

SWORA
807 Delaware Ave.
North Bend, Oregon
97459

South Western Oregon Repeater Association
Serving amateur radio on the
Southern Oregon Coast since 1983

**You are invited to attend the annual meeting of
South Western Oregon Repeater Association**

June 5, 2019 meeting 7pm

Pizza starts at 6pm

DAVE'S PIZZA

1 1/2 blocks behind Knecht's Auto Parts

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JUNE 5 2019**

Meeting agenda:

Welcome and introductions	Questions and answers
Minutes of last meeting	Open discussion-video
Treasures Report	Election of officers
Report of activities	Adjourn meeting

2018-2019 officers:

President	Steve Humphrey	KA7A
Vice president	Terry Flury	AA7TF
Secretary/Treasurer	Wendy Rudder	Member
Director	Joe Burkleo	WA7JAW
Director	Fred Sell	WA7OBB
Director	Kriss Anderson	WA7PHI

DUES : Dues are \$5 per member are due June 1st 2019 and are good through May 31, 2020. You may pay for more than one year if you wish.

Wendy Rudder are Sec/Trea will be at the meeting to take notes and collect dues or donations. Please complete the dues payment slip with the number of years you are paying. ALSO please print so I can read the information for accuracies of records *Thanks; Wendy*

Remember we also accept donations.

**Please keep your address correct with the FCC,
it's the law.**

BANK BALANCE: The bank balance as of May 10th 2019

Regular shares \$ 1.00

Checking \$ 51718.76

Total \$ 51718.76 All bills are paid as of May 10th

Additional bills for news letter, postage etc forth coming

SWORA 2019 Repeater Updates, Joe Burkleo

We are happy to report that we have a good group of folks helping us out with the technical end of things but **are always looking for more people who would like to get involved with keeping the repeaters on the air. SWORA is always looking for other volunteers to assist with maintenance on the various sites. Besides the technical stuff we have painting, building repairs, and ground maintenance that need to be done. If you would like to help contact Joe Burkleo**

145.190 Bennett Butte – We did not get everything done on Bennett Butte last summer like we had planned. Brent Case our tower climber, Scott N7NPA, and I spent several days up there doing site maintenance and installing a new equipment rack, new super flex jumpers, a new inside ground bar and several polyphasers. A second 2 Meter repeater on 147.100 MHz is in the works and when installed will become part of the Roman Nose linked system.

147.380 Roman Nose – The equipment on Roman Nose is running very well and providing good coverage on the Coast and into the Willamette Valley. Roman Nose is also the linking hub for the other sites that are linked to it and each other.

The 147.380 system currently consists of 147.380 on Roman Nose, 147.180 on Winchester Bay Hill, 147.240 on Lane Mountain (Roseburg), 145.150 on Bear Mountain (Creswell) and 146.960 on Baldy Butte (North Bend).

147.280 Blossom Hill – Nothing new to report on Blossom Hill. The Micor repeater on Blossom is running very well and is providing good coverage throughout the county.

147.180 Winchester Bay – We are in the process of finishing up the feedline and inside building grounding. **We have a large project that will require lots of help doing the brushing and cleanup around the outside of the fence.**

146.960 Baldy Butte – We were able to get the exterior of the building painted last year before the bad weather hit. **We will be doing some brushing and weed eating as well as tackle the cleanup and painting of the interior of the building this summer.**

444.175 Bennett Butte - UHF repeater on Bennett Butte is working well, but could use a bit more of a workout. It is one of the best kept secrets of a seldom used repeater with very good coverage.

441.725 Blossom Hill – The PL Tone is 131.8. This repeater much like the 444.175 does not get a lot of use but has excellent coverage especially in the North end of the County.

444.400 Winchester Bay – The repeater is full time connected into the UHF/220 MHz Coast Linked System in order to fill in the gap in the Reedsport area. We now have completed the installation of the 440.100 repeater in the Eugene/Springfield area so we now have coverage in that area on the UHF system.

147.240 Lane Mountain – Last year we were able to finish the grounding both inside and out. This required digging a two foot deep trench all the way around the building and tower, installing several ground rods and CAD welding everything together. Ground rods were also installed at each of the guy wires and the guys grounded. The building was painted inside and out. This year we plan to install new interior lighting and get approval for a generator pad and enclosure to install a generator and propane tank for emergency backup power.

145.150 Bear Mountain– We were able to complete an excellent working agreement with the Lane County Sheriff’s Office and their Amateur Radio Organization (LCSARO). We installed the 145.15 repeater late in the year. This repeater is linked to Roman Nose. It was a bit of a challenge having to try and get in between the end of fire season and before the snows hit. The site is 3700’ and has very excellent coverage. We still have some work to be done up there but unfortunately the road did not survive the snow season very well and is very difficult to get up the last ¼ mile until some repairs are made it.

147.250 Bosley Butte – We installed two more batteries which doubled the capacity of what we had.. We also are planning to upgrade the solar panels with two new 265 watt panels from Grape Solar, which will replace the old panels which are not putting out their rated capacity due to their age.

The Board of Directors sent a letter to FIA Timber Growth (The land lords on Winchester Hill) asking for a donation of the 100’ x 100’ lot that our building and tower sit on. Also we offered a purchase price of \$35,000. FIA denied both request. SWORA’s current rent is a percent wise working up to \$1,000 per month. We will have another lease agreement coming up the first part of 2020. No idea what will be in the works.
President, Steve Humphrey

Prefontaine Run

Saturday September 21st

Run starts at 10 am till about 11:30

No host breakfast at Tai’s Dynasty starting at 8am

With station assignments.

Be in position by 9:15 as the roads will be closed

Contact Steve Ka7a at hamie@frontier.com or

Joe Wa7jaw at jburkleo@frontier.com

VE TEST SESSIONS

Test sessions are on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of the **EVEN** numbered months at the North Bend City Library

CHECK IN AT 6:15 EXAMS START AT 6:30pm

For info contact Steve Ka7a at w7oc@frontier.com