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Club Meetings

Meetings are held the third Friday of each month in the Human Services building located at:

501 W. Sanford in central Arlington at 7:30 p.m.

Members generally begin arriving at 7:00 pm.

The executive board meeting is held prior to the general member meeting at starting at 6:30 pm. All members are welcome to attend the executive board meeting.

K5SLD Repeaters

147.14+ PL 110.9

224.8- PL 110.9

444.2+ PL 100.0

President's Corner

The summer heat is upon us. It's a good time to get on the air. Hopefully your shack is well air conditioned! Earlier this month the big 13 Colonies special event was more popular than ever and kept me in the chair at my station for several afternoons, working the Colonies on SSB, CW and even FT8! If you worked all 13 special call signs, congratulations! Even working a few is a feat with some of the pile-ups this time around. Special events like this are plentiful in the summer and are a great way to enjoy HF. And at the very end of Summer is another great opportunity with the huge Route 66 event revs up September 7-15.

As the summer does end it will be back to business as usual for many of us, and the Arlington ARC is no exception. After all the Field Day and ice cream there will be work to do.... planning what's next. Along these lines Mary AE6Q and I were recently invited to attend a meeting for club officers held by the ARRL West Gulf director John Stratton N5AUS and North Texas Section Manager Steve Lott KG5VK. The meeting was designed to get feedback from area clubs about what the League needs to be doing to serve its affiliates as the new efforts to reset the ARRL's focus to Lifetime Learning begins. Mary and I learned a lot and are enthusiastic to share that with you guys in hopes of finding our direction as a part of the ARRL. I think the most valuable thing I learned is that within the League each club has a unique flavor and voice, and the League wants to be dedicated to assisting us in carving out our unique direction.

As we grow and change I hope that we can all enjoy the journey together and make full use of what our club and the ARRL have to offer. We value each of you and your input in the process. Thanks for being a part of Arlington ARC. Keep letting us know what we can do for you.

73!

Virginia NV5F

Announcements

July Program

Dave Martin K5YFO will be doing a presentation in person on "EMCOMM 101: How to participate in emergencies and public service events."

Current Events

A few observations about Field Day

Participation has varied from 15 to 81, with about 46 being the average.

QSO's (leaving out the year we were almost all killed by lightning) vary from 231 to 996. Those numbers correspond to a valley and a peak in the sunspot cycle.

Points (again, leaving out 2008) vary from 1468 to 3644.

I don't know what happened in 2014, it was at the sunspot peak and we had a big turn out but very few points. Does anyone remember that year in particular?

Rob

Club Net

Be sure to check into the AARC net Wednesday night at 7:00pm on the clubs' 2m repeater (147.140, pl 1109). We've had some lively and very interesting discussions on digital modes and legal status of Chinese handie-talkies the last couple of weeks. If you have a topic or question feel free to bring it up, I'm sure we'll have lots of good information to pass along. 73, K5SLD

Want a club name badge?

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Birthdays

If I missed your birthday, let me know (I won't include the year, it makes me feel old) - Trey

Calendar of Events

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

==== Dining Out (July 20, 5 pm) ====

Amira's Mediterranean Restaurant, 2424 West Division Street, Arlington, TX 76012.

==== Breakfast (August 3, 8:30 am) ====

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

July 20: Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

August 3: Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

Warning sirens

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 the Office Of Emergency Management (817-459-6939).

Meeting Minutes

Unavailable at time of publication

AARC June 2019 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE	05/31/19	GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,798.21
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 384.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 738.59
		CHECKING	\$ 3,921.64
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,178.67
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 6,150.31
EXPENSES			
		NET CHANGE	\$ 57.68
INCOME			
	DEP DUES	DUES	\$ 33.68
	DEP GOOD & WELFARE	GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 24.00
BALANCE	06/30/19	GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,831.89
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 408.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 738.59
		CHECKING	\$ 3,979.32
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,178.67
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 6,207.99

Membership

Want to join the club

2019 Club Dues are due

Print a membership form from our website k5sld.org and join us. Annual dues are \$25.00 Individual, \$35.00 Family, or \$15.00 Associate

2019 Club Officers

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