

CLALLAM COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

QTC
APRIL 2014

BV Rambles:

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When I was president of the club I used to call this page BV Rambles, where I would just jot notes on whatever flashed through my mind. Yes, I know the jokes! So here goes again.

Have you been on the bands lately? Yes? Then you know how good propagation on 10 and 15m has been. No? Well you're missing something special, only happens every eleven years or so.

Although not the strongest of sunspot cycles any peak is better than none. I turned the reins of my station over to Matt, KQ7W from Port Orchard, for the CQ Magazine WPX Contest the last weekend of March. He made over 3,000 contacts in 36 hours. The mode was SSB and 10m was so active the band was full from 28350 to 29400. Matt is a phenomenal operator in both CW and SSB, who is fluent in about 4-5 languages and is radio fluent in about 5 more.

Spring has sprung and so has the cold season. Ask me, I'm going on day 10 of a cold! Start planning those outdoor activities and don't forget antenna maintenance. Don't have any antennas to maintain? Then throw in a few new antennas to put up this spring.

The technical gurus within our club have had some luck tracking down the low performance of our 2m repeater and have begun doing some adjustments with the hope of improving the reception to the Forks area. This will help out ARES who has been having troubles with signals from out that way since we had to pull out of a midway point between Stripped Peak and Forks a few years ago.

We are including submissions by are ARES group in our newsletters now in the hopes of helping them enlist more membership in their group. Also to up cover up some of the blank space where your input should go!

Here is an article by someone I served with in the Philippines back in the 80's, enjoy:

Contesting from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
<http://ncjweb.com/features/janfeb14feat.pdf>

I hope we will see you at our meeting on 9 April at 1900.

Cu then, 73, Chuck VA

Get Your License Here!

The scheduled Technician & General Classes April 5, 12, 19 are in progress.

The accompanying Exam session is 1300 on the 19th.

See our club website for details.

Chuck N7BV
ARRL VE-L

April Program

For our April meeting, K7PAX – Paula, will be presenting “Phishing Lessons” or “How to stay safe online.” She will cover common social engineering tactics used on the internet and how to guard against them.

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!

Did you put up a new antenna, buy a new radio? Tell us about it.

Did you try a new mode again tell us about it.

The more you submit the less blank space we will have!

Thanks, the staff!

CCARC QTC Newsletter

Just a little background on the QTC.

We use ccarcqtq@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 if you know how, before sending it to ccarcqtq. We do not edit, except to change fonts to a standard non-serif font (Arial which is easier 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.

Have an idea for a club program? Pass them along to the members of the program committee: Bill Carter, Becky Winters, 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.

REPEATER FOR SALE**Repeater, 2 Watt, 115 VAC. 147.33 MHz, needs duplexer, commercial built****Brand: Ritron Inc., Carmel, In., USA****FCC ID: AIE9QZRR-150****Output power ~ 2 Watts****Frequency: presently on 147.33 MHz, can be recrystaled.****Duplexer not included but Amplifier is included.****Tone set up for 100 Hz but changeable by DIP switch.****Size: 4" H x 11.5" W x 10.5" D.****Manual not available, schematic inside.****Was in use with separate transmit and receive antennas.****Price: \$199. (with free 70 watt amplifier)****AL7KK Rob Wilson, 360-457-7827 (Port Angeles, WA)****FOR SALE or TRADE**

FOR SALE:

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Kenwood SM-230 station monitor/O-scope w/  
manual. Like new condition in original  
box. \$375.00



Kenwood TW-400A 2m/440 "FM Dual Bander." Never  
mobiled, in excellent condition. In original box,  
\$175.00. Bruce Thompson W7DNA. .  
. [bgt@olypen.com](mailto:bgt@olypen.com) or call at 457-6134.

For Sale:

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4 el Arrow 6 Meter Yagi (w/U-bolts, not saddles)
See: <http://www.arrowantennas.com/solid/52-4s.html>
This 6 m ant sold for \$159 + shipping. I've used it for
about 1 y. Works flawlessly, but I have too much 6m RFI
at this QTH, so I'll let it go for \$120. Already tuned, but
would be easy to tweak further. See above URL for di-
mensions. Could be partially dismantled here, then
easily re-assembled. Call Jess, AF5X, at 360-681-573.

