GLAARG VEC Remote Testing Notes

These notes are to help you prepare for remote testing and to answer some frequently asked questions.

YOU MUST HAVE REGISTERED FOR A SESSION ON A PARTICULAR DAY USING HAMSTUDY.ORG, Find a Session. And you must have read and followed the instructions in the Notes for the session you registered for. We have changed hamstudy.org's session registration to limit the number of people who register - but before we could do that, it allowed way more people to register than we have time to test in a day.

Please practice using Zoom with someone before you take the remote exam.

1. You need to know how to share your audio and screen with the VE conducting the test session, this will speed up the testing process.
2. If you haven't done that we will put you back in the *Waiting Room* and take the next person.   Then you must text us when you are ready.
3. Before you join the session- if you haven't downloaded the Zoom app, do it now. Go to the little "gear" on the upper right, Settings, Change *Profile* and change your name to your **last name and your PIN.**
After you changed your name, then you can click the link we send you to join the test session.

When you've joined, you will end up in a *Waiting Room*. We will send messages to the *entire* Waiting Room, but not to individuals. (You won't be able to text us). As soon as we can, we will bring you into a *Testing Room*. You will be brought in according to the date you registered.   We will do our best to post the names of who's next.

The software we're using didn't allow us to specify an hour within the day, so all say 10 AM. We also didn't have a way to specify time zone. The time is 10am PDT, but we test all through the day, breaking for lunch and dinner (or if just need a break). And we only have sessions scheduled on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, through April 26.

We have not scheduled any sessions beyond April 26 because we need time to evaluate scheduling - we obviously failed to address the high initial demand. We intend to do better in May.

Exam results have gone through GLAARG VEC and the new call signs and upgrades are appearing in the FCC ULS database within a few days. Some are there the next day. You might have to wait as much as a week from the time you test before your call sign appears in ULS.