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UARC MEETING

The next meeting of the University Amateur Radio Club will be held at 7:30 pm local time on Tuesday 7 October 2008 in room 10 or room 2 in the Wyoming Student Union. 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.

UARC CALENDAR

7 October 2008 UARC Regular meeting 7:30 pm local time Wyoming Union rm 2 or 10.

See ARRL.org for Special Operating Events, Contests and licensing information.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Doris KD7RQX

September was another busy month for the club. We began with our first meeting of the new year which included the election of a new slate of officers. I want to congratulate our new Vice-President, John Pearce, KE7MXO, Secretary, John Harrison, KD7NAE and Treasurer Suzanne Luhr, AA7AY.

The next day the club had a successful RSO Day table with 15 new student members signing up. A big thanks to Jerry, N7JT, Bill, AF7E, Foncey, NOFT, Jim, KD7KMU, John KD7NAE and Doug KD7W for setting up and encouraging those students to join.

Our club also hosted the High Plains Roundup at Curt Gowdy State Park the weekend after Labor Day. A big thanks to Wayne NQ7Q and Jerry N7JT for coordinating that event. There were about 40 participants from around the region.

I especially want to thank the crew that worked on the tower repeater and antenna at the end of the month. This effort was organized by our previous president, Jim KD7KMU and Dave KC6WZP. Participants included George K7NOI, Chris KB7Z, Dave KC6WZP, Jerry N7JT, John KD7NAE and John KE7MXO. I think we can all notice a BIG difference in the repeater so be sure to thank these folks the next time you see them.

I hope to see everyone at the next meeting, October 7 at 7:30 pm in the Student Union basement room 2 or 10. Doug Wheeler, KD7W, will be the guest speaker after the meeting.

73s

Doris

KD7RQX

Welcome to our new members. We hope you can attend our Tuesday meeting to learn more about amateur radio.

Doris KD7RQX

Albany County Amateur Radio News

Thanks to all Albany County amateurs who assisted with communications for the Dead Dog Classic bicycle road race, the Laramie Enduro mountain bike race and the Happy Jack Rides horse endurance races this summer. The races are excellent practice for mobile operation of the kind that might be required in emergency or search and rescue situations. We provide a needed and visible service to race organizers, volunteers and participants, reinforcing the community service role that is fundamental to amateur radio.

Field day was held near the Hidden Valley campground in the Happy Jack area east of town. Jerry, N7JT erected a dipole and set up one of the club's radios at the site and did most of the operating under the N7UW club call sign. As always, there was a good turn out for dinner on Saturday night after the Dead Dog bicycle race with lots of tasty food and conversation. The weather was great and a good time was had by all.

High Plains Roundup was held on September 5, 6 and 7 at Curt Gowdy State Park. Thanks to Wayne NQ7Q and Jerry N7JT for organizing the activities.

A maintenance session was held on Saturday 20 September 2008 to help correct some ongoing issues with the 146.61/01 UARC repeater at the Wyoming Union. A new antenna was installed and work was done on the repeater controller. The phone patch is working again and repeater sensitivity and range seem to be restored. Thanks to Dave KC6WZP for organizing the work, George K7NOI, Chris KB7Z, Jerry N7JT, Doris KD7RQX, John KE7MXO and John KD7NAE for their efforts.

John KD7NAE

UARC Meeting Minutes 2 September 2008

Call to Order:

The September 2008 meeting was called to order by President Jim KD7KMU at 7:33 pm in room 2 of the Wyoming Union. 14 members were in attendance; all officers were present. Those attending were: William Wright AF7E, John Pearce KE7MXO, Gery Simpson KE7HTD, Wayne Sutherland NQ7Q, Lloyd Hashimoto WA7SUH, Brad Moreland, David Young KC6WZP, Brian Kassin KD7RQU, Foncey Taylor NOFT, John Harrison KD7NAE, Jerry Tastad N7JT, Jim Johnson KD7KMU, Suzanne Luhr AA7AY, and Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX.

Secretary's Report:

There was a motion by Wayne NQ7Q that the minutes of the May 2008 meeting be approved. John KD7NAE seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Suzanne reported the following:

UARC account:	Expenses: phone Secretary of State Field day food New balance \$787.78
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Repair Fund:	Balance \$1,000
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High Plains fund:	Balance \$410.72
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Committees:

Bill AF7E reported that there are no Bernie club activities scheduled.

Wayne NQ7Q reported on the progress for the High Plains Roundup this weekend. Hot dogs will be provided Friday evening, Coffee will be available Saturday morning for the swap meet and registration, lunch will be a chili cook-off and pot luck followed by a brief business meeting and door prize drawing. The \$5 registration fee will include 1 door prize ticket with

additional tickets at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The grand prize will be a Yaesu 1802, 2 meter mobile radio. Coffee will be available for site clean-up Sunday morning.

Old Business:

Jim KD7KMU updated the club on the status of the repeater. Repairs are still needed as the autopatch is still being by-passed. Parts are in Colorado and Dave KC6WZP offered to pick them up. George K7NOI has ordered a new antenna.

Jim KD7KMU asked that John KD7NAE look into the club's submission of a subscription renewal to World Radio as the club is no longer listed and new subscriptions have not been received.

Jim KD7KMU thanked everyone involved with the clubs summer activities. All events were well organized.

New Business:

Jim KD7KMU reminded everyone that it is time to pay dues. Students \$10 (first year free), Single \$20, family \$30. Please see Suzanne AA7AY.

Tomorrow, September 3 is RSO Day. Jerry N7JT will coordinate the RSO table and get handouts and a sign-up sheet for interested students. He will be on 2m to announce the exact location. Jim KD7KMU, Foncey NOFT and Bill AF7E volunteered to assist. Jim KD7KMU pointed out that this years forms are available on-line and are due October 7 before 5 pm. John KD7NAE will arrange for at least 1 student member to attend the RSO orientation session.

Dave KC6WZP would like to tour the city/county Emergency Operation Command facilities. He asked if others would be interested in joining him. He will arrange this (possibly as a future ARES/RACES meeting).

Lloyd WA7SUH asked if the club would be interested in hosting a JOTA event in October with the Boy Scouts and the club agreed to participate. Jerry N7JT has organized these events in the past and would provide a list of possible operators.

Announcements:

There will be a special net between 7 and 8 pm on Thursday to finish up last minute details.

There will be an ARES/RACES meeting next Tuesday, September 9 at 7 pm at the Village Inn.

Room 2 or 10 has been scheduled for the academic year for UARC meetings.

Election of Officers for 2008-09:

Committee chair William Wright led the discussions.

President – Doris Hutcheson KD7RQX (moved by Bill AF7E, second Wayne NQ7Q)

Vice-President – John Pearce KE7MXO (moved by Bill AF7E second Doris KD7RQX)

Secretary – Lloyd WA7SUH (declined)

John Harrison KD7NAE (moved Doris second Bill AF7E)

Treasurer - Suzanne Luhr AA7AY (moved Wayne second John KD7NAE)

Code of the West Editors John KD7NAE and Doris KD7RQX

Committees – Bernies - Bill AF7E

Refreshments – Jerry N7JT

Drawing:

Brian KD7RQU won a one year subscription to World Radio to be awarded as soon as the new supply arrives from World Radio.

Meeting Adjourned:

Foncey NOFT moved and John KD7KMU seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Doris
KD7RQX



George K7NOI (below) and John KD7NAE (above) install a new 2 meter antenna for the UARC repeater. Thanks to George for donating the new Diamond 7/8 wave vertical antenna.

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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