

**W7DP Meeting Minutes**  
**03-12-18**

**Attendance:**

K7MAT Todd  
KC7CCL Heidi  
N7ACW Keith  
KR8C Thomas  
KR8D Merry  
KC7EWJ Skip  
N7DJE Timber  
KC7ZMT Robert  
WA7LKF Mike  
KI7ICA Dale  
WB7JON John S.  
W7UB Don  
K7BDT Brian  
KI7AAN Craig  
KB7POT Michael  
KG7PJD Harold  
(16 in attendance)

**Secretary's report:**

Sec. report for Feb. was read, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved

**Treasure's Report:**

Balance of \_\_\_\_\_

**Building and Grounds:**

**Repeater Report:**

Via e-mail, Jeff AL1Q reported that the source of noise on N7LZM side of the linked repeater system has been found, and is being worked on.  
The 145.410 Repeater in Tri-Cities has major local noise

**Health and Welfare:**

Father of Davina KC7USG home from hospital, but still having health issues.

Local ham Rick KI7GBU has been having some health concerns, medical testing etc.

**ARES Report:**

Keith N7ACW – Planning and preparations in progress for the Tour of Walla Walla bicycle races Apr. 20 and 22.

**VE:**

Next VE session is Sun April 15 at 2 pm, Chen Chung (sp?) bldg. room 154, still \$15 to test.

**Announcements:**

Keith N7ACW has been working with APRS etc, his system works well with KPC 3 TNC, but the KISS mode TNC not working well.

Craig KI7AAN has acquired multiple pieces of antenna and support, and misc. parts and pieces will be available when warmer weather arrives.

**Misc.:****Old Business:**

Skip KC7EWJ inquired about status of clubhouse furnace/heat, (furnace wasn't putting out heat during a previous meeting) Keith N7ACW reported he'd been told there was adequate oil in the tank, so it was assumed lack of heat for meeting in question was due to operator error.

Timber N7DJE reported he had spoken with Jeff AL1Q re: his offer to clean and service the furnace this summer, to improve function for next year.

**New Business:**

Michael K7POT mentioned that club members need to start thinking about whether or not to participate in Field Day this year, and start planning soon, if the club is going to participate. Field Day will be June 23/24 this year.

**Door Prizes:**

(no door prizes this month)

**Show and Tell:**

Mike WA7LKF showed a differential volt meter for lab testing etc. It is used for adjusting equipment to 100<sup>th</sup> of a volt, etc.

**Education:**

Keith N7ACW shared information on antennas from the Sept/Oct. 2013 edition of QEX magazine. The antenna described was a 4 element steerable vertical antenna of a 4 square beam design. A few handouts were available.

**Meeting adjourned:** at 1938

Respectfully submitted, Heidi KC7CCL, Secretary