



## N7LGN NOTES AND NEWS

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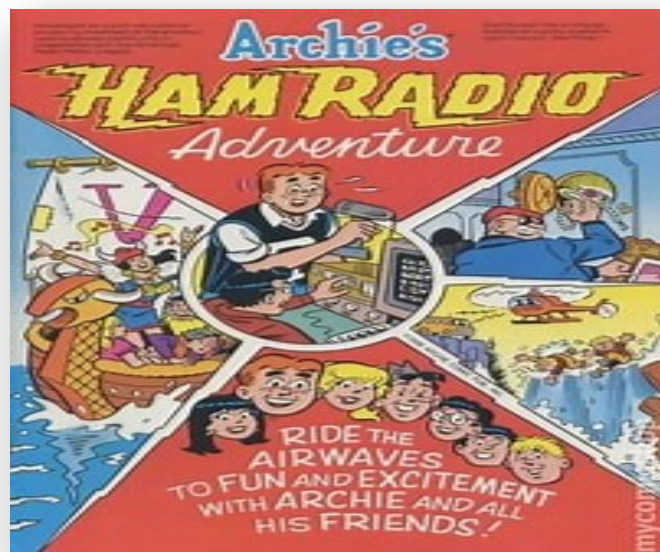
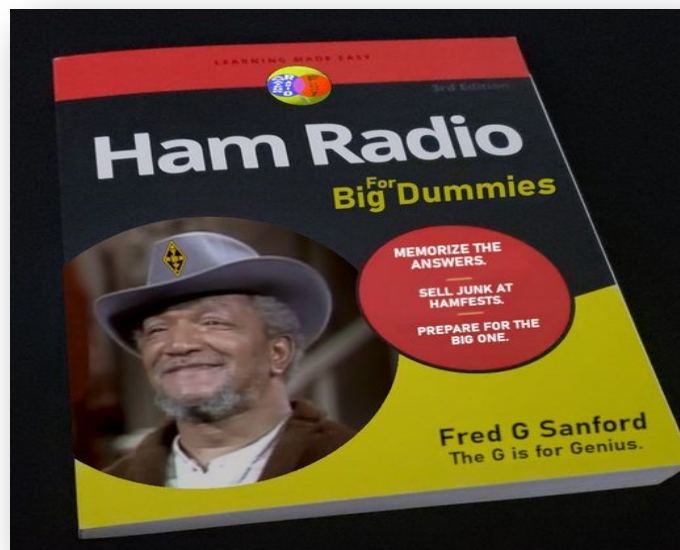
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**August 14th is Navajo Code Talkers Day;** Special Event Station N7C. Get on the air: 08/11/2024 - 08/16/2024 14.265 MHz 7.265MHz 18.130 MHz plus or minus  
Herb Goodluck N7HG, a member of the Navajo Nation and ham radio operator is the QSL manager for the event. His father was one of the WWII code talkers. For QSL card Only: You need to send a self addressed stamped envelope to Navajo Code Talkers "N7C" Special Event PO Box 06 Chinle, AZ 86503  
The QSL card is \$5.00  
For DX stations QSL card and certificate is \$20.00  
It is suggest to send it in ASAP, if interested.

**August 17th is Ham Radio Exam Session** sponsored by the American Legion Post 113. 22 West Broadway in Meridian is the address at 10AM. No walk-ins, please register by calling ahead. Bring \$15, your FRN and a photo ID. Contact Rich Dees at (208) 870-7928 or Email: [rjdees@aol.com](mailto:rjdees@aol.com).

**September 7th is the Star Ham Radio Swap Meet** from 9AM to 1PM. It will be at the Star River Walk Park, 979 S. Main St, Star Idaho. Chris Cox (N7CCOX) is the contact for this event and can be reached at [starhamradio.com](http://starhamradio.com) or [ccox1956@hotmail.com](mailto:ccox1956@hotmail.com)



**Every Thursday Night:** At 1900, except on holidays, we have the N7LGN Club 2-meter net. We are still looking for more NCO's (Net Control Operators). We have three regulars now; myself (KE0JRH), Rich (W7BOI) and Kevin (KG7CHH). We would like to have a few backups just in case. Receive 146.940, Transmit 146.340, PL 100. Many thanks to Larry Smith W7ZRQ and the Idaho Society of Radio Amateurs (ISRA) for making this possible by letting us use their repeater. On occasion, and depending on the net repeater participation, we may or may not have a N7LGN simplex net at 1930 on 147.420 MHz.

**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.

Greetings,

Is it hot enough for everyone? Just think: We will complain in a few weeks because it's too cold outside. Now is not the time to run the tube linear or the boat anchors with tubes in the shack... especially if you don't have air conditioning.

Thanks to our newsletter editor, Jonathan Hoffmeier, KE0JRH, the July monthly meeting featured a guest speaker: Alan Hochstrasser, owner of A Gem Supply. The meeting started at 7:00 PM, and the pizza arrived by about 6:45 PM. I don't know about the rest of you, but I am very interested in hearing from the owner of the only genuine parts store in Treasure Valley.

