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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

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444.2+ PL 100.0

President's Corner

Here we go!

Greetings everyone, and Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a safe and joyous holiday season, and that you are continuing to enjoy good health.

2023 is here, and I am looking forward to great things ahead for our club, and for each of us. The AARC has enjoyed yet another great year thanks to your participation in countless ways. One of newest events we participated in was the St. Patrick's Day Pickle Parade in Mansfield. Our annual picnic was well attended and loads of fun! Kathleen made direct contact with an ISS crewmember during our 2022 Field Day event. Philip (KD5WBW) nailed it again as Public Information Officer by gaining recognition from our city leaders two years in a row, and in keeping us all informed about ongoing events and matters of interest. Club volunteers, led by Phil Stage (N5PWW) conducted in-person VE test sessions twice every month. As a result, we welcomed several new hams into the hobby, facilitated numerous upgrades, and ushered new members into the club. The Wednesday nets conducted by Price Wooldridge (K5NNL), Bill Hoffman (W5WJH) and local AMSAT devotees are still going strong, providing fun and fellowship for everyone operating VHF, HF, and Amateur Radio in Space. The club was able to purchase a new generator this year. We enjoyed great presentations all year by many of our own members. Show 'n Tell night continues to be among the most interesting and inspiring club attractions. There were many opportunities to enhance your ham shack from our Swap Meet tables last year. To top it off, the Christmas party this year, organized by Andy Kapushoc (KB2VQA) and his team, was well attended, and one of the best! We presented the coveted "Ham of the Year" award to Maurice Martin (KM5RF). There was plenty of fun to be had, great food, and fellowship for all.

Thank you, EVERYONE, for making this such a great year!

So, what's next? Well, first I want to thank everyone for your vote of confidence having invited me to serve as President again in 2023. I come in

the wake of many fine leaders whose commitment to excellence, diligence in serving the community and devotion to furthering the hobby, built this club into the well-respected organization it is today. Once again, I look forward to serving you and leading alongside our time-honored board-member team. I also want to congratulate Torre Quinn (AA5CX) on being elected to serve as club Vice-President, and Clayton Starkweather (K5CWS), our newly elected Emergency Coordinator. Torre lost no time getting programs lined up to kick off the year. Our January program will be presented by Katheen (KG5CVO). She will be reporting on her trip to Dayton, Ohio where she was selected to participate in a focused training program hosted by, and titled, the "ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology".

Looking ahead... our focus this year will continue to be on (1) Seizing Opportunities for Growth, (2) Promoting Club Activities, (3) Creating Learning Opportunities and (4) Encouraging Deeper Involvement...in our club, and in our community. I'm excited!

Are you Ready? ... Let's Go!

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Jack Weaver, AA5VZ

President - AARC

Announcements

January 2023 program

ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology

Kathleen Holley, KG5CVO will be presenting on the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology. "The Teachers Institute is an expenses-paid professional development program filled with lectures, hands-on activities, and demonstrations that are intended to provide teachers with tools and strategies to introduce basic electronics, radio science, satellite communications, Amateur Radio, weather science, microcontrollers, and electronic sensors to their students."

Kathleen had the good fortune to be selected and attend the conference in late 2022 and will be presenting on her experience.

Items of Note

COWTOWN HAMFEST FORT WORTH:

FOREST HILL CIVIC AND CONVENTION CENTER
6901 WICHITA STREET FOREST HILL, TEXAS 76140

Open to the public
JANUARY 20-21, 2023
Friday 3PM-7PM AND Saturday 7AM-3PM

TALK IN 146.94 TONE 110.9

TICKETS are \$10 at the door. Pre-sale \$8. Tickets are good for both days. Children 12 and under are free.

For more info goto: www.cowtownhamfest.com

Greater Houston Hamfest:

March 3rd and 4th 2023

The Greater Houston HamFest is back and now the largest hamfest in Texas. This will be a Two day show both Friday and Saturday.

Friday 2PM - 8PM Saturday 8AM - 3PM

Greater Houston Hamfest will again be at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds.

