

The Pacific Northwest's Largest Amateur Radio Convention "Sand, Surf and Radios..."

Thank You

Here we are, mid-summer and SEA-PAC 2022 already seems like a distant memory.

The SEA-PAC Committee would like to thank all of you who made it out to Seaside in early June. Although it was a rainy weekend (it is the Oregon coast after all) it couldn't dampen the excitement and enthusiasm felt by the Committee, volunteers, vendors, exhibitors and attendees.

Here are few dates to remember for SEA-PAC 2023;

- Online Registration will open February 15th
- SEA-PAC Pin Design entries are due by March 1st
- SEA-PAC 2023 will be June 2-4 in Seaside, Oregon

These and other important dates will be forthcoming in future SEA-PAC Waves Newsletters and email blast starting in September.

Be sure to check out the "Photo Album" tab on the SEA-PAC website for lots of photos from SEA-PAC 2022



2022 Workshop and Seminars

We heartily thank those who shared their knowledge and passion with others during SEA-PAC 2022. Some of the presentations are available on the Seminars and Workshops pages respectively at www.seapac.org. We are checking with other presenters to see if they are willing to post their presentation, and as we receive more those will become available for your further education.

2023 Workshops

We started discussions about the Friday workshops for next year and welcome your input on what we offer. Among the ideas discussed are:

A workshop oriented towards emergency communications. Details are still fuzzy, so ideas would be most welcome.

Build an HF antenna that improves over the G5RV antenna. We would tentatively schedule two sessions (one morning, one afternoon) with different folks since it would take about 2.5 hours to construct. Estimated cost for the proposed workshop (including antenna components) would be about \$100.

Full day set of antenna presentations for DX, contesting, and probably VHF operating.

Electronics instruction much like the workshop in 2022. We would need 1-2 folks savvy with electronics to help others learn.

Other ideas are welcome as we start to design the workshops for 2023. If you would be willing to help with the antenna building workshop, we need the help to make that workshop a success. Additionally, if you have presentation ideas that fit into the other three concepts, please speak up. Send your ideas to workshops@seapac.org.



2023 Seminars

We hope to have 35 sessions Saturday and ten or more on Sunday. While we have not started to build the seminar program for 2023, we welcome presentation proposals or topics you would like to see covered. We cannot always find someone to talk on every subject, but we try. Send your ideas to seminars@seapac.org. Popular topics to consider include:

- How do antennas work
- VHF simplex operations
- How to start with ham radio
- **Basic propagation**
- What bands to use for various objectives
- How to confirm contacts (QSL)
- Operating portable (SOTA, POTA, Field Day, etc.)
- Paper chasing
- Logging options
- How to use N1MM and other contest software
- How to start with FT8 and similar modes
- Resurrecting old radios
- Spectrum analyzer use
- Ham radio and communications history
- Experiences operating during an emergency
- Radio on the trail



Upcoming PNW Ham Events

If you didn't find that "THINGAMAJIG" or 'Whatchamacallit" at the SEA-PAC Flea Market, here are some upcoming opportunities including Conventions and Hamfests;

August 5-7. 65th Pacific NW DX Convention. Spokane, WA.

August 21. Puget Sound Antique Radio Association Swapmeet. Shoreline, WA

August 28. 2022 Vancouver Island Ham Happenings. Crofton, BC.

September 17. Winston Tail Gate Swapmeet. Winston, OR.

September 24. Spokane Hamfair. University High School in the Spokane Valley. (This is an ARRL sanctioned event)

September 25. West Coast Amateur Radio Association Swapmeet 2022. Victoria, BC.

October 1. High Desert Amateur Radio Group 1st Annual High Desert Ham Fest, Redmond, Oregon. Deschutes County Fairgrounds. (This is an ARRL sanctioned event)

October 7-8. Pacific Northwest VHF Society Conference. Salem Oregon. (This is an ARRL sanctioned event)

October 8. Kitsap County ARC Hamfest. Bremerton, WA.

October 15. Swaptoberfest. Rickreall, OR.

Event and contact info is available from the Source: PNW Hamfair webpage at

http://www.n7cfo.com/amradio/hf/hf.htm



Plan on Volunteering

As you start day-dreaming about SEA-PAC 2023, consider volunteering before, during or after the convention.

We have many volunteer opportunities, some are simple and involve short time commitments while others are a bit longer and more involved.

It's up to you, but your efforts will materially contribute to the success of SEA-PAC.

Exhibitor and Flea Market load-in and load-out would be before and after the convention, while Security would be during the convention. Hospitality, Prizes, Registration, Seminars, Workshops and VE Testing are other areas that could use a helping hand.

To get the process started, send an email to our Volunteer Coordinator at;

volunteers@seapac.org

Thank You





See You in Seaside at SEA-PAC 2023 June 2, 3 & 4





