PWARC NEWSLETTER - September 2014

Presidents Report:

Good things continue to happen at PWARC. We had a active summer which featured two 5k run community service activities and a successful Field Day. The monthly ragchews at the Hen House have been well attended as have our programs and club meetings. A hearty "thank you" goes to all of you who have contributed to the steady growth of the club.

David Ewing (KCØRNI) has enthusiastically accepted the appointment as our Web Master and is already at work designing some additions suggested by the Public Relations Committee. A sincere "thank you" goes to Aaron Bieber KDØWKW for his work managing the website for the last year.

The Bylaw Revision Committee has completed its work. A copy of the proposed Bylaws has been sent to all members. If you did not get yours, let us know. The proposal will be presented for a vote at our September 20 meeting. The club decided to accept absentee ballots for this vote from any member who cannot attend the meeting due to an extraordinary circumstance. If you cannot be at the meeting and want to vote on the bylaws, send your vote along with an explanation for the reason for nonattendance, in writing to the club President for consideration no later than September 19th.

The next scheduled meeting of the combined Executive Committee and the Board of Directors is scheduled for September 24. Feel free to send any ideas

Presidents Report Continued:

for Board consideration to the club President or Secretary.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the program and Club meeting on September 20^{th} .

Frank, KDØWEA

From the Veep,

It was so enjoyable sitting and rubbing elbows with a fuller room at Saturday's meeting! Equally enjoyable was hearing all the extra (and valuable) input. Thanks so much for your participation in our fine organization. Each and every one of us makes PWARC what it is, and everyone has something to contribute-to all and to the common goal. Similarly, this all-around participation helps to minimize the potential for a load becoming too great for too few individuals. Let's continue to share with one another! After all, it's fun!

Gary, AD0HC

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES

If you would like information on ARES contact Neal KDØMBL ARES 5, District 2, Emergency Coordinator.

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WE NEED YOU

We need sign-ups for the Education forums. Elmer's, please step forward! Monthly, beginning with the January session, sharing your expertise or discoveries with the membership is welcome (and needed). Choose your topic and presentation format. Also, we need volunteers ready to show videos and similar on a moment's notice if a session leader can't be present. Let Vice-president Gary know if you would like to present a program or if there is topic you would like to see presented.

SILENT KEY

William Fortune Jr. W0NHF

My father passed away Sunday evening, around 10:30 p.m. We are not planning any local service and will take his creamains to be buried at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery on September 26. We will set up an on line guest book with Adrian Comer but have not worked that out yet. The obituary will probably be in the Chieftain later this week.

As you recall, my dad has been in amateur radio since the age of 11 so 83 years. He served in WWII, Korea and Vietnam with over 30 years of military service. He was an active participant, along with Bill Ewing and others, in the formation of PWARC. Dad passed away quietly at home with family nearby.

Thanks for your kind thoughts and those of the Club. My dad was proud to be a member.

Bill Fortune KB0RPD

Net Report: Howdy, from W0OJW!

Personally, I worked a couple new countries: Finland and the Slovak Republic. But a highlight this month was a QSO with a fella that worked in Detroit radio in the early 80's. Although he was a least two leagues above me--we knew some of the same people in "the biz."

I also had a health crisis, which made me a guest in two hospitals. The situation appears to have been identified; and now we're working at reevaluations and adjustments. I had been fading for quite a time. Now we know why! And this brings up a point of encouragement for all us hams! That is: always endeavor to take care of the most important part of your station--YOU, YOURSELF!

As Net Manager, I'd like to apologize for not always doing my best. Now that I am honestly feeling better, I hope to do better! Our nets have remained pleasant and fairly active throughout the summer. Everybody is welcomed to enjoy Autumn with the PWARC nets!

73 from W0OJW

Nets:

Each Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. First session of the PWARC net on the Royal Gorge Ham Club repeater at Canon City (145.490 [–] PL103.5).

Each Tuesday - 7:30 p.m. Second session of the PWARC, 146.445 MHz FM simplex. Alternate frequency, 146.430 FM simplex.

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NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Curtis KD0HIY - I wanted to pass along to the club that I am purchasing 100 pairs of 30 amp powerpole connectors. I will not have a need for all of them so will pass the savings along to other club members. My cost will be \$.71 / pair. I would also trade for 15 amp pairs. 719-250-9974 bikerdaddy@hotmail.com

Community Service:

Boy Scout Communication Badges – There are 16 Boy Scout troops that need help getting their Communication badges. Steve Worley KD0QDF is coordinating with them and the Pueblo Club, if anyone would like to help the Scouts contact Steve at 719-250-5152 or email to sworley.sw@gmail.com

Mark Your Calendar:

Saturday – September 20th - Meeting & Testing at the Pueblo West Library

12:00 p.m. – **2:00 p.m.** VE session at the Pueblo West Library.

2:00 p.m.- Program – Refinements to 'Build a Station Trickle-charge & Power System'

3:00 p.m. – Regular club meeting, we will be voting on the proposed Bylaws.

Oct. 4th & 5th – Tanner Gun Show – we have a joint table with Pueblo Club, contact RogerW0ROG if you can help explain the benefits of Ham Radio.

Warming up before the Mental/Dental 5K Run/Walk





Mental/Dental 5K Run/Walk

Communicators from left: Bob WD0FBW, Jim NE0DA, Roger KE5CCJ, Lori AH6OS, Frank KD0WEA, David KY6YYY, Gary AD0HC and Neal KD0MBL (taking picture).

Ragchew Report

We had thirteen members and three guests at the September 6th ragchew for good food and good conversations. First Saturday each month at 9:00 a.m. at the Hen House.