

## The Repeater

### Next Club Meeting

Thursday May 1, 2025, 7:00 PM

**LOCATION FOR May: JCLS Library Phoenix** 510 W 1st St., Phoenix, OR.

Program: SOTA and other operations. Presenter: Amy Haptonstahl, AG7GP

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**Newsletter & Membership** 

#### Club Notes

The Medford PD Community room is not currently available for our meetings, right now we do not know if this is temporary or permanent. This also affects the amateur license testing location.

Meeting locations for the next two months:

- May— Jackson County Library Phoenix.
- June—Jacksonville Library.

We are looking for programs for 2025. Please volunteer a program or we will have difficulty filling all the months. Contact the club newsletter editor (contact details above in the masthead).

Allan Taylor sent a text version of his

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#### Secretary's Report

2025-04-03 RVARC Meeting Minutes

20 Attendees

7:00pm President Scott Cummings, NA7OM, called the meeting to order.

Of Note: Congratulations to our newest young licensees Sullivan, KK7ZLO & Machai, KK7ZSK!

Scott told of his last few months in the Philippines (GMT+8) battling 4 typhoons in 4 weeks, while contesting.

7:17pm Treasurer's report: \$5816.59 in the bank, plus tonight's membership dues paid.

Field Day 2025 will be the weekend of June 28, at Lud Sibley's Tube Collector's Museum in Sams Valley.

Bruce, KG7TUO, remarked that license clas-

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#### Club Notes, Continued.

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presentation given at the April meeting. It should be available on the club's webpage (under Reference, at the bottom, "Club Presentations") by the time this newsletter is distributed on our webpage.

#### Secretary's Report, Continued

ses are ongoing. Contact him for details.

7:32pm Break for coffee & snacks

7:51pm Presentation by Allan Taylor, K7GT, on CW.

He covered code from the 1844 railroad Morse to international morse, different types of keyers, etc.

The presentation should become available on the Club Presentations portion of the Reference section of the club website, k7mfr.org

8:39pm End Presentation

8:43pm Meeting Adjourned

Submitted, John, KF7UMK, Secretary

#### **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.

You MUST respond to the invitation from googlegroups to join the list. 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.

#### **This Month's Programs**

1. SOTA and other portable operation and chasing options.

**Program:** Amy will present multiple ways that you can operate Summits on the Air (SOTA)

and other similar style operations.

Biography: Amy Haptonstahl, AG7GP, is an avid contester, SOTA, Field Day, and Win-

ter Field Day operator. She has activated a significant number of mountain tops.

Planned and Potential Programs for 2025:

June Pat Cunningham "M17 - open source digital radio"

- What is M17, Protocol, How to get on the air

- Radios, OpenRTX, MMDVMtopic?

July, August No meeting

September TBD

November Michael Fowler. Michael will speak about weather balloon

tracking, chasing, re-purposing, and pico balloons

December TBD

Future Michael Fowler Digipi and digital modes

Future Volunteer a program!! Your name here!!

# May 2025

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#### **Events**

#### Meetings

• RVARC 7:00 PM JCLS Library—Location changes, see newsletter front page.

• CARE 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 PM, Fiesta Restaurant – 1016 N. Riverside, Medford.

• JC-ARES 3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM, Elmer's Restaurant, 66 Stewart Ave. Medford, OR.

#### 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

#### Don Montgomery WB7Q estate sale:

- Mosley TA-33-M 3 element 10-15-20 Meter yagi, in almost new condition, aluminum show no corrosion. \$350.00 (new price is \$819).
- Hy-Gain Ham-IV rotor and control box. Only up for a short time, looks like it just came out of the box. \$350.00 (new price \$800).
- 33 foot of tower, 25 foot Tri-Ex aluminum tower, exact same dimensions as Rohn-25, 8 foot top section is steel, Rohn-25, with thrust bearing and rotor shelf and guy anchor frame. \$150.00.
- Bring your pick up. All equipment located in Eagle point For info, call 541-261-5215 or email EaglePoint.Or@Juno.com
  Mike W6FFC

#### 2025 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 2024 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

Walk-ins Ok. Pre-registration suggested, use the link on our webpage:

https://k7mfr.org/license-exams/

**Location:** 932 Summit Ave, Medford, OR 97501 (near SE corner of Summit & McAndrews).

Dates 2025: Next Exam Saturday May 17 2:00 PM

Contact: Pat Cunningham N7UH, Email: ve@k7mfr.org

#### <u>Grants Pass, OR</u>

Time: Fridays Registration 6:00 PM. Exam session at 6:30 PM. Walk-Ins Ok. Please

email a reservation request to John.

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

Dates 2025: May 16 Aug 15 Nov 21

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

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