In Loving Memory of Dave Täht

Shaping a Faster, Fairer Internet.

LibreQoS exists to make the Internet faster, fairer, and more human.

We believe that true network performance is measured not in gigabits, but in quality of experience — in how it feels to the people using it.

Our mission is to empower ISPs of every size to deliver low-latency, high-fairness internet access through open-source tools, smart queue management, and community-driven innovation.

In honoring the legacy of pioneers like Dave Täht, we are committed to a future where better networking is available to all — rural and urban, rich and poor, young and old.

We want to create an internet that is built to serve everyone.

We move forward as part of a shared mission — working alongside a global community of builders, innovators, academics, and advocates to create a better, fairer Internet for all.

Dave Täht

1965-2025

Chief Science Officer

Dave Täht served as LibreQoS' Chief Science Officer from its initial development until his passing. You can learn more about Dave Täht and his impact on the internet here.

Dave’s work was more than just RFC 8290

The Flow Queue CoDel Packet Scheduler and Active Queue Management Algorithm (**FQ-CoDel**)

and **CAKE** (Common Applications Kept Enhanced)

Contributor to **RFC 8289** (CoDel - Controlled Delay Active Queue Management), **RFC 7567** (IETF Recommendations Regarding Active Queue Management), **RFC 8034** (Active Queue Management (AQM) Based on Proportional Integral Controller Enhanced (PIE) for Data-Over-Cable Service Interface Specifications (DOCSIS) Cable Modems), **RFC 7928** (Characterization Guidelines for Active Queue Management (AQM), **RFC 7806** (On Queuing, Marking, and Dropping), and **RFC8033** (Proportional Integral Controller Enhanced (PIE): A Lightweight Control Scheme to Address the Bufferbloat Problem)

Open Source in general

… and Dave was also working on **IPv6 adoption** as well as on **The IPv4 unicast extensions** project for John Gilmore.

By co-authoring an FCC filing and co-ordinating a worldwide protest with Vint Cerf and many other early Internet pioneers – **Dave successfully fought** the proposed FCC **rules to prohibit the installation of 3rd party firmware on home routers**.

Nomination for Jonathan B. Postel Service Award

Thank you for nominating a candidate for this year's Jonathan B. Postel Service Award. The information you provided is as follows:

Nominator Details

- **Name:** Vinton Cerf
- **E-mail:** vgcerf@gmail.com
- **I have notified the nominee of this nomination:** No

Candidate Details

- **Organization:** An individual
- **Name:** David Täht
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- **Statement of recommendation:**
- **References to Support Candidacy:**
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  Steve Crocker, steve@shinkuro.com, REDACTED
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  Please also see the long list of endorsers in the nomination text itself
- **How did you hear about the Postel Award?** I founded this award in 1998

Nominations will be evaluated following the selection process on this timeline. For any questions, please send an email to postel@isoc.org.

Kind Regards,
The Internet Society

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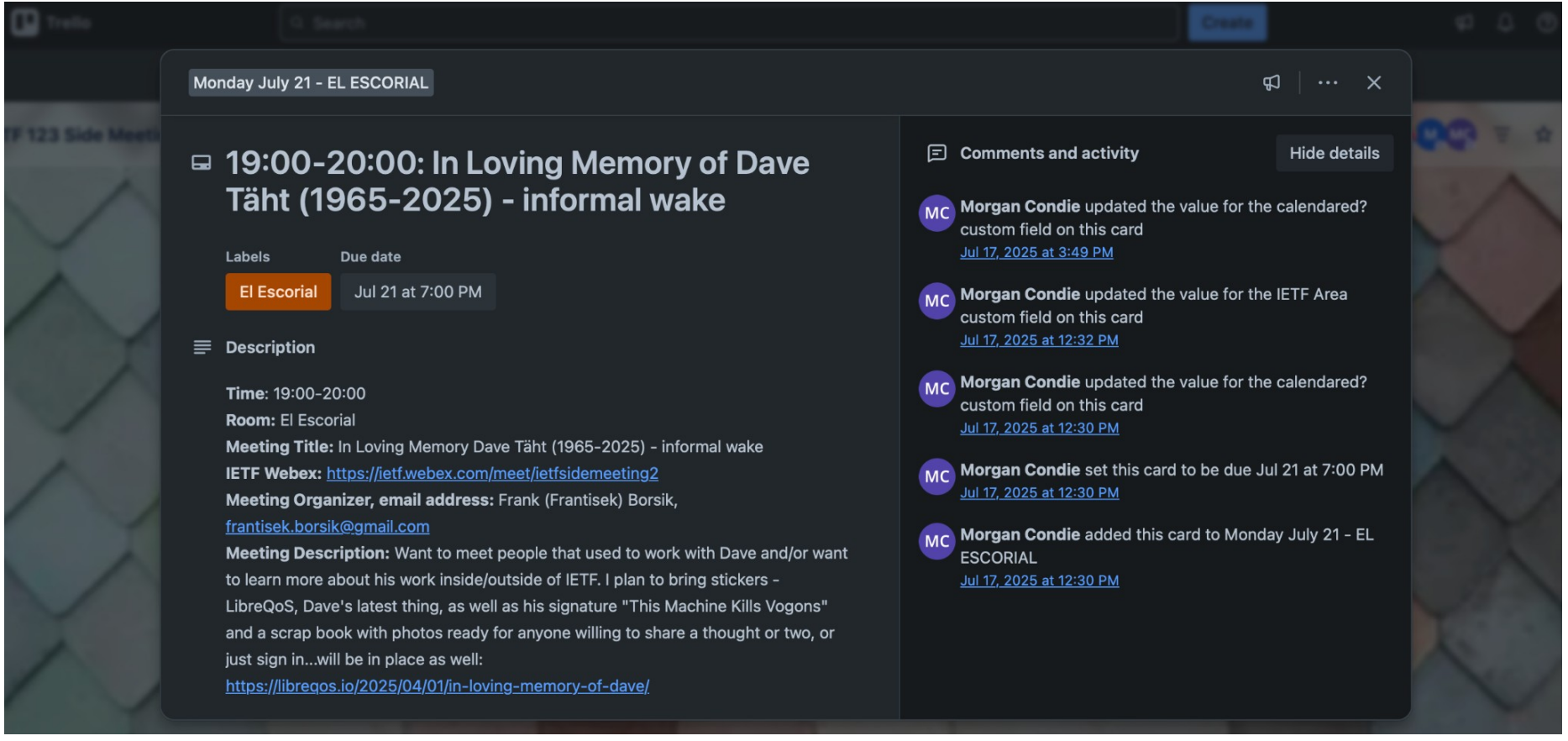
Informal wake - Monday @ 19:00 - EL ESCORIAL room