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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

Happy New Year

We made it! Finally out of 2020 with hope on the horizon!

I want to thank the membership for a memorable year. Looking back, little did we know the challenges our country was going to face in 2020. AARC managed to hold two in person meetings before transitioning to a virtual meeting format. Thank all of you for staying with us through our growing pains in the virtual world, but I think we have mastered it and remained very active!

Our "Holiday Extravaganza" proved to be informational and fun. We learned some interesting facts about some of the club members. If you did not attend, did you know we have club members that:

1. Won an Emmy
2. Were clinically dead for 45 minutes before being resuscitated
3. Were born in Tripoli
4. Flew in a Bi-plane over Martha Stewart's house
5. Worked with the person that eventually found the Titanic wreckage

Price Woolrige, Mr. Emmy winner, was recognized as the Ham of the Year for his outstanding service to the club. Among other contributions to the club, he is our net control for the Wednesday night 2M net and always does a great job.

It was great to have Mary, AE6Q, Ms. Born in Tripoli, with us as last year's recipient of the award, to announce this year's winner.

Our new Vice President, Jack Weaver, AA5VZ, has some great programs teed up for the year. We will have a yearlong series called "Getting Started". This month will be, Getting Started with Satellite Operations. Some future programs planned are:

- Learning and using CW
- Raspberry Pi for the Shack
- Learning and Building with the Arduino
- Traffic Handling on DFW Nets
- Looking Across 100 Years of Amateur Radio

Our January meeting is on January 15th via Zoom. The Board will meet at 6:30, and the membership at 7:30. Everyone is welcomed to attend the board meeting if you desire. Be on the lookout for the email with the link. It should be the same one we have been using.

And, just a reminder, annual membership dues for 2021 are now due! You can pay them on the website, k5sld.com.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me an email or call. My email is k5nn@att.net and my cell is 214-536-9726.

We hope to see you on the 15th.

73's

David Setzer K5NN

Announcements

January 2021 program

Getting Started with Satellite Operations.

It should be an interesting program so we hope you will all join us via Zoom.

Newsletter Submissions

Submissions for the newsletter are due by the Saturday preceding the monthly club meeting. I would prefer to receive them in Word format or in a text editor like Notepad. If you can avoid it please don't send it in PDF format, as it is a pain to tear apart a PDF, if I need to change any formatting.

Events

Club Meeting – via ZOOM

We'll have our monthly membership meeting this Friday, January 15th at 7:30pm following the Executive Board meeting at 6:30. Both are open meetings so feel free to join in before the membership meeting if you like.

Check your email for the invite.

Hope to see you online.

FYI

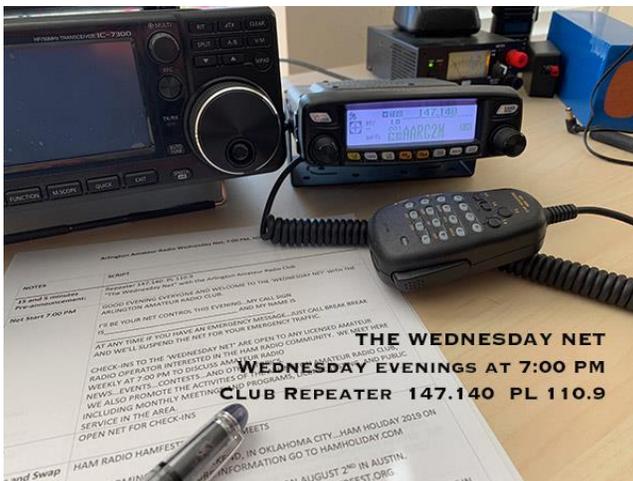
From ARRL

FCC Reduces Proposed Amateur Radio Application Fee to \$35

The FCC has agreed with ARRL and other commenters that its proposed \$50 fee for certain amateur radio applications was "too high to account for the minimal staff involvement in these applications." In a *Report and Order* ([R&O](#)), released on December 29, the FCC scaled back to \$35 the fee for a new license application, a special temporary authority (STA) request, a rule waiver request, a license renewal application, and a vanity call sign application. All fees are per application. Administrative updates, such as a change of mailing or email address, are exempt.

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?

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Birthdays

David Spore 1/11

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

Calendar of Events

January 15: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, via ZOOM – look for invite in your email.

