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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

224.8- PL 110.9

444.2+ PL 100.0

President's Corner

Beat the Heat

We are definitely in the Dog Days of Summer! It's a good time of the year to stay inside and pursue that next DX contact or complete that project that has been sitting on your workbench begging to be completed!

We will be meeting in person ONLY again this month on August 20th at 501 W. Sanford, at the usual time. The Board of Directors meets at 6:30 and the membership at 7:30. Everyone is welcome to attend either or both meetings. This is our Annual Ice Cream Social, so bring your favorite type, homemade or store bought, or anything else to go with the many choices you will have. Our program will be a "Show and Tell" session. Here's your opportunity to display some vintage or unique gear or project you have (Ron, AG5QE may bring the "Gadget").

The gear I will be displaying was donated to the club and will be "Show and Sell" to benefit the club:

TenTec 540 HF rig with power supply, mike, cw key and digital frequency readout (powers up but unknown working status)

Icom 229 2m mobile rig- works like a champ

Kenwood 7400 2m rig (has some issues)

A separate 30A power supply (not working)

A Hustler 10-40 Vertical antenna

Pieces of various sized coax with various connectors and some control lead cable

One bag of assorted tubes-one price takes them all!

Remember, we still have some great sessions left to present the remainder of the year:

- Learning and Building with the Arduino
- Traffic Handling on DFW Nets
- Looking Across 100 Years of Amateur Radio

We are working to get all these great programs on the website as they occur.

If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email or call my cell. My email is k5nn@att.net and my cell is 214-536-9726.

We hope to see you in person on the 20th! 73's

Announcements

August 2021 program

Ice Cream Social

This is our Annual Ice Cream Social, so bring your favorite type, homemade or store bought, or anything else to go with the many choices you'll have. Our program will be a "Show and Tell" session. Here's your opportunity to display some vintage or unique gear, a gizmo or gadget you've acquired or built, a favorite QSL card or anything else you've been waiting to share. We'd love to see what you've been up to.

It should be an interesting program so we hope you will all join us at our regular meeting spot

Newsletter Submissions

Submissions for the newsletter are due by the Saturday preceding the monthly club meeting. I would prefer to 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.

Events

July meeting Follow up Pics



Gary WA5FWC and Leon W5JGX, both members of the Mansfield-Johnson Amateur Radio Service, visited last month's club meeting and compared notes with Jack on equipment designs.

W4DXCC Convention

September 24th and 25th, 2021, Pigeon Forge, TN

It is time to make your **Hotel Reservations** for this years convention. You can **NOT** make Online Hotel Reservations for this event you **MUST** call the Hotel directly at this number **865 428-8350**. When You Do, Tell them you are with **W4DXCC by SEDCO** for a special room rate, do it now.

Online Convention Reservations are Up and Ready for you to make your convention and banquet reservations. Go here [Online Reservations](#)

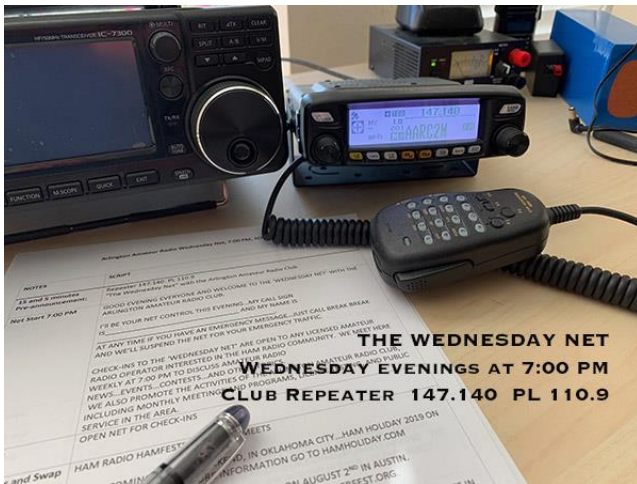
Club Net

Please join Net Control every **Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM for the club's "Wednesday Net"**. Each week we discuss HF conditions and activities, the contest and Hamfest calendars, answer the Question Pool Question of the Week, and have a general discussion to hear what's happening with our members and visitors to the Net.

Don't be left out! Fire up your VHF/UHF rig, and key that microphone! Newcomers are especially welcome. Ask questions and get familiar with the hobby.

Join us for the **"Wednesday Net" at 7:00 PM** on the club 2 meter repeater, frequency 147.140 MHz, with the PL Tone 110.9. We hope to hear you there!

73, K5SLD



Want a club name badge?

 <p>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</p>	 <p>DAVE W5DJO \$8.95 each plus tax</p>
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Birthdays

Steve Bennett	8/14
Trey Seastrunk	8/21
Jim Stiebing	8/22
Jim Stiffler	8/22
David Setzer	8/23

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

Calendar of Events

August 20: Board Meeting 6:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

All members are welcome attend.

