



COMMUNICATOR

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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 7:00 p.m.

Members generally begin arriving at 6:30 pm.

The executive board meeting is held prior to the general member meeting at starting at 6:00 pm. All members are welcome to attend the executive board meeting.

K5SLD Repeaters

147.14+ PL 110.9

224.8- PL 110.9 Down until further notice

444.2+ PL 100.0

President's Corner

Welcome to June and summer in Texas! For those of us who have lived here all or most of our lives, we know about the heat and humidity. My only recommendation is stay hydrated, get outside every day you can, and get used to the heat. Be careful and wary to protect yourself from heat stroke or other heat related illness.

As part of getting into summer, the club just participated in the Downtown Public Library's Discover Summer Kick Off, on Saturday, May 31st. As our new host for club monthly meetings, it's important to develop our relationship with the Arlington Public Library, and also improve our outreach to the public. As expected, we had many young kids drop by our table, accompanied by their parents. We talked to many youngsters who were interested in space and science, and we encouraged their interest in radio. Thanks to Clayton, K5CWS, David, W5DJO, and Virginia, NV5F, for contributing gear and materials to attract interest in the club and amateur radio. There were several other club members who came by our table too during the three-hour event. Thanks for showing up and supporting this club effort.

May was a busy month. We had our annual Spring Picnic, hosted by member David Spore, KB3UBD on May 17 at the JW Dunlop Park. It was a big success with several radios operating and David being the perfect Grill Master, serving up hot dogs and burgers to everyone. It became apparent that many of our club members also like sugar in the form of baked treats and other sweet goodies contributed to the cause of hunger.

At this month's meeting Rob May, W5WS, will share a brief presentation on a kit QRP radio he brought to the picnic. Clayton will round it out with our planning for ARRL Field Day, June 28-29. Myself and the board look forward to seeing you at the club meeting, June 12, at the downtown Arlington Public Library, third floor, Excellence Room.

