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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)

2014 Officer Elections This Month

Elections for officers of the Executive Board of the Arlington Amateur Radio Club will be held at this month's regular meeting. All single-year-term offices (that is, all except the License Trustee and the Agent Of Record, which are 10 year offices concurrent with the club's Station License which expires in 2018) are up for election for next year. All members in good standing are eligible to vote.

Holiday Party Next Month

The club's annual holiday party is coming up in early December, taking the place of a December club meeting as it has for much of recorded history. In addition to dinner and conversation, the party also features a white elephant gift exchange of sorts. Bring a wrapped gift (\$10 limit) if you wish to participate. You never know what you'll end up with yourself: it might even be something you actually need.

The party will also feature, as it has in recent years, a drawing for a Yaesu 2-meter VHF mobile radio. Tickets are \$5.00 each and will be available at this month's club meeting. This is an excellent way to support the club and you might end up walking away with something you can use as well.

Join us on December 9th 6:30pm at the Black Eyed Pea 1400 N Collins St in Arlington. (in the Lincoln Square). *This party will be in place of our normal December meeting, so our next normally scheduled meeting will be January 16th.*

Calendar of Events

November 21: Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

Board meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

November 21: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

November 22: Dining Out 5:00 pm, Cafe Pulido's 3330 Matlock Rd, Arlington

November 22: VE Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

December 6: First Saturday Breakfast 8:30 am Pioneer Restaurant, 306 109th St, Arlington

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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. Dave Walker W5DJO 817-557-5219

-Depending on price and condition I would like to find two older Kenwood accessories; MC-50 desk microphone and and SP-520 speaker. Before shopping Ebay I would like to give the club members an opportunity to sell unused items. I can be reached at KD5RA@live.com or 817-874-5463.

For Sale

Antenna mounts

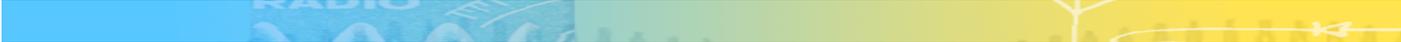
I have a light bar that has 3 MNO antenna mounts (on top) and 2 for COMET(one each side) antennas. Turn/stop lights are LEDs with backup lights.

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 W5DJO 817-557-5219

Birthdays

Don Kovatch N5YAK	11/5
Tom Little W5QVP	11/23
David Lucas KF5CFW	11/13
Saleh Abdulmanan KE5UZD	11/14
Joseph Spencer KK5NA	11/12
Joyce Waites W5FJB	11/11

Next Meeting 11/21/2014



From the Presidents Desk

The year is coming to an end and changes are always made. This month's elections will bring an end to my reign as President. It has been my great pleasure to have served in this office. I was always a bundle of nerves and unsure of myself. I made mistakes and tried to learn from them. I would like to thank all the Board Officers and the Membership of the Club for their support.

I want to wish the NEW Officers my best and hope that next year will be better than the last.

73

Sherry W5YUP

Contest Corner November

+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Nov 14
+ SARL Field Day Contest	1000Z, Nov 15 to 1000Z, Nov 16
+ Russian WW MultiMode Contest	1200Z, Nov 15 to 1200Z, Nov 16
+ Feld Hell Sprint	1600Z-1800Z, Nov 15
+ All Austrian 160-Meter Contest	1600Z, Nov 15 to 0700Z, Nov 16
+ NA Collegiate ARC Championship, SSB	2100Z, Nov 15 to 0300Z, Nov 17
+ RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest, CW	2100Z, Nov 15 to 0100Z, Nov 16
+ ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB	2100Z, Nov 15 to 0300Z, Nov 17
+ Homebrew and Oldtime Equipment Party	1300-1500Z, Nov 16 (40m) and 1500-1700Z, Nov 16 (80m)
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0400Z, Nov 17
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Nov 19
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Nov 19 and 1900Z-2000Z, Nov 19 and 0300Z-0400Z, Nov 20
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Nov 20
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Nov 21
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Nov 21
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Nov 21
+ YO International PSK31 Contest	1600Z-2200Z, Nov 21
+ LZ DX Contest	1200Z, Nov 22 to 1200Z, Nov 23
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Nov 26
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Nov 26 and 1900Z-2000Z, Nov 26 and 0300Z-0400Z, Nov 27
+ QRP ARCI Topband Sprint	0000Z-0600Z, Nov 27
+ RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW	2000Z-2100Z, Nov 27
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Nov 28
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Nov 28
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Nov 29 to 2400Z, Nov 30

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.

