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The Newsletter of the Multnomah County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

January, 2019

## Meetings

Multnomah County ARES  
Every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
7:00 P.M.

Informal Q&A begins 6:15  
Portland Fire & Rescue Center  
4800 NE 122<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Portland  
<http://www.multnomahares.org/>

PARC Meeting  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday  
7:30 P.M.

4415 NE 87<sup>th</sup> Ave., Portland  
<http://www.w7lt.org/>

HARC Meeting  
Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Mount Hood Comm. College  
Room 1001  
<http://www.wb7qiw.org/>

## Nets

**Multnomah Co. ARES Net**  
Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M.  
146.84 (no Tone)

**District 1 ARES Net**  
Daily at 7:30 P.M.  
147.320 (PL Tone 100.0)

**Traffic Handling Training Net**  
Fourth Tuesday 8:00 P.M.  
147.180 (PL tone 103.5)



## WinLink in the Field

### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, January 19—  
Hardware Workshop:** Contact  
John KI7LYP at  
[john.kh6xg@gmail.com](mailto:john.kh6xg@gmail.com)

**Thursday, January 24--General  
Meeting:** Winlink, split session  
beginning and Advanced.

**Saturday, January 26—Winter  
Field Day:** Scouters Mountain.  
Details below

**Saturday, February 9—Winlink  
Drill from Home:** 3:00 to 4:00-ish  
PM. Drill guide coming soon.

**Saturday-Sunday, April 13-14—  
Communications Academy:**  
Seattle  
<http://commacademy.org/index.php?page=home-3>

**Friday-Sunday, September 13-15—  
MCARES Annual HF Campout:**  
Pine Point Campground  
at Timothy Lake. \$20 per person

### From the EC Desk

By: Nate NA7EE

Happy New Year ARES!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. Now that the year has turned over, it's time to get back into the swing of things. The leadership team has been working over the last month to put together a great plan and operating calendar for the upcoming year. To get the year off to a fast start, we will be participating in Winter Field Day as a unit for the first time. The training at the general membership meeting on January 24th will be on Winlink, to get us ready



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for our next drill on Feb 9th . We felt last year’s drill from home using the Winlink system was a valuable experience, so that format will be duplicated for this drill with the addition of a resource net.

The annual survey indicated you wanted more operating time so that is one of the key drivers of ARES this year. We all love to operate and doing so as often as possible is important for remaining sharp as a unit. We have forgone two-team drills this year in order to concentrate on drills as a full ARES unit. The goal will be to have some form of event members can participate in each month. This is not to say that we need everyone at every drill or event, but there should be more than enough opportunity for everyone to remain active.

Coordinating an operating event or drill for the entire unit is a big lift, planning-wise. Thanks to all those who expressed interest in this task in the survey. We’ll work on incorporating those folks as we proceed.

There are so many items I’d love to cover here, but instead I will take a large chunk of February’s general membership meeting to review continuing operating strategies and our upcoming year. For now, please review your kits, make sure you Winlink Express applications are up to date, and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

## VHF Contest By Etienne K7ATN

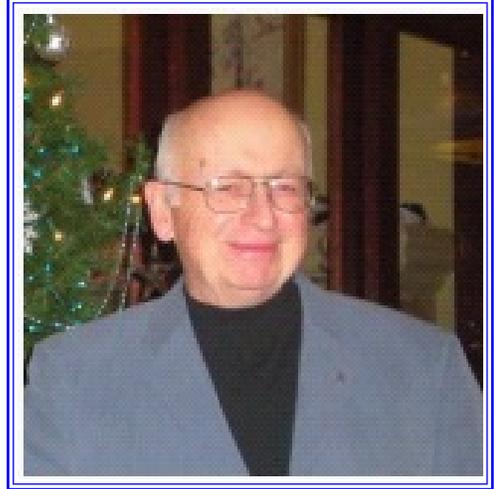
VHF Contest starts at 11am on Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Even a few minutes of participation will help anyone practice phonetics, become familiar with their radio, what frequencies to use, exchanges, antennas, etc. There will be LOTS of simplex activity on 2m FM (46.52, and 54, 56, 58) and some on 70CM (446.00). Even simple antennas and an HT from the kitchen table will make some contacts-higher elevations will be even better-have some fun with it! The exchange is Grid Square with the Portland Metro Area being in CN85.

See <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf>. There will also be even MORE activity on SSB on 50.125, 144.200 and 432.1 MHZ if you are able.

## Membership News By Deb KK7DEB

Here are this year's results for the most check-ins to the Wednesday net!

Deb KK7DEB and Joe WA7FWC are tied for 1st (46 check-ins), followed by Bill KG7SEU in 2nd (45), and then Ralph AG7FE in 3rd (44). Thanks for a great year! Thank you net manager, Rachel KI7NMB for compiling this information.



## Memorial Service for N7TL SK

There will be a memorial service for Edgar Clulow on February 9th at the Parkrose Community United Church of Christ, 12505 NE Halsey St, Portland, OR 97230. It will be held at 11:00 AM. All are welcome to attend. There will be a POTLUCK luncheon after the service.

## Winter Field Day By Robert WX5TEX

Winter Field Day is just like the big Field Day in June, but a little smaller and definitely much colder. It is a perfect opportunity to not only get some on-air operating experience but to also try out your go-kit and see how ready you REALLY are to operate in less than ideal conditions.

Winter Field Day takes place on January 26 & 27th, however, we will only be operating on Saturday, Jan 26th, from 9 am until 5:00-ish, depending on how many people we have on site.

Location: Scouters Mountain in Happy Valley. SE Boy Scout Lodge Rd & Southeast 147th Ave, Happy Valley, OR 97086.



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While this is the coldest part of the year, this will definitely be a fun event, and don't worry, we will have tents, heaters, warm drinks, and hot chili on hand to warm you up.

For more information on Winter Field Day, please visit:  
<https://www.winterfieldday.com>

Please let us know if you plan on attending. We hope to see you there!

## Additional Nets

### **District 1 ARES Net:**

Daily at 7:10 P.M.  
147.320 Mhz and 147.04  
Both with PL Tone 100.00

### **NTTN:**

Daily at 6:05 P.M.  
145.27, 145.43, 145.47,  
146.80, 442.875, & 442.275.  
All with PL Tone 107.2

### **Portland NET Net:**

Sunday 8:00 P.M.  
147.040 PL tone 100.00