



Clallam County Amateur Radio Club

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President's Corner

April, a quarter of the way thru 2021. How does that happened so quickly.

As a radio club we do not have much to offer the community, or our members, should we be asked to help support some unknown emergency. Our five radios are stored one place, along with one power supply. Antennas, if there are any usable antennas, are in the cargo trailer at another location.

Here is a thought to ponder for a moment and be prepared to express your thoughts at the club meeting on May 12th. The Club's five old radios are used exclusively for field day. An Icom 735, an Icom 746, and Icom 718, and an Icom 706 and an Icom 745 built into Go Boxes. None of the radios are alike; we don't train members how to operate them and each field day (FD) it is an experience for each operator to come up to speed and knowledgeable operate any one of these radios. None of the equipment is readily available should an emergency arise and the Club was called on to lend a hand.

So here is a what if,,, and keep in mind the Club has approximately \$17,000 in the bank..... what if the Club purchases new radios for three "radios in a box" (RIBs) that could be stored at individuals homes ready for immediate use, as well as field day. The Club could provide member training on the radios so radio set up and options would be a familiar item at field day or during an emergency. At FD members would be more likely to operate a radio they were familiar and knowledgeable with. Since the RIBs will be easy to set up the Club could sponsor mini FDs at a park or someones home. The RIBs would also be available for immediate deployment should they be needed

and members could take the RIBs on loan, after a full indoctrination, for a period of time to become even more comfortable with their operation.

If the "general idea" has membership support, the Board suggests a small committee gather information on what actual equipment might be desired along with a projected cost to "complete" one RIB. By complete I am thinking radio(s), signal link, grid power supply, power pole devices, a compact deployable antenna(s), a solar generator, flexible solar panels along with any other ancillary devices that may be required.

Once the design and projected costs are complete the committee would make a presentation to the membership. The membership could then discuss the project and decided IF the Club should to move forward with one or more RIBs.

See Shack-in-a-Box.com for a number of examples..... what you see in this example is an Yaesu FT991A HF and a Yaesu FTM400 VHF/UHF.





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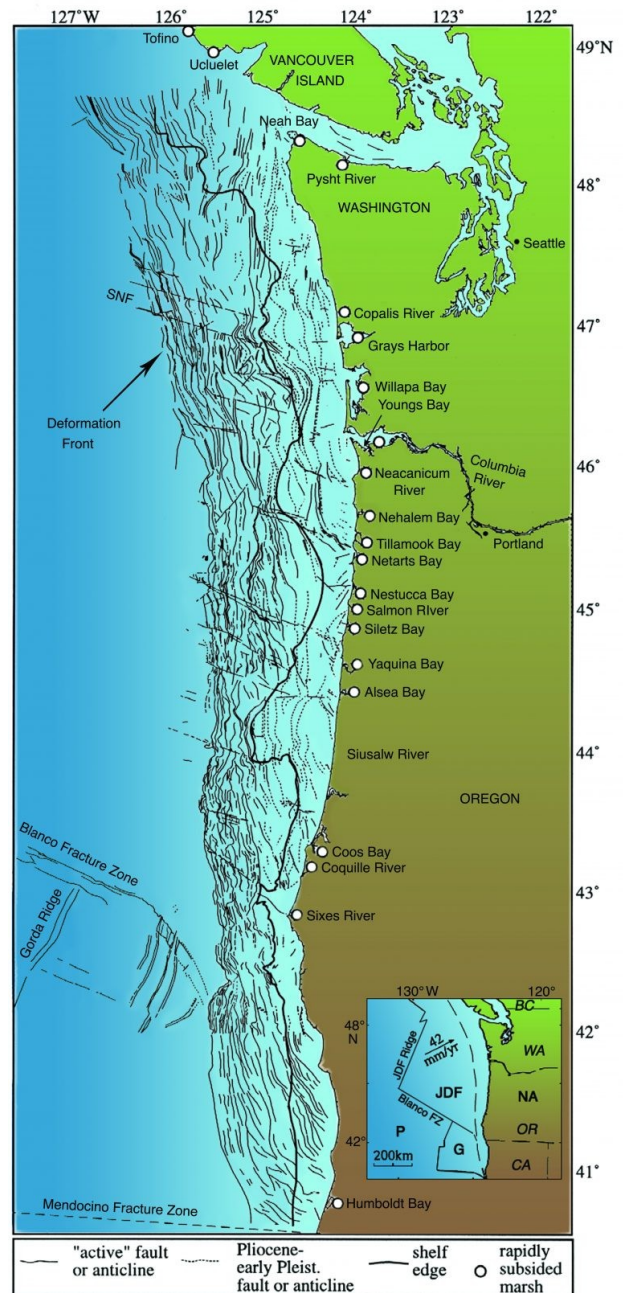
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Field Day.... At the moment Clallam is in Phase 3. Phase 3 allows for 50 people at outside social gatherings. We do not, however, have anything definitive from the Fairground management at this time. I am still hopeful but time is running out. If the Fairgrounds is open we know Sheldon, N7XEI, and Matthew Lawson, KC7EQO will be out there camping. If there is interest, Chris, WY7W, has offered to bring his motorhome filled with radios and antennas and allow people to operate from the motorhome. An impromptu swap meet is possible. If enough people sign up the Club will sponsor an afternoon luncheon at "Sheldon's BBQ Resort."

