N7LGN NOTES AND NEWS

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Classified Section:: ICOM desk mic SM-20, \$90 Rohn 45 tapered top section Rohn 45 straight section HDBX 48 ft self supporting tower HyGain 2 element 40M Yagi KLM KT-34XA with KLM upgrade kit Tribander HyGain TH6DXX Tribander HyGain TH6DXX for parts AEA Isopole VHF (2 meter) vertical AEA Isopole UHF (440 MHz) vertical Some misc. aluminum tubing, antenna and tower parts

On the antennas and tower items, just call and will discuss. All of it is on the ground and ready for pickup. Looking for reasonable offers.

Thanks, Rod 208-850-6216 voice or text w7zrc@arrl.net Station of the Month: Belongs to Ken Kaae (K7KNX). The top radio is a Cubic R-3030A dual receiver made by Cubic Corp. for the CIA. Next is the ICOM 2730 VHF/UHF FM radio, also has AM receive for aircraft. Last is a Collins 51S1 general coverage receiver. Controller for Tail-Twister rotor to spin the 8 element log periodic array at 50 ft. The antenna covers 13 to 30 Mhz. Then the radio and antenna select switches, a Palstar AT2KD tuner, then the workhorse of the station an ICOM 7200. Then we have the Collins 30S1, 1 KW amplifier. A very clean and efficient setup, thanks Ken!



Some Hams are shocked to learn their station isn't properly grounded...

Every Thursday Night: At 1900, except on holidays, we have the N7LGN Club 2-meter net. We would like to have more NCO's (Net Control Operators) on hand. We have 4 regulars now; we would like to have some backups just in case. Some of us get a little tongue-tied at times but we just snicker a bit and move on. Receive 146.940, Transmit 146.340, PL 100. Many thanks to Larry Smith W7ZRQ and the ISRA for making this possible by letting us use their repeater.

N7LGN Meeting: Meets every 4th Wednesday of the month at the American Legion Post 113 at 22 W. Broadway Meridian, ID. Pizza at 1845, meeting at 1900. Next meeting is the 28th of March.

N7LGN Net Control Operators: As of 02/09/2024, the following is the current schedule for NCO's Scott Burgess W7IMC bigwindypeak@gmail.com 1st Thursday of the month

Rich Dees W7BOI rdees@aol.com 2nd Thursday of the month

Kevin Evenson KC7CHH <u>evensonk@hotmail.com</u> 3rd Thursday of the month,

Jonathan Hoffmeier KE0JRH gr8alarmguy@yahoo.com 4th Thursday of the month

Norm Sinclair KI7EZU <u>ki7ezu@gmail.com</u> Standby

This schedule gives Rich a break and others the opportunity to call the N7LGN Net. If you are interested in calling the Net, give Rich a shout to receive a script.

Elmers in the House! Rich (W7BOI) reports we had a good showing on Sunday with a lot of Hams and some new faces showing up. I would say the Elmers really knocked this out of the park! I had John (WB4YJT) put my Yaesu FT 7900 on his analyzer just to see, and it passed with a very good report. Alicia (W7YUT), Dean (W7DBX), Ken (K7KNX), Kevin (KG7CHH), Andy (KK7IED), Bart (K7LTC), Preston (NR6L), Tom (WA7JUL) and Scott (KJ7TKL) were the Elmers that gave up a Sunday afternoon to help the lesser experienced Hams.



John Kernkamp, Jonathan Hoffmeier, James Roethig

Steve Dennin, Richard Smith, Kevin Evenson

The Next Elmer in the House: Will be March 24th at 3pm for anyone needing help or want to learn more about ham radio. If you want to program your HT, make sure to bring your programing cable.

The Next Ham Test Date is: At the Post is March 20th and starts promptly 1000 hours.

On Saturday, February 24th: The Post had their Monthly Community Breakfast, a delicious plate of sausage gravy, biscuits, hashbrowns and toast! Susan Barnett (Post Adjutant) prepared and Janet Cook (Auxiliary Chaplin) received the orders and served. Not quite sure how many attended breakfast, but I would guesstimate about 30-35 enjoyed the meal. I heard through the grapevine eggs to order will top the menu for the March breakfast. Donations are accepted. I'll see you at the next breakfast!

Call For Articles: I am *always* looking for articles to publish in the newsletter. Topics should apply to Amateur Radio, or other closely-related topics. Submissions may be edited for grammar, content, or length. The deadline for submissions is generally the 25th of each month; however, submissions received after the deadline will be considered. If a late entry doesn't make it in the current month, it may be used in the following month.