



The Repeater

Next Club Meeting

Thursday October 5, 2023,
7:00 PM

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

Program: TBA.

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 Newsletter & Membership

Club Notes

The fall QSO party and contest season is almost upon us. The California QSO party is in October, and has tremendous participation on HF.

This fall we will have an annular eclipse, and the HAMSCI group is hosting an Eclipse QSO party. The purpose is to collect data during the eclipse for post-event analysis of the effects of the eclipse on ionospheric propagation. Much of the data is gathered from automated receiving spots (such as RBN, PSK, etc.) and this contest awards additional points for such spots, kind of a unique feature. During the contest a number of HAMSCI receiving stations will monitor the WWV frequencies of 2.5, 5, 10, 15, 20, and perhaps 25 MHz for Doppler shift and

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Secretary's Report

September 7, 2023 RVARC Meeting Minutes

7:04PM Meeting called to order by President Don Bennett, KG7BP

23 attendees

The entire membership thanked Lud, KB2EVN, for his help in making this year's Field Day a success.

Treasurer's Report: Bank balance was \$4658.34 after \$479 in total Field Day expenses (CARE club shared in paying half of that), \$200 club insurance expense, and adding \$21 in ARRL VEC fees.

Old Business: Pat, KD7MPA, reported club Field Day score of 5213 points, garnered by 27 participants, with over half the points accruing from new GOTA folks.

New Business: Tom, N5EG, moved that we

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amplitude information.

This contest is thus also a research event and provides valuable research information. Give it a try!

The CARE Ham Club has announced they will hold a license class, see the article on page 3.

The program for October has not yet been announced. The club web page will be updated when the topics and speaker are known.

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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elect Mike Bach, W6FFC, a lifetime member for his long dedication and service to the club. Brooksby, AE7BR, seconded. The vote was a unanimous Yes, motion passed.

Don, KG7BP, mentioned the request from the Internet Archive to access our club info. Tom, N5EG, moved we approve the archive.org request to host past 'The Repeater' issues and to archive the k7mfr.org club website. Raoul, KG6DKA, seconded. The vote was unanimous Yes, motion passed.

Pat, KD7MPA, renewed the k7mfr.org, and k7mfr.com domains. Tom, N5EG, moved that we waive Pat's membership fees in recognition of his donation of the costs for supporting the club website. Dave, kg7gfs, seconded. The vote was unanimous Yes, motion passed.

7:35pm Presentation from Mike Bach, W6FFC, on the history of the EIMAC 4-1000A power tube. An amazing, rare video from a December 1953 kinescope of San Francisco's KGO TV show "Success Story" was shown, along with a couple of 'gag reels' made by Eimac following the main video.

Mike also passed around a pamphlet describing how Eimac's Rita Davis of the Assembly A department suggested the TV station feature Eimac's story on their show. Copies of the video may eventually be made available for all to enjoy again.

8:27pm Break for coffee, snacks, and discussion.

9:09pm Meeting adjourned.

Submitted, John, KF7UMK, Secretary

Ham Radio License Course 2023-02

Bruce Cook, KG7TUO

We're now signing up students for our next Technician/General course. The General license question pool and manual have been revised. This necessitated updating the course to reflect the new material. Additionally, we lost our most recent venue. The good news is that we've got the course materials updated and have secured a new venue.

The start date and time are still not determined but it will most likely be Saturday mornings around 9:00 am beginning in October. Those who sign up will receive additional information via the list of potential students.

If you're interested in attending the course please respond to carehamclub@gmail.com with whether or not you would like to attend this course and how many persons. It's going to start soon so we need timely responses for planning purposes. If you're not interested in this course but wish to remain on the list no reply is needed. Instructions for removal from the list are at the bottom of this message.

Also please indicate whether you will provide your own manuals or intend to buy them through the Club. If buying through the Care Ham Club please indicate whether you need BOTH manuals or only one. The current manuals are 5th edition Technician and 10th edition General. The CARE Club does receive a discount and free shipping so manuals are \$25 each through the CARE Club.

Remember, you don't have to be able to make every single class day but you will need to catch up on your own for any missed classes and the more you actually attend, the easier the tests will usually be.

We're looking forward to seeing your smiling faces.

HAMSCI Solar Eclipse QSO Party

The HamSCI Solar Eclipse QSO Party (SEQP) begins on October 14 at 1200 UTC and concludes at 2200 UTC. The purpose of the SEQP is to generate propagation observations using Reverse Beacon Network (RBN) and PSK Reporter on the amateur bands before, during, and after the eclipse. The event is unique among ham radio competitions as it awards points for two-way contacts and also awards bonus points for reception reports from skimmers, RBN nodes, and the like. For more information about the SEQP, visit their webpage at <https://hamsci.org/seqp-faqs>.

Note: There is an N1MM Log package available for this QSO Party, under the title Eclipse.

California QSO Party

The California QSO Party (CQP) begins on Saturday, October 7 at 1600 UTC, and concludes on Sunday, October 8 at 2200 UTC. There are rule changes taking effect this year that participants should familiarize themselves with. This year, the event organizers have added the CQP 2023 Video Challenge, which encourages participants to take videos of themselves and their stations to post after the event. Links to the best videos will be included as part of the CQP 2023 results. Email your video links to cqp.chairman@gmail.com.

Complete information about the event, including an updated 2023 operating guide, a county activation list, and audio and video recordings from previous events is available at <https://cqp.org>.

- Thanks to CQP Chairman Dean Wood, N6DE

This Month's Programs

1. To Be Announced

Program: .

Biography: .

2.

Program: .

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 • CP ERC Net	2 • CARE Net	3 • 2M SSB Net	4 • 2M SSB Net	5 • RVARC Meeting • JC-ARES Net	6	7
8 • CP ERC Net	9 • CARE Net	10 • 2M SSB Net	11 • CARE Meeting • 2M SSB Net	12 • Rogue Hack Lab • JC-ARES Net	13	14
15 • CP ERC Net	16 • CARE Net	17 • JC-ARES Meeting • 2M SSB Net	18 • 2M SSB Net	19 • JC-ARES Net	20	21
22 • CP ERC Net	23 • CARE Net	24 • 2M SSB Net	25 • 2M SSB Net	26 • JC-ARES Net	27	28
29 • CP ERC Net	30 • CARE Net	31 • 2M SSB 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 / Wanted

I am looking for a good condition Webster Bandspanner adjustable mobile Antenna, they made a short and a long version, I would prefer the long version but will entertain a short one.

If you have one you know what it is.
Mike Bach W6FFC
Eagle Point, Oregon

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: TBA

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: 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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