

Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club

Meeting of 13 Mar. 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:

We currently have 54 paid up members. Most recent outgo was for roughly \$37 to Tom K7BXA for stamps to send New Ham Greeting Cards. The club bank account is currently in the black.

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

General Business:

We are always on the lookout for volunteers to run the Tuesday net. Ed N7PHY is working on a short PowerPoint presentation which will explain how to run the weekly net. The quick review I saw of his preliminary version was very impressive and should be a very helpful introduction to running the net. When finished it will be available on the club website. And remember that you don't have to jump into running the net without a warm-up. You can sit in with one of the regulars to see how it is done. Should you wish to put your name in as a Net Control Operator, you can claim a date on the Tuesday Net page of the club website. Go to the Edway Net Roster and at the bottom of the page you will see "Net Control Sched". Click on that to bring up a calendar with a place for your callsign.

Monthly Emergency Preparedness Tip: last month we mentioned that the general recommendation for drinking water is a gallon per person per day. This month the recommendation for food is to have roughly 2 weeks of food available per person.

Field Day is only 3 months away! See one of the club officers if you wish to help with this effort.

Upcoming contests: see the WA7BNM Contest Calendar: <https://www.contestcalendar.com/>

The 43rd Electronics Show & Swap Meet happened the previous weekend in Puyallup. Numerous club members made the journey south and found things they could not live without. Robert KD7WNV handed out copies of the Mike and Key Amateur Radio Special Events and Information guide. This document contains a wealth of information relevant to amateur radio operators in our local area. You can get a PDF version of the pamphlet at the Mike and Key website. At the website under the Community menu you will see Public Service. Go to the Public Service page and near the top of that page you will see a link to Public Service and Events Pamphlet. Or go directly via this link: <https://www.mikeandkey.org/pamphlet.php>

A related discussion ensued: How to get early access to the swap meet in order to get the best deals. It was suggested that one could actually pay a few dollars to have a table at the swap meet. Vendors get early access. Another method involves becoming a volunteer at the swap meet. Volunteers do not need to be members of the Mike and Key club. And they get early access.

Monthly Presentation: A view from inside the ARRL.

Mark Tharp KB7HDX of Yakima is the Director of the ARRL Northwestern Division This division includes Alaska, Eastern Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Western Washington. Mark joined the meeting via ZOOM and discussed the workings of the ARRL in some detail and answered questions from the members. Ed N7PHY recorded the meeting and will post that recording to the Edway You Tube channel . See the club email reflector for details.

List of Attendees (*=Zoom):

1. Ed N7PHY
2. George N7PNK
3. Greg N7IAD
4. Mike K7MH

5. Tom K7BXA
6. Barry K7BWH
7. Tom KH6HDA
8. *Mike W7NP
9. *Brian KG7PD
10. Larry KK7PRX
11. Dave WB6URD
12. Ric W7HUG
13. Robert KD7WNV
14. Brian N4WZY
15. Tom K7POE
16. *Chuck WA7BRL
17. *Scott KB7RSV
18. *John KM7O
19. *Walt W7PRB
20. Bill KB6KKX
21. Andy KG7ZAG
22. *Rick K7TR