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August Announcements

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New Technician License Course

The Technician license course that was to begin in August has been postponed for now due to a current need for participants. If you would like to study for your technician class license or if you know someone who is interested, please contact **Phil Stage N5PWW** n5pww@sbcglobal.net

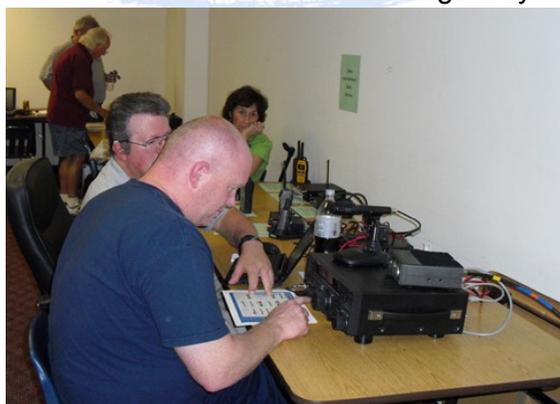
August Ice Cream Social

Just in the nick of time, something COOL to do. As usual August is ice cream time. We will have a short business meeting and then get right to the ice cream. Please bring your favorite homemade or store bought ice cream, or toppings, or a cooler and some ice to help us keep all this good stuff from melting. We have had several people sign up to bring ice cream, a cooler or a non-dairy desert. We could also use some drinks. So please email **Virginia, NV5F** to sign up to bring something. - pipertoo@earthlink.net Those who have already signed up, you know who you are.



A Few Growing Pains

There are a few graphic differences in the newsletter this month. I have switched computers and the new one has different fonts and slightly different software, so things may look a little different for the moment. Hope this isn't too big of a deal to anyone. This is also the explanation for the lateness of this month's newsletter. Thanks for your patience. -**Virginia NV5F**



Getting on the Air

Jack Swinden W5JCK assists a guest to the Field Day GOTA station by showing him an amateur band chart.

August Presentation

The August presentation will consist of a photo slideshow during the ice cream eating. If you have any ham photos to add to the show, please send them to **Dennis McGrath, N5ACK** n5ack@arri.net. He would be happy to have them to add. Next month we will get back to normal presentations.

Arlington ARC Events Calendar

August 19, Fri, 6:30pm, Monthly Board Meeting at 501 W Sanford

August 19, Fri, 7:30pm, Monthly Club Meeting at 501 W Sanford

August 20, Sat, 10:00am, Amateur License test Session at 501 W Sanford

August 20, Sat, 5:00pm, Dining Out - Spaghetti Warehouse, 1255 West I-20, Arlington

September 3, Sat, 8:30am, 1st Saturday breakfast

September 3, Sat, 10:00am, Amateur License Test Session at 501 W Sanford

September 7, Wed. 12:30pm, Arlington Siren Test

September 16, Fri, 7:30pm, Monthly Club Meeting at 501 W Sanford

Our website has an Events Calendar, so check it out for the latest information on upcoming events at www.k5sld.com

AARC Financial Report – July 2011

AARC July 2011 Financial Report							
 Arlington ARC							
	Actual Feb-11	Actual Mar-11	Actual Apr-11	Actual May-11	Actual Jun-11	Actual Jul-11	
Income							
Dues	\$195.00	\$139.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$37.50	\$62.50	
PayPal Dues	\$0.00	\$129.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Good & Welfare	\$31.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$44.00	\$38.00	
AT&T overpayment refund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
CD interest	\$0.33	\$0.37	\$0.35	\$0.37	\$0.25	\$0.28	
	<u>\$226.33</u>	<u>\$293.93</u>	<u>\$35.35</u>	<u>\$31.37</u>	<u>\$81.75</u>	<u>\$100.78</u>	
Expenses							
Storage Hut	\$0.00	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1-800-Flowers (G&W)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$124.18	
Bank fees	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
AT&T	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Donation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
SafeHaven donation	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Liability Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Web Hosting	\$41.62	\$59.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Arlington Yacht Club	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Flowers by Linda (G&W)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Chris Webster (club expenses)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Bank check order	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Printing supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1 year PO Box fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Fry's - UPS for IRLP link PC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
406-430 MHz yagi (to Maurice; IRLP; repeater fund)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Ham Radio Outlet (4 under door jumpers)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Accent Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	<u>\$56.62</u>	<u>\$449.88</u>	<u>\$130.00</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$124.18</u>	
Variance	<u>\$169.71</u>	<u>-\$155.95</u>	<u>-\$94.65</u>	<u>\$16.37</u>	<u>\$81.75</u>	<u>-\$23.40</u>	
	Actual Feb-11	Actual Mar-11	Actual Apr-11	Actual May-11	Actual Jun-11	Actual Jul-11	Ending Balances
General Fund	\$138.38	-\$181.32	-\$50.00	\$10.00	\$37.50	\$62.50	\$1,461.27
Repeater Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$55.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,211.90
Good & Welfare	\$31.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$44.00	-\$86.18	\$598.40
Chase Checking	\$169.38	-\$156.32	-\$95.00	\$16.00	\$81.50	-\$23.68	\$3,271.57
Chase CD	\$0.33	\$0.37	\$0.35	\$0.37	\$0.25	\$0.28	\$2,159.71
Total Chase Bank	<u>\$169.71</u>	<u>-\$155.95</u>	<u>-\$94.65</u>	<u>\$16.37</u>	<u>\$81.75</u>	<u>-\$23.40</u>	<u>\$5,431.28</u>
Petty Cash	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Total - All Balances	<u>\$169.71</u>	<u>-\$155.95</u>	<u>-\$94.65</u>	<u>\$16.37</u>	<u>\$81.75</u>	<u>-\$23.40</u>	<u>\$5,456.28</u>
<p>Note: \$225.00 for storage paid 3/12/2011; good through 8/31/2011; 3 new members in July (1/2 year's dues)</p>							
<p>Prepared by Chris Webster, K5LTX Treasurer AARC since August 2009</p>							

