

# COMMUNICATOR

**July 2014** 

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# **July Meeting**

At the july meeting, the presentation topic will be radio traffic handling.

Many people have forgotten about the importance of the NTS, given the prevalence of computers and the internet. However, when the normal lines of communication are no longer functioning for any number of reasons, the NTS is an excellent resource to still make sure that messages get through.

# **Club Meetings**

Meetings are held the third Friday of each month in the Human Services building at 501 W. Sanford in central Arlington at 7:30 pm, following the executive board 6:30 meeting pm. Members generally begin arriving at 7:00 pm.

## **K5SLD Repeaters**

**147.14+** PL 110.9 (linked to 224.8) **224.8–** PL 110.9 (linked to 147.14) **444.2+** PL 100.0 (linkable to IRLP)



### **Calendar of Events**

**July 18: Executive Board Meeting** 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

Board meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

July 18: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

July 19: Dining Out 5:00 pm, Cracker Barrel South Bowen Road

August 2: First Saturday Breakfast Pioneer Restaurant, 109th Street

August 2: VE Testing 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

#### **Tidbits**

If you have anything for sale that you'd like to post here on the newsletter, just send me an email at <a href="N5ACK@ARRL.NET">N5ACK@ARRL.NET</a> and I'll include it in the next month's newsletter. Likewise, if someone needs some help, or is looking for a particular amplifier or widgit, let me know and I'll post it here. Also, if you have any announcements, or especially any ideas to include in the newsletter or for a presentation, please feel free to send them to myself, or any board member.

#### For Sale

Antenna mounts

I have a light bar that has 3 MNO antenna mounts (on top) and 2 for COMET( one each side) antennas. Turm/stop lights are LEDs with backup lights.

This sold for \$500+.... Will take \$250.00 It is made to fit the stake holes in the bed and setup for a TUNDRA. Can be made to fit others.

Dave Walker W5DJO 817-557-5219

# **Birthdays**

Larry Kennedy

Robert Turpin

Wayne Shelton

Sherry Shelton

Steve Bennett

July 14th

August 11

August 14

Jim Stiffler

August 22

# **Next Meeting 7/18/2014**

Don't forget that we now have a "lending library" of books that will brought to the meetings each month. Please make sure that when you borrow a book, that it's brought back at the next meeting so others may borrow it. If you have any books lying around that you would like to let others borrow, please add them to the library. Make sure to put your name in or on them if you want them back.

# **Contest Corner June/July**

NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

**±** QRP Fox Hunt

+ Russian Radio Team Championship

± VK/Trans-Tasman Contest, Multi-Mode

+ Feld Hell Sprint

**±** DMC RTTY Contest

± CQ Worldwide VHF Contest

+ North American QSO Party, RTTY

**±** RSGB Low Power Contest

+ Run for the Bacon ORP Contest

**±** SKCC Sprint

± CWops Mini-CWT Test

+ ORP Fox Hunt

± RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data

**±** RSGB IOTA Contest

**±** County Hunters CW Contest

± ARS Flight of the Bumblebees

**±** CWops Mini-CWT Test

**±** QRP Fox Hunt

0030Z-0230Z, Jul 17

0100Z-0230Z, Jul 17

0700Z-1459Z, Jul 19

0800Z-1400Z, Jul 19

1200Z-1800Z, Jul 19

1200Z, Jul 19 to 1200Z, Jul 20

1800Z, Jul 19 to 2100Z, Jul 20

1800Z, Jul 19 to 0559Z, Jul 20

0900Z-1200Z and 1300Z-1600Z, Jul 20

0100Z-0300Z, Jul 21

0000Z-0200Z, Jul 23

1300Z-1400Z, Jul 23 and

1900Z-2000Z, Jul 23 and

0300Z-0400Z, Jul 24

0100Z-0230Z, Jul 24

1900Z-2030Z, Jul 24

1200Z, Jul 26 to 1200Z, Jul 27

1400Z-2400Z, Jul 26 and

1400Z-2400Z, Jul 27

1700Z-2100Z, Jul 27

1300Z-1400Z, Jul 30 and

1900Z-2000Z, Jul 30 and

0300Z-0400Z, Jul 31

0100Z-0230Z, Jul 31

### The above is an abbreviated list only.

For more information on these and other contests, see the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at <a href="https://hornucopia.com/contestcal">hornucopia.com/contestcal</a>. For more information on contesting in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, visit DFW Contest Group at <a href="https://dreat.org/dfwcontest.com">dfwcontest.com</a>.

## **Public Service**

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 Linda W5LMC (<u>I\_mcmillen@prodigy.net</u>) or the Office Of Emergency Management (817-459-6939).

# **Membership**

Print a membership form from our website <u>k5sld.org</u> and join us. Annual dues are \$25 for individuals.

# June 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:31pm June 20th, 2014 by the President, Sherry W5YUP. Other board members present included the Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Editor, Dennis N5ACK.

Sherry W5YUP called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Joyce W5FJB reviewed the financial report for May 2014. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the financial report as published. She reported that the 1023 form was submitted to the IRS.

The minutes for the May meetings were submitted for publication in the June 2014 newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold test sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. He will hold a test session at the AARC Field Day site. A Technician Class training session will be conducted when a minimum of 10 people express interest.

Maurice KM5RF reported that the repeater and IRLP are in working order. The club's license is up to date.

Bill AE5BT plans to start setting up for Field Day at 9am. Dinner will be held at 6pm on Saturday and the membership is encouraged to bring side dishes to feed 3 people. The Arlington Fire Chief has been invited to dinner. This year we plan on running with a 3A classification, including a Get On The Air (GOTA) station, side-band, CW, digital, and VHF.

A break was taken at 7:55pm.

Meeting resumed at 8:05pm with a show-and-tell by Norman WA5WJY on his Midland 220FM radio.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm. The sign-in sheet showed 32 people in attendance, 30 indicating AARC membership.

# June 2014 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on June 20th, 2014 at 6:30pm. Present were President, Sherry W5YUP; Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Editor, Dennis N5ACK.

Joyce W5FJB reviewed the financial report and informed the board that the CD was renewed. The AARC received an acknowledgement letter that the IRS received the 1023 form.

David Spore is planning for the July presentation to be on the topic of traffic handling and will be given by Jo Ann Keith.

Phil will conduct a Technician Class training session when there are a minimum of 10 participants registered. He will conduct a test session at the AARC Field Day site on June 28.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

## **June 2014 Financial Report**

Submitted by Joyce Waites, W5FJB Treasurer 2014

### Arlington Amateur Radio Club June 2014 Financial Report

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Checking	6/30/2014 General fund G.F. includes income and G&W \$463.96		3518.97
	G.i. includes	Repeater fund	1211.90
	Expenses	Divine Floral(2 orders)	123.04
		Field day gas	20.63
	Income	Dues (kept as cash for Fie	25.00
Balances	Bank	6/30/2014	4607.83
	Checkbook		4607.83
C.D. (renew 12/19/2014)			2168.98
TOTAL AT CAPITAL ONE			6776.81
Petty cash			29.37
TOTAL CLUB TREASURY			6806.18

# 2014 Club Officers

President: Sherry Shelton W5YUP - camperstar44@yahoo.com - 817-275-2074 Vice President: David Spore KB3UBD - davids@instruments.com - 301-481-8244 Secretary: Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA – <a href="mailto:kb2vqa@optonline.net">kb2vqa@optonline.net</a> – 817-652-0307

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