

MASON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MC-ARC N7SK MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER



N7SK MC-ARC Repeaters:

Shelton VHF: 146.720- (103.5) Shelton UHF: 443.250+ (100)

Shelton 900MHZ-

Packet: SMTN node, 145.630 Web Page: https://mc-arc.org/

N7SK Nets: All hams are welcomed Sunday & Wednesday, 7:30 PM on VHF

N7SK- 146.72 (- 103.5)

The "North Radio Club" -

The North Mason Amateur Radio Club

(NMARESC) NM7E Repeaters:

Belfair Area-

VHF: 145.170- (103.5 UHF: 224.260- (103.5)

Web: https://nmaresc.wordpress.com/

NM7E Nets: All hams are welcomed! Monday & Wednesday Net on NM7E Net

145.170- (103.5) at 7:30 PM.

The Mason County Amateur Radio Club and the North Mason Amateur Radio Club conduct a joint 10 meter net, USB 28.450 MHz held every Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

The Mason County Amateur Radio Club has meetings on the Second Saturday of the month at the Mason County DEM, 101 Public Works Drive, Shelton, WA 98584. Meeting starts at 9AM.

The North Mason Amateur Radio Club (NMARESC) meets on the last Thursday of the month at 7 PM North Mason Timberland Library 23081 NE State Route 3, Belfair, WA 98528. (NEW LOCATION!!)

MC-ARC CLUB MEETING Is at: 9 AM – Saturday MAY 11th 2019

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This meeting will be at the Mason County Department of Emergency Management EOC Room, 100 W Public Works Dr, Shelton, WA 98584. See the next block for special driving and parking instructions. Check the web site for the map at: https://mc-arc.org/

The Primary topics this month:

Antennas and Radios setup, testing and operations.

Special Meeting Instructions: Due to the "Master Gardeners" using the main rooms, the Club meetings for February/March/April will be held in the DEM EOC.

<u>Directions:</u> Southbound on 101: Exit off Public Works Road and go through the unlocked Gate for parking in back and enter through back door.

<u>Northbound</u> on 101: Left turn at State Route 102 (To WSP Academy/Corrections Center) and turn right onto Public Works road, following around to the building and gate and follow instructions above. DO NO TURN LEFT OFF HWY 101 on Public Works Dr. You will get a ticket going Northbound if you try it. It is very UNSAFE!!

GATE ACCESS: Jerry/KD7OPE will provide access at the gate from <u>0845 until 0900</u>. If you arrive afterwards, the gate will be locked and you'll need to try and find a place out front and enter through the open front door and get past the Master Gardener's folks in that area, to the back on the building where we will have our meeting.

<u>Lost? Confused?</u> Hey, you're a 'Ham Operator', get on your radio on the N7SK Repeater and ask for assistance – hopefully someone will be listening that can help.

Club Officers -

Need Help, advice, want to make a comment, or got an idea? Contact your Board Members anytime:

<u>Sunday and Wednesday Chat Nets:</u> Yes, we are there! Bill does a great Wednesday Night Net – join in!! Don't be scared to just open your mouth and check-in without a Net Control Station – they are "Rag Chew Nets' for the fun of the hobby.



MC-ARES / RACES and MC-DEM Communications Unit News



The Unit did not have the monthly meeting in April due to lack of membership participation. Next meeting: Tuesday 28th, May 2019, 6PM and the DEM, subject: WINLINK Message templates, usage, recording and logs.



Education News and VEC Section information:

No news this month



Dues were due in March!



Don't forget – new dues are \$15.00 per person for one year's membership at the March Meeting or by mail to our PO Box at the same time. NO CREDIT OR DEBIT OR EBT CARDS ACCEPTED! (also not accepted- First Born, Glass Slippers or I.O.U's.....)) Form attached and on-line for mail-ins.

FIELD DAY 2019 TEAM

No one has volunteered yet to coordinate this event and it is less than 50 days away! The "North Club" will hold their Field Day at Grass Mountain in Kitsap County.



MC-ARC / N7SK WEB PAGE ISSUES



No report this month.



One Last Reminder: (or..nag...nag...nag...)

Next Club Meeting: Saturday May 11trh 2019.
9AM (0900 Local) until Approx. 1030AM (1030 local).
Located at: Mason County Department of Emergency Management.
100 Public Works Dr. Shelton, WA 98584.
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Repeater and Mode Suggestions:

No report this month.

Events you'll miss this month that you could have used your ham radio skills in/on:

Olympus Road Rally, Capital City Marathon, Special Olympics Torch Run, Lewis County Historical Bike Ride, Port Ludlow Amateur Radio Club's annual, FREE TailGate Party, and much more....may be next year huh?????



COMMENTS FROM THE 'PREZ.....

I would like everyone to read through the following as to learn about wire antennas.

https://www.arrl.org/files/file/Technology/tis/info/pdf/0683033.pdf

This way they would have an idea as to what they need to do. Also to bring in pictures of their setup as to see what would work best at their location.

I do not have any insulators left- but will look in catalogs for a price on some.

It would be nice to have an open work-shop to have the older hams mentor the new hams to get their HF systems on the air.

This should help everyone.

Remember I do not have all the answers- We need everyone's input

Brian NT7Y