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SILENT KEY REPORT: We regret reporting the passing of Franklin R. Randall, KA7CZG, from the Grants Pass area. He was affectionately nicknamed "Rusty", or "Boats". Rusty passed away June 19 at the age of 84. He had been a member of the OEN since 8-28-80. He held OEN certificate no. 798. Rusty was also a longtime member of Navy Mars, where he held the call NNNOISL. Frank was on the USS Nevada in Pearl Harbor when the Japanese attacked. He was a boatswain mate first class in the Navy, he spent 20 years in that service. He moved to Grants Pass in 1960. He opened and ran a Fly shop in Grants since 1976. He enjoyed teaching children how to tie fishing flies. Your editor had the pleasure of meeting Rusty several years ago at a Navy Mars get together in Eugene, Oregon. Frank had many friends, and we will miss hearing him on the nets. On July 20, 1950, Randall married Anna Lois Van Fosssen in Tacoma Wa. She passed away on in April of 2005. Thanks to Dick, K7DDI, for most of this information. (ed)

SILENT KEY REPORT: Early in July it was reported that Thomas E James, (Pete) from McMinnville became a silent key. Any one who has been to the O.E.N. picnic will remember Pete and his wife Lauvan, K7DMH. I remember them being present many times at the K-BAR-A picnic in Klamath Falls, as well. Our thoughts go out to Lauvan, and we will all miss Pete. Pete, k7dmi, has been a member of the O.E,N. since 1959 and held certificate no. 256. Thanks to Dick, K7DDI for much of this information. (ed))

FROM OUR TREASURER, JOE, K7NLM—Joe, reports that as of June 12, we had \$893.71 in the bank. Joe reports that re-newals are slow coming in. One reason is that some folks now get the NETTER on the Internet, or by E-mail, with no charge. Joe further reports that he may not be at the O.E.N. Picnic this year, due to heart problems. The Dr. does not want Joe driving for three months. We will miss you at the picnic Joe. (ed)

If you receive an e-mail asking for personal information and it looks like it originated from ARRL, please do not respond, just delete it. (Information from Warren, N7IPG. ARRL will not ask for personal information.)

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PICTURED RIGHT IS NOEL, K7ADW,
FROM BONANZA. NOEL IS HOLDIN AN 18 INCH RAINBOW TROUT
HE CAUGHT AT LOFTON
RESEVIOR EARLY THIS
SUMMER. NOEL CAUGHT 2
MORE JUST LIKE THIS ONE.
LOFTON IS LOCATED OFF
HIGHWAY 140, BETWEEN



BLY AND LAKEVIEW. IT RESTS ON A MT. TOP AT ABOUT 6000 FEET. NOEL ENJOYS CAMPING THERE, AND GOES THERE SEVERAL TIMES EACH SUMMER. HE TAKES TWO METERS WITH HIM, AND KEEPS IN TOUCH WITH HIS AMATEUR FRIENDS THIS WAY. (ed)

CHAIRMAN OF BOARD RESIGNES We heard Dick, K7DDI, on net, resign as chairman of the board in July. Your editor would like to thank Dick for all the years he served as our chairman, and for all the work he has done for the O.E.N. and for amateur radio as a whole. You have certainly done your share Dick, and we appreciate all your good works. (ed)

OEN SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD JULY 15th, 2008The Net Manager called the meeting to order at 5:55pm. Board Members present were K7JUC, K7SEG, KB7JAL, K7MKN, N7IPG, & W7BXD.The purpose of this meeting was to appoint a Director at Large and a Chairman of the Board that was previously held by K7DDI who resigned on July 11th, 2008. The Director at Large will be appointed until 2010, at which time the position will be up for re-election. WA7FIV, Hal from Seaside volunteered to fill that position. All Board Members approved of the appointed position being filled with WA7FIV, Hal of Seaside. The next position open was Chairman of the Board, and K7MKN had stepped up to take this position. K7MKN was approved by all Board Members to become the new Chairman. Net Manager then turned the meeting over to the new Chairman to see if he had any comments. Jim, K7MKN said he was looking forward to

(3) everyone working together to benefit the OEN. Hearing nothing more the Net Manager thanked all Board Members for being present on such short notice and the meeting was closed at 5:59 pm. Karen Lilly N7RBO

