

Marine Communications *by Chuck Lowry*



Member Education

The amateur Radio Committee had the pleasure of Brian Daley (WB7OML) giving an excellent presentation on Emergency Communications during the March meeting. He shared information on what you can do to prepare for emergencies and opportunities for involvement in community emergency organizations. The group had a lively discussion as Brian led the group through the beginnings of an organizational communications plan (a lot more to be done). Thank you, Brian!

Radio Rendezvous

The Spring Radio Rendezvous was held at Port Madison on April 4 with about 50 people kicking off boating season in the first warm days of the year. Heather Ballaine (AB7JT) and her very experienced crew of license examiners provided testing for those seeking to join the fun. The Rendezvous

provided an opportunity to check out all the new winter radio installations, with open boat tours. Bob Swaine and Bill Whitney led the technical equipment set-up and hands-on demonstrations. This also gave long-distance-communication practice time for those without HF equipment at home or on the boat. We made a good attempt at solving a long-standing issue of SYC members not eating or 'beveraging' enough with a world-famous Greenbox followed by a great potluck.

Straits Protocol

Past Commodore Bob Ovens (KE7DKQ) generated an idea that the group start providing real-time sea and weather conditions for those boaters crossing, or about to, our open waters.

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