

Cascade Amateur Radio Enthusiasts (CARE), KG7JPA October 2016 Meeting:

Date: Tuesday October 11, 2016

Time: 18:30 hours

Venue: New Far East Restaurant, 236 N Front St, Medford, OR

President Joe, AF7GN, presided.

Several attendees had just passed their licensing exams for Technician, General, or Extra. Introductions were made and kudos accepted.

Membership dues for new members are waived for the balance of 2016. The \$20 membership fee paid Oct-Dec will apply 100% to dues for 2017, but will also allow the new member immediate voting status.

The Treasurer Report was presented by Johnny, WA6RHK, and it was accepted.

The Secretary Report had perhaps not been received via email by some members. President Joe will look into addressing future posting procedures.

Curt, KF7VZV offered a reminder to the membership that Minutes, Newsletters, Club Documents such as the Constitution and By Laws, activity and event photos such as our recent Antenna Building Classes are all available on the website.

There is also a place on the Newsletter/Member page for any member who desires to submit their First Name and Call Sign for publication on the site.

New Business:

2016 Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 10 from 1pm to 4pm at Northridge Center, 3737 South Pacific Hwy. It will be a potluck party and more details are to follow.

Chris, N7CGD, brought a Common Digital Frequencies HF handout as follow-up to his presentation at the September meeting. Chris, as the 2017 Field Day Chair, presented a signup sheet for nine sub-chair positions. The specific Field Day tasks of each sub-chair are available from Chris. Chris also spoke briefly about the local Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) program and he left some brochures.

Rob, N7RFD, passed a handout regarding how to determine antenna length adjustments.

Randy, KG7RMS, was awarded Ham of the 3rd Quarter award by President Joe. The award recognizes significant contributions made by the recipient during the quarter year.

Nominations for club officers for 2017 were made, accepted and closed:

President: Joe, AF7GN,

Vice President: Darrell, KE7FNV, Joseph. W3JVC

Secretary: Rob, N7RFD,

Treasurer: Debbie, KI7ENG,

Members at Large (2 positions): Bill, KG7NII; Diane (Pending); Bill, K7WGD; and Charles (Pending).

Voting will take place at November's meeting.

The club Membership Roster is not to be used for broadcasting Spam to members. Information of benefit to all members shall be sent to the club PIO, Curt, KF7VZV. Curt will then review and forward the info to all members.

Joe, AF7GN, continues to work on obtaining a Tax Exempt status for the CARE club. A benefit being that business or private donors will be able to write off some or all of any contributions made to the club.

A 5 minute break was held prior to Darrell's, KE7FNV, presentation on HF Radio. Via slides, Darrell presented the layout of his shack. His presentation focus was on the many things one can now do with his or her new Ham license; the use of one band over others for certain modes and distances; and the value offered by some inexpensive, low power rigs. Several members contributed discussion to the presentation. He discussed participation in HF nets and in HF contests. Darrell's presentation was a call to all to continue to expand their ham skills and to try new modes of communications,

The meeting was brought to a close following the presentation.

Respectfully submitted, Rob, N7RFD