

February NFLARC Club Meeting

Saturday FEB 9, 2012 at noon. that's our next meeting.

Please let us know if somebodies email address changes. any questions shoot me an email anytime.

And this weeks Wednesday net control, please announce any upcoming events like our next club meeting or next event at the clubhouse, and next upcoming hamfest.

Clubhouse

I had the heaters running as it was freezing outside earlier at the clubhouse. we don't have the central heat going but it really may not need it. we may use our little heaters and be fine. the clubhouse was around 50 degrees the other day. and after the heaters were on for a hour the place was up to 67degrees. i called it good. or at least i think it was a favorable temp for the meeting last month.

Public Service Events

Club event - Super Bowl - Maybe?

We have been collecting some PVC and tape measures for antennas. we have plenty for everyone. if we can find a good time, maybe we can put a few antennas in a few peoples hands. lots of pieces they just need assembling. I don't care much about the Super Bowl - big shocker i bet! I do like the commercials! So, if y'all wanted to get together on Feb 2nd or 3rd, we could build antennas then. We have a few things to move around as well.

ARES- If interested, we should have alot to do in the coming year. Be sure to register here and keep your info up to date

<http://ares.nflarc.org/>

login every now and then and keep any certifications up to date under your profile info.

Navarro County and the City have paid for a bigger better reverse 911 system. It can call and text and email. go here and sign up separately for the system for your own person regular notifications including weather or road closures if you wish click [HERE](#)

Remember... check out online NIMS FEMA COURSES ICS100, ICS700, ICS800 and then ICS200. get with me and let me know if you get a certificate. This stuff takes very little time, and is extremely useful if you plan to volunteer. <http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.asp>

ICS700 is being taught in a classroom session by a certified TEEX Instructor at the RC287 fire station on Feb 2nd. for info contact John Gantt KC5FWX .

Red Cross State-wide exercise - March 2

OK boys and girls - March 2nd the ARC is having their statewide exercise. we have been asked to setup

comms locally. there may be a disaster here in Navarro county or maybe Ellis. there may not be. we will need support units for hf and vhf and a net control operator and people in the field, if that happens. look for more for to come.

Mail-Outs

I sent out letters to most of the living hams in the database showing up in Limestone county and Freestone county. Guess how many hams are in each? Well, limestone had more couples, so as far as number of households, Freestone had more. I just sent out something simple, told them what we were up to, where they can find us, and invited all of them to the clubhouse for winter fieldday. Got a few calls and a few letters came back.

Winter Field DAY

Micheal and I had a good time. We had lots of cookies by ourselves, and we worked HF too. Never saw any of y'all though. Alot of you called in sick. seems popular! We had K5KCP come by and stay for several hours, very nice man. he said he had not been on VHF in over 40 years.

Skywarn Training - A Must See! This year we have been promised if we have enough they will plan an advanced class here in Corsicana for the full (most of a day) advanced class. Below is the schedule for the areas that still have classes going on. almost anything else can be found [HERE](#) at the Skywarn Page

Thursday Jan 31 - Midlothian 7:00-9:00PM

Saturday Feb 2 - Waco - 8:30AM-12 Noon(basic) 1:00-4:30PM(adv)

Monday Feb 4 - Hillsboro 7:00-9:00PM

Saturday Feb 16 - Garland - 9:00AM-12 Noon(basic) 1:30-4:00PM(adv)

Tuesday Feb 19 - Franklin 7:00-9:00PM

Monday Feb 25 - Canton 7:00-9:00PM

Thursday Mar 21 - Corsicana 7:00-9:30PM - at The Palace

New Hams

New ham showed up at the club meeting i understand- Lee - (i talked on him on the repeater this week). I was out of town. I understand he came for programming help, I guess it worked!

We also gave a test last week. we should have a new ham this week. Does anybody want to help get him on the air? his name is alan. he doesnt have a radio or anything at this point.

Needed and For Sale ITEMS

Needed: We are in need of a trailor or just some axles, if anybody has any leads let me know. I have been in search of a single axle or double axle trailer in poor condition or great condition. This is for our

telescoping tower pole and generator. Remember it can be a tax deductible donation! Big or small, we can make it work! thanks guys, and keep your eyes peeled.

For Sale:

For sale, contact Dave NORQ, at n0rq@att.net .

(Location of items is central Collin County, Texas.)

Please see the web site for detailed descriptions, pictures, links, updates, etc.