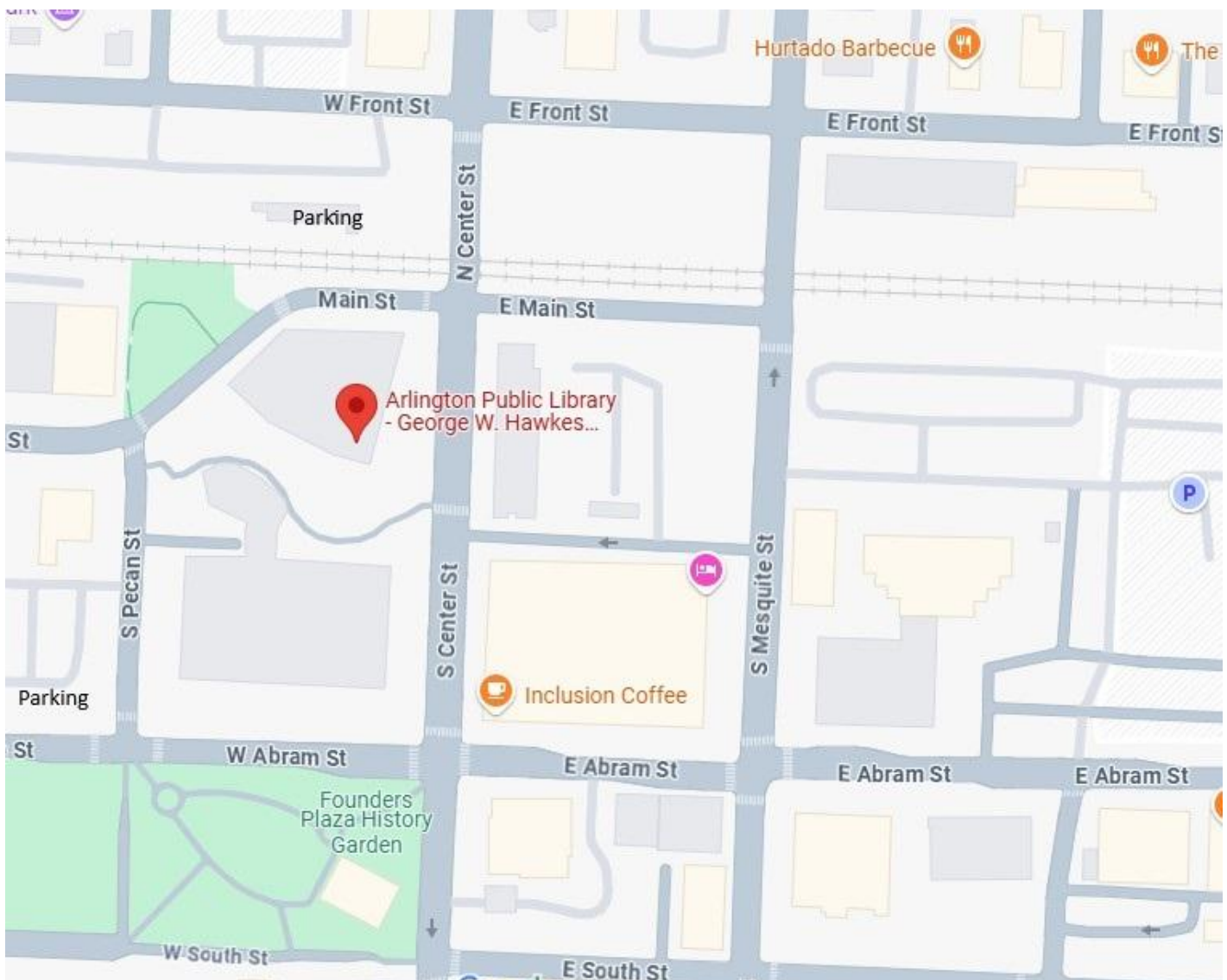
Price, K5NNL

Announcements

***** New Meeting Time & Location *****

This month's Arlington Amateur Radio Club meeting is on a *new date* and a *new location*. We no longer meet at 501 W. Sanford.

Our meeting for this month is this Thursday, June 12, at the downtown Arlington Public Library, 100 South Center Street. There is a street level parking lot west of the library and city complex. The library entrance is on the east side. This month's meeting is on the, 3rd floor, Excellence Room . If you can't find us ask someone at the desk and they should be able to point you in the right direction The board meeting begins at 6 PM and general membership meeting, 7 PM.



Jun 2025 program

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Items of Note

Events

Pictures from the club picnic



Pictures from Community Day at the Library.



Field Day 2025

ARRL Field Day, June 28-29. Details will be shared at the meeting.

R.A.C.E.S. Renewal Class - JEOC - May 17th - 0800

Renewal Class: Saturday May 17, 2025 Joint EOC 275 West 13th, Fort Worth, TX.

Class begins at 09:00 Doors Open at 08:00. Try to get there by 0800 so we can update your info and get a fresh picture.

Signup on Galaxy, and plan to attend. This will be for renewing members only.

The best way to get to the sign up page is go to <https://fortworthraces.org> . Click on opportunities (upper left).

If you have a problem signing up then text or email me.

Chuck

480-363-7487

Just Ahead in Radiosport

June 14-16 -- June VHF Contest

June 21 -- Kid's Day

June 28-29 -- Field Day (always 4th full weekend)

July 12-13 - ARU HF World Championship

Upcoming Section, State, and Division Conventions

June 21 | [Knoxville Hamfest](#), hosting the ARRL Tennessee State Convention, Knoxville, Tennessee

July 12 - [Souris Valley Amateur Radio Club Hamfest](#), hosting the ARRL North Dakota Section Convention

July 13 - [Sussex NJ Hamfest](#), hosting the ARRL Hudson Division Convention

July 26 - [ARRL West Virginia State Convention and Ham Fest](#), Sutton, West Virginia

August 2 - [ARRL Maine State Convention and Hamfest](#), Augusta, Maine

August 3 - [SVARC Berryville Hamfest](#), hosting the ARRL Roanoke Division Convention, Berryville, Virginia

August 9 - [ARRL Idaho State Convention](#), Post Falls, Idaho

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. If you can avoid it please don't send it in PDF format, as it is a pain, to tear apart a PDF, if I need to change any formatting or make any edits.

Birthdays

Jon Simpson 6/2

Cameron Owen 6/5

Nicholas Minton 6/13

Victoria Hess-Miller 6/15

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

Calendar of Club Events

June 12: Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Arlington Public Library, third floor, Excellence Room
100 S. Center St., Arlington, TX 76010
All members are welcome attend.

