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Club Meetings

Meetings are held the third Friday of each month in the Human Services building at 501 W. Sanford in central Arlington at 7:30 pm, following the executive board meeting at 6:30 pm. Members generally begin arriving at 7:00 pm.

K5SLD Repeaters

147.14+ PL 110.9 (linked to 224.8)
224.8- PL 110.9 (linked to 147.14)
444.2+ PL 100.0 (linkable to IRLP)

September Meeting

At the September meeting, the presentation topic will be radio traffic handling.

Many people have forgotten about the importance of the NTS, given the prevalence of computers and the internet. However, when the normal lines of communication are no longer functioning for any number of reasons, the NTS is an excellent resource to still make sure that messages get through.

2 new Ham radio stores are coming to DFW !!!

First is **Grapevine Amateur Radio** which is already open.

It's located at:

1901 Central Drive Suite 603, Bedford TX 76021

The website is : <http://www.grapevineamateurradio.com/>

HRO is coming to DFW

Ham Radio Outlet, the worlds largest Amateur Radio product and accessories retailer, announced a new retail Super Store in Plano, TX. This new store will include a multi-thousand foot retail floor plan, which will stock and have on display a vast selection of amateur radio products and accessories. Included within the facility will be a large demonstration area, which will have many of the current amateur radio products connected to antennas for use and display. Ham Radio Outlet expects the opening of its new facility at **701 E. Plano Parkway, Suite 406, Plano, Texas 75074** in the first quarter of 2015.

Calendar of Events

September 19: Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

Board meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

September 19: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

September 20: Dining Out 5:00 pm, China Harbor Buffet, 3512 S Cooper St. Arlington

October 4: First Saturday Breakfast 8:30 am Main Street Cafe 2023 S Cooper St. Arlington

October 4: VE Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

Tidbits

If you have anything for sale that you'd like to post here on the newsletter, just send me an email at N5ACK@ARRL.NET and I'll include it in the next month's newsletter. Likewise, if someone needs some help, or is looking for a particular amplifier or widgeit, let me know and I'll post it here.

Also, if you have any announcements, or especially any ideas to include in the newsletter or for a presentation, please feel free to send them to myself, or any board member.

Wanted

I am looking for xtals for the 2-meter GONSET radio.

Thanks

Dave Walker

W5DJO

817-557-5219

For Sale

Antenna mounts

I have a light bar that has 3 MNO antenna mounts (on top) and 2 for COMET(one each side) antennas. Turn/stop lights are LEDs with backup lights.

This sold for \$500+.... Will take \$250.00 It is made to fit the stake holes in the bed and setup for a TUNDRA. Can be made to fit others.

Dave Walker

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Birthdays

Wallace Callahan KF5UNQ Sept 25

Mark Cayton KF5VQY Sept 28

John Hoskins WA5NJG Sept 15

Randon Porter WA5BEG Sept 10

John Stevenson KF5GWQ Sept 10

Bill Tatsch AE5BT Sept 23

Next Meeting 9/19/2014



From the Presidents Desk

We are having good luck and bad luck. First, Wayne KZ5O got a phone call telling him that he is all set to go on his Honor Flight in early November. He will be in the first bunch of Korean Vets to go to Washington, D C. He's very excited and so am I.

Bad luck. on the 29th we were installing a new air conditioner in the shack when all of a sudden the reflector element on the big beam (a3s) came off and fell to the ground. So we well have a project to do when the weather cools down.

For all of you members that missed out on good ice cream and other goodies, I announced that I will not run for re-election next year. I really thought that when I was elected President that I could handle the job. However I feel like I have let everyone and myself down. I hope that you will forgive me for my mistakes and blunders.

This is your Club, so please give serious though to your seeking the office of President.

73

Sherry W5YUP

Contest Corner June/July

NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Sep 18
NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder	0145Z-0215Z, Sep 19
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Sep 19
AGB NEMIGA Contest	2100Z-2400Z, Sep 19
Pirate QSO Party	0130Z-0330Z, Sep 20
ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest	0600 local, Sep 20 to 2400 local, Sep 21
Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW	1200Z, Sep 20 to 1200Z, Sep 21
SRT HF Contest SSB	1300Z, Sep 20 to 1300Z, Sep 21
South Carolina QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 20 to 0300Z, Sep 21
QRP Afield	1500Z, Sep 20 to 0300Z, Sep 21
Feld Hell Sprint	1600Z-1800Z, Sep 20
Washington State Salmon Run	1600Z, Sep 20 to 0700Z, Sep 21 and 1600Z-2400Z, Sep 21
BARTG Sprint 75	1700Z-2100Z, Sep 21
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Sep 22
144 MHz Fall Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Sep 22
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Sep 24
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Sep 24 and 1900Z-2000Z, Sep 24 and 0300Z-0400Z, Sep 25
RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW	1900Z-2000Z, Sep 25
NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder	0145Z-0215Z, Sep 26
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Sep 26
CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY	0000Z, Sep 27 to 2400Z, Sep 28
AGCW VHF/UHF Contest	1400Z-1700Z, Sep 27 (144) and 1700Z-1800Z, Sep 27 (432)
Texas QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 27 to 0200Z, Sep 28 and 1400Z-2000Z, Sep 28

The above is an abbreviated list only.

