



# 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

### It's that time of year again

This time of the year is very important to the AARC. First, we are in need of volunteers to step forward and be nominated to serve on the Board. No volunteer organization like ours can exist unless members step forward to serve in leadership positions. Yes, it does involve some work, but the rewards are seeing that the club is moving forward and continuing to stay strong. Please consider putting your name "in the hat" for a slot on the Board!

Second, it's time to nominate a club member for the Ham of the Year recognition. This award is given to a member who has gone above and beyond in supporting the club. Last year, Price Woolridge received the award for his continued support of the club by anchoring the Wednesday night 2 Meter nets on the club repeater. As last year's recipient, he has the duty to receive nominations for this distinguished award. Please send him your nominations and we will here the results in December!

[pricewool@gmail.com](mailto:pricewool@gmail.com).

We will be meeting in person **AND** via Zoom this month, continuing to meet the needs of our members, some of whom are in need of a virtual meeting.

The meeting will be on October 15th, at 501 W. Sanford, at the usual time. The Board of Directors meets at 6:30 and the membership at 7:30. Everyone is welcome to attend either or both meetings.

If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email or call my cell. My email is [k5nn@att.net](mailto:k5nn@att.net) and my cell is 214-536-9726.

We hope to see you in person or virtually on the 15<sup>th</sup>!  
73's

David Setzer K5NN  
President-AARC

# Announcements

## October 2021 program

### How To Get Started in Contesting

Our program this month will be How to Get Started in Contesting. There will be plenty of pointers on gearing up for, and participating in, contest events. I hope to get some confidence building tips to enable me to be more efficient and successful during contests!

It should be an interesting program so we hope you will all join us at our regular meeting spot

### 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 or make any edits.

# Volunteer Opportunities

## 2021 Walk to End Alzheimers - Oct. 30th

We have a new event coming up at the end of this month. The Walk to End Alzheimers has always been a favorite event. It is well organized and quick.

The venue will be The Shops at Clear Fork where we have done a number of events.

We will have limited positions to for communicators so sign up on Better Impact!

As soon as I have the route map I will send it out.

Text or call me with any questions.

Chuck Inmon

[message@volunteer2mail.com](mailto:message@volunteer2mail.com)

## Veterans Day Parade Thursday November 11th

Once again we are honored to support the Tarrant County Veterans Council for the 2021 Veterans Day Parade. Veterans Day Parade Thursday November 11th We will use the same route as last year.

This event is a lot of fun and runs pretty fast.

You can sign up on Better Impact.

There will be separate start times for volunteer positions. I will have them on the Assignment Sheet. The assignments will come out a week before the event.

Text or email me with questions, comments or observations.

Chuck Inmon

[message@volunteer2mail.com](mailto:message@volunteer2mail.com)

## Birthdays

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

## Happenings



Start / finish area before the event.

Flyover almost blocked by my hand.

The AARC assisted the Rotary Club and Joe Hall Roofing, Inc. at the 7th Annual Heros 5K Race and Fun Run. The event was on September 11, 2021. Fortunately, it was a little cooler than the mornings just a few days before. The event had about 150 participants.

Dave, W5DJO, Red, N5PBR, and I played a small part when there was confusion on the location of the one water stop and the water supply vehicle. The stop was staffed and equipped when the event began.

Events like this tend to grow. Let's hope next year we can help again and with more operators at a bigger event.

Philip, KD5WBW

## Calendar of Events

**October 15: Board Meeting** 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

All members are welcome attend.

**October 15: General Membership Meeting** 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

If you want to join via Zoom:

Time: October 15, 2021 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6741614515?pwd=NIB6SFF1b3dIQlpFQS9GSW1BUXI2QT09>

Meeting ID: 674 161 4515

Passcode: 4uVv5z

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+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 674 161 4515

Passcode: 710798

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdm6u7pYrZ>

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

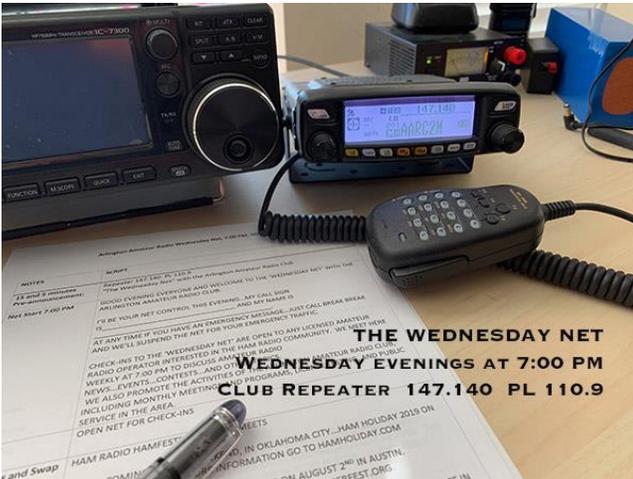
**==== Dining Out ( October 16, 5:00 pm) ====**

Dining Out 5:00 pm, David's Barbecue, 2224 W Park Row Dr, Pantego, TX 76013

**==== Breakfast ( November 6, 8:30 am) ====**

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

**November 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).

	
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# Meeting Minutes

## September 2021 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order on September 17th, 2021 at 7:31 pm by the President, David K5NN, accompanied by a teleconference simulcast. Other board members present included Vice President, Jack AA5VZ; 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, asking attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Jack AA5VZ thanked those who provided ice cream, desserts, and show-and-tell items for last month's meeting. He informed the membership that the evening's presentation on NTS traffic handling would be provided by Brian Schoenefeld WX5FTS.

