

COMMUNICATOR

August 2014

Arlington Amateur Radio Club • P.O. Box 1702, Arlington TX 76004-1702 • K5SLD.org

Inside This Issue

- 1 Announcements
- Calendar Of Events Tidbits, birthday, Upcoming Meeting
- 3 From the Presidents Desk
- 4 Contest Corner Public Service
- 5 General Meeting Minutes
- 6 Board Meeting Minutes
- 7 Financial Report Club Officers

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 meeting at 6:30 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)

August Meeting

The August meeting will be our annual Ice Cream Social !!!

This is the one meeting everyone looks forward to. Please bring your spouse and some ice cream, cake, cookies, or whatever you deem delicious to this meeting. We won't have a normal presentation, but will have a slide show of field day and any other events such as JOTA, etc, that have happened in the past year. Which brings me to my request: If you have any pictures of any events this year that you would like to share (doesn't have to be a AARC function, could be an antenna that you put up or fell down) please email them to n5ack@arrl.net by August 13th and I'll include them in the slide show.

Calendar of Events

August 15: Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

Board meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

August 15: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

August 16: Dining Out 5:00 pm, Chuy's in the Highlands Mall. Bagpiper Way, Arlington

Sept. 6: First Saturday Breakfast 8:30 am, IHOP Restaurant, Interstate 20 West, Arlington

Sept 6: 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 N5ACK@ARRL.NET 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.

Sherry W5YUP received a phone call Saturday after the last club meeting from a gentleman seeking help. He is James Elkins KA5DWB, he is wanting someone climb a 45ft tower and change out the rotor. He has been inactive for number of years and is getting back to it after retiring. He is willing to compensate anyone who can help. You can contact him at 817-798-3460.

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

Steve Bennett	August 14th
James Boyd	August 6th
Trey Seastrunk	August 21st
Sherry Shelton	August 11th
Jim Stiffler	August 22nd

Next Meeting 8/15/2014

Don't forget that we now have a "lending library" of books that will brought to the 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.

From the Presidents Desk

Mmm..looking forward to all that ice cream and other goodies. I have been asked to furnish a recipe for homemade ice cream. This is a modified version of my Mothers and it never failed.

1/2 cup of sugar

4 eggs

1 can of Eagle Brand condensed milk

1 bottle of vanilla extract (flavor to your taste)

3 to 4 quarts of Half & Half cream

Mix all together and pour into freezer can up to the FULL mark.

73's

Sherry W5YUP

Contest Corner April/May

August 2014	
TARA Grid Dip Shindig	0000Z-2400Z, Aug 2
+ 10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB	0001Z, Aug 2 to 2359Z, Aug 3
- European HF Championship	1200Z-2359Z, Aug 2
+ North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 2 to 0600Z, Aug 3
+ ARRL August UHF Contest	1800Z, Aug 2 to 1800Z, Aug 3
+ SARL HF Phone Contest	1300Z-1630Z, Aug 3
+ WAE DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Aug 9 to 2359Z, Aug 10
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Aug 9 to 2359Z, Aug 10
Maryland-DC QSO Party	1600Z, Aug 9 to 2400Z, Aug 10
- CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z, Aug 13 to 0400Z, Aug 14
- SARTG WW RTTY Contest	0000Z, Aug 16 to 1600Z, Aug 17
+ ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest	0600 local, Aug 16 to 2400 local, Aug 17
- North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Aug 16 to 0600Z, Aug 17
- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Aug 18
+ Hawaii QSO Party	0700Z, Aug 23 to 2200Z, Aug 24
+ Ohio QSO Party	1600Z, Aug 23 to 0400Z, Aug 24
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Aug 27
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z, Aug 27 to 0400Z, Aug 28
YO DX HF Contest	1200Z, Aug 30 to 1200Z, Aug 31
SCC RTTY Championship	1200Z, Aug 30 to 1159Z, Aug 31
+ SARL HF CW Contest	1400Z-1600Z, Aug 31

The above is an abbreviated list only.

