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Field Day 2009!

June 27 and 28, 2009, will be the Field Day weekend this summer. Austin Amateur Radio Club has been invited to operate from the Red Cross lawn, at the Chapter House at Pershing and Franklin Av., (2218 Pershing), just South of Manor Rd at the old Mueller Airport entry. If you are coming east on Manor, look for the old control tower on your left, then look South, and you will see the Red Cross Chapter house. Parking will be in the rear parking lot entered off Franklin. Until set up is complete, do not park along Pershing in front of the building..

It will be necessary for early Field Day set up crew on Sat. to leave 10 spaces in the back parking lot near the buildings for classes that will be starting in Building B at 8 AM.



Field Day is the largest ARRL event by participants. Some clubs launch sties with 16 to 21 stations!

What's New!!

Plans are afoot with a twist over last year's operations. While the usual set up is "2A", which is actually four stations, GOTA, VHF, and two HF stations; Jeff, N5MNW, has a plan to monitor 10m and 15m conditions and if promising just before Field Day, he plans to set up rig and antennas to work 10 or 15 meters, if they are open Sat. during the day and Sunday during the day. Due to the nature of summer propagation on HF, if they open at all, they will close shortly after sunset, thus only a window of operation during daylight is possible. In

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Periodic Events

Sun	7:30 p.m.	Travis ARES net	147.36 MHz + (131.8)
Sun	8:00 p.m.	Travis ARES Packet	145.73 MHz -
Sun	8:00 p.m.	Williamson ARES net	146.64 MHz - (162.2)
Sun	9:00 p.m.	ARO Swapnet	146.94 MHz -
Sun	(After Swapnet)	Newsline	146.94 MHz -
Mon.	7:30 p.m.	STX ARES Net	3.873 MHz
Tues.	7:30 p.m.	Hays ARES net	444.150 + (114.8)
Tues.	8:00 p.m.	Bastrop ARES Net	443.750 + (114.8)
Wed	11:30 a.m.	Ham Social Luncheon, Jim's	146.94 MHz -
Thu	9:00 p.m.	2m SSB Net	144.250 (USB)
Thu	11:30 a.m.	Lunch, Waterloo Ice House	444.1 MHz+
Fri	8:00 p.m.	6m SSB Net	50.230(texasvhf.org/)
Sat	7:00 - 8:30a.m.	Breakfast @ Waterloo Ice House	444.1 MHz +
Sat	9:00 a.m.	Chapter 67 QCWA QSO Net.	3.920 MHz LSB
Daily	6:30 p.m.	Central Texas Traffic Net	147.14MHz+

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Ham Radio Exams Results

The following are the results of the ARRL VE Test Session held on June 6th, 2009 at the Bethany United Methodist Church: **Technician Class Licenses Processed**

Ryan S. Johnson, KF5BNQ

Jason P. Morgan, KF5BNR

Matthew J. Stankus, KF5BNS

General Class Licenses Processed

Jonathan C. Gallmeier, KF5BNU

James A. Lent, KE5VHO

John R. Young, KF5BNT

Extra Class Licenses Processed

Robert J. Ascott, WB2FHR

Examiners Participating in this Test Session

Milt Cram, W8NUE

Tony Davee, KM5JH

Curt Goodson, W4QBU

Larry Gunter, WB5BEK

Joe Makeever, W5HS

Joe Thiel, N5SMN

Next ARRL VE Test Sessions

July 11th - Bethany United Methodist Church. Disciple Bldg. Room 213

August 8th - Austin Airport Marriott South, 4415 South IH-35 Austin, TX 78744. This test session is held as a part AUSTIN SUMMERFEST, the ARRL Texas State Convention See Page 7 for more information about Austin Summerfest. Check in at the convention registration desk by 1230 to find out which meeting room the testing will take place in. Registration for the convention is not required for taking the exams.

NOTE: Starting with our January 3rd session in 2009, all ARRL VE test sessions (with the exception of the August session held in conjunction with **AUSTIN SUMMERFEST** at the convention hotel) are being held at the Bethany United Methodist Church, 10010 Anderson Mill Road, Austin, TX 78750. There is a set of directions on how to get to the exam room and a map inset in PDF at <http://www.austinhams.org> for your convenience.

