# The Oregon Netter

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#### Fred.

Hard to believe, but, I got another successful application in the email this afternoon. Please add WI6Z Kirk Gilbert from Springfield to the new member list. His Certificate # is 1274 and is dated today, 6/21/2012. Dennis (kg7uy)

(Comments from Claire on the downed plane exercise mentioned in the last NETTER) Hi Fred....thanks for the newsy Netter, nice to read all the activities the group participates in. Washington County worked the Radio Direction Finding 'downed plane' exercise too. It was a fun test and very good practice for the hams who had never before done it. Ernie and I worked from home maintaining contact between Washington County EOC and Columbia County EOC. (Doing that we learned that we need to provide greater distance between the antenna on our house. When Ernie was talking on one frequency to the WashCo plane hunters, I couldn't hear or talk to Columbia County.) The hunt went on from 9 am till Noon and half a dozen hunters did find the 'downed plane'. And those that didn't were anxious to learn more of the hunting skills and tricks....that's always a desirable outcome, hihi And this week Dale Hunt, WB6BYU from Yamhill County came to our ARES meeting and gave a talk on RDF. He brought several of his 'home made' direction finding antennas and demonstrated how to use them. It was great talk, he is a fun speaker, lots of stories, jokes about the equipment and about the many RDF hunts he and his wife have particapated in around the world. It's very likely that Washington County ARES will be doing more 'hunts' like this....Cheers, and 88s, Claire N7CM and Ernie K7EAJ

JUNE 2012

DAY	Net Control	Traffic	Contac	ts Total C	hk Ins	Solids	Solids	Solids
						KC0LTI	W7CUS	W7GNI
SUNDAY	WA7OXM Zane		1	4	486	KE7IOZ	AE7CJ	KF7JUW
2ND NET	N7MAP Mike		0	3	228	AA5TL	KA5ZLQ	N7EZG
MONDAY	W7WX Larry		4	18	1181	N7FGF	KD7RTE	W7AE
2ND NET	WA7JS Jim		0	5	408	K7SEG	KA7QYY	KD7BUJ
TUESDAY	K7RFO Ruth		3	11	1009	KQ7Z	KE7GML	N7IPG
2ND NET	KE7CYK Cindy		2	2	222	K7DDI	N7RBI	
WEDNESDAY	KG7UY Dennis		2	24	986	ND7V	KA7ZIS	
2ND NET	WB6MFV Doug		0	5	208	KA7LUF	WB7TIR	
THURSDAY	KB7JAL Tom		0	0	499	KE7WVI	N7MAP	
2ND NET	K7DDI Dick		1	4	215	W7WX	KC7SPL	
FRIDAY	AE7ER Jerry		2	4	510	W7EET	W7HH	
2ND NET	ND7V Fred		0	14	211	N7HEH	KA7RUZ	
SATURDAY	N7IPG Warren		0	5	631	W7TYQ		
2ND NET	KE7GML Sandi		0	13	165			

**TOTALS** 15 112 6959

## Net report by Dennis, KG7UY, Net Manager / Secretary

JULY 5: Happy birthday to Ruth, K7RFO from Klamath Falls!!!!

JULY 16 Happy birthday to Carolyn, AB7ET from Klamath Falls!!!. Also having a birthday in July, Hollis W7UFM from Keno!!! Many more happy years to all!

(3) CHOW DOWN On July 14, K-BAR-A, the Klamath Falls Radio Club, held its annual picnic at Moore Park, in Klamath Falls. Forty-seven hungry souls were filled with hamburgers, hot dogs, and all the trimmings. The club provided the hot dogs, hamburgers, and items that go with them; the rest was a potluck. Everyone looked well fed by the time the event was over, it started at 2 pm, and run until after 5. We understand that there were 47 folks at the event. Warren, N7IPG, checked all in who were generals or above, on the net that evening. Among the many who was there, was Jean Trump, W7KOC. Jean spends her summers in Klamath Falls. Jean is pictured below.