For more information go to: <https://houstonhamfest.org>

2023 Tarrant County Skywarn School.

Saturday February 4, 2023

Doors open 7:45 AM

Basic SkyWarn Part 1 - 8:30 AM

Basic SkyWarn Part 2 – 10:00 AM

Signup on Better Impact here: <https://app.betterimpact.com/PublicOrganization/d3f02f26-28ed-4897-a067-4915ef78f915/1>

Forest Hill Convention Center 6901 Wichita St, Forest Hill, TX 76140

Newsletter Submissions

Submissions for the newsletter are due by the Saturday preceding the monthly club meeting. I would prefer receive them in Word format or in a text editor like Notepad.

Birthdays

David Hall 1/2

Ryan Miller 1/7

Scott Clark 1/8

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

Calendar of Events

January 20: Board Meeting 6:30 pm,

501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

All members are welcome attend.

January 20: General Membership Meeting

7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

If you want to join via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89082140650?pwd=K005N284MTVkJGRhdWV6RkhYdzY3QT09>

Meeting ID: 890 8214 0650

Passcode: 410221

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Passcode: 410221

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcQugwpoYs>

==== Dining Out (January 21, 5:00PM) ====

Kincaid's, 3900 Arlington Highlands Blvd #113, Arlington, TX
76018

January 28: The AARC version of Winter Field Day

I don't know how much contesting we will do, but it will be fun to get together. Hopefully the weather will be nice.

J.W. Dunlop Park; North Park Pavilion (same park we had it last May). 9AM til Dark?

1500 W. Green Oaks Blvd

Arlington, TX 76012



==== Breakfast (February 4, 8:30 am) ====

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

Testing:

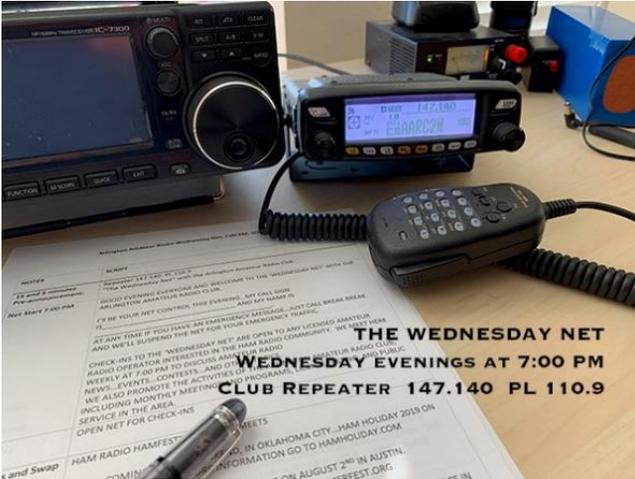
There is a \$14 cash fee for taking the test (if you pass and want to take the test for the next level, the \$14 covers the additional test(s) as well).

As of April 13, 2022 the FCC will begin charging an application fee of \$35.00 for license applications.

Also note you will need your FRN number and a valid email prior to taking that first test.

January 21: Testing - 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building.

February 4: Testing - 10:00 am, 401 W. Sanford. Enter on north side of the building



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Join us for the Wednesday Net

Need a Badge?

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).

Meeting Minutes

November 2022 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order on November 18th, 2022, at 7:29 pm by the President, Jack AA5VZ, accompanied by a teleconference simulcast. Other board members present included Vice President, Philip KD5WBW; 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.

Jack AA5VZ called the meeting to order, and asked attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Jack AA5VZ informed the membership that election of officers would be conducted during the evening's meeting. Price K5NNL, as Nominating Committee Chair, sent a slate of candidates to Jack. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. Ballots for HOTA will be accepted at the membership meeting.

Philip KD5WDW mentioned that the Jingle Bell Run will be held on December 10 from 6 am to 11 am. Approximately 15 people will be needed.

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

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report of October 2022. The club liability insurance was paid. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published. The repeater is functioning.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter for November 2022.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 401 W. Sanford Street (use the entrance on the north side). An FRN and valid email address is required prior to taking an exam. Study guides continue to be unobtainable.

Bill AE5BT informed the club that Field Day 2023 was 218 days away. Bill said it was a privilege to serve in the role of emergency coordinator.

As Nominating Committee chair, Price K5NNL sent a slate of candidates to Jack. All offices were open for nominations. The slate of candidates was as follows: President, Jack Weaver, Jr. AA5VZ; Secretary, Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA; Treasurer, Maurice Martin KM5RF; Training Coordinator, Phil Stage N5PWW; Emergency Coordinator, Clayton Starkweather K5CWS; and Editor, Trey Seastrunk AF5XS. The slate did not contain a nomination for vice president.