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Your Ad Could Have Gone Here

This article was submitted by Bill Carter with permission of "The Talking Raven" A Quillayute Newsletter

While Robert Bouck, Sr. was stationed at Coast Guard Station Quillayute River in 1947, he met Irene Black, daughter of Rosie and Roy Black. On October 17, 1948, Irene gave birth to their first baby boy, Robert "Bob" Bouck, Jr. at the Forks Hospital.

As the oldest of seven brothers and sisters, Bob and his siblings had a happy childhood in La Push. They grew up playing sports like baseball, basketball, and even boxing. Bob laughs about the times he got in trouble: once on the school bus with Fred "Sonny" Woodruff for shooting spit wads at girls, and also when he skipped school with Sherman Black to play on the beach all day. They returned home, thinking it was late afternoon and school must have been out of session by then, but it was only 11 a.m. and they were brought to school anyway. Bob felt that life was great in La Push.

But when Bob was in the 6th grade, his family moved to Bainbridge Island because of his father's Coast Guard career. "Bainbridge was pretty awful," he said. "Growing up here [in La Push], there was just the lower village, a real small community. I felt welcomed wherever I went, and everywhere in my universe was within walking distance." Then they moved to a small, isolated farm with a driveway that was half a mile long, without any friends or extended family members nearby. It was lonely.

In 1961, Bob and his family suffered the loss of their mother in a car accident. "Dad remarried, like 3-4 weeks after that, so she'd take care of us kids," he explained. "We had a white father, a white step-mother, and no contacts with Indian people." One of the hardest parts of the situation was not having the opportunity to grieve or even speak of their mother.

Following their mother's death, Bob said he 'knuckled down' and did whatever he had to do until he could leave, because home life was not good. At age 16 in 1964, he achieved Eagle Rank in the Boy Scouts, which was the highest rank at that time that only 4-5% of Boy Scouts attain. He had to be proficient in skills and activities, proactive in the community, and demonstrate positive character. Bob described how being in the Boy Scouts made life on Bainbridge Island tolerable. One of his favorite moments was hiking with his troop from Lake Ozette to Rialto Beach over the course of 10 days. Their only provisions were sleeping bags, coffee cans (used as pots to boil water), matches, and knives. "We ate all kinds of weird, small things you wouldn't consider eating now, such as sea snails," said Bob. After achieving Eagle Rank, he felt like an adult, so he left home at 16 years old and joined the Navy at age 17.

Bob was enlisted for three years and served in the Vietnam War as a Radioman on USS Fort Marion. "It was really boring," he said, "like three years of waiting to get out."

After his service, Bob worked or volunteered much of his time in La Push as: the Community Action Program Director; Editor of the "Quileute News" newsletter; administrator of the Head Start program; leader of a Quileute Boy Scouts troop; and liaison to the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Eventually, Bob pursued a career as a machinist in Portland, where he lived for 30 years, and later worked at Boeing where he met his wife Willa. After Boeing cutbacks, Bob and his wife moved to La Push where he worked as maintenance at the Quileute Health Clinic until retiring.

Now that he's retired, Bob has more time to spend growing vegetables in his garden and reading non-fiction. He loves using his ham radio, continually learning the Quileute language, and especially spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren. "What I like is that all my grandchildren think I'm the greatest thing," Bob laughed. "They all like me."



## NEWS FROM THE CC-ARES

By Bill Carter

Emergency Coordinator

We had a Drill on the 29th of March. Excellent turnout. There were thirty checkins and twenty five were activated. We had one phone tree drill before that activation. The phone tree system is new and aimed at no missed members. The Forks area participated with four check-ins but of course communication was difficult. We're aiming high and trying for the best.

We even had some input from a Cert Team (Bob Sterns, KI7ZC) who did a local communication drill at the same time we did. Working with CERT / Neighborhood Watch is now added to our goals in future drills.

The team established between the Club and ARES continues attempts to improve the communication with the Forks area. Lots of work has been done but we're not there yet. This includes the Club's extensive work on the Stripped Peak Repeater.

Chuck N7BV and I gave a Ham Radio/ Club /ARES a presentation to a group of Senior Care Providers on March 12th.

If you have any questions about ARES then call me or eMail me at mycall@yahoo.com.

