



# COMMUNICATOR

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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

### A Historic Month for our Country and Amateur Radio!

June 2020 certainly ended up being a month to remember, but also a Field Day to remember. With the relaxed operating rules from ARRL, and some pent-up demand to operate in some new ways, the Membership put on quite an event with many different modes and tactics being used throughout the 24 hour period. If you operated at all, please ensure your get your contacts uploaded to ARRL. It is going to be exciting to see how we did as a distributed team. Hat's off to Rob, W5WS, who put up an impressive number of points!

Due to my surgery on Jun 29<sup>th</sup>, the day after FD, I was not back on the air until the 10-10 net on Sunday, the 12<sup>th</sup>. But I will bet our Wednesday 2M net has continued to provide an avenue for everyone to meet and share things that we all have going on. We have some great innovators, builders, restorers and operators that are always willing to share their latest "adventures". The net controls do a fantastic job and keep it lively and informational. Come join us at 7 pm every Wednesday night on the club repeater on 147.14, PL 110.9! And then, move over to 28.460 for the 10-10 International

Virginia, NV5F, has another great program lined up and I am sure you will be able to hear a "story" or two from those that were operating on Field Day.

We will be virtual again this month and a link to the Zoom meeting will be sent out closer to the meeting night. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A NEW LINK AND YOU CAN NOT USE THE PREVIOUS LINK.**

We will have another great time, even if virtually!

Stay safe and we will see you on the air!

73's!

David

K5NN

# Announcements

## June 2020 program

### What Goes Into an ARISS Contact

The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARRISS) program allows students to experience the excitement of talking directly with astronauts, inspiring them to pursue interests in careers in science, technology, engineering and math, and engaging them with radio science technology through amateur radio. Learn about the history of amateur radio contacts with crewmembers in space, how the ARISS program works and the tremendous amount of advanced planning and coordination it takes to maximize the chances that the contact is successful. Calvin Gluck, W7KYG will discuss these topics and his recent experience working on an ARISS contact! Join us in our July meeting via Zoom for this exciting program!

### Newsletter Submissions

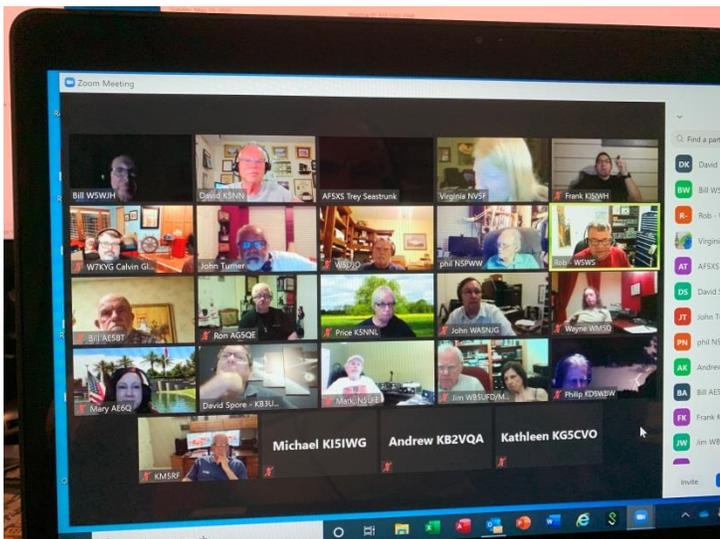
Submissions for the newsletter are due by the Saturday preceding the monthly club meeting

## Events

### Club Meeting – Field Day via ZOOM

Watch your email for the invite.

Hope to see you online.



June meeting via Zoom

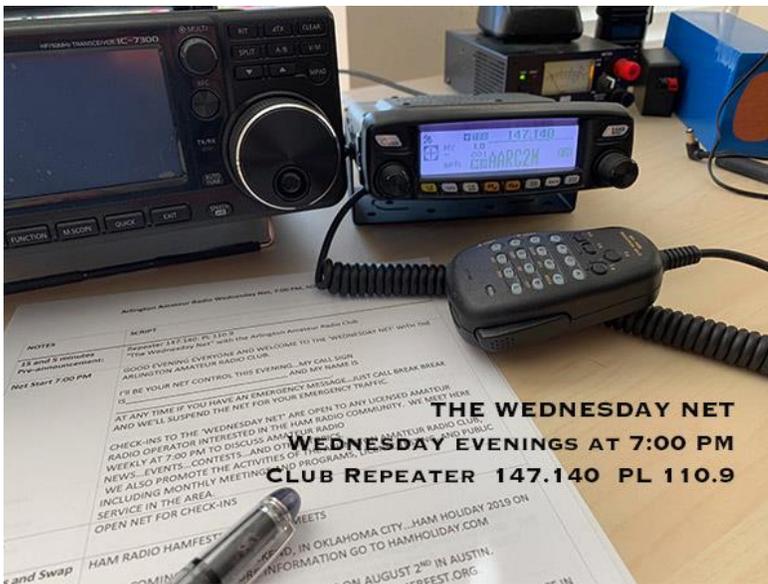
## Club Net

Please join Net Control every **Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM for the club's "Wednesday Net"**. Each week we discuss HF conditions and activities, the contest and Hamfest calendars, answer the Question Pool Question of the Week, and have a general discussion to hear what's happening with our members and visitors to the Net.

