



The Repeater

Next Club Meeting

Thursday April 6, 2023,
7:00 PM

Medford Police Department
Community Room
219 S. Ivy St., Medford, OR

Program: Project Show and Tell,
Discussion on automating Li-
cense Exam sessions.

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Club Notes

The program this month will consist of two topics:

1. A Show and Tell of your favorite projects. The projects can be Ham related, Electronic related, Software related, restoration of older equipment, etc.

Members are encouraged to bring their project for demonstration if possible, Otherwise to discuss their project (with Powerpoint slides if they have any).

2. Automating Amateur License Exams.

License exams require an increasing amount of paperwork, and software is available to help in automating both administrative por-

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Secretary's Report

RVARC Meeting Minutes 2023-03-02

7:03pm Meeting called to order by President Don Bennett, KG7BP. There were 27 attendees, including guests.

Treasurer's report: \$5399.02 bank balance + pending membership deposits, giving a total of \$5414.02

Scott, NA7OM mentioned 7QP is the 1st weekend in May, so it's time to get organized.

Amy, AG7GP, said Jackson County Parks wanted to work with the club regarding Agate Lake for a contest venue. Tom, N5EG, asked the ARRL Division Director if they could raise its insurance limit. Answer was: no.

Scott, NA7OM, said he might talk to Steve Lambert (JCParks) regarding the insurance

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tions (applicant, forms, as well as taking the test itself. Pat Cunningham procured two inexpensive Chromebook computers and has installed software so that they can only boot directly into the examination software.

He has a source of more of these devices, which appear to meet all the requirements that prevent other uses (opening other web pages, searching for answers, etc.).

There will be a discussion about how our club might use these to help administer test sessions more quickly and efficiently while reducing the workload for our Volunteer Examiners.

RVARC Email List

RVARC maintains a private closed email reflector for members and friends.

An email sent to the reflector will be sent to everyone else subscribed to the list.

You can also browse past messages and create new messages from the web interface if that is more convenient.

Several folks have been sent invitations, but they have expired unused.

If you are not on the list, send an email to our club webmaster, Tom, N5EG (address on the front page) and he will have googlegroups send you an invitation.

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situation.

Van: What about Frohnmayer Park?

Mike: How about a location with extra point possibilities?

Scott nominated Pat, N7UH, to head the 7QP Committee, with Amy, AG7GP, as alternate. The vote was unanimous for Amy as committee lead. Amy: consider John's location (AC7S) also. Scott said that Agate Lake was a good location for contesting.

Bruce said that perhaps Sam's Valley would make a good Field Day location, and there was a free 28' tower available.

7:28pm Two Presentations for tonight: Amy on Winter Field Day, and Lud on Antique Equipment from WWII & Korean War.

7:53pm Break for snacks and visiting.

8:58pm Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted, John, KF7UMK, Secretary

This Month's Programs

1. Project Show and Tell

Program: Show and Tell your favorite projects. The projects can be:

- Ham related
- Electronic related
- Software related
- Restoration of older equipment
- Etc.

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Biography: .

2. Automating Amateur License Exams

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Biography: .Pat Cunningham, N7UH, is previous club president and resident computer guru.

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30 • CP ERC Net						

Events

Meetings

- **RVARC** 7:00 PM Medford Police Dep't Community Room, 219 S. Ivy St., Medford.
- **Rogue Hack Lab** Varies each month.
- **CARE** 2nd Wednesday 6:30 PM Fiesta Restaurant, 1016 N. Riverside, Medford
- **JC-ARES** 3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM, Medford PD Community room 219 S. Ivy St.

Nets

- **JC-ARES** Thursdays 7:30 PM - K7JAX Mt. Baldy Repeater 146.840 (-) [PL 123.0] open, directed, visitors welcome
- **CARE** Mondays 7:00 PM— KB7SKB Jacksonville Repeater 147.100 (-) [PL 136.5], open, directed net, visitors welcome
- **2 Meter SSB** Tuesdays 7:00 PM and Wednesdays 10:00 AM—144.200 USB
- **Central Point Emergency Radio Communications** Sundays 8:30 PM— KB7QMV Medford Repeater 145.410 (-) [PL none]. Move to simplex net on 147.585 MHz when finished. Directed net.
- **Siskiyou County ARC** Thursdays 7:00 PM—Net K6SIS Repeater 146.79 (-) [PL 100.0]

RVARC Membership

RVARC membership dues run from January 1 through December 31. Please bring cash or a check payable to RVARC to a club meeting, or mail (checks only) to:

RVARC Membership
c/o 1940 Stevens Rd.
Eagle Point OR 97524-6523

Regular Member:	\$20.00
Senior Member (62 and over):	\$15.00
Family Member:	\$20.00
Student Member:	\$10.00
Dual Member (CARC+RVARC):	\$30.00

For Sale

Hustler 5BTV 5 band trap vertical about 5 months old. Includes Radial plate and Radials. \$150.00

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2023 Amateur Radio Examinations

In the Rogue Valley, amateur radio exams are provided by the RVARC and the SOARC. New exam participants need to provide identification, while upgrading amateurs need to **provide a copy of their current license** as well as show photo identification. **Applicants also need a Federal Registration Number (FRN) and email prior to taking the test.** The exam fee for 2023 probably remains \$15.00. All license candidates must provide a picture ID. Upgrading amateurs must also provide a photocopy of their current license to send in with their application. To search for other exam locations, see:

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml> or our club webpage: <http://w7dta.org>

Medford, OR

Time: Registration 5:15 PM, exam session at 5:45 PM. **Pre-registration suggested.**

Location: Medford Police Department Community Room 219 S. Ivy St., Medford, 97501

Dates 2023: **Remaining 2023 dates TBD**

Contact: Don Bennett, Email: kq7bp@arrl.net Phone: (541) 973-3625

Grants Pass, OR

Time: Fridays Registration 6:00 PM. Exam session at 6:30 PM. **NO WALK-INS.** Please email a reservation request to John.

Location: Fruitdale Grange. 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass OR 97527-5288

Dates 2023: **May 19 Aug 18 Nov 17**

Contact: John Stubbe, K7VSU, email: jstubbe7@gmail.com Phone: (541) 218-2244

Roseburg, Bend, Redding, Brookings, Crescent City — Please see our club webpage, <http://k7mfr.org> for updates as we receive schedules for these cities.

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