January 16: Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

==== Breakfast (February 6, 8:30 am) ====

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

February 6: 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

November 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 November 20th, 2020 at 7:32 pm by the President, David K5NN. Other board members present included Vice President, Virginia NV5F; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Editor, Trey AF5XS. Absent were Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; and Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

David K5NN called the meeting to order.

Virginia NV5F informed the membership that the program for the evening would be presented by Dr. Ed Albin from American Public University on the topic of radio astronomy.

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

Maurice KM5RF was not present. David K5NN reviewed the financial report. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter for November.

Phil N5PWW reported that there are no training classes being held at this time. He 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). Three people have confirmed that they will attend the next test session.

Philip KD5WDW, the Public Information Officer, will be posting club meeting information on Facebook and the Facebook group Good News Arlington.

As Nominating Committee chair, Price K5NNL, informed the membership that the election of officers would be held tonight. All offices were open for nominations. A slate of candidates was assembled as follows: President, David Setzer K5NN; Vice President, Jack Weaver, Jr. AA5VZ; Secretary, Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA; Treasurer, Maurice Martin KM5RF; Training Coordinator, Phil Stage N5PWW; Emergency Coordinator, Bill Tatsch, Jr. AE5BT; Editor, Trey Seastrunk AF5XS; Station Trustee, Maurice Martin KM5RF; and Agent of Record, Phil Stage N5PWW.

With the floor open for additional nominations, Price K5NNL asked three times if there were any additional nominations. No additional nominations were made. A motion was made that the slate of candidates be elected by acclamation. The motion carried, and a majority of those present voted in the affirmative. The slate of candidates was elected.

David K5NN discussed various entertaining activities that might be done during the December teleconference in lieu of the usual in-person December holiday gathering.

Rob W5WS announced that he was accepting votes for Ham of the Year. He also informed the membership that the official Field Day 2020 scores were available.

David Spore KB3UBD shared pictures of the camping trip to Smithville, Texas.

A break was taken at 8:09 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:15 pm with a presentation by Dr. Ed Albin on radio astronomy and his efforts to build a radio telescope array at American Public University.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm. The teleconference attendance screen showed 23 people in attendance, 19 being AARC members.

**November 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 November 20th, 2020 at 6:49 pm. Present were President, David K5NN; Vice President, Virginia NV5F; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Editor, Trey AF5XS. Absent were Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF, and Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

David K5NN called the meeting to order.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the November newsletter contained the minutes from the October meetings.

In the absence of Maurice KM5RF, David K5NN reviewed the financial report published in the November newsletter.

Virginia NV5F informed the board that she was expecting the presenter of the evening's program on radio astronomy to check-in at 8 pm.

Trey AF5XS published the November newsletter.

Phil N5PWW reported that there were no training classes in session at this time. Testing sessions are still being held promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Three people have confirmed that they will be present at the next test session. Social distancing is in practice.

Philip KD5WDW, as the Public Information Officer, plans to post club meeting and contact information on Facebook.

David K5NN suggested several activities to make the teleconference holiday gathering an entertaining and lively one. The gathering will be held on the third Friday of December.

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

AARC November 2020 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE	
BALANCE	10/31/20			
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,598.69	
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84	
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 281.47	
		CHECKING	\$ 3,425.00	
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00	
		C.D.	\$ 2,199.83	
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00	
		NET TOTAL	\$ 5,674.83	
EXPENSES	ACH	CLUB LIABILITY INSURANCE	INSURANCE	\$ 200.00
INCOME		DUES	DUES	\$ 57.65
		AMAZON SMILE	DONATION	\$ 12.18
		NET CHANGE	\$ (130.17)	
BALANCE	11/30/20			
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,468.52	
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84	
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 281.47	
		CHECKING	\$ 3,294.83	
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00	
		C.D.	\$ 2,199.83	
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00	
		NET TOTAL	\$ 5,544.66	

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		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 5,544.66
EXPENSES			
INCOME	DUES	DUES	\$ 82.65
	REPEATER FUND	DONATION	\$ 5.00
		NET CHANGE	\$ 87.65
BALANCE			
	12/31/20		
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,551.17
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 286.47
		CHECKING	\$ 3,382.48
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$6.93 \$ 2,206.76
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 5,639.24

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

2021 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

2020 Club Officers

President:	David Setzer K5NN – k5nn@att.net - 214-536-9726
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