



PWARC "SPARKS"

NEWSLETTER OF THE PUEBLO WEST AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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March 2019

President's Corner

The General License class is complete and is a big success. Thanks to Chris, Frank and all the instructors for a job well done.

A reminder that our rag chew breakfast will be this Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00AM at the Hen House Restaurant. Also, our next meeting will be Saturday on the 16th, at 9:00 AM.

Our battery acquisition is complete. They are up and running. We now are into care and maintenance issues.

With the General License class complete we need to focus on other upcoming activities. The Run4Bay and our fox hunt are coming up soon. The Memorial Run is a good cause and the fox hunt is a good time. Please think about supporting both.

We are growing and may be able to engage in a wider range of activities and interests. Please let me know if you have any ideas.

As always, if you have items that should be placed on the meeting agenda, please call, text, or email me no later than March 11th (before the meeting).

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Net Report

From Dan WØJW, Net Manager

Greetings! Your team of choice may not have made it into the Superbowl. Or, your team of choice may not have won the Superbowl. But February's PWARC net did not disappoint!

- 2-5: NCS KB0FD; minutes 22; stations 9. (Lots of antenna and DX talk.)
- 2-12: NCS N1TEW; minutes 30; stations 16. (Not a record, but a fine net!)
- 2-19: NCS W0OJW; minutes 28; stations 12.
- 2-26: NCS KB0FD; minutes 25; stations 15.

Happy hamming and 73, from old Net Manager and new Veep: Dan, W0OJW.

Birthdays 2019

March

3/1 Mike WB0YKO
3/7 Jim N0OBV
3/13 Stan N0OYO
3/13 Chris KE0MOQ

April

4/3 Bill KD0ICM
4/4 Larry K0LAB
4/10 David KY6YYY
4/14 Jim N5KTH
4/17 Bob KE0HLU

March Club Calendar

RAG CHEW: 9AM SAT March 2 at the Hen House in PW.

CLUB BOARD MEETING: 1PM Wed March 6 in Lamb Room PW Library

CLUB GENERAL MEETING: 9AM Sat March 16 in Room A PW Library

Ham Thoughts

Here are some more Great Things About Ham Radio:

From CQ Amateur Radio Magazine – here is the last third of 65:

42. Working DX
43. Being DX
44. DXpeditions
45. Contesting
46. Award-chasing
47. Double-hop sporadic-E
48. Worldwide DX on 6 meters (once or twice every 11 years)
[The current extended sunspot minimum has shown that mechanisms other than F2 propagation can offer intercontinental DX on the "magic band" at any point in the solar cycle.]
49. Tropospheric ducting
50. Gray-line propagation
51. TEP, chordal hops, etc.
52. Getting through on CW when nothing else will
53. Unexpected band openings
54. Building your own gear
55. Using gear you've built yourself
56. Operating QRP from some remote location
57. Experimenting with antennas
58. Working DX while mobile or while hiking
59. Experimenting with new modes and new technology
60. The opportunity to help build an internet that doesn't rely on the internet
61. DXing on your HT via IRLP and Echolink
62. Contributing to scientific knowledge about propagation
63. Keeping track of other people's GPS units via APRS
64. Ham radio balloon launches to the edge of space, and as always...
65. Reading CQ!

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N1TEW Neal Tew Director
N3CMG Dan Bassak Director
NG0T Dan Broadbrooks Director
KE5CCJ Roger Ashcraft Past President

Remaining Meetings For 2019

GENERAL MEETINGS SAT 9AM (Room A)

March 16

April 13

May 18

June 15

July 13

August 17

September ??TBD

October 19

November 16

December 14

BOARD MEETINGS WED 1 PM (Lamb Room):

March 6

May 8

July 3

September 11

November 6

RAG CHEWS will continue the first Saturday of every month at 9AM in the back room at the Hen House, PW

Remaining Club Events For 2019

RUN4BAY MEMORIAL 5K RUN: April 6

FOX HUNT: TBD

LIBERTY POINT 5K RUN: JULY 4

ARRL FIELD DAY: June 22 morning – June 23 afternoon

JOTA: TBD

MAKERS FAIRE: TBD

Pueblo West Amateur Radio Club Membership Application / Renewal

(PLEASE PRINT)

Date: _____ New: _____ or Renewal: _____ (Renewals fill in name/call sign/any changes)

Call Sign _____ Class _____ Expires _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Primary: _____ Phone Secondary: _____

E-mail _____

ARRL Member? _____ Birth (Month/Day) _____

What are your major interests in the hobby? _____

Bands & Modes operated _____

Other Interests _____

Membership: Individual _____ Family _____ If family, include separate application for each individual - Please enclose annual dues as follows:

Adult: **\$20.00**

Age 18 or younger: **\$ 7.50**

Family **\$37.00** (3 or more individuals of immediate family)

Questions? Email to info@pwarc.com or call 208-244-1296. Send this application with check or money order to PWARC, P.O. Box 7486, Pueblo West, CO 81007 or drop it off at any club meeting.