TNX ES 73 DE W5HS

Joe

6-20-2009

The South Austin W5YI VE team heartily congratulates all of the following people who earned new or upgraded amateur radio licenses at our June 20th session:

Extra Class – none

General Class –

John D. Edwards, KE5ZIV

Chris L. Schreppel, KE5ZEN

Technician Class (all new) –

Michael T. Kokel

Jimmy D. Parker

Craig B. Ritchie

John A. Welsh

Our administering volunteer examiners were:

Hugh Brown, NT5O

Gary Popp, AE5JR

Lloyd Goehring, Jr., N5TO

Anthony Lanni, AE5JQ

Jim Greenwood, AB5EK Jimmy Mercer, N5WDH

Our next two amateur radio exam sessions will start at 2 PM on July 18th and August 22nd in room 106 of Fleck Hall on the campus of St. Edward's University.

For additional information regarding our amateur radio examination sessions, please contact Jim, AB5EK at (512) 327-6184 or by e-mail to hamradioexams@hotmail.com or visit our web page at

<http://texashams.org/w5yi-austin/>

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Please contact a club officer, attend a meeting, mail us to join the organization, you can also join or renew online.

The Austin Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (AARC) has annual membership dues of \$20.00 per person or \$30.00 per family. AARC maintains the following repeaters:

FREQUENCY	AUTOPATCH	USE
146.780	Yes	General
146.880	Yes	General
146.940	No	Most popular, WX, Swapnet & Newsline
224.800	No	
444.100	No	
146.480/+1.0	No	2m D-Star Repeater (Cedar Park Area)

Persons using the repeaters are asked to join the club to help support these valuable resources. To use the autopatch, announce your call sign, press * and dial the phone number then release the PTT. When finished, press # to hang up the phone. Dial 911 (no * needed) for emergency services.

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For Changes in your ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER or CALL SIGN:

See Jay Hoffman, KA5OST (512) 388-4404 ka5ost@arrl.net

Jay handles all changes for membership information .



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the case of an opening, then the club entry would be Class A, (club) and the figure 3, or as stated when you contact another station, "We are 3A". Stay tuned and check before operating from the W5KA Field Day site, if we are in "2A" or "3A".

How many Points?

Every station you contact is a point, and a point on each band you contact them. Thus the interest in boosting our effort with added points from 15m and 10m. 10m at this time may have North to South paths and other propagation making for interesting results. 15 can have good DX openings, usually to western hemisphere countries. And, DX stations count for a point on phone just like any ARRL section station. And, on CW or digital modes, each station worked counts 2 points.

Field Day is all about working ARRL sections and any other stations you can. There are over 70 ARRL sections, scattered from Alaska, to Puerto Rico, and Hawaii, and the Pacific islands west of Hawaii. There are 50 states with some states like California and Texas having multiple ARRL sections.

Each station will have a notebook of operating aids including a list of sections. The computer logging program of N3FJP will again be used in a mesh Networked mode on 2.4 GHZ. This easy to use program shows you the sections worked, and the abbreviations. It checks if that station has already been worked on that band and mode, which is a dupe and not to be done. Back up scratch logs will again be provided;-- the Jim Rudd, W5SIO, tri fold sheet of paper. This allows you to write down the call of the station you think you are hearing calling. Seeing the call on paper makes it easy to check what your ears heard. You then check beside the call if you successfully contact the station, or x the station call (line thru it), if not. This provides a back up if there is a computer log program glitch. Turn in your tri fold sheets and sign each with the operators call, and the band/ mode you worked. A pocket in the Operating Aids Notebook is a handy place to corral full tri fold sheets. Watch out for the wind, it could grab your notes. Bring your own mechanical pencil and extra leads.

Each station will have a digital clock, and those are set to GMT. Logging should be done in Zulu time, but you don't have to log every time by a station. When you start a stint on a station, log the time beside your callsign, as OPR, and then again when you change operators to someone else. This helps us do studies on what were the optimum times and bands to use.

Can I help Set Up?

Most of the Field Day set up will be done Saturday morning starting 8 AM. However, some can assist Jeff with his many antennas on Fri. afternoon after 5 PM. Field Day operation starts at 1 PM local time, Sat., 1800Z. It continues for 24 hours straight until 1 PM Sun. (1800Z 28 June). Then, we need all hands to take down antennas, tents, pack up rigs, cables, generators, and clean the site.

Yeah, But What About the Food?