NEWS

Submitted from KE5YA;

Apparently we are going to have a new Amateur Radio satellite that will use DStar communications. Due to be operational summer of 2013.

<http://www.leodium.ulg.ac.be/cmsms/index.php?page=satellite>

The key, innovative feature of OUFTI-1 is the use of the D-STAR amateur-radio digital-communication protocol. This means of radio-communication will be made available to ham-radio operators worldwide. In the future, it will also be used to control space experiments. The telecommands and telemetry will be sent to the satellite with the AX.25 amateur radio protocol. In case of the AX.25 system won't work properly a reliable telegraphy beacon should still be functional.

From: Temple ARC - HF contesting

Temple_ARC@yahoo.com

Subject: [TARC] The real Peggy Sue

This week-end - Feb. 1 thru 4 - is the Buddy Holly special event radio station from Lubbock - you might get to talk to the real Peggy Sue - callsign will be W5B - frequencies will be: 14.260 - 7.260 - 3.860 plus or minus QRM QSL to: W5B 109 North Pontiac Ave. Lubbock, Texas 79416 Web site is:

www.amcrc.com/w5b

-Pat - WD5FDO

NEWS from ARRL; Posted on 01/11/2013 by N5JCP - 10th ANNUAL SPACE SHUTTLE COLUMBIA SES - NACOGDOCHES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, W5NAC

Friday February 1, 2013, 1700Z – 2100Z, (11 am – 3 pm CDT) Saturday February 2, 2013, 1400Z – 2100Z, (8 am – 3 pm CDT)

W5NAC – Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club

Operating Location: Patricia Huffman Smith NASA Museum – Hemphill, TX (EM21cj) Commemorating the loss of the Shuttle Columbia, STS-107, over East Texas on February 1, 2003 and honoring the many Amateur Radio operators who assisted in the recovery efforts. Operating Frequencies: 40m, 20m, 15m, & 10m as conditions allow QSL – NARC, 167 CR 2093, Nacogdoches, TX 75965

Hamfests

Upcoming-----

02/23/2013 | Orange Hamfest 2013 Location: Orange, TX Sponsor: Orange ARC & Jefferson County ARC Website: <http://www.qsl.net/w5nd/>

03/09/2013 | 11th Annual Hamfest Location: Irving, TX Sponsor: Irving Amateur Radio Club Website: <http://www.irvingarc.org>

03/16/2013 | Williamson County ARC's Hamfest Location: Georgetown, TX Sponsor: Williamson County Amateur Radio Club Website: <http://wcarc.com>

03/23/2013 | South Texas Section Convention (Greater Houston Hamfest) Location: Rosenberg, TX- STX ARRL Convention Sponsor: Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club Website: <http://www.houstonhamfest.org/>

03/23/2013 | Weatherford (Parker County) Hamfest 2013 Location: Weatherford, TX Sponsor: Amateur Radio Club of Parker County Website: <http://www.w5pc.org>

04/06/2013 | East Texas Regional Amateur Radio Tailgate Sale Location: Longview, TX Sponsor: Longview East Texas ARC & LeTourneau University ARC Website: <http://letarc.org>

04/20/2013 | HamEXPO Location: Belton, TX Sponsor: Temple Amateur Radio Club Website: <http://www.beltonhamexpo.org>

06/07/2013 | West Gulf Division Convention - 35th Anniversary (Ham-Com) Location: Plano, TX- NTX ARRL Convention Sponsor: Ham-Com, Inc. Website: <http://www.hamcom.org>

Repeaters

Corsicana 145.29 tone 146.2 KD5OXM-L echolink

Linked during nets to Fairfield, Buffalo, Franklin, and Lindale Node.

Lindale Simplex 145.600 tone 146.2

Corsicana 442.925+ tone 146.2

still working on interfacing, but machine is on full time.

Mexia 145.39- tone 146.2 - Machine needs work to be on our link system.

Fairfield 145.11- tone 146.2

Buffalo Repeater 147.28+ tone 146.2

Franklin Repeater 146.96- tone 85.4

Do y'all want a repeater in Groesbeck? At a place in the center of Limestone county? It can be done, but only if we want it to!

I went to Groesbeck a week ago. I could barely bring up any repeaters at all. Its tough being a long way from anywhere.

If anybody wants to see who is in the driveway at the clubhouse here is the link to watch the live camera pointed at the driveway.

<http://ham.nflarc.org:12912>

put in user as user

and user as the password

73,

I think that's it!

Let me know what i missed!

James

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