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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Well, the summer hiatus has flown by and it's time for the September meeting.

We had a rather unusual Field Day and lots of hot weather. The RVARC managed to rack up 476 points in spite of a lack of operators and an unexpected weather event that severely curtailed our efforts.

At our September meeting, Lud, KB2EVN will draw on his experience as a Broadcast Engineer to present a program on HD Radio, which is now gaining a foothold in the AM and FM bands. Plan to be

there on Thursday, September 4th. We meet at 7:00 P.M. in the Red Cross building at 60 Hawthorne St. across from Hawthorne Park.

73, Don Bennett KG7BP

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

What did you do in amateur radio this summer? Yes. The HF bands have been poor lately since this is the sunspot minimum. Field Day, the last weekend of June, saw lots of activity. Our club had a nice setup on Berkeley Way, near the park on Spring Street with a nice

shelter-tent, tri-band beam on a tower, 80-meter dipole and a 40-meter lazy quagi.

Lots of contacts were logged on 40 CW by Bud, W7LNG, 20 CW by Dave, W7OQ, 20-SSB by Herb, W7MMI, and several other operators. Operation came to a stop when the generator quit and the sudden wind blew the shelter across the street, tangling in a pickup truck. We hurriedly grabbed the gear, log papers, and stuffed all in nearby cars and pickups to avoid it getting wet in the sudden downpour.

Thanks to all who helped clean up the mess, brought the food, repaired the generator, etc.

Bud, W7LNG

ROGUE VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

June 5th 2008

Meeting called to order by President Don Bennett (KG7BP) at 7:07 pm..

Introduction of members and guests followed. .

The May 1st minutes were read. Motion to accept them was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report by Lud Sibley (KB2EVN) : We currently have \$2426.14 in the treasury.

Old business:

The letter for permission to use the Berkeley Hills site for our Field Day has been sent. Insurance papers are in order as well.

AARL Field Day 2008 T-shirts are available for \$13.00

New Business:

This coming weekend is Vintage Radio Field Day - AM only.

There is also a museum open this weekend on the USS Hornet, docked in Alameda California.

Bud Larsen (W7LNG) proposed that we give nice certificates to those who have helped in the past. In mind, were Pete Bateman and Bob Land.

The meeting was suspended at 7:30 PM in order to have coffee and doughnuts. It resumed at 7:55 PM.

Chuck Parlier (W7CGO) donated \$10.00 for doughnuts on Friday at Field Day.

Motion by Van Sias (K7VS) that \$200.00 be allocated for Field Day food, etc. and \$100.00 for 2 porta-potties. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Club Secretary

Bill Cook (NODMC)

Bring a friend to the

next club meeting

Thursday, September 4th,

7:00 P.M.

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