

# Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club

Meeting of 11 May 2023 Pr. Ed Serchon N7PHY Presiding

## General Announcements:

- Daily 10 meter gatherings continue at 1200 local time at 28.350 MHz USB. Band conditions have been sub-par but hope springs eternal. Everybody is welcome.

## From the Treasurer:

- Bank balance is still in the black.
- Currently we have 50 paid up members.
- No income to report.
- Outgo coming up: \$144 to Ed N7PHY for park reservation for Field Day. \$150 to go to MTCSC in June for 3 months rent. Barry K7BWH asked if we should continue our tradition of donating \$300 to the MTCSC in conjunction with our Field Day use of their facility. The measure was proposed, seconded, and passed by members.
- Members who wish to get more details regarding the state of our finances should contact our Treasurer, Barry K7BWH.

## General Business

- Emergency/Disaster Prep update: Greg N7IAD has been attending meetings with Chuck Wallace (with City of Edmonds) regarding preparation for supporting the city in the case of a disaster. Chuck plans to send out a test emergency text on May 18 at 1:00 PM. If you would like to take part in this test, please email Greg N7IAD for details. The City of Edmonds group is trying to get certification classes for basic emergency/disaster training. The next meeting of this group will be via Zoom.
- Stanwood - Camano Amateur Radio Club (SWARC) swap meet will be at Stanwood Middle School starting at 9:00 AM this Saturday. Admission is \$5.00 at the door. Details at: [https://scarcwa.org/ham\\_fest.shtm](https://scarcwa.org/ham_fest.shtm)
- West Seattle Amateur Radio Club (WSARC) swap meet will be at 8812 24th Ave SW in Seattle starting at 9:00 AM this Saturday. Details at: <https://w7aw.org/calendar/>
- Ed N7PHY will be out roving in Montana for much of the month of June. Plans for the June meeting are up in the air. Most likely we will have a

quick meeting to nail down Field Day plans. Details to follow on the email repeater.

- A member brought up the suggestion for breaking our monthly meeting into two meetings: one for business details and another for more educational and social details. Dealing with 2 meetings seemed to be too much for many members. An alternative might be to have a longer meeting once per month. Ed regularly shows up at the MTCSC at about 6:00 PM. We could let people know that the time between 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM is available for socializing and general radio related discussions. Then the usual meeting can take place after 7:00 PM.
- Ed N7PHY mentioned the woman who is looking for help to remove Ham radios from her late father's pickup truck so she can more easily sell the truck. Barry K7BWH was interested in following up on this project. See the email reflector for details about the truck and the radios.

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Thanks to Greg N7IAD for being Net Control last week. There is now a tab at the bottom of the Edway Net Roster with the Net Control Schedule. Go to Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club -> Tuesday Net -> Edway Net Roster. See tabs at the bottom of that page.

- You too can be a Net Control Operator! Training and assistance is available to any and all aspirants! Make contact with a club officer via telephone, email, HF, VHF, or UHF radio and make your request! Fame but no fortune awaits ...
- Field Day Plans have been thrown into a tizzy by construction happening in the park adjacent to the south side of the MTCSC. Our usual location has been just across the road/path the runs next to back side of the MTCSC. This area has been declared off limits by the Army Corps of Engineers who are running the construction project. We have access to an area immediately east of our usual area but that area has little flat space for setting up and is bisected by a path running from the parking lot south towards Lake Ballinger. This path is sure to be heavily travelled during Field Day by park users.
- Our revised plans for FD 2023 are to move onto the veranda of the MTCSC as we did in the heat wave of 2021. Ed N7PHY will be able to park his truck on the east side of the building. He has a very nice truck-mountable antenna which will support 1 or possibly 2 stations. There is a little bit of space between the veranda and the off-limits area where we could possibly set up some other antennas. See the tab at the bottom of the Edway Net Roster for more FD 2023 info. As always we

encourage members to come by to visit the club set up even if you can't stay for the day.

**List of attendees: \* indicates Zoomers**

1. Greg Gadbois N7IAD
2. Walt Jamison W7PRB
3. Ed Sershon N7PHY
4. Tom Ormond K7BXA
5. \* John Vanderbeck KM7O
6. \* Chuck Greeno WA7BRL
7. \* Brian Radabaugh KG7PD
8. \* Scott Hayden KB7RSV
9. Ric W7HUG
10. \* Robert Grinnell KD7WNV
11. Rick Singh K7TR
12. Neri NC7N
13. Barry K7BWH