipment collected from the Arlington site in November 2004. It was moved by Doug KD7W and seconded by Dave KC6WZP that the remaining antennae be sold at future ham swaps with the proceeds going tot the club, or that they be given away. Mac WB7K volunteered to store the large antenna at his home until its disposal.

New Business:

Foncey N0FT requested volunteers for an antenna raising/ Bernie club to be held at her home Friday, September 16th.

John KD7NAE reported that a request had been received to assist with the lowering of the tower at the former residence of Bill and Julia.

There was a discussion of how to increase student interest in the club. It was suggested that club members contact Tim Banks, chief of UW police (Dave KC6WZP volunteered), Jim Petty, a member of the Communications & Mass Media department for interested communications majors and Bob N7CII volunteered to discuss the club with engineering students.

John KD7NAE, Jerry N7JT, Dave KC6WZP, Bill AF7E, Bill N7SXC, and Doris KD7RQX agreed to man a table for RSO sign-up day September 8th.

John KD7NAE volunteered to attend the RSO orientation.

Announcements:

Jerry N7JT reminded the club that the High Plains Roundup (hosted by the Shy-WY club would be September 10th and that there would be hamfests in Loveland, CO September 17th and Longmont,

CO September 24th (both will have VE exams).

Meeting Adjourned:

Bill AF7E moved and Doug KD7W seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:24 pm.

There was a brief presentation by Dave KC6WZP of various lighting and battery technologies.

Doris
KD7RQX

Swap table at High Plains Roundup

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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