## Marine Communications by Dan Withers WM7W – Port Ludlow, WA



he September 25th Amateur Radio Committee Radio Rendezvous #10 was well attended with about 25 members and guests. Saturday morning at about 10:00 a.m., the antenna party installed the G5RV wire antenna between two trees over the lawn. The technical activities started at 12:30 p.m. at the clubhouse with check in

and brief discussions about the plans for the day.

The first event was to take a tour, led by Bob Swaine (K7AAE), of our future small boat center and discuss a future "ham shack" for that facility.

At 1:00 p.m. we had a member radio check in on 3865 Khz for anyone who wanted to participate in the event but couldn't attend. With members in the clubhouse, on boats on the dock, and Bill Whitney



Tom Davis (K7TBM) connecting the ends.

(WO7O - Hood Canal) and Chuck Steward (AI7V -Ellensburg) we had about a dozen contacts. At 3:00 p.m. we re-grouped at the clubhouse for a three part presentation by our guest speaker, Grant Hopper (KB7WSD) from Everett. He gave us an update on what the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) was doing on different legal and technical issues affecting amateur radio. That was followed by a review of the new ARRL website and how to more effectively navigate it.



Bob Swaine (K7AAE) operating the portable station.

The third part was a demonstration of a 40m to 70cm band portable dipole antenna that can be carried in a suitcase and assembled on site.

At 5:00 p.m. a pre-potluck cocktail hour was held at the BBQ area while everyone got their potluck dishes ready for the dinner. Fun was had by all! 🕲

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Grant Hopper (KB7WSD) giving the portable antenna demonstration.



Dave Ballaine (KE7SHC) and Chris Warner (K7PAN) evaluating the appetizers.

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## SYC Monthly Thursday Men's Lunch

Palm Springs, California Area Come any 2nd Thursday of the Month at 11:45 a.m.

> February 10 • March 10 • April 14 **NEW LOCATION – Mimi's Cafe**

71-861 Hwy. 111, Rancho Mirage, California (Opposite The River shopping center) Reservations are NOT required

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