OPERATION RATTLER -- On July 16, 2008 The Klamath County RACES/ARES team participated in "Operation Rattler" which ran from approximately 7:30 am until 10:00 am. Operation Rattler was originally an External Field Exercise for TransCanada.(pipeline) The exercise expanded to include: Klamath County Fire District 4 and 5 State Fire Marshal, HAZMAT, Oregon Department of Forestry, Klamath County RACES/ARES for Klamath County Emergency Services Agency; amateurs participating, WA7YPR, K7DDI, KE7BQM, AB7ET, ND7V, KC6ISC, KJ7YB, K7RFO. We Operated on 146.44MHZ simplex with two relays via WinLink to OEM. We Operated on 3.964 MHZ SSB with W70EM and used the HF for a second frequency for the local net. The Operation was located NW of Bonanza OR. The Scenario was that a D8 cat contacted a 42 inch natural gas line causing a gas leak which ignited immediately. The operator was killed instantly and two laborers were injured. There were simulated Ambulance runs, Simulated Air Ambulance runs, Oregon Department of forestry simulated at least two water drops for fire suppression. Without notice the evaluators announced that a power transformer blew causing the power company to simulate shutting of the power to the area and O.D.F to simulate fire suppression in the surrounding area. As things were moving the evaluators asked a firefighter to simulate a collapse, The ambulance had to respond to that also. TransCanada activated their EOC in Spokane Washington and had about 6 people on the scene. Klamath County Fire

(3) Districts 4 and 5 had about 20 volunteers on scene with about Fire engines and water tenders. By Dennie WA7YPR (Thanks to Dennie for sharing, Dennie is the ARES EC for Klamath County) –ed)

A letter from the chairman of the board of directors of the OEN:

The Oregon Emergency Net has been in operation since shortly after the Vanport flood which occurred on May 30, 1948. It is an important part of amateur radio culture in Oregon and the northwest. It serves as part of the informal emergency infrastructure that exists because of our hobby. Your participation by checking into the net, when you can, whether you are a member or not, is important to maintaining amateur radio's ability to react to a disaster which could occur at any time in our region. Please know that the OEN board of directors exists to continue the OEN tradition of providing service to not only the amateur community, but the general public as well.

Contact information for all of the members of the board is on the OEN webpage at: http://www.qsl.net/oen If you have any concerns about the operation of the OEN or have suggestions on how to improve its operation please contact your area's board director, the director at large, or me, the chairman of the board. The OEN also needs your help, if you can, to serve as a net control or alternate net control. For information or to volunteer, please contact our net manager, Karen Lilly, N7RBO. Serving as a net control is personally rewarding and sharpens your operating skills. See you on the air or at the annual OEN picnic! 73, James "Jim" Boyd, K7MKN





Top left: Katelinh, age 7, playing violin for us at the O.E.N. Picnic. On the right is Samantha, age 15., who sang for us. They were with their grandparents, Walter, KC7WJ, and Gebs W7GEB; from Klamath Falls.



LEFT: Dick Suber, K7DDI, From Klamath Falls, receives Plaque at picnic honoring his 50 years of checking into the Net. The award was Presented by our net Manager and secretary, Karen, N7RBO. Karen Is pictured right of Dick. His O.E.N. # is 267, received Jan. 29, 1959.



RIGHT: SOME OF THE FOLKS AT THE O.E.N. PICNIC

PICTURED LEFT, OUR NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, JIM BOYD, K7MKN. THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN AT THE O.E.N PICNIC.



5 OREGON EMERGENCY NET MINUTESAugust 17th, 2008

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Board K7MKN. The minutes were read and accepted as read. Fred, ND7V said he had the treasures report from Joe, K7NLM but had forgot to bring it so will give it to the Secretary, N7RBO when he gets home so the information could be added to the minutes.

N7IPG, Warren brought up that the OEN booklet wasn't being followed, the way that the excused stations were being done was not the way it should be handled, also the same on the solid stations. Ruth, K7RFO mentioned the book was written in 1949 and things then didn't pertain to today and was used mostly for a Guide Line. K7MKN made a motion that N7IPG update the booklet and 2nd by WA7FIV. Warren N7IPG said he would accept the job but there couldn't be any timetable for the completion.

K7DDI suggested that we have three people on the check-book instead of two, so the funds could be secured in case of loosing any other signature holders on the account. He made a suggestion of the Secretary or any OEN member. The secretary N7RBO declined saying she has to many positions already. ND7V is going to look into the matter, like what bank is used and the other information needed. ND7V is actually the only one that receives funds from the account and he said he wouldn't mind being added. The issue was tabled until more information was collected, and then will be reviewed again next year.

