

Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club

Meeting of 9 Jan. 2025 Pres. Ed Sershon N7PHY presiding.

General Announcements:

Daily 10 meter gatherings continue at 1200 local time at 28.350 MHz USB. Sometimes up a bit, sometimes down a bit depending upon current use of that frequency. See the email reflector for possible QSY details.

From the Treasurer:

Including several people who paid their dues at the meeting we currently have 42 paid up members. A good start to 2025. See the Join/Renew page of the club website: <https://edwaynet.com/join/> for information on renewing your membership. The club bank account is currently in the black. Our recent expenses include \$200.00 to ARRL for insurance and \$110 to Ed N7PHY as our agreed upon 50% subsidy of his Zoom membership. Note that when paying dues via PayPal there is a 5% cut taken by PayPal.

For more details regarding the club budget or financial matters see Barry K7BWH.

General Business:

Greg N7IAD will get in touch with Janice Perkins to see what we, as a club, can do to help her move the radio gear owned by her late husband, Frank N6CES.

Events Calendar:

- ARRL VHF Contest Jan 18-20
- CQ 160 Meter CW Contest Jan 24-26
- Winter Field Day Jan 25-26
- 10-10 Winter Contest SSB Feb 1-2
- Vermont QSO Party Feb 1-2

- Minnesota QSO Party Feb 1
- British Columbia QSO Party Feb 1-2

For more contest information see the WA7BNM Contest Calendar: <https://www.contestcalendar.com/>

The 43rd Electronics Show & Swap Meet is scheduled for Mar 8, 2025. Ticket sales open at 8:00 AM. Doors open at 9:00 AM. Dealers close by 3:00 PM. Details at: <https://www.mikeandkey.org/flea.php>

We discussed the upcoming Winter Field Day. In the past we have operated from the Lake Ballinger Center using the south covered patio and the adjacent room inside. Ed N7PHY plans to get in touch with the administrators of the LBC to see if this will work this year as well.

Speaking of Field Day, it is only 6 months away. We need to start planning for it. Anyone wishing to help in the planning process is welcome! Let one of the club officers know that you would like to help.

Monthly Presentation: Open Mic/Show-n-Tell

Ed N7PHY presented plans for a Delta Loop antenna in which he plans to use various surplus parts which he has on hand. Next is a plan to simplify one of his roving antennas by replacing Allen Key bolts with magnetic fasteners. See the Linus Tech Tips store for information regarding the magnetic fasteners: <https://www.lttstore.com/collections/mcm-landing> .

Robert KD7WNV brought his TinySA Ultra spectrum analyzer to the meeting. Last month Barry K7BWH brought a full-sized spectrum analyzer with which numerous HTs were checked to spectral compliance with FCC regulations. The TinySA and TinySA Ultra spectrum analyzers can do the same sort of analysis at a much more reasonable price. See the TinySA home page for details: <https://www.tinysa.org/wiki/> Note the warning at the top of the page regarding bad quality copy products. There is a link to a list of reputable dealers.

List of Attendees (*=Zoom):

1. Ed N7PHY
2. Greg N7IAD
3. Barry K7BWH
4. Brian N4WZY
5. Tom K7BXA

6. Larry KK7PRX
7. Rick W7HUG
8. Tom KH6HDA
9. Walt W7PRB
10. Neri NC7N
11. Mike K7MH
12. George N7PNK
13. Robert KD7WNV
14. Daniel KJ6SEE
15. *Dave WA7RSO
16. *Mike W7NP (Surprise AZ)
17. *Dave W7VM
18. *Chris KI7LBC
19. *Kent KK7QBS