Monthly breakfast.... Chuck, N7BV, has talked to Pricilla at the Cruise In Restaurant in PA and, for as long as the County is in Phase 3, she can offer the Club seating for 50 people. The question is then are there enough people, at this point in our Covid history, willing to begin the monthly breakfast at Pricilla's?

73,
Bob
K6MBY

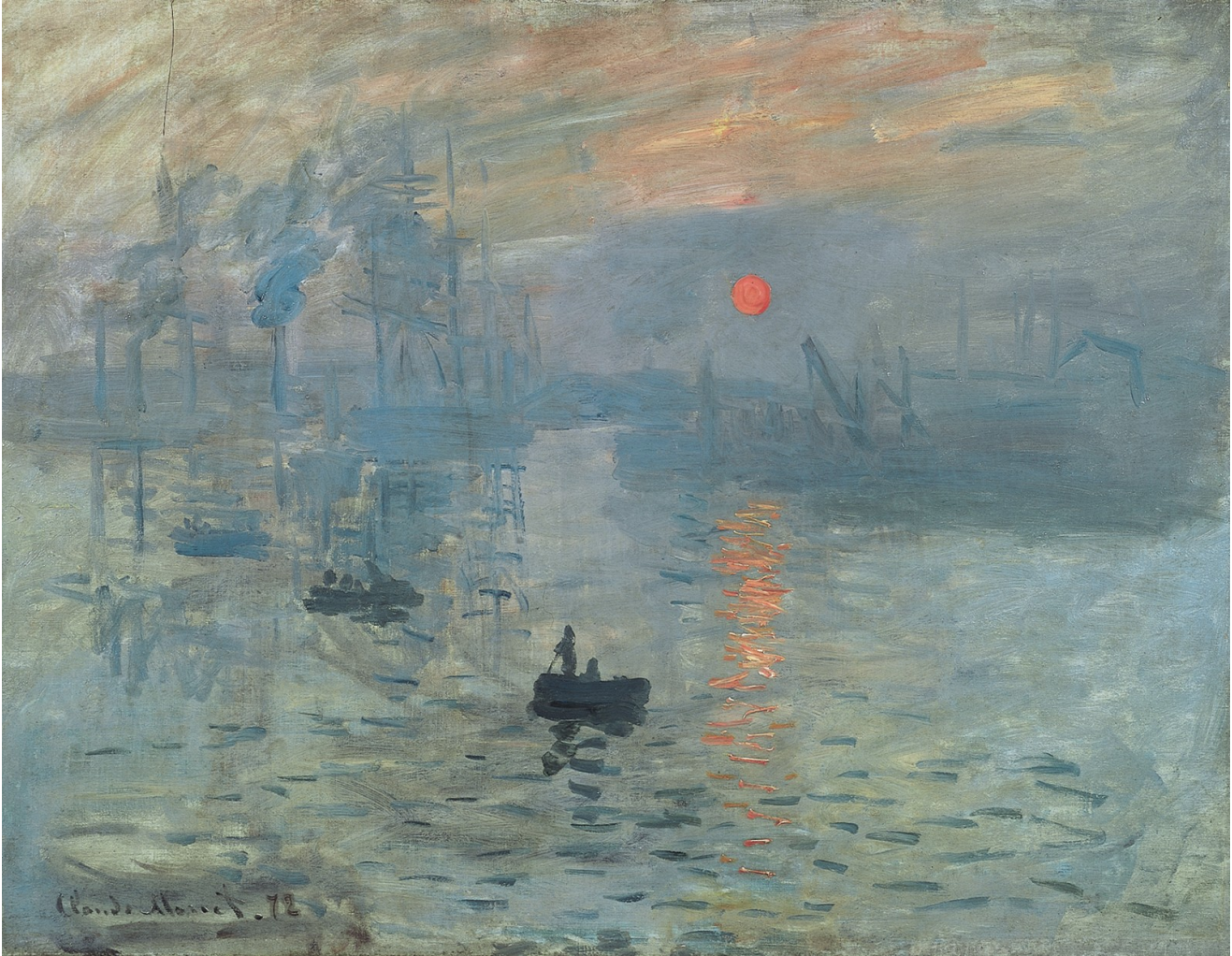


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Board Meeting Minutes

-- No May Board Meeting --



This is Claude Monet's 1872 "Impression, soleil levant" (aka "Impression: Sunrise"), that started the French Impressionist movement. For Parisians barely accepting of JMW Turner's 1844 "Rain, Steam and Speed – The Great Western Railway" (an Englishman... bleh!), Monet was indeed revolutionary.

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And as there was no Board meeting to report on, this is editorial license to educate, to expose membership to something perhaps unfamiliar (what else is education for, but learn something unfamiliar?). Next time, I'll try for **Something Completely Different...**





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Club Meeting Minutes

CCARC Ham Meeting 4-14-21

Meeting opened at 7:04 pm by President, Bob S.

Secretary: Minutes approved at published on Gps IO.

President: Discussed Bill showing new website design, new members, Field Day with Sheldon camping at Fairgrounds dinner or lunch?? maybe with a Swap Meet?

VE Liaison: Clif K volunteered locally to help VEL, Lance R. K7LER with paperwork and testing.

Return to Priscilla for breakfasts? Chuck J will check on.

VP: Joe W. Reported more kids are interested in becoming Ham's. Some studying for General.

Treasurer: Checking \$5621, Savings \$8050, 3 CDS \$3100.

COB: Sheldon has volunteered to fill 2nd year Board position. Members voted and approved.