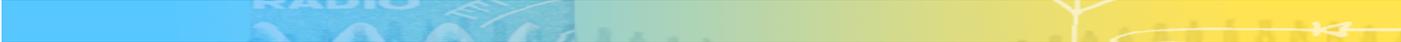
Public Service

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.



October 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:35pm October 17th, 2014 by the President, Sherry W5YUP. Other board members present included the Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF.

Sherry W5YUP called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

She informed the membership that the AARC will be celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2015. If you are interested in participating on the committee to organize the celebration, then contact Sherry.

Joyce W5FJB reviewed the treasurer's report from the month of August. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the financial report as published. She reviewed the treasurer's report from the month of September and noted a correction to the total club treasury. The value should have read \$6,586.66. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the financial report as corrected.

The minutes for the September meetings were submitted for publication in the October 2014 newsletter. A correction to the minutes was noted: The motion regarding the allocation of the sum of \$300 to replace the electric generator **had not** been made.

A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as corrected.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold test sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. He will continue to accept ballots for the Ham of the Year at the next club meeting.

Dennis N5ACK published the October newsletter and distributed it.

Maurice KM5RF reported that he suspected the 147.14 repeater was causing intermittent interference on adjacent frequencies. The Board voted to turn off the repeater until an investigation can be conducted. The 70cm repeater will remain operational.

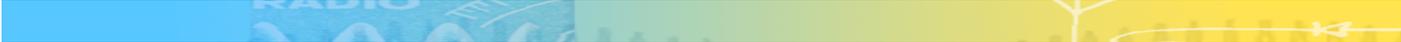
Bill AE5BT reported that the Boy Scouts of America event known as Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) will be held on Saturday, October 18th. He would not be able to attend the event hosted by the AARC, but other club members will be setting up a station.

Rob May NV5E, having been appointed as the nominating committee chair, informed the membership that officer elections will be held at the November membership meeting. All offices are voted upon. The current President, Vice President, and Treasurer will not be seeking re-election for those offices. He is looking for a person to fill the office of Vice President.

A break was taken at 8:10pm.

Meeting resumed at 8:25pm with a show-and-tell on various ham radio equipment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. The sign-in sheet showed 27 people in attendance, 25 indicating AARC membership.



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

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on October 17th, 2014 at 6:30pm. Present were President, Sherry W5YUP; Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF.

Sherry reminded the board that the AARC will be celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2015. She would like to start a committee to organize a celebratory event. She started a discussion regarding the addition of a business web link to the club's web page. The board decided to not add the web link.

Joyce reviewed the treasurer's reports for August and September. She noted a correction to the September total balance.

Maurice reported that he suspected the 147.14 repeater was causing interference with adjacent stations. He made a motion that the repeater be shut down until further investigation can take place. The motion carried. Maurice will contact the concerned repeater trustees.

Bill reminded the board that JOTA will be held on Saturday, October 18th.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.

October 2014 Financial Report
Submitted by Joyce Waites, W5FJB Treasurer 2014

Arlington Amateur Radio Club October 2014 Financial Report

ACCOUNTS

Checking	11/3/2014 General fund		3252.74
	G&W 428.65(part of G.F)		
	Repeater fund		1211.90
	Expenses		
	Income	Dues	7.50
		Raffle	45.00
Balances	Bank	11/3/2014	4444.64
	Checkbook		4444.64
C.D. (renew 12/19/2014)	interest this month .18		2169.70
TOTAL AT CAPITAL ONE			6614.34
Petty cash			25.00
TOTAL CLUB TREASURY			6639.34

2014 Club Officers

President:	Sherry Shelton W5YUP - camperstar44@yahoo.com - 817-275-2074
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Trustee:	Maurice Martin KM5RF - km5rf@att.net - 817-266-9906
Agent of Record:	Phil Stage N5PWW - n5pww@sbcglobal.net - 817-465-5624
Public Information Officer:	David Lucas KF5CFW - kf5cfw@gmail.com - 817-781-7256
Webmaster:	David Lucas KF5CFW - kf5cfw@gmail.com - 817-781-7256
Repeater Committee:	Paul Baumgardner W5PSB (chair), Maurice Martin KM5RF, Harold Reasoner K5SXX