June 12: General Membership Meeting 7:00 pm, Arlington Public Library, third floor,
Excellence Room 100 S. Center St., Arlington, TX 76010

If you want to join via Zoom:

Time: Jun 12, 2025 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84286145061?pwd=MhrK77N4uDCJfcHr1bunBuLUawwaF.1>

=== Dining Out (June 13, 5:00 pm) ===

David's Barbecue, 2224 West Park Row h, Pantego, Texas 76013

==== Breakfast (July 5, 8:30 am) ====

Pioneer Restaurant, 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

Testing:

June 21: Testing - By Appointment Only - 10:00 am, 800 E. Border St., Arlington, TX 76010
The first commercial building west of Collins St on the south side.

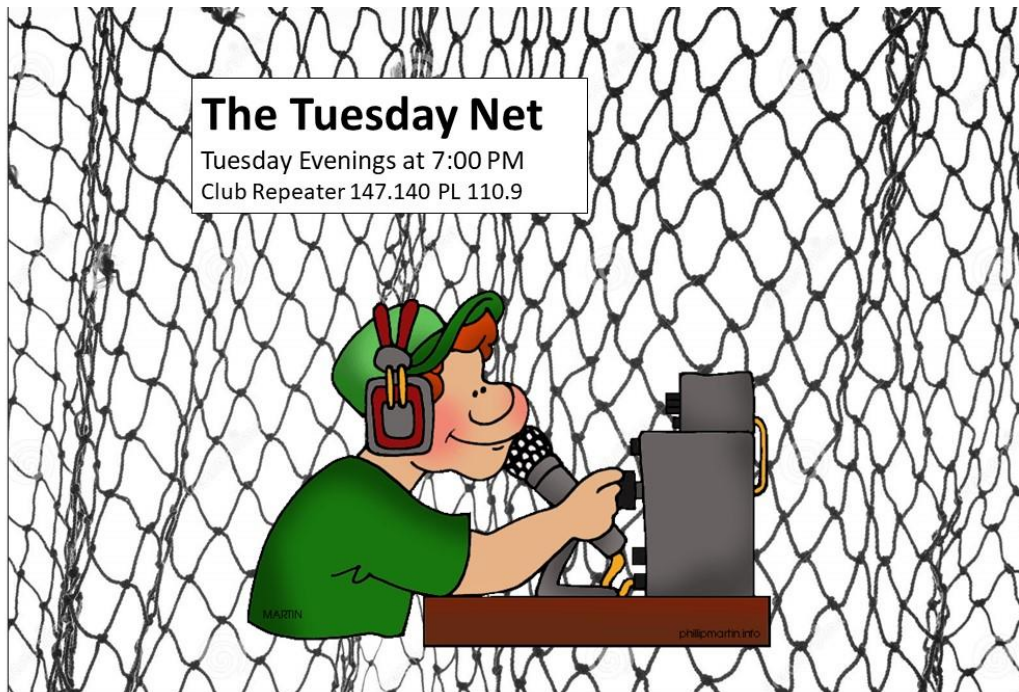
July 5: Check with Phil Stage, N5PWW – n5pww@yahoo.com, because it is a holiday week-end. Testing
- By Appointment Only - 10:00 am, 800 E. Border St., Arlington, TX 76010
The first commercial building west of Collins St on the south side.

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.

Join us for the Tuesday Net



The Tuesday Net

Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 PM
Club Repeater 147.140 PL 110.9

 ACCENT AWARDS & TROPHIES 1815 W. PARK ROW • ARLINGTON, TX 76013 TROPHIES • PLAQUES • RIBBONS • ENGRAVING SIGNAGE • BADGES • ACRYLICS sales@accentawards.us 817.469.8791 www.accentawards.us	 DAVE W5DJO
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Need a Badge? \$10.95 + Tax
(price may have increased)

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

May 2025 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order on May 8th, 2025, at 7:03 pm by the President, Price K5NNL. Other board members present included Vice President, Rob W5WS; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Editor, Trey AF5XS; Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Training Coordinator, David W5DJO. Absent were Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; and Emergency Coordinator, Clayton K5CWS.

Price K5NNL called the meeting to order and asked attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Price K5NNL noted that this meeting was the first time at the main library. The next two meetings will be held on the third floor of the library in the Excellence room. Price is open to comments on the new meeting location. Price and Clayton explored may options for a new meeting location. The club will participate in the library's Discover Summer Kickoff on Saturday, May 31st, from 11 am to 1 pm.

