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President's Corner

Greetings radio amateurs. Congratulations on a successful Field Day. We were able to get set up with minimal hassle and get all the stations on the air by 1:00pm. We handily beat our totals from last year by a couple of hundred points. Full details in a future newsletter. Thanks to everyone who helped set up and take down and make Field Day a success!

Rob

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

Announcements

July program

Mesh networking for emergency situations.

Current Events

Field Day ended quietly, but not unril some middle of the night excitement. Trey AF5XS had done some preparatory work for making a satellite contact for us. He was going to use his vertical whip but David KF5CFW had an unassebled Arrow in his car. Bill put it together and sometime around 3:30 am Trey and company made a contact! Kathleen KG5CVO recorded the log and Philip KD5WBW videoed the event. The first ever satellite contact for us on Field Day. It was a team effort to say the least.

Virginia

More Field Day Pictures

















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Birthdays

George Alkire 7/3 Wayne Shelton 7/19

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

Calendar of Events

July 20: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford.

==== Dining Out (July 21, 5 pm) ====

Andalous Mediterranean Grill, The Highlands (next to the old Gander Mountain), 457 I-20 Frontage Rd #101, Arlington, TX 76018

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

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

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

August 4: 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

June 2018 Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order at 7:30 pm on June 15th, 2018 by the President, Rob NV5E. Other board members present included Vice President, Virginia NV5F; 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.

Rob NV5E called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the treasurer's report as published in the newsletter. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published. Maurice acknowledged the receipt of a donation from New York Air Brake in the sum of \$300, and an anonymous donation of \$300, covering 100 percent of the cost of the UHF repeater amplifier. The amplifier has been ordered and should arrive within a couple of weeks.

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

Virginia NV5F let the membership know that this evening's presentation would be a discussion of the club's Field Day activities taking place next week Next month she is planning to have a presentation of emergency mesh networking, followed by the ice cream social and slide show in August.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month at 10 am at 401 W. Sanford St. (use the north side entrance). He is planning on holding a test session at Field Day. There are training sessions planned for July and August, each lasting 3 days. David Walker W5DJO is hosting a radio operator class at the NCTTRAC (North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council).

Bill AE5BT reminded the membership that Field Day 2018 will be held next weekend, starting on Saturday at 9 am. Assistance will be needed to setup the stations, along with packing up the stations on Sunday around 12 pm.

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. He appreciates contributions of content.

Rob NV5E reminded the membership of the AARC repeater net held on the Saturday following the club meeting, at 7 pm on the 147.14 repeater. The Saturday net will be replaced with a weekly Wednesday net at 7 pm.

David Spore KB3UBD, as Membership Committee chair, let the membership know that he will be planning a club camping trip for October. He is also assembling a new/perspective member packet of information, including a club business card, ARRL flier, and flier specific to the Arlington Amateur Radio club.

A break was taken at 8:03 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:18 pm with a general Field Day information session, followed by a more detailed plan on setting up the equipment.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 34 people in attendance, 30 indicating AARC membership.

June 2018 Executive Board Meeting Minutes submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on June 15th, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Present were President, Rob NV5E; Vice President, Virginia NV5F; 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.

Rob NV5E called the meeting to order.

Rob NV5E felt that the AARC picnic held at River Legacy Park went well, with approximately 20 people attending.

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report with the board. He acknowledged the receipt of two financial donations. The first from New York Air Brake in the sum of \$300, and the second in the sum of \$300 from an anonymous donor. Maurice placed the order with Henry Radio for the UHF amplifier.

Virginia NV5F is working on organizing a presentation in July on mesh networking for emergency situations.

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

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions on the first and third Saturdays of the month. He will hold two training sessions, one in July and one in August, at the NCTTRAC location. The sessions will be for the Technician Class license with each session running for 3 weekdays from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Phil will provide testing at Field Day.

David Walker W5DJO is hosting a radio operator class at NCTTRAC next week.

David Spore KB3UBD, as Membership Committee chair, presented a proposal for a new member packet of information. He is also planning a club camping trip for October.

Bill AE5BT is preparing for Field Day 2018 activities. He will start on Friday evening with a trip to club's storage locker to retrieve equipment.

Trey AF5XS published and distributed the newsletter.

Price Wooldridge K5NNL volunteered to host a weekly Wednesday repeater net at 7 pm on the 147.14 repeater. This net will replace the Saturday repeater net.

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

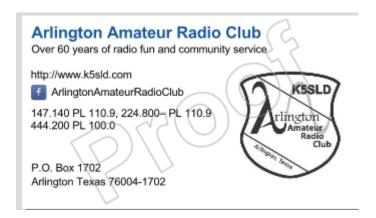
AARC June 2018 Financial Report

		DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE	05/31/18			
			GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,819.63
			G&W	\$ 276.41
			REPEATER FUND	\$ 1,004.00
			CHECKING	\$ 4,100.04
			SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
			C.D.	\$ 2,176.51
			PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
			NET TOTAL	\$ 6,326.55
EXPENSES	2018	MAURICE MARTIN	G&W W5GVP	\$ 59.38
INCOME				
	DEP	DUES	DUES	\$ 112.94
	DEP	GOOD & WELFARE	G&W	\$ 22.00
	DEP	DONATION #449178	DONATION	\$ 300.00
BALANCE	06/30/18		NET CHANGE	\$ 376.63
			GENERAL FUND	\$ 2,932.57
			G&W	\$ 239.03
			REPEATER FUND	\$ 1,304.00
			CHECKING	\$ 4,475.60
			SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
			C.D. + \$1.07	\$ 2,177.58
			PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
			NET TOTAL	\$ 6,703.18

Membership

This month I will be presenting some ideas for membership committee responsibilities and information about our upcoming camping trip. We will need to decide this month which site we want to use. It will likely be either Cleburne or Cedar Hill. Both parks still have space available for October (Cleburne has over 200 spots, while Cedar Hill has about 19). I am suggesting a check-in date of either October 5th or 12th. Once the date has been finalized you can make your reservations (staying 2 nights).

I will also be presenting the proposed club business card and flyer. Next month we will have some more new member bios to publish, so keep an eye out for those.



David KB3UBD

Want to join the club

Print a membership form from our website <u>k5sld.org</u> and join us. Annual dues are \$25.00 Individual, \$35.00 Family, or \$15.00 Associate

2018 Club Officers

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