August 20: General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm, 501 W. Sanford, Arlington, TX, 76011

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

==== Dining Out (August 21, 5:00 pm) ====

Corky's Brick Oven Pizzeria, Lincoln Court Plaza, 4760 Little Rd, Arlington, TX 76017

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

Pioneer Restaurant 306 109th St, Arlington, TX 76011

September 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 the Office of Emergency Management (817-459-6939).

Meeting Minutes

July 2021 Membership Meeting Minutes

submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the membership of the AARC was called to order on July 16th, 2021 at 7:31 pm by the President, David K5NN. Other board members present included Vice President, Jack AA5VZ; 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.

David K5NN called the meeting to order and asked the attendees to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

Rob W5WS is compiling the results of the club's Field Day participation and will provide them to Trey for publication in the next newsletter. Bill AE5BT mentioned that the mayor pro tem and several city council members visited the club during Field Day. He announced that Field Day 2022 was 344 days away, taking place the last full weekend in June.

David K5NN informed the membership that the election of club officers will be held at the meeting in November. Those interested in holding a position on the board should contact David. David and several club members provided assistance with communications for the Arlington Independence Day Parade.

Phil N5PWW holds testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month at 401 W. Sanford Street (use the entrance on the north side). At the time the exam is administered, the FCC requires those taking the exam have an FCC Registration Number (FRN) and email address on file. The \$35 FCC fee increase is on hold.

Jack AA5VZ informed the membership this month's presentation would be provided by Virginia NV5F on getting started with CW (Continuous Wave). Next month's presentation will be the ice cream social and show-n-tell. The 'Getting Started in ...' series continues in September and October with 'Traffic Handling', and 'Contesting'. In 2022 there are plans for presentations on Arduino projects, 100 years of ham radio, and drone technology applied to amateur radio.

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

Maurice KM5RF reviewed the financial report of June 2021. A motion was made and carried to accept the report for audit as published. The audit of the club's financial records covering the year 2020 is scheduled to take place during meeting in August.

Maurice reported that the repeater is working well, and he's planning to visit the repeater site in October to exchange the backup repeater with its replacement.

Trey AF5XS compiled and distributed the newsletter for July 2021. All submissions are welcomed, and requested to be received by the Saturday before the club meeting.

Philip KD5WDW, the Public Information Officer, will place on the club's Facebook page the proclamation from the City of Arlington declaring the weekend of Field Day 2021 as 'Arlington Amateur Radio Club and Amateur Radio Operators Recognition Days'. Prior to Field Day, Philip extended invitations to several public officials to attend the club's Field Day activities, resulting in visits from several city council members and the mayor pro tem.

A break was taken at 8:13 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:30 pm with a presentation on getting started in CW, given by Virginia NV5F.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm. The sign-in sheet showed 27 people in attendance, 20 indicating AARC membership.

July 2021 Executive Board Meeting Minutes
submitted by Andy Kapushoc KB2VQA, Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the AARC was held on July 16th, 2021 at 6:32 pm. Present were President, David K5NN; Vice President, Jack AA5VZ; 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.

David K5NN called the meeting to order. During the membership meeting there will be a review the activities of Field Day, and Jack will review upcoming programs. David mentioned that in November there will be the election of club officers, and in July several club members provided assistance with communications for the Arlington Independence Day Parade.

Jack AA5VZ expressed his enjoyment of participating in Field Day and his appreciation of the preparation conducted by Rob W5WS. This evening Virginia NV5F will present a program on Continuous Wave (CW). August's program will be a show-n-tell accompanying the ice cream social. Future programs will be on the topics of traffic handling, contesting, Arduino projects, 100 years of ham radio, and drone technology for amateur radio.

Andy KB2VQA confirmed that the July newsletter contained the minutes from the June meetings.

Maurice KM5RF, reviewed the financial report published in the July 2021 newsletter. The audit of the financial records of 2020 didn't take place during Field Day, but is scheduled to be conducted during the August meeting. The repeater is in working order.

Trey AF5XS published the July 2021 newsletter.

Phil N5PWW continues to hold testing sessions promptly at 10 am on the first and third Saturdays of the month. The new fee of \$35 for new licenses and upgrades will not go in to effect in July, as it has yet to traverse the approval process.

Bill AE5BT appreciated the extensive assistance and participation on the part of the membership to make Field Day a success. Rob W5WS will compile the Field Day report for submission to the ARRL.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

AARC July 2021 Financial Report

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORY	BALANCE
BALANCE			
	06/30/21		
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 3,136.03
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 286.47
		CHECKING	\$ 3,967.34
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$1.80 \$ 2,208.56
		PETTY CASH	\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 6,225.90
EXPENSES			
INCOME	DUES	DUES	\$ 66.47
		NET CHANGE	\$ 66.47
BALANCE			
	07/31/21		
		GENERAL FUND	\$ 3,202.50
		GOOD & WELFARE	\$ 544.84
		REPEATER FUND	\$ 286.47
		CHECKING	\$ 4,033.81
		SAVINGS	\$ 25.00
		C.D.	\$ 2,208.56
			\$ 25.00
		NET TOTAL	\$ 6,292.37

Membership

Let me 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

2021 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

2021 Club Officers

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