

## CLALLAM COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



CLUB PREZ.....

Well, here we are-in to our second month of the new year. The groundhog tells us we're going to have an early spring. Stuff is blooming.

We continue to plan for Field Day 2011. We have a topnotch Field Day committee with some fantastic ideas for this year. We want to hear from you-suggestions, what you would like to participate in, etc.

A gentle reminder for those of you that haven't had a chance to take care of your membership dues for this year yet- you can mail yours to the Clallam County Amateur Radio Club, or join us Feb 9 for our club meeting and take care of it then with our treasurer-W7EWG, Ernie.

I would like to again thank our brand new Net Control Coordinator, Steve Brown-NL7US- for taking over the reins -any net questions or concerns-Steve is the go-to guy for that. Wishing you a successful, prosperous February and a Happy Valentines' Day!

Becky, W7RJW

## Get Your License Here!

The VE-Test session on January 19th produced one new Technician.

Next classes/exam session 9/16/23 April.

For further information see www.olyham.net

Chuck, ARRL VE-L



## PROGRAM For February

# Antennas 101.

We need articles for the QTC newsletter. This is your newsletter.

Tell us how you became interested in Ham Radio. What did you do over the summer (just like school) huh!

The more you submit the less we have to think of.

Thanks, the staff!

#### CCARC QTC Newsletter

Just a little background on the QTC.

We use ccarcqtc@yahoo.com as a repository for information for the newsletter. So if you have something for the QTC, please send it to the yahoo address. Do not sent it to one of the editors as they will just have to turn around and resend it to the yahoo address.

Please make sure the article or information is complete. As we rotate editing the newsletter you cannot be sure which editor will be piecing the newsletter together.

Please remove as much formatting from within whatever program you are using (MSword, edit, clear, formatting) if you know how, before sending it to ccarcqtc. If you feel the creative urge to design a document—please open a design shop, but don't do it and then send it to us expecting to see your creative work transferred to the newsletter.

We do not edit, except to change fonts to a standard nonserf font (Arial which is easer to read than Times Roman). We will run a spell checker.

When first conceived the editors were given free license, it still is that way. It was understood they would endeavor to include everything submitted, within reason. For instance, off color jokes etc are not going to be printed.

Thanks, Chuck, N7BV & Bob K6MBY

Have an idea for a club program? Pass them along to the members of the program committee: Bill Carter, Janet Parris, or Chuck Jones. Thanks.

### **2 METER NETS**

## CCARC :

Every Thursday 7:00 pm on the W7FEL Repeater.

#### ARES/RACES:

Every Tuesday except 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm on W7FEL Repeater.

W7FEL Repeater: 146.76 MHz., offset down 600 KHz. with a tone of 100 Hz.

#### CLALLAM COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Minutes of the General Meeting 12 January 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1900 by Club President Becky, W7RJW. Twenty people attended the meeting. We met at our new / old meeting place of the Port Angeles Fire Station.

First there was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Our outgoing President Nita presented the gavel to new Club President Becky.

Then there were self introductions around the room.

Presentation: Bill, W7WEC gave a presentation called "Basic – Basic Ham Radio Operations". He said maybe it should be titled "Avoiding Mike Fright". His talk had two sections.

1. Confidence in your radio. This included how to get familiar with and use the radio.

2. Confidence in what you' re saying. This part contained a summary of FCC requirements to ID, and tips on avoiding being a LID.

1930: Break

1950: Business meeting.

Becky gave some Announcements:

Dues are due. \$20 and can be mailed to CCARC, PO Box 2562, Sequim WA 98382. Steve NL7US has volunteered to be Net Control Coordinator. A card was circulated for Dennis AD7TV 's wife Jo Ann who went to Seattle for some surgery. Activities Chairperson is Callie, N7YMU. Steve, KB7QFI is in charge of meeting coffee and refreshments. We still need a Membership Chairperson. The Program Committee remains as Chuck, N7BV, Janet, WA7JEP, and Bill, W7WEC Newsletter is still Bob, K6MBY and Chuck, N7BV Web site team is WX7RIK and AI, W7ALP Education is Chuck, N7BV. Field Day Chairman is Chuck, N7BV. AI, KD7TFK and Bob K6MBY are members. Public Information Officer is Nita, KE7DRT

Agenda Item for next month's business meeting will be Field Day.

Old Business: None

New Business: AI, W7ALP asked if the Club was interested in having a table at the Sequim Computer Club Technical Expo at the Sequim High School. The price would be \$100 per table. After a discussion then AI was asked to see if he could get a lower price for the table and get back to the Board for final approval.

The Echolink experiment with the Repeater was discussed. The Board had approved the concept but wanted Club member 's approval to make it permanent. The Club voted final approval.

2035: (about that time). The motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting.

Bill Carter, W7WEC Secretary, CCARC

### W7RJW "Net" Working

Some local nets to listen in on/participate in. This is one good way to learn how we communicate on the airwaves as amateur (ham) radio operators. I spent a year just listening to a couple of these nets and how experienced operators talk to each other, before I even tried for my Technician license. It REALLY helped me a lot. I strongly recommend doing this on a regular basis. Enjoy!