For the workers, there will be lunch snacks on Sat., and a BBQ for the club membership on Sat. about 6PM or when the brisket is done. EARLY Sun. AM, Joe Fisher also promises a breakfast. Helpers for Hospitality tent (cold drinks and visitor sign up and worker sign up), coordinated by REACT are needed, and for the food prep. (See Joe, K5EJL). Operators are needed for the 2 HF stations, and the VHF station, and the 3rd HF if propagation looks promising. For operators sign up, email Jeff, N5MNW@arrl.net

I'm a New Ham, What Can I Do?

Also, new hams, inactive hams, unlicensed interested persons, and family are invited to operate with the GOTA station and its coaches. They will show you every button to push and help those who have never been to recent Field Days on how it is done. The Get on The Air station, (GOTA) will be operated under the callsign K5LBJ, while the other stations will be W5KA. Remember, if you spoke on the GOTA station in the last two years, you should volunteer on one of the W5KA stations.

Most Importantly... Come Out and Have Fun on Field Day!

Austin Summerfest is Coming Soon!

By Mitch London, KD5HCV

For over 25 years, Austin Summerfest has been a gathering place for hams to swap stories with old friends and have a chance to make new ones. Whether you prefer sitting outside in the tailgating area, inside listening to the Technical Sessions or you are there to shop for some the latest and greatest, to the oldest and moldiest, Austin Summerfest has something for you. Oh, and don't forget about door prizes. All kinds of door prizes, big and small, are up for grabs, provided you have the winning ticket of course.

Some highlights of this years Summerfest will be the ARRL Forum with the new Director of the West Gulf Division. David Woolweaver, K5RAV. Keith Pugh, W5IU, will lead a discussion on Amateur Radio Satellites. One of the big draws at Summerfest is the yearly weather discussion group. Troy Kimmel, KE5BCK will host again this year and in attendance will be a number of weather gurus from the area, some you may have seen on TV! There will also be the Summerfest License Exam for thos of you who want to upgrade to the next level of the ham radio ladder of knowledge!

If you are coming from out of town, not to worry, for directions as well as more information including a registration form, go to **Page 7** for more info. If you want the latest information about Austin Summerfest, go to **www.austinsummerfest.org**.

Want to help out?

Volunteers are needed to help with Talk in, and controlling the parking in the tailgate area. These are not high stress positions, but they do need to be filled. If you are interested in helping please contact Dallas, KD4HNX. E-mail him at mylastname@yahoo.com

Over the WWWaves.

A Collection of Various Websites sent in your friendly neighborhood hams...

Do you know who invented the computer mouse? See this link for unsung heroes of modern technology:
http://www.networkworld.com/slideshows/2008/061108-unsung-fathers-of-tech.html?source=NWWNLE_nlt_daily_pm_2009-06-19#slide12

Stuart Rohre, K5KVH

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=17683224629>

If you have a facebook account, the link above will take you to the group. Enjoy. I started some topical discussions, as things seemed bogged down into everyone just making "wall posts" and milling about. I'm hoping they will catch on and folks will be well served by getting into like groups to discuss matters of interest.

Rick Herndon, K5FNI

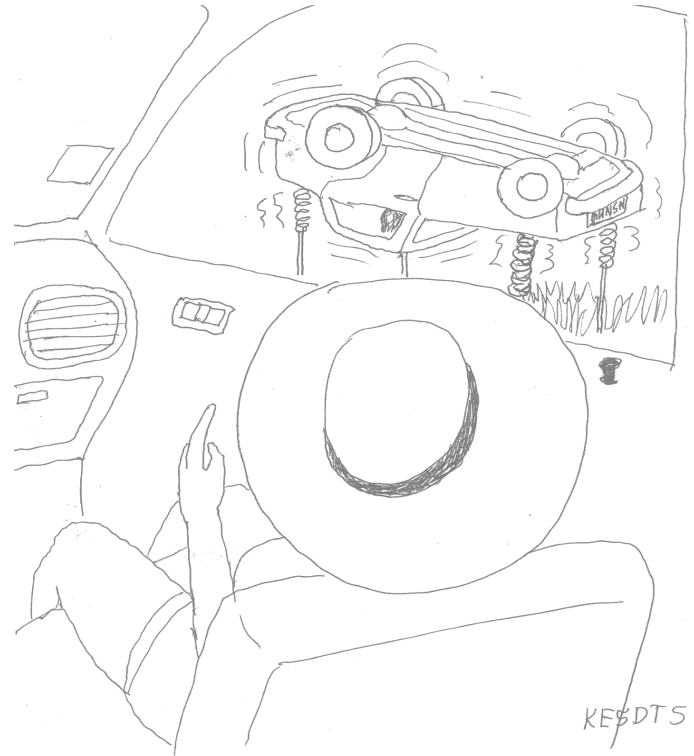
After trying several different USB to serial adapters, I found one that actually works 100 percent of the time. I have tried literally dozens of different brands with dozens of different chip sets and although they would work with one piece of equipment they wouldn't work with another or I would have limited functionality. Here is a link to Tiger Direct that carries them. At \$15 a piece, I picked up a half a dozen of them once I found out they worked as they should.