Dick, K7DDI, had a pickup filled with amateur radio equipment. He gave it away to who ever wanted it. Every one had a great time. The event was held under a large covered area, which made it nice and cool for everyone. I know all who was there is looking forward to doing it all over again next year. (ed)

ON THE MEND: We hear on the net that Ron, WA7YPJ, from La Grand is in the hospital at this time, July 19. We miss Ron on the net, and wish his a quick recovery. (ed)

I regret to have to report to the membership that Lorene Allen, K7JUC OEN # 1064 from John Day has become a Silent Key. Lorene faithfully served the Northeastern District of the OEN as a Board Member from 2004 through 2009. (Dennis, KG7UY. Net secretary / manager)

I would like to welcome and introduce the latest additions to the OEN membership for the month of July: #1275 KE7EIB Dell Mansker of Myrtle Point issued July 4th, 2012 #1276 K7GFO John R. Greisen of Oregon City issued July 23rd, 2012 KG7UY

AUG. 1 HAPPY 96<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY TO TONY, W7CUS, FROM ASHLAND!!

(SK REPORT) It is my solemn duty to announce that N7RBO, Karen L. Lilly, OEN # 1112, lost her battle with cancer a little after 9pm on Saturday, August 4, 2012.

Karen was the OEN Net Manager/Secretary and all around "spark plug" for the OEN for 10 years until this spring, when she stepped down due to her illness. She is/will be deeply missed. At Karen's request there will be no services. Karen's OM Kern, W7BXD, thanks everybody for the support and prayers through this difficult time. KG7UY Net Manager/Secretary.

Karen, N7RBO, was an inspiration to me, and she helped me so much with the NETTER.. She was a bright shining light to every one she met, and I never saw her with out a warming smile on her face. I shall miss her very much, but I will see her again one day at Jesus' feet. Our thoughts go out to Kern and family. (ND7V, ed)



KAREN AT THE 2010 O.E.N PICNIC

- (4) INFORMATION MOSTLY FROM KAREN'S OBITUARY Karen came into the world on April 20, 1939. She went home to her Lord on Aug. 4 at the age of 73. She was born in Lakeview, and grew up in the Plush area. In 1950, she moved to Klamath Falls. In 1970, she married the love of her live, J. (kern) Lilly. Her family was the most important thing in her life. She is survived by her husband Kern, W7BXD, her daughter and son-in-law Ginger and Rick Flower, sons and daughter-in-law Larry and Terri Comer, and Vernon and Starla Lilly. She had numerous grand children and great grandchildren. Karen loved to cook, crocheting, and knitting, she gave away those items she made to folks who needed them. Karen also loved Ham Radio. She served as secretary / treasurer for the Klamath Basin Repeater Association for 12 year, and she was net manager / secretary of the Oregon Emergency Net for 10 years. By Karen's choice, there was no service. Karen touched a lot of lives in a special way while she was with us, and how very much we all do miss her. (ed)
- (4) ON THE MEND: Sandi KE7GML, from Keno, reported on net tonight (Aug. 5) that she is fighting leukemia. Aug. 10, Sandi reported on net that she will be going to Portland for treatments, and will be there several weeks. Our prayers are with you Sandy for a complete and swift recovery!--- Warren, N7IPG, sent your editor an E mail saying that Carolyn, AB7ET, from Klamath Falls, fell and broke her leg. We wish Carolyn a quick recovery! (AUG 24-Sandi suffered a set back from the treatments, but Warren reports she is doing much better (ed)

KB7JAL, TOM FROM TURNER, Retired from being the net control on first net Thursday. Dennis, KG7UY, net manager thanked Tom for his many years of service to the net. (ed)

NET CONTROLS DESPERATELY NEEDED. Dennis continues to put of a plea for more net controls. If folks do not step up to the plate and take some nets, or become alternates, it looks like the second net will have to go for lack of people to run it. (ed)

 $AUG\ 16$  Our newest OEN member is Dan Easterly, KF7OYY from Wilsonville. His certificate #1277 was issued August 4th, 2012. (Dennis)



FROM O.E.N. PICNIC, BIRTHDAY CAKE FOR DICK SUBER: 90 ON AUG. 31 happy birthday Richard!

