Monthly Meeting

29 January 2016

6:30 PM

Chetco Activity Center

PELICAN BAY Amateur Radio Club

Attendees (23)

Paul Carlin KE6NVU (P), Butch Jark KG7LIK (VP), Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI (T), Ron Rieg K7IOW (S)

Beth Walden KJ7JOY, Bill Parrish KM6KV, Dan Bissell W7WBF, Dick Tylock KF7UII, Doug Gustafson K7KY, Fred Wagner AD6FC, Gaylene Henderson, Herb Mckirgan KG7NBR, James Fournier KF7KVP, John Eaton KG7LIH, Kevin Smith, Mike Poole KE6ZYK, Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP, Patrick Henry WA6PKM, Randy Hall K7AGE, Shannon Parrish KD6CMX, Shawn Walter KG7RBW, Stuart Anthony KE6NCU, Virgil Cox W7VEC,

Quorum? Yes (membership 61, required 12)

Introductions PBARC members introduced themselves and spoke briefly of their interests and recent activities.

Agenda

Minutes December 18, 2015 - Approved

Ron Rieg pointed out that the "emailed" minutes had been altered to show that Pat Wong had not "Donated" the Harbor Hills solar panels but was allowing the club to use them.

Treasurer's Report - Approved

Action	Date	Amount	Balance
Deposit	1/13/2016	105.00	4496.77
Deposit	1/25/2016	90.00	4586.77

Old Business

License Testing - First Saturday of each even numbered month 9:00 AM at the Chetco Library Annex. Feb 6, Apr 2, Jun 4, Aug 6, Oct 1, Dec 3. Contact: Ron Rieg rarieg@gmail.com

Training / Projects - A big thanks to John Eaton for arranging access for training at his community club house. As well the club has access to the Chetco Activity Center from 10:00 - 12:00 on Thursday mornings.

Harbor Hills Repeater - The lack of power has been resolved for the moment. The telemetry system has been gathering battery voltage, temperature and humid readings every two minutes for several weeks. Four of the seven batteries were installed in January 2008 and should be replaced before next fall.

New Business

Grant Applications - Paul Carlin is in the process of finding assistance to write grant proposals for such items as a radio communications trailer which Butch Jark has started designing.

General Class Training - Several members are interested in continued training this year which may be held at SOCC using the Gordon West Instructor's guide.

Building 2m Antennas - We intend meet and build a variety of VHF antennas for both fixed and mobile use like the ¹/₄ wave vertical and the 300 ohm twin-lead J-pole.

EchoLink - Several members are interested in setting up an EchoLink system in Brookings. Win System is currently available in Crescent City on 444.825, +5 MHz offset, 100Hz CTCSS.

FLDIGI - There are 4 linked computers available for learning to use **FLDIGI** and **NBEMS** for those who are interested

Tuesday Public Service Net - Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP has done an excellent job as the Net Control Manager for the Tuesday Night Net and we appreciate all her hard work and helpful direction. Mike Moss will be taking over as net control for the 7:00 pm net on 146.960 for the coming year. We encourage all members that are interested in extending their communications abilities to contact Mike KG7OJD and arrange to call the net for one or more evenings. ALL members are invited to practice using the Net Control webpage to further their skills. Next month's roll call can be downloaded here.

Packet Nodes - If you have a TNC you may reach Black Mound on 145.05 MHz or Bosley Butte on 145.07 MHz.

APRS (Automatic Packet Reporting System) - Several members were interested in APRS. See findu.com and aprs.fi. This is also a very useful system for emergency situations.

Login Drawing - If you log into EVERY Tuesday Night Net during the month then you will be entered into a drawing for a prize. "Not necessarily big prize.. PL259's or 6 feet of solder... Something like that". BUT there will be a drawing of all those "solid" for the year for a radio. Which radio would you like?

Baldy Butte Repeater - There was an application submitted for a new repeater on Baldy Butte (in the Northern part of Coos County) which will operate on 146.960. It doesn't appear that it will interfere with the Harbor Hills or the Portland repeater which is on the same frequency. See application form and coverage map.

Point-In-Time - On Friday January 29, CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) and PBARC members participated in the annual HUD count of homeless people in our local community. Information was gathered at the St. Timothy's Episcopal Church and the Trinity Lutheran Church. The event was co-ordinated by Beth Hildago and the Oregon Coast Community Action.

Bruce Bjerke - ARES SEC Representative

New ARES SEC - Bruce Bjerke K7BHB is the new ARES Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) for Oregon. On his way down from Florence he stopped to speak with Don Kendall (the county Emergency Manager). Bruce explained the positive direction he intends implement in our area and what is required to become an ARES member. George Roth KE7MVX of Douglas County will be our District Emergency Coordinator (DEC).

Bruce was able to answer many question and provide much insight in a variety of areas concerning amateur radio as well as RACES and MARS.

The requirements for ARES membership seems to be quite straight-forward - Fema 100, 200 & 700, a background check, driver's license, finger printing and Criminal Justice Information Service (CJIS) online test.

Respectfully Submitted

Ron Rieg, Secretary