For more information on these and other contests, see the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at hornucopia.com/contestcal.

For more information on contesting in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, visit DFW Contest Group at dfwcontest.com.

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.

July 2014 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:30pm July 18th, 2014 by the President, Sherry W5YUP. Other board members present included the Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB.

Sherry W5YUP called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign. She also reported that the club received a thank-you letter from Safe Haven of Tarrant County for the donation that the club made to the organization.

A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the June 2014 financial report as published.

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

Phil N5PWW holds test sessions at 10am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. Phil will conduct a Technician Class training session when a minimum of 10 people express interest.

Maurice KM5RF reported that the repeater and IRLP are in working order.

Bill AE5BT expressed his thanks to all of those people who assisted with making the 2014 AARC Field Day a success.

A motion was made and carried to purchase and present a plaque of appreciation to Bill's sister and her husband for their support of the AARC Field Day activities in the field of BBQ.

David KB3UBD reported that the presentation on traffic handling has been postponed until September.

A break was taken at 7:53pm.

Meeting resumed at 8:05pm with a presentation by David KB3UBD on how to increase participation in the club membership through various events and committees.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm. The sign-in sheet showed 30 people in attendance, 29 indicating AARC membership.

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

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on July 18th, 2014 at 6:35pm. Present were President, Sherry W5YUP; Vice President, David KB3UBD; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Editor, Dennis N5ACK; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF. Absent was the Treasurer, Joyce W5FJB.

Maurice suggested that the club present a plaque of appreciation to Bill's sister and her husband for providing their BBQ skills to the AARC during Field Day.

Maurice conversed with Paul Baumgardner regarding a report of intermittent repeater splatter.

David Spore has rescheduled for September the presentation on traffic handling. In August the AARC will hold the ice cream social.

Phil will conduct a Technician Class training session when there are a minimum of 10 participants registered.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

July 2014 Financial Report

Submitted by Joyce Waites, W5FJB Treasurer 2014

Arlington Amateur Radio Club July 2014 Financial Report

ACCOUNTS

ACCOUNTS Checking	8/4/2014 General fund		3395.93
	G&W 428.65(part of G.F) Repeater fund	1211.90	
	Expenses	Donation in Memory of Ray Hammitt	35.00
	Income	Dues from Paypal	47.94
Balances	Bank Checkbook	8/4/2014	4620.77 4620.77
C.D. (renew 12/19/2014) TOTAL AT CAPITAL ONE Petty cash TOTAL CLUB TREASURY			2169.16 6789.93 29.37 6819.30

2014 Club Officers

President: Sherry Shelton W5YUP - camperstar44@yahoo.com/ - 817-275-2074
Vice President: David Spore KB3UBD - davids@instruments.com/ - 301-481-8244
Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA - kb2vqa@optonline.net - 817-652-0307
Treasurer: Joyce Waites W5FJB - w5fjb@sbcglobal.net - 817-277-7044

Editor: Dennis McGrath N5ACK – <u>n5ack@arrl.net</u> - 972-352-6602

Training Coordinator: Phil Stage N5PWW – <u>n5pww@sbcglobal.net</u> – 817-465-5624

Emergency Coordinator: Bill Tatsch Jr. AE5BT – <u>ae5bt@att.net</u> – 817-296-8026

Trustee: Maurice Martin KM5RF – <u>km5rf@att.net</u> – 817-266-9906

Agent of Record: Phil Stage N5PWW – n5pww@sbcglobal.net – 817-265-5624

Public Information Officer: David Lucas KF5CFW – kf5cfw@gmail.com – 817-781-7256

Webmaster: David Lucas KF5CFW – kf5cfw@gmail.com – 817-781-7256

Repeater Committee: Paul Baumgardner W5PSB (chair),

Maurice Martin KM5RF, Harold Reasoner K5SXK