

# **Edmonds Woodway Amateur Radio Club**

Meeting of 12 February 2026 Pres. Brian Sears N4WZY presiding.

## **General Announcements:**

Welcome! Daily meet up continues on 28.350 MHz USB.

## **From the Treasurer:**

The club bank balance is in the black. Currently we have 47 paid up members. Anyone wishing to pay dues for 2026 may do so via the club website or by sending a check to Barry K7BWH via USPS. See the very bottom of the About the Club page on our website for the mailing address. Recent expenditures include \$200.00 to the ARRL for insurance; \$200.00 to the Lake Ballinger Center for Winter Field Day; \$86.00 for Winter Field Day donuts! Recent income of roughly \$100.00 due to sale of surplus club radio gear on QRZ by Mike K7MH.

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

## **Winter Field Day Results:**

At our usual site at the Lake Ballinger Center we had 3 HF stations with up to 100 Watts output each. These stations used a 3-band Yagi antenna attached to Ed N7PHY's pickup truck. Using the club's triplexer these stations were able to work 10m, 15m, and 20m bands simultaneously. N3FJP logging software was used. We had 19 or so attendees. 128 contacts were made (85 phone, 43 CW). Using a multiplier of 9 we made 1539 points. The weather was fantastic. Temps were a bit chilly early in the day. As the temperature rose with more sunlight our stations were hit with melting frost from the ceiling on the Lake Ballinger Center veranda! Quick thinking resulted in space blankets and lunchroom trays being used as protective cover for the electronics!

## **Ham Radio on TV:**

The recent TV series Stranger Things has prompted renewed interest in Ham Radio by younger viewers.

<https://www.radioworld.co.uk/blog/pop-culture-meets-the-airwaveshow-stranger-things-helped-spark-new-interest-in-amateur-radio>

## **Club Business:**

### **Mike and Key Swapmeet:**

The club has two tables reserved for the upcoming M&K Swapmeet (3/7 from 0900 to 1500). There will be an information table and a sales table. These tables will be located on the second floor. Ed N7PHY, Brian N4WZY, Barry K7BWH, and Greg N7IAD will be manning these tables with the help of various other club members. If you are attending the swap meet we hope you will stop by the club tables and visit or lend a hand. See the recent email on the club email reflector for full details on the swap meet and our work to participate.

### **IC-705 Special Interest Group Meetings:**

Two meetings for the new IC-705 SIG have been scheduled. The first will be this coming Sunday (2/15) morning at the Lake Ballinger Center from 1000 to 1200. The second meeting is scheduled for March 15 in the same location at the same time. If you own an IC-705 or are just interested in hearing more about this popular rig you are welcome to show up.

### **Slack Update:**

We have a good collection of members who have joined our Slack discussion group. This group was suggested as an alternate to our email reflector which might be a quicker and easier way to communicate. We are still learning how to use Slack. There are some who find Slack useful while others do not. We are not ready to give up on it just yet. Give it a try! You might find it helpful. If you are not on Slack, use this link to join up, courtesy of Daniel KJ6SEE:

[https://join.slack.com/t/edwaynet/shared\\_invite/zt-3my97r3qq-mfz1w5FuKjP6bfROIE6d2A](https://join.slack.com/t/edwaynet/shared_invite/zt-3my97r3qq-mfz1w5FuKjP6bfROIE6d2A)

We have access to Discord, another messaging app, but there was little enthusiasm for working with it.

### **Net Control Volunteers:**

Always on the lookout for Net Control Operators. At the bottom of the Net Roster on the Tuesday Net page see Net How-To for an overview of

running the net. Greg N7IAD has promised to work one-on-one with people wishing to try their hand at running the net.

**Other Points of Interest:**

Brett KI7YFP, suggested a couple of presentations he would be willing to make for upcoming meetings: RTTY for Casual Contesting and a discussion and demo of what he works on for Paccar which is display and control system for drivers for Kenworth and Peterbilt trucks.

Another suggestion was the Open Headset Initiative: <https://g1lro.uk/?p=104> or <https://electronics.halibut.com/halibut-headset-interconnect/>

It was suggested that we have another simplex test after one of our Tuesday evening nets. This time on a simplex frequency in the 70 cm band. Another test using D-Star was suggested. Will have to see how many D-Star users we have.

For those who are anticipating the Artemis II launch, the dates have been pushed out to March (6,7,8,9, 11) or April (1,2,3,4,5,6). Keep your fingers crossed!

Couple of nets mentioned:

WA7FUS the WetNet 224.220 with tone of 103.5

PSRG Weekly Simplex Voice Net on 146.560 MHz every Saturday evening at 2000.

Barry K7BWH showed a protective cover he built with his 3-D printer for the front of his IC-705. Rich K7RCH mentioned that the Shoreline Tool Library has a 3-D printer which can be used by members of the library after appropriate introduction.

Brian N4WZY mentioned a couple of emergency prep related topics. There was a YouTube video by Dank2DMG about his experience as a Net Control during the Hurricane Helene aftermath. He also had links to sites related to emergency medicine. See the meeting notes for details.

**List of Attendees ( \* = Zoom ):**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Zoom</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Callsign</b>
1		Jorge	KM7AEG
2		George	N7PNK
3		Greg	N7IAD
4		Rick	K7HUG
5		Mike	K7MH
6		Barry	K7BWH
7		Brian	N4WZY
8		David	KA7UCI
9		Brett	KI7YFP
10		Michael	KJ7JTZ
11		Larry	KK7PRX
12		Tom	K7BXA
13		Robert	KD7WNV
14		Ed	N7PHY
15		Rich	K7RCH
16	*	Chuck	WA7BRL
17	*	Scott	KB7RSV
18	*	Rick	K7TR
19		Steven	Guest