

# Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club

## Zoom Meeting of 13 January 2022

### Meeting Minutes:

Agenda: General Club Business

From the Treasurer:

- Dues and donations from our members have resulted in a nice addition to our bank account. We are very close to our income projections at the end of last year.
- Expenses in the immediate future are for our rental of the Mountlake Terrace Community Senior Center for the first quarter of the year and the cost of our new club radio (IC-7300).
- Members who wish to get more details regarding the state of our finances should contact our Treasurer, Barry K7BWH via direct email. See QRZ for email address.

From the President:

- Daily 10 meter gatherings continue at 1200 local time at 28.350 MHz
- Edway Emergency Communications Plan
  - Bill KB6KKX is gathering comments from members.
  - Start on WA7DEM repeater then move to secondary repeater (N6CES?) or simplex frequencies.
  - Should we run another simplex test on various bands to get some idea of who can reach whom?
  - Kim KD7ITZ will try putting a map together to show where members live (by 6 digit grid squares? or lat/long or address?)
- Attracting new members: "Welcome to Ham Radio" style postcard with some information about our club and the Tuesday evening net. Every month we get a list of newly licensed ham radio operators. We could use that list to generate a list of local people to whom we could send the postcards. It was suggested that we could use bulk mailing in order to keep postage costs down.
- The club loaner rig was ordered at the end of last year and is here! Our new IC-7300 was delayed somewhat by the snowy conditions but it has arrived and Ed put it through its paces by using it to join the noon 10 meter get together. We have a donated power supply. Ed plans to

bring it to Winter Field Day where all in attendance can check it out. We need to spend time to come up with guidelines for the use of this loaner rig .. so that we are all clear on how it is to be used. In addition to loaning the IC-7300 to a member we could see about setting it up as a remote club station. This would let members who may not have their own HF antenna and feed line get some use and experience with the rig. [remotehams.com](http://remotehams.com) may be a source of information on setting this up. At the very least it seems that we would need remote control software plus a dedicated laptop as part of the loaner program. Also needed: a proper location for running the IC\_7300.

- Winter Field Day Planning: see below
- New Business
  - ARRL has a grant program. We should look into what they support and how to apply.
  - Review the ARRL Special Service Club definition and requirements. Do we fit the bill?
  - Revisit the idea of in-person meeting later in the Spring? We have always had the ability to have in-person meetings but they put demands on us as users of the Community Center (masks required indoors, etc). And there are increased risks especially as the omicron variant spreads through this area. Running in-person plus Zoom turns out to be hard to manage.
  - Always looking for program suggestions. Since we are meeting via Zoom this facilitates bringing in guest speakers. If you have an idea for a program bring it up to the club via the email reflector and we can see who might be available.
- Winter Field Day Strategy:
  - Date: Saturday - 1/29/2022
  - Time: 9:30 am ~ 5:00 pm (contest starts at 11:00 am)
  - Location: MLT Senior Community Center - Back Porch.
  - Call Sign: N7EDW

Rig: Club IC-7300 (others welcome to bring gear and setup)

Power: LifePO battery pack for IC-7300. Generator available. Or we could use house power. KM7O in charge of POWER....

Antenna: DX Commander vertical (easy setup).

Laptop for logging.

Donuts: Yes (N7IAD)  
Tables, Chairs: MLTSCC

Covid precautions: Elizabeth has given the go-ahead. Masks required inside. Optional outside.

Plus - Ed will bring the club book/magazine collection so folks can look through, borrow, or just gaze in wonder at the technology of old.

List of attendees as gathered from Zoom screen. This list may not be complete.

1. Ed N7PHY
2. Tom K7BXA
3. Barry K7BWH
4. Greg N7IAD
5. David KA7UCI
6. Walt W7PRB
7. Brian KG7PD
8. John KM7O
9. Scott KB7RSV
10. Chuck WA7BRL
11. Rich K7RCH
12. Richard Kellogg W7HUG
13. Kim KD7ITZ
14. Rick K7TR
15. Frank N6CES
16. Robert KD7WNV