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To: 2018 KARS Club Members

Subject: KARS E-Mail Blast - July Propagation and Other News

It's July and time for a new Propagation Newsletter. View it on our web site at <http://www.k7id.org/?mm=newsletter>.

The KARS Field Day station was a lot of fun, at least for those few of us that participated. Double the contacts of last year and several hams new to the HF bands participated. Thanks to all that helped out.

Amateur Radio Tailgate Swap Meet this Saturday July 7th from 07:00 - 15:00 at St Paschal's Church parking lot, 2523 North Park Rd. Spokane Valley.

<https://spokane.craigslist.org/eve/d/ham-radio-tail-gate-swapmeet/6605289057.html>

Here's our chance to provide a community service and have some fun at the same time. The Latah County Auxiliary Communications Team has volunteered to support the Fondo 100 mile bike ride on July 21, 2018. We need more hams so I'm asking for help from around the region. We need about 30 people but up to nine or ten of them don't need to be licensed -- meaning it's a great opportunity to bring a friend or family member to see what we do.

I want to put two people (at least one licensed) at each of 10 aid stations and one licensed person in each of about 5 support vehicles. I also need about 7 people (most licensed) for NCS as we'll be running two nets on two separate main repeaters and may need a data recorder for each net in addition to the net operator.

Although I've not heard the official times when the organizers want us on location, my expectation is that many of us will need to be available to start working by 0600 or 0630. I'm sure all of us will need to be on location by 0900, or so. We should be standing down no later than 1700, maybe a little earlier.

Please go to <https://airtable.com/shrUW29aL8c5p8RBU> to sign up.

We need mobile VHF and dual band radios. Having cross band capability (along with an HT to access your cross band) will make life more comfortable for all stations. At least 4 or 5 people will need a mobile radio that can easily be mounted in someone else's vehicle.

There will, probably, be a few stations where an HT can get directly into the repeater, but that won't work at most locations and certainly not in the support vehicles.

Ride information and route maps can be found at FondoPalouse.org.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at sailorgriz@gmail.com.

Thanks and 73
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