

PWARC NEWSLETTER – *March 2015*

Presidents Report:

In spite of the cold and snow it is time to begin to think about spring and summer activities which include the possibility of two 2-K runs, Field Day, and our Founder's Day picnic in which we plan to honor as many as possible. Be looking for event details as time for these events get closer.

At this point we have one person, Jim McConnell (NEØDA) in running for the open Vice-President's position. If you would be interested in running, please let me know as soon as possible. We will be open to further nominations from the floor at our March 21 meeting followed by the election of a Vice-President.

Last month the Club voted to continue looking into the possibility of establishing a Club repeater. If you have any suggestions or ideas regarding repeater or locations, please contact the Committee Chair, Dan (WØOJW). Further discussions will continue at the Board and Club levels. Club shirts are being printed and may be ready for the ragchew on the 7th or, at the latest, the March Club meeting. If you were not in the original order group, you may order a shirt directly from Screened Effects.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of our Club. Look forward to seeing you at the ragchew, on our Tuesday evening nets on the Royal Gorge and at the next Club meeting.

73,

Frank (KDØWEA)

Mark Your Calendar:

Saturday – March 7th – 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.

Saturday – March 21st

the Pueblo West Library

- **9:00 a.m. Meeting,**

Please remember to pay your dues to participate.

- **10:15 a.m. Program**

Build a tape measure antenna, to use for the Fox Hunt in May

- **11:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

VE Testing for all licenses, walk-ins accepted until noon.

ARRL International DX Contest

Phone: First full weekend in March (March 7-8, 2015).

Contest Period: 48 hours each mode (separate contests).

Starts 0000 UTC Saturday; ends 2359 UTC Sunday.

Jim NEØDA has updated the <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> showing the location of our Field Day Site. Check it out!

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Net Report:

Here's looking to more check-ins to the net, now that the Tuesday classes have been successfully completed. Based on conversations with many, it has been a busy and difficult winter. Ah, but spring will soon be here!

Don't forget the time change, at 2 A.M. Sunday, March 8! But our net will still be at the usual 7-PM-Tuesdays time. Right after the net, we'll move to Simplex Land, for an informal ragchew gathering. And this new format of things has caught on fairly nicely!

On the personal side: I've been wrestling with some new musical equipment. I think I finally won! I plan on buying the N3FJP logging software very soon. It works very well, even for blind computer users. I also look forward to helping with logging at Field Day!

Oh! For as messed-up as my Echolink demo was at our February meeting-- W0ROG was still interested; and he has it going on his computer.

73 from W0OJW!

Net:

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

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

VE Session

After the February meeting we had one applicant who passed his Extra.

**Congratulations go out to
Bob Nelson, KEØAHM**

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Jim NØOBV	7th
James KØCT	11th
Stan KCØOYO	13th
Stan WBØJRG	20th

DUES NOTICE

We are now on a calendar year for dues, which puts everyone's dues payable in January each year. If you cannot attend the Ragchew or meeting please send your \$15.00 dues to:

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