

TERAC NEWSLETTER

(TEchnology Radio Amateur Club)

TERAC Meeting:

- **Time:** May 14th, 2009, 7:30PM
- **Place:** TVF&R Training Building
20665 SW Blanton St.
Aloha, OR
- **Talk-In:** 443.65 MHz Simplex
(Non-members welcome)

Dick Bass, W7SMR, will be giving a presentation on Piracy on the high seas at the May 14th meeting.

Dick's knowledge on this subject, which is so much in the forefront these days, should help us better understand what we hear on the news.

Gene, K7IUN

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIR

Many thanks to Charlie Rhodes for last month's presentation on the upcoming DTV transition. Charlie's presentations are always popular, we had over 40 attendees. The slides and audio from

Charlie's presentation are available at <http://www.neocat.org/terac/>. We are looking forward to another interesting presentation on Dick Bass W7SMR on piracy on the high seas.

Roger, W7ADV

The TERAC Newsletter is emailed monthly to members and friends of TERAC. Meetings are normally held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM.

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Trailer tower

Field Day Trailer Tower - - Update

The February 2009 TERAC newsletter, had an article about the desire to have a trailer mounted tower for the 2009 FD effort. That article in turn referenced the September 2008 FD write-up explaining the trials and tribulations leading to this conclusion. Chuck, K7BVT, and I have been pushing on this effort, which seems to have taken on a life of its own. Although there are some details to complete, the unit is functional. We used the occasion of the 7QP event on May 2 to set up the tower along side the shop building at my QTH and check it along with other items being prepared for FD.. See the Photo.

Bob, W7BKN

ARRL Corner

There is a Senate bill SB649 "Radio Spectrum Inventory Act" introduced by Kerry and Snowe which will, if passed, require the government to conduct a complete inventory of the country's spectrum allocations in the 300MHz - 3.5GHz range. This appears to be an attempt to assess re-allocation for certain commercial applications, and has the active support of Google and the wireless telecommunications industry. The bill is presently in the Commerce committee. I am attempting to attach a pdf of the bill to this message, but we'll see if it makes it through the Google group reflector; if not go to www.kangas.com/S649.pdf.

The 3.5 GHz band is allocated to amateurs as such:
3300-3500 MHz:

3456.3-3456.4 Propagation beacons

So, the question is: anyone out there care if hams lose this?

How many hams are using this band in our neck of the woods? Any repeaters or beacons installed? How many hams actually using this band frequently? How many hams currently own equipment for it?

Notice also that 432MHz and 1.2GHz bands will be scrutinized also. I can't imagine ham use of 70cm band being threatened, given the heavy use and ARES importance there; 1.2GHz may be a different story.

Stephen W9SK
District Legislative Action Coordinator,
Northwest District, ARRL
Lynn, WB7UNU

Upcoming Hamfairs and Events

5 – 7 June 2009
SEA-PAC Hamfair
Seaside, Oregon
www.seapac.org

June 12-14, 2009
Wenatchee Hamfest
Dryden Gun Club.
Dryden, WA
www.qsl.net/w7td/

June 26 – 28 Field Day

July 11, 2009
Chehalis Valley ARS 11th Annual Hamfair
Lewis County Fairgrounds, WA
www.cvars.org/

July 18th 2009

Coos County Radio Club swap meet
North Bend Middle School
North Bend, Oregon
ke7oam@yahoo.com

July 17-19, 2009
Glacier Waterton International Peace Park Hamfest
Glacier Park, MT
www.gwhamfest.org

August 8, 2009
Radio Club of Tacoma Hamfest.
Spanaway, WA
www.w7dk.org/

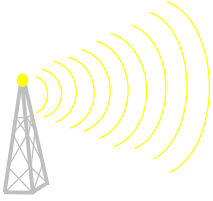
September 26, 2009
Spokane Hamfest
Spokane Valley WA
www.n7cfo.com/amradio/hf/spok1.pdf

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27, 2009**

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Month	Board Mtg.	Club Mtg.	Club Meeting Notes
MAY		14-May-09	Piracy on high seas, W7SMR
			Summer Break
SEP	31-Aug-09	10-Sep-09	
OCT	28-Sep-09	8-Oct-09	
NOV	2-Nov-09	12-Nov-09	
DEC	30-Nov-09		Christmas dinner TBD
JAN	28-Dec-10	8-Jan-10	
FEB	1-Feb-10	11-Feb-10	
MAR	1-Mar-10	11-Mar-10	
APR	29-Mar-10	8-Apr-10	
MAY	3-May-10	13-May-10	
			Summer Break

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License Class:	ARRL Member:	Emergency Service:	
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<input type="radio"/> Full	(currently licensed)	\$14	
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