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Announcements

September meeting - EMP Update by Jim Bandy K5JFB

An up to date summary of where we are on the subject of protecting amateur radio equipment in light of current events. This review of an important topic will include technical details and historical events relating to the vulnerability of radio gear to possible damage from EMP and include technical background information for solutions from various amateur radio publications.

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

For Sale

I haven't seen an update lately, so check with Rob on availability.

Terry Lines equipment estate sale.

Item	Price	Condition	Notes
Radios			
Yaesu FT-847	Sold	VG	
Ten Tec 1220 2m	\$50.00	G	Built from kit
HTX-420	\$40.00	G	2m/440 HT
HTX-202 accessories	\$25.00	G	2m HT, need to find
Amps			
Ameritron ALS-600	\$650.00	VG	Solid state w/ps
Mirage BD35 HT amp	\$100.00	VG	In box

Antenna Tuners

Ameritron ATR-30 (manual)	\$275.00	VG	1500W
MFJ 969 Deluxe Versa Tuner (manual)	\$100.00	VG	Roller inductor 300W
LDG YT-847 Autotuner	Sold	VG	
LDG YT-1200 Autotuner	\$100.00	VG	
Power Supplies			
Samlex RPS 1210	\$25.00	G	13.6V, 10A w/added meter
Astron RS-35M	\$125.00	G	
Homebrew 12, -12, 5V supply	\$25.00	VG	
Generic 12V, 3A supply	\$10.00	G	
Misc			
Yaesu MD100 microphone	\$50.00	G	
Philmore HD3030 headphones (mono)	\$8.00	G	
Alpha Delta coax switch, 2 port w/gnd	Sold	G	
Hamsticks plus dipole adapter w/balun	Sold	G	2 ea. hamsticks for 10-75m
Heil HM-10 microphone	\$75.00	VG	w/stand and Icom adapter
Heil Proset Plus	Sold	VG	
Kenwood MC50 desk mic	\$50.00	G	

If interested please contact Rob May roblitespeed@hotmail.com

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Items of Note

The Arlington Amateur Radio Club now has an Amazon Smile account. The club receives 0.5% of all eligible purchases donated to the club. Use the link on the Banner above or on the clubs webpage to designate the AARC as your charitable organization.

2017 Mentorfest - OCTOBER 21, 2017

The ARRL North Texas Section would like to invite all current and prospective Hams to attend Mentorfest! This event is a great way for Hams, especially those recently licensed, to meet and learn about a variety of subjects. Amateur radio operators have a great tradition of helping each other learn about and gain experience in the many facets of the hobby. Mentorfest is designed to build on this tradition by providing a place for Hams of all ages and experience levels to come together, exchange knowledge and make new friends while having fun and enjoying the great hobby of Amateur Radio. For more information go to: http://www.arrIntx.org/learning-center/mentorfest

Birthdays

Bill Tatsch Jr AE5BT 9/23 Ronald Wartburg KG5MKI 9/20

Calendar of Events

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

==== Dining Out (September 16, 5:00 pm) ====

Spring Creek BBQ 3608 S Cooper St, Arlington, TX 76015

==== Breakfast (October 7, 8:30 am) ====

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

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

October 7: 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 David Walker W5DJO (cushmantx@sbcglobal.net) or the Office Of Emergency Management (817-459-6939).

Meeting Minutes

August 2017 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:35 pm on August 18th, 2017 by the Vice President, Virginia NV5F. Other board members present included Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Editor, Trey AF5XS.

Absent were President, David KB3UBD; and Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT.

Virginia NV5F called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign while the membership started to eat ice cream.

Virginia reminded the membership of the club camping trip scheduled for the weekend of October 27-29, and asked those who were interested in participating to contact David KB3UBD. Maurice KM5RF volunteered to bring hamburgers and hot dogs for the group picnic held during the camping trip. Virginia is planning a presentation in September on the topic of EMP preparedness.

The minutes for the July meetings were submitted for publication in the August 2017 newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the treasurer's report as it appeared in the newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept for audit the report as published. He reported that the repeaters are in working order and that the repeater is included in a Fusion WIRES-X meeting on Monday nights from 7:30 pm to 9 pm. Maurice added an Amazon Smiles link to the AARC web page, so that the club receives 0.5% of purchases made by those who designate the club as their charity.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. There is a Technician Class training session scheduled for August 21-23 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, hosted by the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council (NCTTRAC). As part of the training, a test session will be held in the afternoon on August 23rd. Forty people of signed up for the class.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter. If you would like any items of interest to appear in the newsletter, please submit them to Trey no later than the Sunday before the club meeting.

On behalf of Bill AE5BT, Virginia informed the membership that Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is scheduled for Saturday, October 21st. JOTA is an event where scouts from the Boy Scouts of America can experience the amateur radio hobby. For those who wish to participate, the club can visit the Sid Richardson Scout

Ranch or setup a station in Arlington.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 19 people in attendance, 18 indicating AARC membership.

August 2017 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on August 18th, 2017 at 6:41 pm. Present were Vice President, Virginia NV5F; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Emergency Coordinator, Bill AE5BT; Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; Training Coordinator and Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Editor, Trey AF5XS.

Absent was President, David KB3UBD.

Virginia NV5F called the meeting to order.

Virginia reminded the board of the club camping trip scheduled for October 27-29. Anyone wishing to participate in the event should inform David KB3UBD. She is planning on a September presentation of EMP readiness, and an October presentation by DX Engineering (via Skype).

Andy KB2VQA submitted the July meeting minutes to Trey for publication in the newsletter.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report. He informed the board that he enrolled the club in the Amazon Smiles program, by which the club will receive 0.5% of purchases made by those who designated the AARC as their Amazon Smiles charity.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. There is a Technician Class training session scheduled for August, hosted by the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council (NCTTRAC).

Bill AE5BT reminded the board that Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) will be held on Saturday, October 21st. This is an opportunity for the club to setup a station and introduce scouts to the amateur radio hobby.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

AARC August 2017 Financial Report

DESCRIPTION CATEGORY AMOUNT BALANCE

BALANCE	7/31/2017				
			GENERAL FUND		\$ 2,783.51
			G&W		\$ 205.59
			REPEATER FUND		\$ 364.00
			CHECKING		\$ 3,353.10
			SAVINGS		\$ 25.00
			C.D.		\$ 2,173.43
			PETTY CASH		\$ 25.00
			NET TOTAL		\$ 5,576.53
EXPENSES	2010	Storage Hut 09/17 - 03/17	Storage	\$225.00	
INCOME					
INCOME	DEP	DUES	DUES		\$ 47.94
	DEP	G&W	G&W		Ψ
			NET CHANGE		\$ (177.06)
BALANCE	8/31/2017				
			GENERAL FUND		\$ 2,606.45
			G&W		\$ 205.59
			REPEATER FUND		\$ 364.00
			CHECKING		\$ 3,176.04
			SAVINGS		\$ 25.00
			C.D. + 2.00 Interest		\$ 2,175.43
			PETTY CASH		\$ 25.00
			NET TOTAL		\$ 5,401.47

Membership

Print a membership form from our website <u>k5sld.org</u> and join us. Annual dues are \$25 for individuals. 2017 Dues are due.

2017 Club Officers

President: David Spore KB3UBD – <u>davids@instruments.com</u> – 301-481-8244

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Repeater Committee: Maurice Martin KM5RF (chair), Gerry Dalton W5MAY