Andy KB2VQA noted that the September newsletter contained the minutes from the August meetings. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report of August 2021. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published. Maurice is in the process of converting the club's PayPal account from a personal account to a business account, with the final goal of attaining a 501(c)(3) account. This will reduce the fees that the club is currently paying. The audit of the financial records of 2020 was conducted at last month's meeting. All the numbers balanced. In regard to recently observed interference on the repeater, Maurice speculates that the cause may be due to someone using cross band repeat with the feature not being correctly configured for their equipment.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter for September 2021. All submissions are welcomed, and requested to be received by the Saturday before the club meeting.

Bill AE5BT informed the membership that Field Day 2022 was 281 days away. Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), the amateur radio scouting event, will be held on October 16th. Due to lack of social distancing, Bill decided that it would not be prudent for the club to visit Sid Richardson Scout Ranch to participate. Members can participate from their stations at home, and still introduce scouts to the hobby.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month at 401 W. Sanford Street (use the entrance on the north side). There are no training classes being held at this time. Mansfield-Johnson Amateur Radio Service is conducting limited training.

Philip KD5WDW, the Public Information Officer, mentioned that he and several other club members provided assistance during the Arlington Heroes Run, which included a 5K and a 1 mile fun run.

David K5NN asked for a volunteer to accept the position of Nominating Committee Chair, in

preparation for the election of club officers on November 19th. Price K5NNL will be collecting ballots for Ham of the Year.

A break was taken at 8:06 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:15 pm with a presentation on NTS traffic handling, given by Brian Schoenefeld WX5FTS.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 26 people in attendance, 20 indicating AARC membership. Zoom attendees numbered 11.

## **September 2021 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary**

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on September 17th, 2021 at 6:38 pm, accompanied by a teleconference simulcast. Present were President, David K5NN; Vice President, Jack AA5VZ; 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. Upcoming events include election of club officers and voting for Ham of the Year. Price K5NNL, will be responsible for collecting ballots for Ham of the Year. David will seek a volunteer for the position of Nominating Committee Chair with the duty of preparing a slate of candidates for the elections to be held in November.

Jack AA5VZ mentioned that the evening's program would be on handling NTS traffic, present by Brian Schoenefeld WX5FTS. Next month Brian WX5FTS will provide a presentation on contesting.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the September newsletter contained the minutes from the August meetings.

Maurice KM5RF, reviewed the financial report published in the September 2021 newsletter. The audit of the financial records of 2020 was conducted during the ice cream social. No irregularities were found. Maurice is in the process of converting the club's PayPal account from a personal account to a business account, with the final goal of attaining a 501(c)(3) account.

Maurice speculates that interference on the repeater may be due to someone using cross band repeat with the feature not being correctly configured for their equipment.

Trey AF5XS published the September 2021 newsletter.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. No training sessions are being held at this time, however, five people have expressed interest in General Class training.

Bill AE5BT mentioned that JOTA (Jamboree on the Air), the amateur radio scouting event, will be held on October 16th. He feels that the club should maintain social distancing and not visit Sid Richardson Scout Ranch to set up stations. Members can transmit from their homes and speak with scouts, introducing them to the amateur radio hobby.

Philip KD5WDW, the Public Information Officer, mentioned that he and several other club members provided assistance during the Arlington Heroes Run, which included a 5K and a 1 mile fun run.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.AARC

## September 2021 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE			
	08/31/21		
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 3,225.19
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 286.47
		CHECKING	<b>\$ 4,056.50</b>
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,208.56
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	<b>\$ 6,315.06</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
INCOME	DUES	DUES	\$ 98.28
	DONATION FROM EQUIPMENT SALE	DONATION	\$ 30.00
	GOOD & WELFARE	GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 5.00
		NET CHANGE	\$ 133.28
BALANCE			
	09/30/21		
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 3,323.47
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 549.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 316.47
		CHECKING	<b>\$ 4,189.78</b>
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,208.56
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	<b>\$ 6,448.34</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.

## Want to join the club

2021 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

## 2021 Club Officers

<b>President:</b>	David Setzer K5NN – <a href="mailto:k5nn@att.net">k5nn@att.net</a> - 214-536-9726
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