Sunday:

LDS (Latter Day Saints) Emergency Net (you don't have to be a member to participate) 6pm on 146.760

Monday:

Elwha Emergency Net 5:30 pm 0n 146.760

WARA (West Coast Amateur Radio Association) Club Net (Victoria, BC Canada) at 7pm on 146.840

Tuesday:

ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) Net 7pm on 146.760 (except for the first Tuesday of the month, when ARES meets at the Clallam County Courthouse)

Wednesday:

WARA (West Coast Amateur Radio Association) Emergency Net 7pm on 146.840 Simplex Net immediately following: on 146.580

Thursday:

CCARC (Clallam County Amateur Radio Club) Net 7pm 146.760

73 W7RJW Rebecca J. Winters

CCARES Net Control Coordinator

#### **Request for Help**

Recent Emails with Dave Phemister - WB7ESV of Vancouver, WA revealed his Elmer was W7FEL. Also revealed was the fact that much of the history of this club is unknown to most of us newer members.

Therefore request anyone having knowledge of the club 's history, please take the time to write down what you remember and send it to <u>n7bv@yahoo.com</u>. Who was president, when, etc.

We already have Dave's submission, so how about yours??

Thank you.

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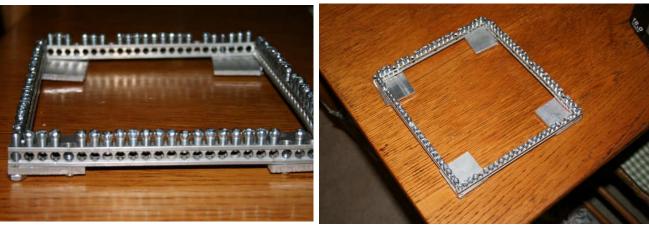
# **KO4XJ** Vertical Radial Bracket

Here is a homebrew project for vertical antennas as well as for Single Point Grounding in ones station.

This is a simple project, go to Lowes or Home Depot or your hardware store that sells panel boxes and get 4 bus bars.

See: http://www.w4nja.org/HomeBrew/ KO4XJ-Vertical-Radial-Bracket-20091206.htm







## Field Day!

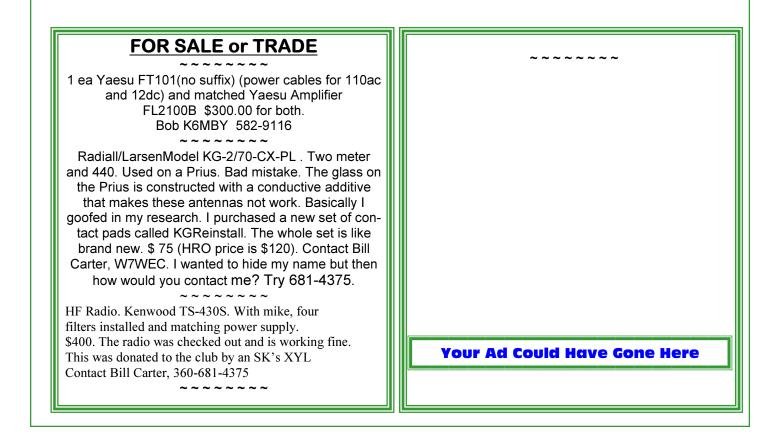
Will you participate in Field Day? Here's the problem. We don't know who is going to come or what kind of operating they prefer. Do we set up three different stations and a GOTA tent? Maybe we should have one large tent with three stations inside? It's a lot of work if they're not going to be used. What would you like to see set up so that you would participate?

SSB only, CW, RTTY, or PSK? What about VHF or contacting a satellite? We have a nice tower on a trailer so a beam will be high up in the air. There could be a lot of contacts being made.

Some like to help setup and/or take down. Others want to operate. What would you like to do? All responses will be carefully considered, especially the negative ones. They can tell us what's wrong and how to make it better. Avoid simple yes or no answers. We need details.

The Field Day Committee needs your thoughts and ideas. Please send them to,

CCARCWA@yahoo.com





ANNOUNCING THE 30th ANNUAL MIKE AND KEY ARC ELECTRONICS SHOW & FLEAMARKET

MARCH 12, 2011 @ 9AM PAVILION EXHIBITION HALL WESTERN WASHINGTON FAIRGROUNDS, PUYALLUP, WA 110 9th Avenue SW, Puyallup, WA ADMISSION - \$8 (UNDER 16, FREE w/ADULT) TWO FLOORS WITH 44,000 Sq FEET OF EXHIBITION AREA (>300 tables) TALKIN 146.82/22 (PL 103.5) RADIO GEAR \* COMPUTERS \* CLUB INFO \* PARTS

From: Northern California DX Club

Subject: Visalia Press Release

Dx'ers! Contesters! Don't miss our 62nd annual International DX Convention April 15-16-17, 2011 in Visalia, California. Enjoy DXpedition presentations - Technical sessions - Vendor exhibits - Contest Academy - Ladies Tour - Golf Tournament - Saturday Banquet - Over \$25,000 in raffle prizes - and meet Dx'ers who travel from around the world to this premier DX event. Early registration closes on March 19th, so register today at <a href="http://www.dxconvention.org/">http://www.dxconvention.org/</a>

## News from CC-ARES:

### HAM WATCH

There is a new level of volunteering to support local agencies via Ham Radio. It requires NO FEMA courses! That's right it's almost back to the way it was a few years ago. Do you remember some of the drills where you were dispatched to check the condition of a bridge, road conditions, or maybe estimate the water level in a river? That kind of public service is now possible again.