For more information on these and other contests, see the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at hornucopia.com/contestcal.

For more information on contesting in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, visit DFW Contest Group at dfwcontest.com.

Public Service

The City Of Arlington tests its outdoor warning sirens at 1:00 pm on the first Wednesday of each month, using volunteer observers, most of whom are hams reporting into a net held on the AARC's 2m repeater (147.140+, PL 110.9). Check-ins begin during the noon hour, and the test typically concludes before 1:30 pm. More observers are always needed, so please consider helping with this valuable effort if you can spare about an hour at lunchtime once a month.

For more information, contact Linda W5LMC (L_mcmillen@prodigy.net) or the Office Of Emergency Management (817-459-6939).

Membership

Print a membership form from our website k5sld.org and join us. Annual dues are \$25 for individuals.



August 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes **submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary**

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:40pm August 15th, 2014 by the President, Sherry W5YUP. Other board members present included the Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent were the Vice President, David KB3UBD; and Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

Sherry W5YUP called the meeting to order as everyone eat ice cream. She informed the membership of the upcoming officer elections in November. The current president and treasurer will not be seeking reelection. Rob May NV5E was appointed as the nominating committee chair. She also informed the membership that next year will mark 60 years of the AARC being in existence.

Joyce W5FJB reviewed the financial report for July 2014. Five years of tax returns have been completed and will be submitted on Monday. In future financial reports, she will include the PayPal fees that are incurred by the club. The VFW acknowledged receiving a donation from the club. The 501(c) status of the club has been reinstated. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the financial report as published.

The minutes for the July meetings were submitted for publication in the August 2014 newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold test sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. A Technician Class training session is being conducted at USMD.

Maurice KM5RF reported that the repeater is in working order. The IRLP is not working and he will fix it this weekend. The club's license is up to date.

David Lucas KF5CFW informed the membership that the Boy Scout event known as Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) will be held on October 4th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm. The sign-in sheet showed 20 people in attendance, all indicating AARC membership.



August 2014 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on August 15th, 2014 at 6:32pm. Present were President, Sherry W5YUP; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent were Vice President, David KB3UBD; and Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

Phil is conducting Technician Class training sessions at USMD.

Maurice reminded the board that the club celebrates 60 years in 2015. He also informed the board that he completed 5 years worth of 990EZ forms for submission to the IRS.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

August 2014 Financial Report

Submitted by Joyce Waites, W5FJB Treasurer 2014

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
1	Arlington Amateur Radio Club 2014	Dec-13	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals	EOY 2014
2	Income															
3	Dues-Cash and checks		631.47	245	110	75	50	25		0					1136.47	
4	paypal			47.94	95.88	71.91	47.94		47.94	0						
5	Donations- G&W		0	0											0	
6	Other				291											
7	Total	1898.29	631.47	292.94	205.88	146.91	97.94	25	47.94	0	0	0			1448.08	3346.37
8	Good and welfare(part of GF)	587	587	587	587	587	587	463.96	428.65	428.65						
9	Paypal fees		7.5	2.06	12.09	4.12	2.06		2.06							
10	Expenses															
11	Go Daddy		210.1													
12	Flowers							123.04								
13	P.O. Box					80										
14	Storage Hut				225					225						
15	Safe Haven			250												
16	Field Day							20.63								
17	Ham of year															
18	Insurance															
19	U.S. Treasury(one time)						400									
20	Donation- Ray Hammett								35							
21	Total		210.1		475	80	400	143.67	35	225					1568.77	
22	Repeater fund														1211.9	
23	Checking balance at Capital One	4229.83	4651.2	4944.14	4966.02	5032.93	4730.87	4607.83	4620.77	4395.77						4229.83
24	Checkbook balance		4651.2	4944.14	4966.02	5032.93	4730.87	4607.83	4620.77	4395.77						4229.83
25	CD															
26	interest		0.18	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18					1.43	
27	Total	2165.36	2168.09	2168.27	2168.44	2168.62	2168.8	2168.98	2169.16	2169.34						
28																
29	Total at Capital One	6395.19	6819.29	7112.41	7134.46	7201.55	6899.67	6776.81	6789.93	6565.11	0	0	0	0		4229.83
30	Petty cash	25	25	25	25	25	25	29.37	29.37	29.37						25
31	Total treasury	6420.19	6844.29	7137.41	7159.46	7226.55	6924.67	6806.18	6819.3	6594.48	0	0	0	0		4254.83

2014 Club Officers

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