<http://www.tigerdirect.com/applications/SearchTools/item-details.asp?EdpNo=1104139&CatId=447>

Todd, NØKMA



“You know there’s a limit to how much we can store for the club!”



“Hey! Isn’t that Jeff’s truck?”

ARRL Continuing Education Courses

From ARRL Letter Vol. 28, No 24

ARRL Continuing Education Course Registration: Registration remains open through Sunday, June 28, 2009, for these online course sessions beginning on Friday, July 10, 2009: Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level 1; Antenna Modeling; Radio Frequency Interference; Antenna Design and Construction; Ham Radio (Technician) License Course; Propagation; Analog Electronics, and Digital Electronics. Each online course has been developed in segments -- learning units with objectives, informative text, student activities and quizzes. Courses are interactive, and some include direct communications with a Mentor/Instructor. Students register for a particular session that may be 8, 12 or 16 weeks (depending on the course) and they may access the course at any time of day during the course period, completing lessons and activities at times convenient for their personal schedule. Mentors assist students by answering questions, reviewing assignments and activities, as well as providing helpful feedback. Interaction with mentors is conducted through e-mail; there is no appointed time the student must be present -- allowing complete flexibility for the student to work when and where it is convenient. To learn more, visit the CCE Course Listing page <<http://www.arrl.org/cep/student>> or contact the Continuing Education Program Coordinator <cce@arrl.org>.

AUSTIN SUMMERFEST 2009

August 7 & 8, 2009

Austin Airport Marriott South
4415 South IH-35

Austin, Texas
78744

Continuing a Ham tradition for over a quarter century!

Once again it's time for fun in the sun in central Texas as we make the Capital City the place to be in the middle of the Texas summer. Come and enjoy old friends, the swapfest, and all the events at Austin Summerfest 2009, the ARRL Texas State Convention. And as always, we also host the Summer Meeting of the Texas VHF-FM Society.

New location,
more room !!!

Check out
www.austinsummerfest.org
for late breaking news!

Schedule

All the activity is concentrated on Friday night and Saturday, to allow you flexibility in your weekend travel plans. But do come early, as things fire up at 6 Friday evening and go 'till 9, and start up again Saturday at 8 am, with swapping 'till 3:30 and dealers & sessions 'till 4:30.

The Texas VHF-FM Society meeting will run from 1 to approximately 3 pm, so mark your schedule.

Dealers

There'll be our usual fine contingent of dealers, ready to help you with their knowledge of the latest products, and a great selection of them too. Think of those little odds and ends that you've been thinking of getting for the shack—well, here's your chance to get them while they're on your mind.

Prizes

Prizes Galore! You have a chance at three *Premium Prizes*: Grand prize is a **Yaesu FT-450AT** HF/50 MHz 100W all-mode transceiver with built-in automatic antenna tuner.



- Our Featured Prize is a **Yaesu FT-60R** heavy duty 2M/70CM dual band 5W FM handheld.
- This year we offer a **Yaesu VX-170** 2M 5W handheld as a bonus prize.
- Finally, if you register in advance by mail you have a shot at another prize—yet another **Yaesu VX-170**!

With your registration you get one ticket good for Saturday's door prizes and the Premium Prizes, and you can buy more at \$1 each. Plus, if you rent a room at one of the Convention Hotels, you'll get five bonus tickets for each room-night, up to a total of ten tickets.

Advance Registration and
Bonus Prize,
Yaesu VX-170

(See next page for Prize rules)



Featured Prize,
Yaesu FT-60R



Grand Prize,
Yaesu FT-450AT

Swapfest

For lots of folks, our main event—wall-to-wall goodies of every description, brought to you in carpeted, air-conditioned comfort on Friday evening and Saturday.

