



Bonner County Amateur Radio Club

Meeting March 8, 2023

VFW Post

1325 Pine Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864

18:00 hrs. – Informal Discussions & Eyeball QSO's

18:30 hrs. – Hands On Activities!

Why Are We Here? Per the Bylaws BCARC

- 1. Facilitate communication and fellowship among amateur radio operators*
- 2. Increase the number of licensed amateur radio operators through training and community awareness and promote active use of the hobby, and provide assistance to new operators to help them get on the air*



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Introductions - Guests, New Members, Members
Recognition of new hams and upgrades

Current Membership As of January 2023

Total	48
Extra	12
General	24
Technician	12
No Callsign	0

Announcements

- Idaho QSO Party March 11-12.
 - <http://www.pocatelloarc.org/idahoqsoparty/rules.htm>
 - ADIF file – johnnykludt@gmail.com (due March 22nd)
- Field Day is the 4th weekend in June
 - Edgemeer Grange #335 3273 Bandy Rd. Priest River ID 83856
 - 2A (1 SSB/CW station and 1 FT8 Station)
 - FT8 Captain - Jim Morford KJ7SEN
 - Phone /CW Captain – John Ailport B7BSV
 - Looking for volunteers – time for frequent meetings via Zoom to begin
- Please pay your dues and thanks if you have (55% renewed)
- Consolidating on BonnerCountyARC@groups.io for email

Breakfast at Connie's Cafe & Lounge
323 Cedar Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864
March 25, 2023
09:00 hrs.

Next Meeting
April 12, 2023
VFW Post, Sandpoint, ID
18:00 hrs. Informal Discussions and Eyeball QSO's
18:30 hrs. Meeting
Topic: *HF Operating Techniques for the New
General*

Tonight's Activities

- Stations around the room – visit as meets your needs
 - Installing Anderson Power Poles – Dave Immel KE4EW
 - Crimp on connectors for RG-8/RG-8X size cables – John Ailport K7BSV & Ken Conradi KF7FDN
 - Strain relief – how to keep things up in the air – Doug Forster W6AXR
 - Coax cable testing – TDR coax cable evaluation – John Kludt K7SYS
- Questions and kibitzing – everywhere!
- Please let us know how this worked – should we do more hands on?