It's called Ham Watch and it is County Sheriff supported via the Emergency Management Division (EMD). If you are dispatched during drills and emergencies then you'll be covered with insurance just like in the old days. What's the catch? Well if you don't have the full set of FEMA courses then you will not be allowed into the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), or restricted areas during drills or actual emergencies.

You will be supporting a local Emergency Communications Center (ECC), the Red Cross, or maybe a CERT team. There will be some minor training either via "On the Job Training" i.e. drills or short presentations. The basic concepts are the chain of command and sending messages. This training will happen after you are accepted by the EMD.

More details and applications will be given out at the Ham Club meeting next February 9th. Information and Application blanks will be posted on the Club's Web page after the Club meeting.

#### **CCARC** Committees

Activities Chair: Callie Kroll N7YMU Education and Training: Chuck Jones N7BV Field Day Co-Chairs: Dennis Tilton AC7TV, AI Fisk KD7TFK, Bob K6MBY, Chuck N7BV Health and Welfare Co-Chairs: Chuck Jones N7BV, Rich Golding N7NCN Membership Chair: Becky Winters W7RJW Net Coordinator: Steven E. Brown NL7US Program Co-Chairs: Janet Parris WA7JEP, Bill Carter W7WEC, Chuck Jones N7BV Public Relations Chair: Nita, KE7DRT Publications (Newsletter): Bob Sampson K6MBY, Chuck Jones N7BV Technical Co-Chairs: Bob Sampson, K6MBY, Steve Debiddle, W6MPD Web Site Administrator: Rik Scairpon WX7RIK

## **FROM OUR TREASURER:**

As of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011:

First Federal Savings & Loan of Port Angeles Balance:	\$ 8,451.90
Outstanding Cheques:	- 5.00
Checkbook Balance:	\$ 8,446.90

Ernie Griffith W7EWG **CC-ARC** Treasurer

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Birthdays for Febr of March, 2011:	uary, 2010 an	d the first	
Johnson, Alvin V.	KF7JQP	Feb-04	
Dillard, Don	K5MTW	Feb-06	
Baguley, Michael	KE7RFP	Feb-18	
McCoy, David	KE7JEJ	Feb-19	
Tate, Mary	AC7IY	Feb-20	
Ladwig, Lewis	WB0NAI	Feb-26	R.
Abbott, Dan	N7DWA	Mar-09	
Smith, Michael B.	K7MBS	Mar-09	
YL's Birthdays for	the same peri	od:	

Popowski, Kathy (Al W7ALP) Feb-23

## **COMING EVENTS**

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MARCH 12, 2011 @ 9AM **MIKE AND KEY ARC** FLEAMARKET See: http://www.mikeandkey.org/flea.htm

04/16/2011 **Communications Academy 2011** Location: Seattle, WA http://www.commacademy.org

International DX Convention Visalia, California April 15-16-17 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

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Description	Time/Date	Location	Contact
Clallam County ARES/RACES meeting	7 pm, first Tue of every month	Clallam County Courthouse EOC, 223 E. 4 <sup>th</sup> St., PA	AI Dawson W7YLV 360-457-0752
Clallam County Amateur Radio Club general meeting	7 pm, second Wed of every month	Port Angeles Fire Station 5th and Laurel, PA	Chuck Jones N7BV 360-452-4672
Clallam County Amateur Radio Club social breakfast	8 am, first Sat of every month	Joshua's Restaurant Hwy. 101 & Del Guzzi Dr.	Chuck Jones N7BV 360-452-4672
Clallam Country Amateur Radio Club YL social lunch	11:45 am 2d Fri of every month	Rotates - announced on Thursday night Net (See QTC Newsletter)	

#### Welcome new members to CC-ARC:

Welcker, Douglas & Julieta, WB4KGY

Merrikin, Mark & Joan, AE7IP

## CLUB OFFICERS For 2011

President: Becky Winters W7RJW 360-928-0127 W7RJW@yahoo.com Vice President: AI Popowski W7ALP 360-477-4037 alpop@wavecable.com Secretary: Bill Carter W7WEC 360-6814375 w7wec@arrl.net Treasurer: Ernie Griffith W7EWG 360-808-6668 Board Member (Chairman): AI Dawson W7YLV 360-457-0752 adawson@tfon.com Board Member: Chuck Jones N7BV 360-452-4672 n7bv@yahoo.com Board Member: Rik Scairpon WX7RIK 360-683-5625 WX7RIK@pobox.com