



Apple City ARC

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Upcoming Events

December 7

Club Meeting / Christmas Party

Kozma's – East Wenatchee (website for map)
1pm - ???

January 2

Board Meeting

WA7BRB Gary's house – 24 N. Western,
Wenatchee – 6:30pm

January 4

Club Meeting

5th and Western Fire station
7:30am doors open, meeting at 8am

President's Corner

Please Note – There will not be a Board meeting in December due to there not being enough voting officers available to make a Quorum.

The Radio Club Christmas Party was held on Sat. Dec. 7th at 1 p.m. which took the place of our Monthly Meeting. It was a POTLUCK and we had a very good turnout from the members. We are very thankful to W7LMK Laura and AE7MK Matt who graciously made their home available for the Party in East Wenatchee. We had our NEW Club Officers for 2014 announced at the Club Christmas Party and had a very "SHORT" Meeting – like "5 MINUTES".

Flashback

JUNE 5 1961 13 PRESENT 2 VISITORS

Meeting called to order by Pres Hollingsworth at 8:00 pm

- Field day plans were discussed at some length.
- Since the general manager was absent not too much was accomplished.
- It was decided to have a paint working party for the table on Thursday and Sat-- June 8th and 10th.
- There being no further business the meeting adjourned.
- Hollingsworth won the door prize.

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Club Information

Current Officers (2013) (will be updated 1/1/14)

President – Rich Cole, N7PZT

Vice Pres – Lane Giard, N7ZXP

Secretary – John Lathrop, N7RHY

Treasurer – Stacey Kirkpatrick, KB7YYY

Trustee #1 – Sal Spagnole, KA7ZDL

Trustee #2 – Jim Shultz, W7JBP

Trustee #3 – Kevin Hansen, KC7VQQ

Past Pres – Rich Bardwell, KD7MTG

Committees

Hamfest – Michelle Giard, KD7RZX

Field Day – Stacey Kirkpatrick, KB7YYY

ARES/RACES – Sal Spagnole, KA7ZDL

Special Olympics – Greg Phillippi, KG7FGA

VE Testing – Skip Frans, KE7MPO

Yard Sale - TBD

Meeting Times

First Saturday of the month at 8am

Chelan County Fire Station at 5th and Western

Repeater Information

146.68 (- offset / 156.7 tone)

53.390 (- offset of 1.7Mhz / 118.8 tone)

On-air Nets

+ Tuesday Night Net

This is the main net for the club and occurs every Tuesday night at 8pm on the Club 2 meter repeater. Please join us!

+ Monday Night 10 Meter Net / Ragchew

This impromptu net occurs almost every Monday at 8pm on 28.375 MHz SSB. This frequency is available to all license classes. All are welcome.

Notices

Treasurer's Report:

Checking Account Balance – \$1462.65

Dues

Now that we are at the end of year please remember to get your dues paid for 2014 or sent in before January. Club membership is \$15 for an individual, \$6 for each additional family member.

Newsletter Story Ideas

Please submit ideas for the newsletter (or entire stories) to the club email address.

applecitarcy@gmail.com

Net Controls Needed

We are always open to more members participating as net control for the Tuesday night net. Please contact us if you are interested.

Ham Related Pics

If you would like to share a picture of relating to our hobby please send to the club email address and we will get it posted to the website. These may include shack or antenna pictures or whatever you would like to share with the membership. Submissions are always welcome.

Elections

Elections have been completed and the new officers will take their positions for the January meeting – 2014 Officers will be:

President – John Lathrop - N7RHY

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News Stories

KF7FGA Relocation

In case you are wondering what happened to Gregory... the club received an email earlier this month:

Hello,

I'm Alive:) Live in Chelan falls now. I cannot currently hear or hit the repeater from my home. Here is my most current contact info:

Kg7fga@gmail.com

[509-683-2441](tel:509-683-2441)

I will be at the January meeting as I now also have a vehicle.

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KG7fga

Howard Lowell - K7HJL (SK)

Sadly another member of the club has become a Silent Key.

