



# The Best of Amateur Radio

## Presidents Message...

To those that do not know me, let me introduce myself. I name is Kim Owen/N7WLW. My first exposure to Amateur Radio was my Uncle Jed/W7GDH. I was young at the time. I remember when he brought his family over to our house for a visit, that he had a large whip antenna mounted on his car and a lot of neat stuff inside. My dad, who had a part-time TV repair business, did not say anything good about Amateur Radio. I suppose he had installed a few RF filters on TVs. I guess my first Elmer would have been Erwin Miller/N7MBI. I meet Erwin at work. I remember his enthusiasm for Amateur Radio. Several of us from the office attended a class held at Weber State. I remember being nervous about taking the Novice test, especially the code test. The most stressful time during the code test was right at the start when call signs were sent, but I got them. When I took the written code test, I missed four questions all associated with the call signs. I had the call signs correct, but I just couldn't remember which call sign was transmitting, the first or the second. Well, I was disappointed because I had worked hard to learn the code. I had the Gordon West Novice Code Tape memorized! While I was sitting there sharing with others that had also taken the same test, one of the VEs came over and said that I had one minute perfect copy and that I passed! For one minute during the code test, I was in the Zone.

I got my Novice license (KB7NQG) in May 1991, my Technician license in August 1991, and opted for a new a new call sign that arrived in February 1992, N7WLW. I started working on my General, but stopped. Nine years later, on a new job I met my next Elmer, Chuck Simpson/K7JXY. After learning that I had never transmitted, he started to prod me to get involved. On a business trip in California, I got lost on the way back to my motel following a meeting. I drove by an HRO store. I stopped and walked in and left with an ICOM IC-7H, a repeater directory and a General Class License Manual spending all of my per-diem money; I lived off of McDonalds for a week. I took it back to my room and started to read the manual. PL tones, offset, don't bother me with details! Why don't these things come with the batteries already charged? The following week later heard Chuck on the 147.04 repeater and made my first contact. A month later, I got my General license and a month after that my Extra.

I like CW and have worked hard on increasing my code speed. Matt George really got me excited after his presentation at an OARC meeting. I try to catch the Utah Code Net (3.709MHz) a couple of times a week. I do PSK31 and Voice on HF too. My station is made up of a Ken-

wood 570D and a Gap Titan vertical antenna HF. For VHF, I use a Kenwood TM-G707 as my base station. Both of my antennas are in their temporary locations for over a year, and I have a 60 tower in my garage, still.

OARC is one of the oldest clubs in Utah. I am proud to belong. I think we have good people in the club. Our first executive committee meeting went well. I was impressed with their enthusiasm and their desires to make OARC successful. I look forward to being acquainted with all members and am anxious to hear about your favor contacts and modes.

73s, Kim/N7WLW



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## OARC Club Officers

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## License Testing

**VEC Testing** Contact our vice president or  
<http://www.xmission.com/~uarc/testinfo.html>

## Selected Local Nets

Sun	8:00 p.m.	146.62	Repeater	APRS (Packet)
Sun	9:00 p.m.	146.62	Repeater	UARC Info
Tues	6:30 p.m.	146.90	Repeater	Weber County ARES
Wed	8:00 p.m.	145.53	Repeater	Box Elder Net
Thurs	7:30 p.m.	144.90	Simplex	Weber North Region ERRS
Thurs	7:00 p.m.	147.04	Repeater	Davis County Net

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 know. Send email to  
 "mkgmoore@networld.com"**

## OARC Monthly Meeting

Place: Weber County Sheriff's Building  
 West 12th St.  
 Ogden  
 Time: 3rd Saturday of each month  
 9:00 a.m.

## OARC Breakfast before Meeting

Place: The Branding Iron  
 1310 Wall Ave  
 Time: 8:00 a.m.

## Next Meeting Agenda

**Saturday, October 19th 9:00 a.m.**

This months meeting will be homebrew "showoff" or homebrew "look at others showoff" meeting. Bring anything you would like to show that you have made this past year. The true spirit of ham radio is learning how to build things, whether that be small or large doesn't matter. I will admit that I haven't done anything big this past year (I build lots of electronic things at work though) but I have done some little things that I will bring.

If anyone has a specific item to make a club meeting out of let me know and I will try and arrange it.