It was asked three times if there were any additional nominations. No additional nominations were made. A motion was made that the slate of candidates be elected by acclamation. The motion carried, and a majority of those present voted in the affirmative. The slate of candidates was elected.

Torre Quinn AA5CX was nominated for the office of vice president. No additional nominations were made. A motion was made to elect the candidate by acclamation. The motion carried, and a majority of those present voted in the affirmative.

Old business: No old business was presented.

New business: Maurice made a motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$120 to purchase a plaque in appreciation of Bill's years of service as emergency coordinator. The motion carried.

An open forum of discussion began at 8:23 pm. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 16 people in attendance, 15 indicating AARC membership. Zoom attendees numbered 6.

November 2022 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on November 18th, 2022, at 6:31 pm, accompanied by a teleconference simulcast. Present were President, Jack AA5VZ; Vice President, Philip KD5WBW; 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.

Jack AA5VZ called the meeting to order.

Jack AA5VZ mentioned that officer elections would be held at the evening's membership meeting. Price K5NNL, as Nominating Committee Chair, sent a slate of candidates to Jack. Ballots for Ham of the Year (HotY) will be accepted at the membership meeting. Jack thanked Bill AE5BT for his many years of service as emergency coordinator and Philip KD5WBW for his service as vice president. Jack reminded the board that winter field day would be held on January 28th.

Philip KD5WBW has not received any detailed information on the Jingle Bell Run being conducted on December 10th. Approximately 15 people will be needed to assist with communication during the run.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the November newsletter contained the minutes from the October meetings. The Christmas party will take place on Tuesday, December 13th from 6 pm to 8 pm at Spring Creek Barbeque 3608 South Cooper Street.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report for October 2022. He paid the club liability insurance. The repeater is in working order.

Trey AF5XS published the November 2022 newsletter.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. People are interested in a training class, however a date has not been set due to study guides not being available. Phil mentioned that 97 people have not received their license due to issues with paying the \$35 FCC fee.

Bill AE5BT thanked those who he worked with over the years in his role as emergency coordinator.

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

November 2022 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE			
10/31/22		GENERAL FUND	2,076.54
		GOOD & WELFARE	729.84
		REPEATER FUND	783.47
		CHECKING	3,589.85
		SAVINGS	2,235.21
		PETTY CASH	25.00
		NET TOTAL	5,850.06
EXPENSES			
EFT	RECOGNITION PLAQUE	GIFT	121.91
INCOME			
	DUES	2023 DUES	86.51
	G&W	GOOD & WELFARE	13.00
	AMAZON SMILES	DONATION	7.33
		OVERALL NET CHANGE	-15.07
BALANCE			
11/30/22		GENERAL FUND	2,048.47
		GOOD & WELFARE	742.84
		REPEATER FUND	783.47
		CHECKING	3,574.78
		SAVINGS	2,235.21
		PETTY CASH	25.00
		NET TOTAL	5,834.99

December 2022 Financial Report

DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE		
11/30/22		
	GENERAL FUND	2,048.47
	GOOD & WELFARE	742.84
	REPEATER FUND	783.47
	CHECKING	3,574.78
	SAVINGS	2,235.21
	PETTY CASH	25.00
	NET TOTAL	5,834.99
EXPENSES		
CHK#2048	ACCENT AWARDS	75.95
	HAM OF THE YEAR	75.95
INCOME		
	DUES	
	2023 DUES	49.01
	OVERALL NET CHANGE	-26.94
BALANCE		
12/31/22		
	GENERAL FUND	2,021.53
	GOOD & WELFARE	742.84
	REPEATER FUND	783.47
	CHECKING	3,547.84
	SAVINGS	2,235.21
	PETTY CASH	25.00
	NET TOTAL	5,808.05

Membership

Want to join the club

2023 Club Dues are due

Print a membership form from our website k5sld.org and join us.

Annual dues are \$25.00 Individual, \$35.00 Family, or \$15.00 Associate

Membership dues received after July 1st from applicants that were not members the previous year shall be one-half of the annual dues

2023 Club Officers

President:	Jack Weaver, Jr. AA5VZ - jmw1709@hotmail.com – 972-567-7815
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Repeater Committee:	Maurice Martin, KM5RF (chair), Rob May, W5WS, Don Kovatch N5YAK, Gerry Dalton, W5MAY