

#### UNIVERSITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB N7UW

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### **UARC MEETING**

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The next regular meeting of the University Amateur Radio Club will be held Tuesday 4 April 2006 in room 02 on the lower level of the Wyoming Student Union. Alternate location is room 10 in the same area. All radio amateurs and interested persons are invited to attend. Talk in on the UARC repeater at 146.610 MHz 600 kHz standard negative offset.

A program will be presented after the meeting by Paul Pheneger W7MO.

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Jim KD7KMU

March is gone, spring is here and it's time to set our clocks ahead 1 hour. Don't forget or you'll be late for the April meeting.

Twenty people attended the Bernie Party held at Winger's. Everybody had a great time and, of course, went home plenty full from all the good food we ate that night. A Happy Birthday goes out to all the people who were celebrating their birthday that night. A good time was had by all. Thanks for the support of the Bernie Clubs that we've been having.

The guest speaker for the coming meeting will be W7MO, Paul Pheneger.

### Communication

By Anne Morrow Lindbergh

Good communication is as stimulating as black coffee, and just as hard to sleep after.

Jim KD7KMU 73s

# **UARC CALENDAR**

**4 April 2006 UARC Monthly Meeting** 7:30 pm local time in room 02 of the Wyoming Student Union. Alternate location is room 10 near by. All persons interested in amateur radio are invited to attend. Regular meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.

**11 April 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.

- **6-7 May 2006 7<sup>th</sup> Call Area QSO Party** Contact Walt W7SE for more information w7se@arrl.net. Operators are needed for several WY counties. Please see the information flyer included with this COTW.
- 27-28 May 2006 Wyoming Section Convention sponsored by the Shy-Wy ARC Contact Brian Grimm, N7QJB PO Box 2735 Cheyenne, WY 82003 Phone: 307-630-1098 Email: <u>n7qjb@arrl.net</u> Casper, WY Best Western Ramkota Hotel <u>800 North Poplar</u> Div: Rocky Mountain Sect: Wyoming
- 9-11 June 2006 Rocky Mountain Division Convention HAMCON Colorado <u>http://hamconcolorado.org</u> Dick Schneider, AB0CD 5630 East Bates Avenue Denver, CO 80222 Phone: 303-601-8932 Email: <u>schneiderdick@comcast.net</u> Estes Park, CO Holiday Inn & Estes Park Convention Center **Div:** Rocky Mountain Sect: Colorado

- **17 June 2006** Happy Jack Endurance Horse Races Medicine Bow National Forest east of Laramie 6-8 amateur radio operators are needed to assist with communication. Contact Doris KD7RQX or other UARC officers.
- 24 June 2006 Dead Dog Classic Bicycle Road Race Albany to Ryan Park on Highway 130 west of Laramie Lots of ham volunteers are needed to cover the route on 2 meters. Contact Bill AF7E or other UARC officers.
- 24-25 June 2006 ARRL Field Day 2006 UARC is considering a location closer to the Dead Dog bicycle race route. Our site in recent years has been at Fox Park off Highway 230 – south of Albany via CR 47 which meets 230 near Jelm.
- 29 July 2006 Laramie Enduro Mountain Bike Race Happy Jack Recreation Area east of Laramie – Hidden Valley Picnic Area Race start is at 7:00 am. 6-8 amateur radio operators are needed to assist with communication. Contact Jim KD7KMU, John KD7NAE or other UARC officers.
- 4-6 August 2006 Wyoming, Idaho, Montana and Utah (WIMU) 2006 Convention (WIMU 2006) Teton Radio Amateur Club http://www.redgiant.org/wimu2006/ Talk-In: 146.91 MHz (PL 123) Charles Burd, K7ZOO c/o Teton Radio Amateur Club POB 7835 Jackson, WY 83002 Phone: 307-690-8896 Email: wimu2006@redgiant.org Jackson, WY The Virginian Lodge 750 West Broadway **Div:** Rocky Mountain Sect: Wyoming
- 5 August 2006 Jackson Hole Area Amateur Radio Club

http://www.qsl.net/jhaarc Talk-In: 146.73 -600 (PL 123) Mick Dettmer, W7CAT PO Box 14691 Jackson, WY 83002 Phone: 307-690-9848 Email: jhaarc@qsl.net Jackson, WY The old Colter Elementary School 255 North Jean Street Div: Rocky Mountain Sect: Wyoming

#### Upcoming contests include:

10-12 June 2006 ARRL June VHF QSO Party
24-25 June 2006 ARRL Field Day
8-9 July 2006 IARU HF World Championships
5-6 August 2006 ARRL UHF Contest
19-20 Aug 2006 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest

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

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

Thanks to Francis McGrath WB7RSB for his program on lightning protection and electrical grounding after last month's meeting. Thanks to Suzanne AA7AY for arranging a very enjoyable Bernie Club at Wingers last Saturday.