At approximately 10:15am on 12/7 Howard passed away at his home. He passed peacefully and was surrounded by family at the time. He was an active member of group (as his health would allow) and will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.

His obituary from the paper:

Howard John Lowell, 70, of East Wenatchee, WA, passed away on December 7, 2013, surrounded by loved ones at his home. He was born on June 2, 1943, to Ernest and Inez (Kramer) Lowell in Wenatchee, WA. He attended school in Peshastin and Leavenworth, then spent a few years working at local fruit warehouses. Howard served in the United States Army from June of 1964 until July of 1975. He then moved to Belton, TX, where he worked as a bail bondsman until he returned to Wenatchee in 1978. At that time, he began his 26-year career as a machine operator at Alcoa. On August 4, 1981, Howard married the love of his life, Beverly "Joan" Davis. After retiring from Alcoa, Howard generously volunteered countless hours of his time to various organizations. He first joined the Douglas County Auxiliary Crime Prevention program, where he volunteered for 16 years. He later spent several hours each week volunteering at Central Washington Hospital. He also participated in Relay For Life for six years, and was a 20 year cancer survivor himself. Please feel free to make any memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society in honor of his fight. Outside of time spent volunteering, Howard enjoyed geocaching, hunting, football, and Nascar racing. He was also an active member of the Apple City Amateur Radio Club.

Survivors include his children, Rick McCandless of Wenatchee, Steve and Dianna McCandless of Ferndale, Evelyn Walczyk of Wenatchee, and Teresa and Gary Snyder of East Wenatchee; his siblings, Louie and Pat Lowell of Wenatchee, Judy Chrisco of Port Townsend, Verna Weber of Hood River, OR, and Wynona Leake of Friday Harbor; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Howard was preceded in death by his wife of 18 years, Beverly "Joan" Lowell, in 2000; and siblings, Bill Lowell, Harry Lowell, Ruth McFarland, and Sharon Lowell.

Internet / Ham Radio Magic

Much thanks to W7MSE Robin and AD7SV John for their magic in setting up a system that allows Judy KA7ZNA can check into out Tuesday night net from Port Townsend each week. The magic consists of client software that Judy runs on here PC that links to a system in Wenatchee. This system in turn links to a radio that allows her to get on the repeater here in the valley. This is not a full IRLP (Internet Repeater Linking Protocol) implementation as it is the client software that allows the connection, not another repeater. It is good to hear Judy on the repeater once again!

Jim Schultz – W7JBP (SK)

For those that didn't know, our friend and fellow Ham W7JBP Jim Shultz passed away about 3 weeks ago. He grew up in Cashmere and left to work on the Coast but returned in his retirement yrs. to Cashmere where he worked part time. Jim knew how to fix the older Ham radios and could tell you about them. He was also a great Trap Shooter and in the Gun Club there as well as traveling to the Coast for the same and a chance to see family members located there. Several members of the Ham community attended the Service at the Cashmere Cemetery. Jim will be greatly missed. He was our Hamfest Chairman several years and got a number of prizes donated from the Cashmere business area for our event. He helped attend the Radios in the Information Tent at Mission Ridge when our Club helps the Winter Special Olympics up there each year. He showed up rain or shine, snow or wind each of year including last winter. Jim, we will save a HotDog and other goodies this year for you as we remember the good times we had there. So long for now but never forgotten.

Repeater controller

The repeater controller that was approved for purchase has arrived and is in the hands of Sal KA7ZDL for programming and eventual installation. Because of how late we are in the year may be a month or two before it gets installed. However, when it does we should have the repeater 100% with several new functions (to be exploited later down the road if we want to) and the need for less administrations as functions like time changes for daylight savings time will be automatic.

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Tidbits:

Newsletter

Please feel free to share your thoughts on the updated newsletter – feel free to email Stacey at kb7yyy@gmail.com or the club email address applecityarc@gmail.com

Club Website – The site has been updated, please check it out: <http://qsl.net/w7td>

Club Repeater – The new repeater controller has been acquired and currently is being programmed and tested before being installed on the mountain.

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