Rules:

- Full-sized tables: 6 feet by 30 inches. \$10 each, limit of 3 to a customer. First come, first served.
- AC power is available at an additional \$5 per customer, through advance registration only.
- We'll attempt to honor requests from groups of sellers for adjacent tables, if we receive your registrations in the same envelope.
- If you advance register for swap tables, we'll attempt to notify you in advance if they are unavailable due to being sold out (a rare occurrence). Be sure to give us your email address so we can notify you that way.

- Your table(s) will be held for you until 10 am Saturday.
- Swapfest hours are 6 to 9 pm Friday and 8 am to 3:30 pm Saturday.
- Buyers and sellers must be registered at the convention.

We'll be holding a Tailgate Swapfest on the east side of the Marriott hotel. You need not be registered at the Convention to sell at the tailgate, but of course you'll want to attend the indoor swapfest and sessions, so it would be a good idea to register: indoor swapfest and sessions, so it would be a good idea to register.

Technical Sessions

- New director of the ARRL West Gulf Division David Woolweaver K5RAV conducts this year's ARRL Forum, and welcomes a special guest from League Headquarters.
- A representative of **ARRL HQ** will be on hand to discuss his area of expertise, and Ham topics of national importance.
- The Central Texas DX & Contest Club, widely recognized for its excellent Summerfest presentations, has yet another outstanding program lined up for us.
- Gerald Youngblood K5SDR gives us the latest on his **Software Defined Radio** project.
- Find out how to do "the mostest with the leastest" in our **QRP workshop**.
- The **Roadrunners Microwave Group** hold their annual meeting and host a session on the latest topics on the "high end."
- Keith Pugh W5IU leads a wide-ranging discussion on communications through **Amateur Radio Satellites**.
- Joe Fisher K5EJL, District Emergency Coordinator, hosts a session on **Emergency Communications**.
- **Weather?** Learn about the latest in forecasting technology, and learn about recent weather events with leading Austin meteorologists. Hosted by Troy Kimmel KE5BCK of Austin Radio and the University of Texas and featuring a host of experts from Central Texas.

License Exams

An exam session Saturday afternoon will cover all elements. Bring a photo ID and one other form of identification, and \$15.00; if you're upgrading, bring your current license, any applicable CSCE's, and a photocopy of each. For more info email Larry Gunter WB5BEK at wb5bek@arrl.net

After the exams, Jeff Schmidt N5MNW and Ron Hambric N5SBN have just what you need: **A Welcome and Information for New Hams**.

Amenities

Come on up to our hospitality suite—that's where you'll find your old friends and new ones too. There are soft drinks and munchies on Friday night, and refreshments on Saturday morning. Saturday evening we'll serve soft drinks, munchies and eyeball QSOs lasting into the night.

Administration Matters

Exchange views with West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver K5RAV, and other ARRL representatives. Find out what's going on and offer your opinions and insights. The ideal way to get or stay involved!

As always, we host the Summer Meeting of the Texas VHF-FM Society, scheduled for 1:00 Saturday afternoon.

Craft and Skills Events

FREE! FREE! FREE!

Come and enjoy making different beaded bracelets. No prior experience required. Come for a short while or the whole session and take home a beaded bracelet. Did we mention, no charge? Children are welcome, but an adult must be with the children to supervise and help them with their bracelets.

Directions

The Austin Marriott Airport South is at 4415 South IH 35, Austin TX 78744. The SpringHill Suites are in the same complex, at 4501 South IH 35. Talk-in is on 146.34/94 and 449.1/444.1 MHz.

IH 35 Southbound: Take Exit 239, go 1.3 Mi. to E. Stassney Lane and turn left. Turn left again onto IH 35 northbound service road and travel 1.0 Mi. to Marriott Hotel.

IH 35 Northbound: Take Exit 229/228 and travel 2.3 miles north on IH 35 service road to Marriott Hotel.

US Hwy 71 East or Westbound: At intersection with IH 35 go south on IH 35 service road 1.3 Mi. to E. Stassney Lane and turn left. Turn left again onto IH 35 northbound service road and travel 1.0 Mi. to Marriott Hotel.

Prize Rules:

We'll award door prizes throughout the day Saturday, until noon. For these, you must claim your prize within one (1) hour of the announcement. We'll post your name/call or ticket number at the prize drawing area.