73, Bill Carter, W7WEC

## NEWS FROM THE CC-ARES

By Bill Carter  
Emergency Coordinator

I was appointed to take over from Al Dawson, W7YLV on January 24, 2014. Boy, what a work load. I'd like to thank Al for keeping the organization alive for the last several years. Anyway I thought I'd list a few of the goals I plan for the organization.

- I'd like to establish a team between ARES and the Club to improve the radio communication to the West End. There is some synergy obtained by combining the talents and resources between the two organizations.
- AHAB siren tests will continue and we need reports from anyone who lives within five miles of the alarms/speakers.
- Develop a working relationship between ARES, CERT, and Search and Rescue. As always an ARES member takes care of his family first. Then CERT if appropriate. Then, when activated, whatever the County Emergency Management Unit assigns us.
- Field Day. I don't know how at this point in time, but I'd like ARES to participate.

There's some internal stuff to be improved, but nothing drastic.

The training requirements have moved a lot of hams away from ARES. There is a way you can participate and that is a level called Ham Watch. You would report on local conditions in your area and other tasks where you weren't deployed. The CERT teams need ham radio operators to report information to the closest Emergency Communication Center.

73, Bill Carter, W7WEC

General Meeting Minutes March 12, 2014

1905 Meeting called to order. Pledge of Allegiance given. Individual introductions

1908 Two presentations.

Becky, W7RJW presented net control operations.

George, W7TTY display and gave an overview of the clubs HF Amplifier he refurbished.

2000 Coffee Break

2020 Meeting called back to order.

2036 The grand prize from the monthly raffle, a Panasonic Short Wave Receiver, was won by Sheldon, N7IDX. Congratulations!!! (have to keep our FD cook on the hook!!)

2041 A short discussion regarding IRS 501(c)(3) status was had. We are looking for help regaining our status.

2043 Committee and Officer reports: Of note was that John K7NIA has been in the hospital.

2010 Meeting was closed.

Respectfully  
Chuck Jones N7BV  
CCARC Secretary



**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 REAL-  
LY 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 On 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

W7RJW Rebecca J. Winters  
CCARES Net Control Coordinator

**What's new on Ham Nation?**

<http://twit.tv/hn>

**#133: The 2014 Dayton Hamvention Award Winners**

Hamvention award winner announcement, Bob's back from his trip with pictures, from CES the FLIR One, RF connectors, and more.

**#132: Visiting Quartzfest**

CES quadcopters, Quartzfest with Gordo, radio propagation 101, how Hams got their name, and more.

**#131: Getting Wired**

Vintage video of Amateur Radio Newsline, the Blizzard of '67, transmission lines, and more!

**#130: Gordo's CES report, and Bob's AGC Receiver Adjustment**

Gordo reports from CES, Proper AGC adjustment, keeping a log book, and more.

**Have a cup of coffee, relax and watch one.**

**CCARC Committees**

**Activities Chair:** Nita Lyman KE7DRT

**Education and Training:** Chuck Jones N7BV

**Field Day Co-Chairs:** Al Fisk KD7TFK, Vacant

**Health and Welfare:** Becky Winters W7RJW

**Membership Chair:** Becky Winters W7RJW

**Net Coordinator:** Mike Rice KF7VZZ

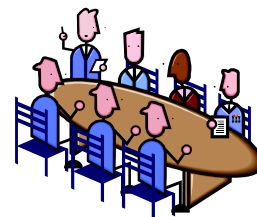
**Program Co-Chairs:** Janet Parris WA7JEP, Bill Carter W7WEC, Chuck Jones N7BV, Becky Winters W7RJW

**Public Relations Chair:** Bill McPherson W6JEQ

**Publications (Newsletter):** Chuck Jones N7BV, Jeramey Johnson KF7PMC, Mike Rice KF7VZZ

**Technical Committee:** Ernie Griffith W7EWG, Mark Merrikin AE7IP, Doug Welcker, WB4KGY

**Web Site Administrator:** Rik Scairpon WX7RIK





**Clallam County Amateur Radio Club General Meeting  
JANUARY 8, 2014**

1902 Meeting called to order by Mike KF7VZZ. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, then introductions all around were made.

1906 Two members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary did an overview of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Dennis Tilton AD7TV finished the presentation with a detailed description of marine radios and related services of the CGA.