Also discussed was a special visitor to American Legion Post 113: National Commander Daniel Seehafer and other National staff members. They will be at the Post on August 6, 2024, in the evening. Details were discussed at the meeting. One of the things that will be highlighted with the Commander is our amateur radio club, N7LGN.

The ARRL is holding an election for the NW Division Director. We can help nominate a candidate for that position as an affiliate club. I'll discuss who wants to run and what we can do to support him.

Other topics we discussed include our weekly nets and our Christmas party. I also want to mention that our ranks are growing a bit. People with licenses are joining, and some are interested in joining and getting their licenses.

73

Rich Dees





**Did You Know?** Around the turn of the 19th / 20th century, wireless was totally unregulated. Even scientists were struggling with how it worked and what it could be used for. As a result, unlike today, no licenses were required. Anyone could build a transmitter and receiver and experiment. In view of this freedom, people started to build their own equipment and experiment. It is difficult to ascertain with exact certainty who was the first radio amateur because no records were generally taken.

However the first recorded "amateur radio" station could have been that of M.J.C. Dennis in London, UK in 1898. He heard about the experiments being conducted by Marconi and as a result he set up his own station at Woolwich Arsenal in East London.

Dennis claimed that his was the first non-professional wireless station in the world - and in this way he was the world's first radio amateur. This claim appears not to have been challenged. Later Dennis held the call DNX and afterwards he moved to Eire. Here he held the call EI2B and was reputed to also have been the first Irish amateur radio station. He also became the first president of the Irish Radio Transmitters' Society, IRTS.



**From Your Editor:** I'd like to find a home for this little piece of history. It's a Heathkit GP-11 Vibrator Power Supply. I have no idea if it works or not, but a Heathkit collector might find it useful for parts. I'd rather give it away to a brother or sister radio club Ham, than put it on Ebay. Email me if you're interested at [KEOJRH@yahoo.com](mailto:KEOJRH@yahoo.com).



Above is a photo of Alicia's (W7YUT) first station, the Barbie 2000 HT. A wonderful piece of girly equipment that would look good on anyone's shack bench. Pizza pan ground plane sold separately.



## Local Area Repeaters

This is a list of some local area repeaters. This list is subject to change. Not all local area repeaters are listed. Also check Repeater Book for more information.

N7COX 444.525 MHz Offset: +5 PL: 103.5Hz Located in Star Idaho, Ada County

WA7FDR 145.130 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Intermountain Intertie Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

N7BOI 145.150 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz DCS 026 & APCO P25 DCS 026 Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

K3ZFF 145.250MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL:100Hz Location: Blacks Creek, Ada County

W7VOI 145.290 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Boise Bench, Ada County

W7VOI 145.500 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz DSTAR repeater Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

W7VOI 146.620 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Snowbank Mountain, Valley County

W7VOI 146.700 MHz Offset: -0.6MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Squaw Butte, Gem County

W7VOI 146.840 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

K7ZZL 146.880 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location:  
French John hill SW of Marsing, Owyhee County

K7BSE 146.940 MHz Offset: -0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

N7LKA 147.040 MHz Offset: +0.6 Mhz PL: 123Hz Location: War Eagle Mountain, Owyhee County

W7VOI 147.240 MHz Offset: +0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: War Eagle Mountain, Owyhee County

AB7HP 147.260 MHz Offset: +0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Hewlett-Packard Campus

K7TRH 147.360 MHz Offset: +0.6 MHz PL: 100Hz Location:  
French John hill SW of Marsing, Owyhee County

N7BOI 147.380 MHz Offset: +0.6 MHz DCS 026 Location: Seaman's Gulch, Ada County

KN7ZD 223.940 MHz Offset: -1.6MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Blacks Creek, Ada County

KA7EWN 224.500 MHz Offset: -1.6MHz PL:100Hz Location: temporarily low-level in Boise, Ada

K7ZZL 443.250 MHz Offset: +5.0 MHz PL 110.9Hz Location: Blacks Creek, Ada County

K7ZZL 443.300 MHz Offset: +5.0 MHz PL: 110.9Hz Location: Snowbank mountain, Valley County

K7ZZL 443.500 MHz Offset: +5.0 MHz PL: 100Hz Location:  
French John Hill SW of Marsing, Owyhee County

Linked to the Steens repeater in Oregon @ 145.110MHz when the Steens is available.

W7VOI 443.700 MHz Offset: +5.0 MHz YSF repeater Location: Squaw Butte, Gem County

N7DJX 443.800 MHz Offset: +5.0MHz PL: 100Hz&YSF repeater Location: Boise, Ada County

WA7GSK 444.075 Offset: +5.0MHz DMR CC1 Brandmeister network Location: Table Rock, Ada County

W7VOI 444.350 MHz Offset: +5.0MHz DSTAR repeater Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

W7VOI 444.900 MHz Offset: +5.0 MHz PL: 100Hz Location: Shafer Butte, Boise County

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