At 1:00, we begin drawings for any remaining unclaimed door prizes. Then come our Premium prizes, culminating in the Grand Prize.

For the Premium and Advance Registration prizes, you need not be present to win. If you're a winner, we'll post your name and hold your prize. If you haven't claimed it by the end of the day, we'll send it to you.

AUSTIN SUMMERFEST 2009 Advance Registration

**Mail before
July 29, 2009 !!!**

Name _____ Call _____
 Name _____ Call _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Day Telephone (____) _____ Evening Telephone (____) _____
 E-Mail Address _____

	Each	Qty	Total
General Admission	\$8.00	_____	_____
<small>(Per individual. Includes all hams and guests. Admission at door will be \$10.00. Children 17 and under admitted free.)</small>			
Swafest Table Friday (6-9) and Saturday (8-3:30)	\$10.00	_____	_____
Electrical Power	\$5.00	_____	_____
<small>(Limit of 3 tables to a registrant; first come first served; tables unclaimed by 10:00 A.M. Saturday will be released.)</small>			
Extra Prize Tickets	\$1.00	_____	_____
		TOTAL	_____

Representatives of the Texas VHF-FM Society will be on duty to collect your dues at the Convention.

Make check or money order payable to **AUSTIN SUMMERFEST** and mail before July 29, 2009 to:
 Austin Summerfest, 8609 Tallwood Drive, Austin, TX 78759-8126

Advance Registration

Simply fill out the form above, indicating all options you desire, and mail in your form and payment to the address shown above. You save \$2 a head, and get a chance at the advance registration prize of a Yaesu VX-170 2M 5W handheld, by registering in advance. Note: No confirmation of advance registration will be sent.

Accommodations

Enjoy the facilities of the Austin Airport Marriott South, or its sister facility in the same complex, the SpringHill Suites Austin South.

If you're visiting Austin, please consider staying at one of these hotels for the special Convention rate of \$85 per room night. (As a bonus, the SpringHill Suites have a complimentary continental breakfast.) Showing support for our hotels helps to ensure that we can continue to stage our Convention in high-quality surroundings.

The hotel needs your reservation July 24th to guarantee room availability at the convention rate.

Phone the toll-free Marriott reservation center at 1 (800) 228-9290; request rooms at either the Austin Airport Marriott South or the SpringHill Suites Austin South, and that you are requesting a room in the Austin Summerfest block, to get the Convention rate.

Further Info

Write to:

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 8609 Tallwood Drive
 Austin, TX 78759-8126

Call:

(512) 345-0800

Email:

w5hs@arrl.net

Go to:

www.austinsummerfest.org

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The Austin Amateur Radio Club presents:

The ARRL Texas State Convention

The Texas VHF-FM Society Summer Meeting



A word about our special guests...

The Texas VHF-FM Society is a group of several hundred amateurs with a special interest in the design and operation of VHF and UHF repeaters. Starting with a small group of hams over 40 years ago, the Society now counts as members the licensees or technical custodians of nearly all the repeaters in Texas. It is affiliated with the ARRL. The Society initiated frequency coordination in Texas. Today, it continues in that role, minimizing intercommunity friction and helping the maximum number of amateurs operate and use repeaters. The Society educates, mediates, and arbitrates all matters of frequency coordination brought to its attention. The members of the Society invite you and your friends to join us; we know you will find it fun and rewarding to be a part of this organization.

Club Minutes

AARC Business meeting minutes for June 2, 2009

Meeting called to order by Lee W5LHC at 7PM.

Welcome visitors: Steven Laird (no call), Tony KQ5Q, Darin KF5KOC, Roger KE5BFH, Kyle KA5ZTP, Andy KF5AQT, Bryan KE5BHE, Jerry K5JLG, Roger KD4JDT

New members: Several new members joined from the list of visitors

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed in the AARCover

Reports

Pres: Copeland scholarship fund had 14 applicants \$8K granted. Total grants now approach \$250K. Special thanks to Marie KA5HFH for creating the selection criteria spreadsheet. (Stu K5KVH reporting).

Most recent Tech Class at CTECC resulted in five new hams. Next class in July.

DICE Exercise Wed & Thurs Jun 3-4. Glen K5FX main contact.

AARC 90th anniversary certificates presented by Rick Perry and the Texas Senate (Alan KE5DTR presented).

IEEE Symposium (Aug 17-21) invites AARC, WCARC and other ham groups to man a booth for the week-long symposium on Electromagnetic Compliance (EMC, also known as RFI) Ed Hare W1RFI will speak at the symposium.