Inventory: Working on cost of replacement coverage for equipment. Good job Glen in gathering data!!

Club dues: Possible E-system for collecting dues, more discussion needed. ARRL fees are put on hold for now.

Lots of volunteer monitors on HF and VHF.

Website: Bill P. Demoed the new design of the Website. New front page. Check out the recording to view the results.

Fireworks: Bill has created a new on-line sign up system for Fireworks sign up this year. Will be on line live May 1st. You may practice on-line for sign-ups.

Net: Need more Net check in operators. Please contact Lee B. To sign up.

Presentation by Herm HRM, on Raspberry Pi's. Cost is under \$70. Everyone can run. There are many links on the website for Pi's. Demonstrated his equipment with pictures. Most apps are prepackaged. Use micro SD card with a back up card. Can run independently. Controls the radio. The meeting was recorded so you can view his total presentation on Gps IO.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. 19 members

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Day KI7MZH
Secretary



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Nets, Frequencies, &c

- CCARC Net every Thursday at 7:00 pm on Striped Peak Repeater 146.760 minus with tone 100 Hz
- Clallam ARES Net Tuesdays at 7:00 pm on Striped Peak Repeater 146.760 minus with tone 100 Hz
- { 10m USB Net on 28.450 MHz, daily at 1730PT – see Lee Bond N7KC for title }
- Olympic Peninsula DMR Sunday afternoon 4:30 pm Talk Group 31531 on K6MBY DMR or WF7W DMR or KC7EQO DMR or your local hotspot
- WF7W Port Angeles 145.310 minus tone 100 Hz
- KC7EQO Blyn Lookout 442.100 plus tone 100 Hz
- K6MBY/W6MPD 444.900 plus K6MBY (Sequim) tone 131.8 Hz or W6MPD (PA) tone 107.2 Hz

New Members

- "Lorem ipsum..."