2010 Break for coffee socializing.

2027 George W7TTY, the newest board member addressed the members about what he hopes the club would do, take on, in 2014.

Becky, W7RJW announced her committee chairs, Health and Welfare; Membership; and co-chair of the Program Committee.

Mike KF7VZZ talked about the net and net-control operators

2106 The meeting was adjourned.

Chuck Jones N7BV

CCARC Secretary

**FROM OUR TREASURER**

As of Feb 28,2014

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Bank Saving          | 8001.56          |
| Bank Checking        | 2184.11          |
| Outstanding Cheques: |                  |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>10,185.67</b> |

Thanks,  
*Ernie Griffith*  
W7EWG  
CC-ARC Treasurer

**APRIL'S BIRTHDAYS****HAPPY BIRTHDAY'S  
EVERYONE!!**

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|--------------------|----------|--------|
| Stephen Baranowski | N1SB     | Apr 10 |
| Al Dawson          | W7YLV    | Apr 13 |
| Sarah Pearl        | KG7FRJ   | Apr 22 |
| Nancy McPherson    | W6JEQ YL | Apr 26 |
| Danny Smith        | KD7UFF   | Apr 27 |
| Roger Huntley      | W7VV     | May 03 |
| George Eastman     | N1HP     | May 05 |
| Bruce Reiter       | KD7WBM   | May 08 |
| Kathleen Reiter    | N1ERT    | May 11 |

**COMING EVENTS**

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**Hamfest/Convention**  
**05/08/2010 | SCARC 19th Annual HamFest**  
**Location: Stanwood,**  
**WAType: ARRL Hamfest**  
**Sponsor: Stanwood-Camano Amateur Ra-**  
**dio Club**  
**Website: <http://www.scarcwa.org>**

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**07/10/2010**  
**Pacific Northwest Indoor/Outdoor Ham Ra-**  
**dio Tailgate Swapmeet**  
**Location: Chehalis, WA**  
**Type: ARRL Hamfest**  
**Sponsor: Chehalis Valley Amateur Radio**  
**Society**  
**Website: <http://www.cvars.org>**

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## **NEXT YL LUNCHEON** **Friday 11 April**

**Oak Table**  
**292 W. Bell**  
**Sequim**

**Find us on the web at**  
**[www.olyham.net](http://www.olyham.net)**  
**Check it out. Lots of**  
**information about ham**  
**radio in Clallam County!**

### **2013 YL Luncheons:**

Reservations 11:30 2nd Friday of each month

**April** - Oak Table - 292 W. Bell - Sequim

**May** - Downriggers - 115 E. Railroad Ave. - Port Angeles

**June** - Black Bear Diner - 1471 E. Washington - Sequim

**July** - Gordys Pasta and Pizza - 1123 E. First St. - PA

**August** - Mariners - 609 W. Washington - Sequim

**September** - Asian Buffet - PA

**October** - Paradise - 703 No. Sequim Ave - Sequim

**November** - Chestnut Cottage - 929 E. Front - Port Angeles

**December** - Cedars at Dungeness - 1965 Woodcock Rd. - Sequim

| Description                                        | Time/Date                      | Location                                                          | Contact                          |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Clallam County ARES/RACES meeting                  | 7 pm, 1st Tue of every month   | Clallam County Courthouse EOC,<br>223 E. 4 <sup>th</sup> St., PA  | Bill Carter<br>360-681-4375      |
| Clallam County Amateur Radio Club general meeting  | 7 pm, 2d Wed of every month    | Port Angeles Fire Station<br>5th and Laurel, PA                   | Chuck Jones N7BV<br>360-452-4672 |
| Clallam County Amateur Radio Club social breakfast | 8 am, 1st Sat of every month   | Joshua's Restaurant<br>Hwy. 101 & Del Guzzi Dr.                   | Chuck Jones N7BV<br>360-452-4672 |
| Clallam County Amateur Radio Club YL social lunch  | 11:45 am 2d Fri of every month | Rotates - announced on Thursday<br>night Net (See QTC Newsletter) |                                  |

## **CC-ARC Welcomes new member/s:**

**Kendall Casey AF7GZ**

### **CLUB OFFICERS For 2012**

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