## Club Dues and Information

The Ogden Amateur Radio Club is a non-profit organization, incorporated under the laws of the State of Utah. It is also an ARRL Special Service Club. Membership is open to any person interested in Amateur Radio. Full membership is available only to those possessing an FCC issued license. Associated memberships are available to all others. For Watts News subscription only. Membership to the club is for one year, payable anytime during the year.

Fees are as follows:

Single membership	\$15.00
Each additional family member	\$ 8.00
Associate membership	\$10.00

Send Dues to:

**Ogden Amateur Radio Club  
 P.O. Box 3353  
 Ogden, Utah 84409-1353**

## OARC Membership

Please check and renew if necessary

LastName	FirstName	CallSign	Class	Expires
Anderson	Clariece	KB7CBU	Technician	7/31/2002
Anderson	Roger	N7GSZ	General	8/31/2004
Berry	John	KB0HJ	Advanced	8/31/2002
Bryner	Alan	KK7VO	Extra	1/1/2002
Carver	Steve	N7VVW		4/30/2002
Coffin	Stephen	AC7S	Extra	8/31/2002
Davis	Garrett W	KD7BW	Technician	7/31/2002
Dostaler	Dion	KC7VTC	Technician	8/31/2002
Drysdale	Robert N.	N7JSQ	Technician	8/31/2002
Drysdale	Susanne	N7QFHN	Technician	8/31/2002
Flanagan	Kevin	KB7MAD	General	1/31/2002
Fullmer	Joan	N7OLZ		8/31/2003
Fullmer	Mike	KZ7O	Extra	8/31/2003
Hadley	Boyd	KB7ZYY	Technician	2/28/2002
Hadley	Chris	KB7ZYZ	Technician	2/28/2002
Hall	Kent A.	KB7LWI	Technician	8/31/2002
Higley	Glen L.	NA7M	Extra	8/31/2002
Hudman	Gary	KB7FMS	Technician	8/31/2003
Hudman	Luke			8/31/2003
Hutchison	Paul	KC7ISW	Technician	8/31/2002
Johns	Bill	N7BBJ	Technician	11/30/2002
Kohli	Dale D.	K8WKM	General	6/30/2002
Luker	John	WB7QBC		1/20/2002
Lundell	Glade	N7ZHZ	Technician	11/30/2002
Mabrey	W. Fred	KJ7RH	Extra	8/31/2002

LastName	FirstName	CallSign	Class	Expires
McEntire	H. "Hal"	KD7DEM	Technician	1/31/2002
Moore	Casey	KD7BNY	Technician	8/31/2003
Moore	Clint	KD7BPK	Technician	8/31/2003
Moore	Denise	KD7SCN	Technician	8/31/2003
Moore	Gregg	KD7BPQ	Extra	8/31/2003
Owen	Kim	N7WLW		8/31/2003
Parkes	Mel	AC7CP	Extra	5/20/2002
Parks	Alan	N7SHA	Technician	8/31/2003
Pederson	Dallas	WB7AKX	General	8/31/2003
Peterson	Ben		Technician	11/30/2002
Peterson	Lance	KD7OYA	Technician	11/30/2002
Peterson	Luke		Technician	11/30/2002
Quercia	Mike	N7OYV	Technician	8/31/2003
Rogers	Scott	KD7KWB	Technician	1/31/2002
Salisbury	Darwin L.	K6IGU	Advanced	8/31/2003
Salizar Jr.	Elias R.	KD7JRX	Technician	8/31/2003
Sant	Lynnette	KD7LLR	Technician	1/31/2002
Stanford	Michael	WB7TSQ	Extra	8/31/2002
Stettler	Kent	KD7BDJ		2/28/2002
Walker	Lynn	N7TOP	Technician	1/31/2002
Wilenski	Robert	N7VCY	Technician	8/31/2002
Wilkstrom	Marco A.			11/30/2002
Willhard	Wallace	W7MVK	Advanced	1/31/2004
Wilson	Kenneth	N7OG	Extra	8/31/2002
Zarkou	Andy	N7QWS		2/28/2002

## Coming Soon

Results of Rubber Duck antenna testing from last months meeting



## Weber County ARES Activities

New meeting time 3rd Saturday of each month @ 10:30 a.m.

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