



The Hellgate Static



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Upcoming Events

- 08 Apr - Club meeting
- 12-14 Apr Montana QSO Party
- 20 Apr Grizzly Triathlon
- 4-5 May 7QP Contest
- 11 May Riverbank Run
- 13 May - Club meeting
- 18-19 May Tour of the Swan River Valley
- 20 May YMCA Triathlon
- 10 Jun - Club meeting
- 22-23 June Field Day
- 04 Jul W7PX Special Event
- 08 Jul - Club meeting
- 14 Jul – Missoula Marathon
- 20-21 Jul Glacier Waterton Hamfest
- ?? July Blackfoot River Cleanup
- 12 Aug - Club meeting
- 09 Sep - Club meeting
- 14 Sept Ride for the Symphony
- 08 Oct - Club meeting
- 19-20 October JOTA
- 11 Nov - Club meeting
- ?? Dec Skywarn
- 09 Dec - Club meeting

See club website for more meetings and events:

http://www.w7px.org/meetings_and_events.html

TOSRV NEEDS YOU AGAIN

We will need radio operators for the Tour of the Swan River Valley on May 18 and 19. Last year TOSRV returned to its original route on its 42nd anniversary. So, we will be looping from Missoula to Seeley Lake and Big Fork on Saturday, then returning to Missoula via Polson, Ronan and Arlee on Sunday. This event is HARC's oldest public service operation. TOSRV is expecting about 150 bike riders this year.

You can choose to help for one or both days, and it is important to let Bob N7MSU know which days you'll be working. TOSRV provides food and drink along the route. HARC will help with gas money, if you ask and have a receipt. If you are going to stay overnight, now is a good time to make reservations. There are several Big Fork area motels and campgrounds, or you can pitch a tent at the Big Fork School along with the bicyclists.

Hams working the first day should meet at Bonner School on Saturday, May 18, at 7 am for assignments and last minute instructions. Bring a good 2 meter rig and antenna. Know how to switch your transceiver from repeater to simplex and back. We will be on the 146.80 repeater while in the Blackfoot, then going to 146.80 (TX/RX) simplex, as we move into the Swan. On the second day, returning through the Mission Valley, we will be using 147.04 simplex along Flathead Lake, then engaging the 147.04 repeater from Polson on south.

Safety is key. These are two long days that can be tiring and often present traffic problems. Be well-rested, bring a reliable vehicle and wear a safety vest. Keeping your headlights on while driving, and using flashers, when stopped, can reduce safety risks. Extra water, a first aid kit, flashlight, portable air compressor and blanket are good accessories.

At the May 13 club meeting signup sheets will be circulated, and HARC participation will be discussed in greater detail. If you won't be at the club meeting, but want to help, call Bob N7MSU (251-4148) or email n7msu@q.com. Please do not contact TOSRV.

Missoula teacher awarded Albert Einstein Fellowship

The Target Range Elementary School teacher who asked the club to help with the ISS contact has received an Albert Einstein Fellowship. Read more at this link:

<http://www.kpax.com/news/missoula-teacher-awarded-albert-einstein-fellowship/#.UVRSUAFawWU.email>

Repeater Committee Meeting Minutes

Hello

I have recorded what we talked about at our meeting at Arbys on March 29 2013.

.04 RPT

Possibly move antenna out from the tower to get better coverage.

Install ground cable on tower.

Finish interface of 04 rpt. to the 440 rpt.

80 RPT

Get a key to building. After TOSROV

Change out antenna to another one in better condition.

96 RPT

Pursue site location west of missoula.

APRS/ Packet

No adjustments or action.

If you see any thing that needs to be changed add it in a reply. The club also needs to elect a new president, as you know Elmer and Liz moved to PA. Keep in mind someone who could take this position. Thanks for your time and suport of the HARC.

Eric NZ7S