

PWARC NEWSLETTER – *January 2015*

Presidents Report:

In spite of the freezing temperatures and icy roads, we begin a new year with enthusiasm and good ideas for further Club accomplishments. At our December meeting we were challenged by Curtis (KDØHIY) to reach out to younger adults and teens. He followed up this challenge with a number of good ideas of how this could be accomplished. Our Board and Club will be considering these ideas in the near future.

There is still time to order your Club shirts before the first order is put in. Option 1 is a yellow polo shirt with black lettering with pocket, Club logo above the pocket, with your call sign on opposite side of the shirt for \$17.18 (\$19.18 for XL and \$20.18 for XXL). Option 2 is option 1 with a large Club logo on the back for \$21.48 (\$23.48 for XL and \$24.48 for XXL). Forms will be available at Saturday's ragchew and our January 17 Club meeting. The order will be placed after the January 17 meeting.

Be sure to remember our Club meetings now start at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd Saturday of each month. See specific details in the next column.

73,

Frank (KDØWEA)

Mark Your Calendar:

Saturday – January 3rd – 9:00 a.m. Ragchew at the Hen House Restaurant, 394 S Joe Martinez Blvd. for breakfast or just coffee, it's up to you.

PLEASE NOTE, OUR MEETING TIME HAS CHANGED

Saturday – January 17th - at the Pueblo West Library

9:00 a.m. Meeting, Please remember to pay your dues to participate.

10:15 a.m. Program

11:00 – 1:00 VE Testing for all licenses.

SCHOOL CLUB ROUNDUP

1300 UTC Monday Feb. 9th
to 2359 UTC Friday Feb. 13th

- This year there will be separate categories for elementary school, middle school, high school and college clubs.
- SSB and CW are encouraged.
- Rules, logging sheets and other resources can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

Even though we don't sponsor a school club we can participate by making contact with any that we hear on the air.

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Net Report:

A blessed holiday time and 2015 to us all!

FLASH! We're trying something new with the nets. It started December 23; and it looks like it might work out. We'll have just the repeater net, at the usual time and place. Soon as that's done, we'll invite everybody over to the simplex frequency, for an informal ragchewing group.

Now, we won't have so much a duplication of effort. The actual Net will take care of all the club business and any crucial questions, etc. and the simplex can take care of the true fellowshipping - plus, it can better deal with some of the deeper issues of hamming (such as how many angels can really fit on an 80-meter dipole.)

We're always open to anyone wishing to try out controlling a net and now, it'll be just "one" net! Our first time out, there were a half-dozen stations, but a fine time was had - both on the net and over on simplex.

A rundown of 2014's nets will be coming soon.

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Net:

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

Following the Net will be a Ragchew on 146.445 MHz FM simplex. Alternate frequency, 146.430 FM simplex.

WE NEED YOU

We need volunteers monthly to give a presentation of about 20 minutes with another 10 minutes for questions and answers. These presentations can be on any subject and shown in any format. One easy method is to share handouts and simply speak on your topic of interest. However, you can go so far as using a Power-point or hands-on demonstration or video, etc. Everyone has something of value to share, so please call or see Gary ADØHC to sign-up.

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES

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