July 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Andy Kapushoc, KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on July 15th, 2011 at 6:40pm. Present were President, Jack W5JCK; Vice President, Dennis N5ACK; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Chris K5LTX; Editor, Virginia NV5F; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

Chris K5LTX investigated the bank fees that the Club incurred. Dennis N5ACK will speak with Chase Bank regarding the fees. If there is no way to avoid the fees, then the Club will switch banks.

Phil N5PWW continues to offer testing sessions and has three people scheduled for tomorrow.

Sherry Shelton W5YUP was appointed to chair the planning committee for the ice cream social. The meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.

July 2011 Membership Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Andy Kapushoc, KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:30pm July 15th, 2011 by the President, Jack W5JCK. Other Board members present included Vice President, Dennis N5ACK; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Chris K5LTX; Editor, Virginia NV5F; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

Jack W5JCK asked that the meeting attendees introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Chris K5LTX reviewed the financial report for June 2011. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the financial report as published. Chris and Dennis will speak with Chase Bank regarding the reoccurring banks fees. If the fees are not waived, then the Club will switch to a different bank.

Virginia NV5F printed and distributed the newsletter.

The minutes for the June meetings were submitted for publication in the July 2011 newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Maurice KM5RF reported that the IRLP is working fine.

Phil N5PWW will continue to hold testing sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. There are currently no classes being conducted. Phil will organize a Technician Class training session that will run for a duration of four to six weeks. It will be held at the South Arlington Medical Center.

Virginia NV5F announced that the ice cream social would be held next month. People are encouraged to bring ice cream, homemade ice cream, toppings, and non dairy baked goods.

Due to the lack of a video projector, there was no formal presentation.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:14pm.

The sign-in sheet showed 35 people in attendance, 27 indicating AARC membership.

Volunteers Needed to Help Test the Warning Sirens

If you live or work in Arlington, chances are, you have heard the wail of one of our warning sirens. In the event of severe weather, these sirens going off might save your life. But, what if they did not go off? Where would we be then?

Volunteers, working in conjunction with the Arlington Fire Department, Office of Emergency Management, assist in the testing of the city's sirens on the first Wednesday of each month. The test is conducted between 12:30pm to 1:30pm on the AARC repeater, K5SLD, 147.140 MHz, pl 110.9.

If you have the time available, we would love to enlist your cooperation and radio expertise in this most necessary and rewarding effort. Your report of a malfunctioning siren just might mean the saving of a life or avoidance of bodily injury.

Please monitor our 147.140 repeater starting about 11:00am on the day of the test. The net will begin about 12:15pm on test day, and you may join us any time that you are able. Detailed maps in PDF and printed formats will be available upon request to assist you in locating siren locations. For more info contact Jack Swinden, W5JCK, AARC President.



Field Daves

We had five Field Day participants all named Dave!
We are thinking about changing the name of it to **Field Dave.**

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Repeater Committee

Chairman Paul Baumgardner W5PSB

Maurice Martin KM5RF and Harold Reasoner K5SXK

Membership Application available at: http://k5sld.com/images/forms/aarc_membership_application.pdf