Most of the summer's local radio volunteer activities are now listed in the calendar above. Please let your club officers know if you can help out with any of these. UARC and area hams have received a lot of praise and good PR for our help with these events. The assistance we provide for these activities is much appreciated and gives us the opportunity to show off many of the skills that would be used in emergency situations. Thanks to all of you who have helped out in the past.

## UARC meeting minutes from 7 March 2006

#### Call to Order:

The March meeting was called to order by President Jim KD7KMU at 7:32 pm in room 10 of the Wyoming Union. 14 members were in attendance; all officers were present. Those attending were: John Harrison KD7NAE, Francis McGrathWB7RSB, Doug Wheeler KD7W, John Pearce, Mac McDonald WB7K, Lynn Hamblin KB7SGP, Rick Damiani KD7TVV, Patrick Johnson, Joel Maslak N7XUC, Gery Simpson, Bob Hansen WS7C, Jim Johnson KD7KMU, Suzanne Luhr AA7AY, and Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX.

#### Secretary's Report:

There was a motion by Mac WB7K that the minutes of the February meeting be approved as published in the Code of the West, Lynn KB7SGP seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Suzanne AA7AY reported the following club account information:

UARC: Expenses: \$21.73 phone New balance: \$706.30

Repair Fund balance \$1,000

High Plains: Expenses: Curt Goudy campground fee \$70.00

	Curt Goudy deposit	\$35.00
Balance:		\$646.89

#### **Committees:**

Bernie clubs: Suzanne AA7AY reported for Bill AF&E she would arrange a dinner to be held at Wingers confirmation of time and date to be announced on the air during the Sunday night net.

VE Exams: Jim KD7KMU reported for Jerry N7JT that review sessions will be held this Spring on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in Jerry's lab in the Physical Sciences Building not many (three) people are attending the sessions.

#### **Old Business:**

Jim KD7KMU reported that he still had not heard further from Dan Barnes regarding the State soccer tournament.

Jim KD7KMU reminded everyone to contact Walt W7SE about participating in the 7th call area QSO to be held May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th

Jim KD7KMU reported that AF7E said is coordinating the Dead Dog logistics again this year. There was discussion of a different site for field day near the bicycle race route. Lynn KB7SGP said that the club used to meet at a picnic/campground in the Snowies. Mac WB7K pointed out that Fox Park is really an ideal location. He feels the club should concentrate on the radio event and not participate in so many support events (lie the bike races). John KD7NAE and Lynn KB7SGP pointed out that there are shorter routes from the bike race to Fox Park using county roads through Albany or Woods Landing. Other potential sites mentioned were Libby Flats or the Green Mountain campground.

Jim KD7KMU said that he had been contacted by Rich Vincent regarding support for the Enduro mountain bike race the last weekend of July or first weekend of August.

Jim KD7KMU reported that the Forest Service lease for the .82 repeater is still on a fee waiver, but due for renewal June 10<sup>th</sup>. Mike Winters at the Forest will inspect the site prior to that time. The club discussed going to the site prior to his visit to get everything in order. Mac WB7K reported that there is bad squelch on the frequency. John KD7NAE still has a key for the building and will get it to Jim KD7KMU. There was discussion about the maintenance of the .82 repeater site and the need to coordinate this with the Shy-Wy club.

#### New Business:

There was no new business.

#### **Announcements:**

The ARES/RACES meeting scheduled for next week has been cancelled.

Gerry said that Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in room 105 of the Health Sciences building there will be a Red Cross Disaster action meeting. The topic will be "Search dogs, the Wright tornado and Hurricane Katrina – What does it Mean?"

The Astronomy club will meet Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at the North Fire station. There will be a video and solar

telescope show & tell.

### **Drawing:**

Joel N7SUC won a one year subscription to World Radio.

### Meeting Adjourned:

Bob WS7C moved and Suzanne AA7AY seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 pm.

#### **Special Presentation:**

Francis McGrath WB7RSB gave a very interesting presentation on lightning protection and electrical grounding following the meeting.

Doris KD7RQX

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.

Please contact

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