

# *Western Washington Amateur Relay Association*

## **General Membership Meeting Minutes April 5, 2003**

The April 5, 2003, General Membership meeting was held at a Simpson Timber building in Shelton, WA. Chairman John Schurman-AA7UJ, called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

### **INTRODUCTIONS:**

Introductions were made and a sign-in sheet was circulated. In attendance were: John Schurman-AA7UJ, Steve Szombathy-W7UDI, Herman Entz-K7PAG, Peter Dahl-WA7FUS, Gene Colson-W7UVH, Jon Marcinko-WR7JM, Pete Policani-K7PP, Rob Lee-K7TGU, Ron Sauer-K9RKI, Carl Holman-K7CH, Scott Cronk-N7FSP, Bill Balzarini-KL7BB, Lloyd Tuffs-K7WG, Daniel Stevens-KL7WM, Jamie Hughes-KD7HPE, Roger Hansen-W6TOZ, and Bob Lewis-W7AN.

### **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

~~✓~~ A motion passed to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2003, General Meeting.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- ~~✓~~ Treasurer Roger-W6TOZ distributed current financial statements for review. A motioned carried to accept the financial report.
- ~~✓~~ A question was asked about how many paid members we have at the present date. John-AA7UJ reported that there are 48 listed on the current membership report.

### **ADJACENT AREAS:**

- IACC:** John-AA7UJ said Jamie-KD7HPE has had recent correspondence with Doug-KC7JC regarding 444.425 at White Pass. John also reported that he advised Doug to get a plot to check for potential overlap with the WC7I repeater in Lacey.
- B.C.:** John-AA7UJ has correspondence with George-VE7CHU. The BCARCC just held their annual meeting, which we were invited to attend, but due to individual schedules, no one ended up making the trip to Vancouver.
- ORRC:** Jamie-KD7HPE and Pete-K7PP have had recent contact with ORRC. Pete has been talking with Ron Polluconi, KJ7IY about an application. John-AA7UJ said Jamie-KD7HPE received approval for the Gray Harbor group to proceed with their system.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Technical:** John-AA7UJ said he received a report from Marty-WB7AFV regarding the 900 Meg Band Plan. Marty also indicated that he would not be able to attend the meeting due to a business trip. John advised Rick-NU7Z that we probably wouldn't discuss this topic until the next meeting when Marty would hopefully be able to attend.
- 6/10 Meters:** Board actions: Previous to the meeting, the Board approved the following coordinations:
  - ?? TR# 2019 (53.170\_AA7UJ\_Kirkland\_2019\_01.25.03)The membership had no questions and supported the approvals. The Band Chair (Ed-N7NVP) was not able to attend due to another ham meeting, but submitted his Band Chair Report with current status of pending items.

Jon-WR7JM asked if the approval process could be shortened. It now takes a minimum of two months. It was suggested by Peter-WA7FUS that we use the WWARA webpage to post a "comment period" for the members. There was further

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discussion and John-AA7UJ asked Steve-W7UDI to put together some policy recommendations for potential vote at the next meeting.

**2 Meters:** Board actions: None.

The Band Chair (Pete-K7PP) provided a review of the pending items listed on his Band Chair Report.

**220 Band:** Board actions: None.

The Band Chair (Peter-WA7FUS) reported that he has three approval recommendations that are currently being voted on by the Board. He said there is no other pending activity at this time.

**UHF Rptrs:** Board actions: Previous to the meeting, the Board approved the following coordinations:

?? TR# 5315 (442.700\_N7WGR\_Puyallup\_5315\_01.10.02)

?? TR# 5167 (442.950\_KC7RRH\_FederalW\_5167\_10.01.02)

The membership had no questions and supported the approvals.

No Band Chair Report submitted

**UHF Links:** Board actions: None. No report submitted

**900/1.2:** Board actions: None. No report submitted.

A discussion took place regarding Bryon Gunnerson's linked system and a question was asked how he was linking all of the UHF repeaters. It appears that linking is taking place on individual 900 Meg links and someone needs to talk to Bryon about coordinating them so we know what is being used, and where.

**NFCC:** Nothing to report.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Review of UHF Links and Band Plans :** Nothing provided.

**Band Plans - 900 Mhz:** John-AA7UJ said this will hold until Marty returns. He also mentioned that this type of info needs to be posted to the members remailer so members can offer comments.

**Coordination Policies:** Steve-W7UDI will send out a draft to the remailer prior to the June meeting.

**Repeater Directory:** Bill-KL7BB gave a recap of the committee meeting that took place on the evening the war started. A review of our existing database capabilities took place. There was much discussion about the amount of resource that will be needed to have an automatic listing produced on the web page.

**Mike & Key Table:** Steve-W7UDI said the table was a big draw and Marty was kept busy doing 30+ plots. There were a lot of requests for repeater directories.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There were no new business items.

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The next meeting will be held on June 5th, 2003 at 7:00 PM. John-AA7UJ said we will target a meeting location in the Edmonds area.

*✍* A motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 12:02 PM.

*Minutes summarized by Mark McClain-N6OBY, Secretary.*