Treasurer: 186 total AARC members \$8000 in Checking Account \$2200 in ARES \$6600 Equipment fund

Secretary: Jeff N5MNW reported on AARC & others participation in the May 30-31 Tour De Cure bike ride benefitting American Diabetes Association. He encouraged everyone to get involved and maybe even try something different.

Editor: AARCover now nearly totally on web, with ~10-20 printed copies for the small number of folks who made special request. Old newsletters, pictures, stories, etc are being solicited and a DVD will be presented to the History Center. Email submissions to KD5HCV@arrl.net

ARES EC: Don AC5YK thanked all who participated oin Monday night's DICE prep drill. Please send an email summarizing your activity to AC5YK@arrl.net

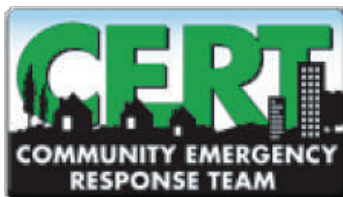
Other: Chip KE5VHV mentioned the DTV clinic, requesting Hams volunteer to help people out with getting their equipment hooked up.

Door Prize winner: Roy Miyasaki AD5EA won a radio-dial shower curtain hanger set.

Meeting was adjourned around 8PM.

Presentation:

Stuart K5KVH and Jeff N5MNW on AARC Field Day plans. We will operate from Red Cross and 2A for sure but possibly 3A with Jeff's VHF station sporting a multi-mode 10-15m station, concentrating on (with the lack of real sunspots) E Skip and weak-signal digital modes like PSK31 and CW.



AARC Meeting Info.

Waterloo Icehouse

8600 Burnet Rd. South of 183

Officers Meeting 6 pm

July 21st

Regular Business Meeting 7 pm

July 7th - Ever wondered what it takes to set up communications for events like BPMS 150 or Cap 10K? Jeff Schmidt, N5MNW will give you the low down on what is involved!

Drop in Early and grab a bite to eat!

2008 Upcoming Amateur Exams

ARRL VEC- July 11th & August 8th 9a.m. at Bethany United Methodist Church. Contact Joe Makeever, W5HS (345-0800) or Joe Thiel, N5SMN (832-0450) for info. \$15 fee.

W5YI VEC- July 18th & August 22nd 2p.m. in room 106, Fleck Hall, St. Edwards University. Contact Jim Greenwood, AB5EK arrl.net, (327-6184) <http://texasparadise.com/w5yi-austin> for more info.

2009 Calendar of Events

Jul 11 Texas City Hamfest Doyle Convention Center
Joe AA5OP aa5op@yahoo.com Talk-in: 147.140(+)+167.9
(Secondary 442.025(+)+103.5

Aug 7-8 Austin Summerfest Austin ARC & Texas VHF
FM Society Texas State Convention Austin Airport Marriott
South 4415 South IH-35 www.austinsummerfest.org
Talk-In: 146.94(-)107.2 Joe W5HS w5hs@arrl.net

Aug 22 Cooke County Amateur Radio Club Gainesville
Civic Center 311 South Weaver Street, Gainesville, TX
Talk-In: 147.34 & 442.775 (both PL 100)
www.gainesvillehamfest.org

Oct 3 Temple Amateur Radio Club's HamEXPO
Bell County Expo Center Mike LeFan, WA5EQQ
expo@tarc.org www.beltonhamexpo.org

July	Aug	Austin Meetings/Happenings	
7	4	AARC Meeting Waterloo Ice House*	7:00 p.m.
11	8	Austin QRP, Alvin's Sandwich Shop	11:00 a.m.
14	11	ARES Training -CTECC	6:30 p.m.
22	26	HSMM/Packet SIG at Red Cross \$	7:00 p.m.
21	18	ATV Club Mtg. Mangia Pizza	6:30 p.m.
18	15	QCWA IHOP 183 Near Duval	1:00 p.m.
27	24	Travis Co. REACT Jim's 183&Burnet	7:15 p.m.
28	25	Travis County A.R.E.S., ARL Aud.	7:00 p.m.
30	27	CERT Meeting CTECC	6:30 p.m.

**AARC Business Meeting is at Waterloo Ice House 8600 Burnet
Come early and grab dinner before the meeting.
\$ Correction to this meeting has been made*

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