Don't be left out! Fire up your VHF/UHF rig, and key that microphone! Newcomers are especially welcome. Ask questions and get familiar with the hobby.

Join us for the **"Wednesday Net" at 7:00 PM** on the club 2 meter repeater, frequency 147.140 MHz, with the PL Tone 110.9. We hope to hear you there!

73, K5SLD



## Want a club name badge?

 <b>ACCENT AWARDS &amp; TROPHIES</b> 1815 W. PARK ROW • ARLINGTON, TX 76013 TROPHIES • PLAQUES • RIBBONS • ENGRAVING SIGNAGE • BADGES • ACRYLICS sales@accentawards.us <b>817.469.8791</b> www.accentawards.us	 <b>DAVE</b> <b>W5DJO</b> \$8.95 each plus tax
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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 17: General Membership Meeting** 7:30 pm, via ZOOM – look for invite in your email.

**July 18: Testing** 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

**==== Breakfast (July 4, 8:30 am) ====**

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

**August 1: 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

## June 2020 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was held via teleconference and called to order on June 19th, 2020 at 7:34 pm by the President, David K5NN. Other board members present included Vice President, Virginia NV5F; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; and Editor, Trey AF5XS.

David K5NN called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to add their first name and call sign to their teleconference screen name.

Virginia NV5F informed the membership the evening's program would be presented by Rob W5WS and Calvin W7KYG on the topic of tips for operating Field Day as an individual. In the month of July, Calvin will provide a presentation on organizing an ARISS event. August will bring us to the ice cream social. Virginia is planning the presentations for September and October, with November being a show-and-tell.

Andy KB2VQA noted that the June newsletter contained the minutes from the May meeting. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report as it appeared in the June newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published. He will wait until the cooler weather of fall before he plans to install the new repeater.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter for June. Submissions of content are welcomed and due by the Saturday before the club meeting.

Phil N5PWW continues to provide testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month at 401. W. Sanford Street (use north side entrance). Four people are scheduled to attend the next test session. There is a test session planned for July 4th. Social distancing is being exercised.

Bill AE5BT announced that only 8 days remained until Field Day 2020.

Philip Scoggins KD5WBW, the Public Information Officer, plans to publish a media release on FaceBook and Twitter to inform the public of the club's Field Day activities.

David KF5UNP gave a brief 'Behind the call sign' presentation.

A break was taken at 7:54 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:00 pm with Rob W5WS and Calvin W7KYG providing helpful information on how to work Field Day from home and alone. The presentations were completed at 8:54 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The teleconference attendance screen showed 24 people in attendance, 23 being AARC members.

**June 2020 Executive Board Meeting Minutes**  
**submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary**

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held via teleconference on June 19th, 2020 at 6:49 pm. Present were President, David K5NN; Vice President, Virginia NV5F; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Editor, Trey AF5XS.

David K5NN called the meeting to order.

Virginia NV5F mentioned that the program for the evening's meeting would be presented by Rob W5WS and Calvin W7KYG via teleconference on the topic of working Field Day from home. July will be a program on all that goes in to setting up and running an ARISS event. The ice cream social is scheduled for August, assuming social distancing requirements are relaxed by then. She is working on programs for September and October, with a show-and-tell scheduled for November.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report published in the June newsletter. He paid the rent on the post office box. He plans on waiting until fall arrives before installing the repeater upgrade.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the June newsletter contained the minutes from the May meetings.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Four people have confirmed that they will be participating in the next session. There will be a test session scheduled for July 4th. Social distancing is being exercised.

Bill AE5BT announced that only eight days remained until Field Day. He plans on working Field Day from home using a class D station.

Trey AF5XS published the June newsletter.

Philip Scoggins KD5WBW, the Public Information Officer, will send a press release to advertise the club's involvement in Field Day.

Via Virginia NV5F, David Spore KB3UBD reported that the club picnic would not take place due to social distancing requirements and the large number of people likely to attend. A camping trip in September or October could take place with a limit number of people.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

## AARC June 2020 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE	05/31/20	GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,715.18
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 281.47
		CHECKING	<b>\$ 3,541.49</b>
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,180.71
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	<b>\$ 5,772.20</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
	2036 Maurice Martin	PO BOX RENTAL	<b>\$ 118.00</b>
INCOME			
	DEP DUES	DUES	\$ 131.62
		NET CHANGE	\$ (13.62)
BALANCE	06/30/20	GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,728.80
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 281.47
		CHECKING	<b>\$ 3,555.11</b>
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,180.71
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	<b>\$ 5,785.82</b>

# Membership

Let me know if you need any club business cards, which are handy for introducing people to the club or handing out during Ham conventions.

David KB3UBD

## Want to join the club

2020 Club Dues are due

Print a membership form from our website [k5sld.org](http://k5sld.org) and join us. Annual dues are \$25.00 Individual, \$35.00 Family, or \$15.00 Associate

## 2020 Club Officers

<b>President:</b>	David Setzer K5NN – <a href="mailto:k5nn@att.net">k5nn@att.net</a> -
<b>Vice President:</b>	Virginia Smith NV5F - <a href="mailto:virginia@pipertoo.com">virginia@pipertoo.com</a> - 601-467-5920
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<b>Repeater Committee:</b>	Maurice Martin KM5RF (chair), Rob May W5WS, Don Kovatch N5YAK, Gerry Dalton W5MAY