Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club

Meeting of 14 September 2023 Pres. Ed Sershon N7PHY presiding.

General Announcements:

- Daily 10 meter gatherings continue at 1200 local time at 28.350 MHz USB.
- Solar cookies (Toll House and Snickerdoodle) available from Barry as cooked in the famous Motel 5 rover from pure solar power via batteries.

From the Treasurer:

- Bank balance is still in the black. No recent income or outgo.
- Upcoming expense: \$150 for 4th quarter use of the MTCSC facility.
- We have a total of 53 paid up members.
- Members who wish to get more details regarding the state of our finances should contact our Treasurer, Barry K7BWH.

General Business

- Field trip to a commercial radio station, KRKO, out near Snohomish is on for September 20 at 1:00 PM. The address is: 11270 132nd St SE Snohomish, WA. See Mike W7NP for details.
- Susan W7MXW has been investigating ways to get our new logo onto shirts and hats. She has information from a company named Cloth Tattoo in Woodinville. To quote from Susan's recent post on the email reflector: "If we order 50 patches, the cost is \$7.59/patch for a total of \$379.50. If we order 100 patches, the cost is \$6.23/patch, for a total of \$623.00. Orders then go to Sanmar.com to choose their article of clothing or hat, then the company sews them on for \$7.00 each." Exactly how to handle choices by club members is still up for discussion. To see examples of logo patches by Cloth Tattoo see: https://www.clothtattoo.com/gallery
- Susan brought up the idea of having the club purchase an antenna analyzer for use by club members. These devices are expensive and not necessary for day to day operating. However they are vital for dealing with antenna and feed line problems. Analyzers which deal only with HF are less expensive that those which handle VHF and UHF. Dave WA7RSO recommends the RigExpert AA-650 which covers HF/

- VHF/UHF ... at a cost of more than \$650. Comet makes the CAA-500 Mark II for a cost close to \$450. Barry K7BWH offered to make his Comet analyzer available for loan to club members while we think about making an investment in an antenna analyzer.
- Emergency/Disaster Prep update: Susan W7MXW, Greg N7IAD, and Scott KB7RSV have been working with the folks in the Edmonds City Hall on emergency preparedness. See Susan's email to the reflector dated Sept. 9, 2023 for details of these discussions.
- Salmon Run Contest this weekend. This is the Washington State QSO
 Party. It runs from 9:00 AM to Midnight on Saturday and 9:00 AM to 5:00
 PM on Sunday. See the rules at: http://salmonrun.wwdxc.org/. Look for Ed N7PHY out on the Chelan/Okanogan county line up above Lake Chelan.
- The VHF Society is having a lunch get together this Saturday at the Poodle Dog Restaurant in Tacoma from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

List of attendees:

In Person:

Walt W7PRB W7NP Mike Grea N7IAD Susan W7MXW Ed N7PHY Scott KB7RSV Barry K7BWH Tom K7BXA Tom KH6HDA Ric W7HUG Neri NC7N Frank N6CES Chris KI7LBC Dave W7AGJ

Via Zoom:

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