Items for sale

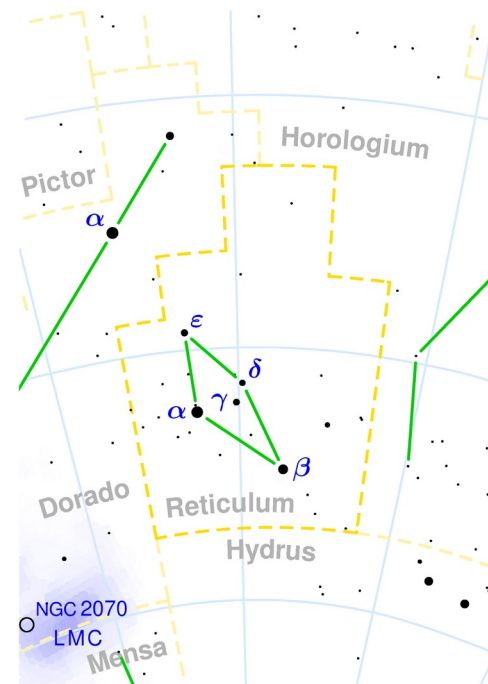
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Items wanted

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Items – gratitude

- KJ7KLC is again grateful to KI7IMN for a trade-up, straight key (given last month, returned this one) to two single-paddle keys, and to K6MBY for some personally valuable antique spinning rust, and also provisional consignment of a 1977-vintage HF transceiver.



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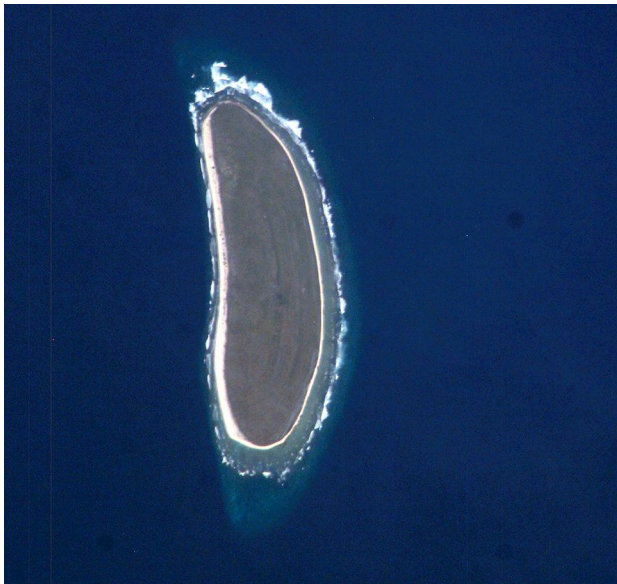
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Announcements

- The winner of the **Brain Teaser** is our very own President Sampson. The radio transmission was from the USCG Cutter "Itasca" to the Lockheed Electra of Amelia Earhart & Fred Noonan, and the island was of course Howland Island, their intended fuel stopover.
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A3_ES XMIT POSN REPT_ES QSA
ON OUR SIGS 24-6



As Bob was the only one to submit, it would seem that this was *both* all too easy and near impossible. I plan to develop another quiz, am quite open to sharing; others may email me their ideas for brain teasers (*sans* answers please, I may want to play too), and I'll post whatever in the newsletter.

- The club inventory is done, or as we say in the engineering biz, "good enough". You may find the spreadsheet's April 28th checkpoint (the inventory is a living document, so never actually "done") at

<https://ccarcwa.groups.io/g/Board/files/Inventory>. **NOTE:** *This will slowly bit-rot unless KJ7KLC gets inventory updates (so update me, please).*

Correction

I sent April's newsletter too early, and so missed **this correction:**

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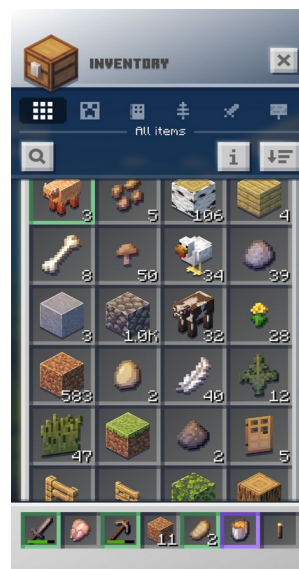
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Trustee: Not present at the meeting. No information available.

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https://minecraft.fandom.com/wiki/Minecraft_Earth:Inventory