



CLALLAM COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Local Ham Upset Field Day Has Lost Its Spirit By K5PO <http://qrz.com/db/k5po> , on the scene

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS - Billy Putnam is a ham radio purist. And he feels his club has lost their way and it's ruining their annual Field Day event.

Putnam is a senior member of the Hopeless Flats Radio Club from Leavenworth County, Kansas. The largest amateur radio club in the area has hosted a highly successful Field Day event for the last 27 years, but Putman says success is in the eye of the beholder. "So many of the new guys... they just seem to love nothing more than to operate."

"They arrive bright and early and slave and sweat over raising the antennas and then promptly sit down and laugh and operate for hours. They talk to visiting elected officials about the value of emergency communication, and then they offer to elmer some youngsters. These guys just don't get it!" said Putman.

Putman notes that "back in his day" Field Day was about far more than operating and ham radio.

"I remember in 1991, we had three potluck tables under the big tent we rent from Ed's Tentery," said Putman. "It was amazing, with ribs, brisket, baked beans, lasagna, deep fried chicken, and mounds of mashed potatoes. That was how Field Day was done. This year they wanted to set up the radios under the tent and the only food these guys brought was two bags of Tostitos corn chips!"

"A bunch of unlicensed youngsters showed up around Noon and ate all fried chicken I brought, he said. "They all built dipoles for the band of their choice and then operated on Martin's old Collins. They didn't even have them take turns flipping burgers on the grill! Heck, they didn't even bring the grill!"

"If things don't change next year," threatened Putman, "I'm just not going to bring my famous Mystery Jell-O anymore!"

Field Day notes from the past seven years indicated literally no one had ever eaten any of Bill Putman's Jell-O, citing an odd "fuzziness" that all felt was unwelcome in a gelatin product.

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ClallamCounty Amateur Radio Club September General Meeting Minutes

1904 – Meeting called to order by Mike, KF7VZZ. Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions all around.

1905 – Program by Mike, N7WA "My First Time on the other end of the Pileups".

2005 – Break

2022 – Begin Business Meeting.

2025 – August General Meeting Minutes approved.

2026 – Paula K7PAX agrees to update the new membership form.

2027 – Discussion of insurance for the trailer – Ernie will follow up with insurance company.

2028 – A quick over view of the latest on repeater upgrades. Planning to install a repeater at Forks Police department. Plans for upgrading the controller at Stripped Peak proceeding.

2043 - Treasure's report read and approved.

2049 – The raffle proceeded in the background.

2050 - It was announced next months program will be on the expansion of PBR'1.

2100 - End of Meeting

Respectfully submitted, Chuck Jones N7BV

Treasurer's Report As of Sept 30,2014		Club Officers for 2014			
Bank Checking 38 Outstanding Cheques Total 118		President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Board Member Board Member Board Member	Mike Rice Becky Winters Chuck Jones Ernie Griffeth Bill McPherson Dennis Tilton George Hutchinson	KF7VZZ W7RJW N7BV W7EWG W6JEQ AD7TV W7TTY	

Truth is cooler than Fiction Actor and comedian Tim Allen (Tim Alan Dick) passed the Amateur Technician test and recieved the callsign KK6OTD. His character, Mike Baxter on the ABC sitcom Last Man Standing, holds the fictional callsign KA0XTT.	For Sale Kenwood TS590 - asking 1100 MFJ Autotuner, 993B - asking 200 MFJ balanced antenna line switch - asking 80 Heil pro set (the very latest model) - asking 100 Selling for a friend. Contact: Chuck N7BV				
Don't try to add an X to a vanity call if you want 2x3, that case is reserved! The show has inspired more than 20 members of the crew to get their licenses.	YL Luncheons for 2014 Reservations @ 11:30, 2nd Friday each month October 10 Paradise, 703 N. Sequim Ave, Sequim November 14				
Feedback, Comments or Articles Submissions are appreciated! Please send to CCARCQTC@yahoo.com Thank you for your contributions, Ed.	Chestnut Cottage, 929 E. Front St, PA December 12 Cedars at Dungeness, 1965 Wookdcock Sequin				
CCARC Meeting Schedule Description Time/Date Location Contact Clallam County ARES/RACES meeting 7 pm, first Tue of every month, Clallam County Courthouse EOC, 223 E. 4th St., PA, Bill Carter, W7WEC 360-681-4375 Clallam County Amateur Radio Club general meeting 7 pm, second Wed of every month, Port Angeles Fire Station, 5th & Laurel Streets, 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 Drive, Chuck Jones, N7BV 360-452-4672 CCARC Board Meeting As Announced As Announced Dennis Tilton AD7TV Clallam Country Amateur Radio Club YL Social Lunch 11:30 am 2nd Fri of every month See Above Schedule					
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Pamela Metz	KF7JQV	YL	Oct	19
Glo Edes	WA6CUE	YL	Oct	21
Robert Sampson	W6MBY		Oct	21
Sheldon Koehler	N7XEI		Oct	24
Jerry Holmes	KJ7DH		Oct	27
Bert Blatter	KN7R		Nov	02
Dennis Tilton	AD7TV		Nov	10

Find a wealth of information and links on the club website: **OlyHAM.net** Thanks to the website administrator,

Rik W7RIK