Price mentioned to the membership that Joe Wigner invited the AARC to join MJARS to hold Field Day activities at a fire house in Mansfield from 1 pm to 9 pm.

Philip KD5WBW made a motion to set aside up to \$500 for Field Day expenses. The motion was seconded and carried.

Price informed the membership that the monthly siren test is conducted on the first Wednesday of the month. The Arlington Emergency Operations Center contacted Clayton to run the test. Price had an opportunity to tour the Emergency Operations Center.

Rob W5WS mentioned the evening's presentation will be part two of the History of the Radio Receiver. June will be a discussion of upcoming Field Day activities. He's seeking ideas of the July presentation. August will be the ice cream social.

A motion was made and carried to accept the meeting minutes from the April meetings as published.

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

Phil N5PWW continues to hold VE testing sessions by reservation only on the first and third Saturday of the month. The location is 800 East Boarder Street. Phil thanked the club for sending flowers to his family.

David W5DJO will conduct a closed training class at UT Arlington, available only to UTA employees. He is working on establishing a training class at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. He has yet to determine if it will be an open or closed class.

Old business: There was no old business to discuss.

New business: Don N5YAK informed the club of the passing of Wayne Shelton KZ5O. A memorial service will be held at Moore Funeral Home.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

At 8:10 pm Rob W5WS began his presentation titled History of the Radio Receiver, part two.

The meeting concluded at 8:40 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 21 people in attendance, 20 indicating AARC membership. Zoom attendees numbered 4.

May 2025 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on May 8th, 2025, at 6:21 pm. Present were President, Price K5NNL; Vice President, Rob W5WS; Secretary, Andy KB2VQA; Editor, Trey AF5XS; Agent of Record, Phil N5PWW; and Training Coordinator, David W5DJO. Absent were Treasurer and Repeater Trustee, Maurice KM5RF; and Emergency Coordinator, Clayton K5CWS.

Price K5NNL called the meeting to order.

Rob W5WS mentioned the presentations that he is planning for upcoming meetings. June will be the traditional discussion of upcoming Field Day activities. The presentation for July has yet to be determined. The Ice Cream Social and Show and Tell will be held in August. This evening's presentation will be part two of the History of the Radio Receiver.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the May 2025 newsletter contained the minutes from the April meetings.

David W5DJO is setting up a training class at UT Arlington which will be closed to the general public, available only to UTA employees. He is working on establishing a training class at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth.

Trey AF5XS published the May 2025 newsletter. He edited the Special Meeting minutes, correcting the new meeting day to be the 2nd Thursday of the month. He welcomes the submission of content.

Philip KD5WBW, as the appointed Public Information Office, had nothing to report.

Price K5NNL is now the administrator of the AARC Facebook page. Price had a chat with Joe Wigner to possibly form a collaboration between the AARC and MJARS to hold Field Day activities at a fire house in Mansfield from 1 pm to 9 pm.

Price mentioned that the club meetings for June and July will be held on the second Thursday of the month at the main library in the Excellence room found on the third floor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

May 2025 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE			
4/30/2025		GENERAL FUND	5,088.67
		GOOD & WELFARE	626.25
		REPEATER FUND	906.45
		CHECKING	6,621.37
		SAVINGS	2,237.45
		PETTY CASH	25.00
		NET TOTAL	8,883.82
EXPENSE			
CHK	USPS POSTMASTER		
2067		P.O. BOX RENT	210.00
CHK	CLAYTON		
2068	STARKWEATHER	ROOM RENTAL	144.00
		TOTAL	354.00
INCOME			
	DUES	CLUB DUES	
	@ 5.00 PER RENEWAL	REPEATER FUND	
	GOOD AND WELFARE	GOOD AND WELFARE	15.00
		TOTAL	15.00
		OVERALL NET CHANGE	-339.00
BALANCE			
5/31/2025		GENERAL FUND	4,734.67
		GOOD & WELFARE	641.25
		REPEATER FUND	906.45
		CHECKING	6,282.37
		SAVINGS	2,237.45
		PETTY CASH	25.00
		NET TOTAL	8,544.82

Membership

Let us know if you need any club business cards, which are handy for introducing people to the club or handing out during Ham conventions.

Want to join the club

Dues for 2025 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

2025 Club Officers

President:	Price Wooldridge, K5NNL - pricewool@gmail.com
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