K7MKN asked KK7VO & K6UGS if they could update the information like e-mails, phone numbers and addresses on their websites. Some of the information has changed and the correct information should be available to all OEN Members. K6UGS said he only posts the roster and minutes the reason was not to take anything away for the original OEN web page.

K7RFO wanted to emphasize that this was friendly net not a military net and it should stay this way. If too many regulations were put in place people would be discouraged and not check in. N7RBO said that we have increased our check-ins 900 to 1,000 a month from this time last year.

KG7UY ask if it okay with the Board that he asks the Oregon State Defense Force to check in at the beginning of the net, all the Board approved. Dennis was in agreement that all Net Controls be in control of their own net.

With no other business K7MKN ask for a motion to adjourn the meeting, W7BXD made the motion and was 2nd by WA7FIV. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Submitted by

Karen Lilly, N7RBO Secretary

THANKS CAROL (N7HEH) AND BOB FOR A GREAT O.E.N. PICNIC!!!!

(6) NET REPORTS BY KAREN N7RBO, NET MANAGER/SECRETARY: JUNE Net controls, Sunday through Sat; first net then second net: SUNDAY KA7FUL JOE, W7BXD KERN. MONDAY WB6MFV DOUG, N7LND JC. TUESDAY K7RFO RUTH, K7WDR JERRY. WEDNESDAY N6TW LARRY, W7LJB LARRY. THURSDAY KB7JAL TOM, KG7UY DENNIS. FRIDAY K7MKN JIM, K7NBO DAVE. SATURDAY NYIPG WRREN, KE7LKT DAVE. ALTERNATES K7DDI DICK, N7RBO KAREN, KE7LKT DAVE, KG7UY DENNIS. SOLIDS: K7AKP, N7CNH, W7CYA, KC7FXH, WD7H, W7LJB, KE7LKT, N7LND, W6PHP, N7RBI, K7SEG, KC7SPL, WB7TIR, KG7UY, KQ7Z, KA7ZIS. EXCUSED, WA7FIV, WB7TIR. TRAFFIC 31. CONTACTS 150. CHECK-INS 5846. JULY: NET CONTROLS ARE THE SAME AS JUNE, EXCEPT FOR FIRST NET MONDAY, NET CONTROL THEN WAS KG7UY. DENNIS. WE ALSO HAVE A CHANGE ON SECOND NET, THURSDAY; WB6MFV DOUG HAD THAT NET. ALTERERNATE NET CONTROLS WERE: K7DDI DICK, K7RFO RUTH, KG7UY DENNIS, N7RBO KAREN. SOLID FOR THE MONTH: N7CNH, W7CUS, WA7FIV, W7GWC, W7LJB, KE7KLT, KE7MSA, W6PHP, N7RBI, K7SEG, KD7TAH, WB7TIR, KG7UY, AA6VL, KQ7Z, KA7ZIS. EXCUSED: K7SET, KE7MSA, W7LJB. TRAFFIC 20, CONTACTS 169, CHECK INS 6,359.

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FROM THE LISTENING EAR: We hear that Ruth, K7RFO, and Carolyn, AB7ET beat it out of Klamath Falls and came to the O.E.N. Picnic. It was sure nice having them there. What happened to Bill, W7EXB? We hear he was not at the picnic. He always makes the picnic. Hope he is well. Bob, W7BWO, another regular, was not there either, hope Bob is doing good. Nice to hear Jim, W7YVT, back on the net, we missed you Jim. Hope you were busy catching some big fish. Can't let Kern, W7BXD, get um all. We hear he and N7RBO stocked up on the fish when they were over on the Snake River this summer. We hear Daisy took her master to the picnic, was nice seeing Elizabeth, kk7vo there. I guess Dick, K7DDI, got tired of sleeping in his pickup, he came in a folding trailer. We hear Johnnie and Linda, n7fgf, and n7ezg, came in a new trailer. Carol, n7heh, and Bob, who hosted the picnic, sure did a great job. Isn't it nice of them to let us have our picnic there? They really appreciate how the 'folks' all help to clean up the mess. ONLY THE SHADDOW KNOWS WHO THE LISTENIN EAR IS, AND SOME TIMES EVEN HE IS NOT SURE.

If it is not here, you did not get it to me. (ed)