(5) JULY 2012

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						KA7RUZ	KA7ZIS
SUNDAY	WA7OXM Zane		3	5	614	KA7QYY	KD7BUJ
2ND NET	N7MAP Mike		1	8	284	W7GNI	N7IXS
MONDAY	W7WX Larry		2	19	1064	W7CYA	KA7LUF
2ND NET	WA7JS Jim		1	11	241	N7FGF	W7EET
TUESDAY	K7RFO Ruth	1	0	23	1492	N7EZG	W7WVC
2ND NET	KE7CYK Cindy		0	7	238	KC0LTI	N7MAP
WEDNESDAY	KG7UY Dennis		0	23	837	W7CUS	W7WX
2ND NET	WB6MFV Doug		0	2	188	AA5TL	N7HEH
THURSDAY	KB7JAL Tom		0	2	805	KA5ZLQ	
2ND NET	K7DDI Dick		3	2	238	K7SEG	
FRIDAY	AE7ER Jerry		1	2	503	KQ7Z	
2ND NET	ND7V Fred		0	4	94	KE7GML	
SATURDAY	N7IPG Warren		0	7	490	N7IPG	
2ND NET	KE7GML Sandi		0	4	105	N7RBI	
ALTERNATES							
W7PM Marc			0	2	32		
TOTAL		2	21	121	7225		

## FROM NET MANAGER KG7UY, DENNIS JULY NET REPORT

(6) AT THE O.ELN. PICNIC: I heard someone say that 66 folks showed up this year. Carol and Bob were once again wonderful hosts, and the weather

was perfect. Lynda Baker, daughter of Ruth, K7RFO, made a lovely wall hanging, she donated it to the group, it was raffled off for a total of 145 dollars. Thank you Lynda! I think Vern, k6rgs, won that. Ruth, K7RFO, gave away, by drawing, 21 blankets she had crocheted beautiful edges to. Thank you so much for that Ruth, (I just wish I had won one of them hi) A business meeting was held at 10 AM on Sunday, all went smooth, some minor changes were made to the by-laws, and minor changes to the net preamble. Every one was in full agreement on the changes, and the body there was invited to join and give in put. The second net will not be taken away, BUT we need net controls. Interested? See Dennis, kg7uy, net manager. An additional 202 dollars were brought in through donations, mostly for the porta pot. Next year we hope to have two porta pots. A big thanks to Carol and Bob for all the work they did to make our picnic so great! What a wonderful place to have a picnic, the view of the ociean is always so uplifting! (ed)

I would like to extend a hearty welcome to the OEN's newest members: K7TYP AI Kampstra Albany #1278 issued 8/20/12 K7REA Ken Rea Tigard #1279 issued 8/21/12 N7IKI Niki Rea Tigard #1280 issued 8/21/12 W7WVF Dan Bissell Bandon #1281 issued 8/22/12 W7AE Marv Wines Eugene #1282 issued 8/23/12 KI7ER Dan Bjerke Corvallis #1283 issued 8/23/12 (KG7UY)

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2012

This has been a challenging year for the OEN membership.

The good news is that we have added an unprecedented 29 new members in the last 12 months giving us 536 OEN certificate holding members in total at present.

The bad news is that this total is short of where it should be. Since August 2011 we have lost 9 of our friends and fellow OEN members as they are now Silent Keys.

We have run 2 nets every night of the year regardless of band conditions, weather conditions, broken equipment, natural disasters or whatever else has gone on.

These Nightly sessions gathered 91,746 check-ins from July 2011 through July 2012. That averages out to 7,645 check-ins per month. We also passed 236 pieces of traffic. Not a lot of traffic, but not bad considering traffic has never been the driving force of the OEN.

KG7UY

OEN Net Manager

IF YOU DID NOT SEE IT IN THE NETTER, YOU DID NOT GET IT TO ME. (ed)