



Irving Amateur Radio Club Inc.

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Events

General Meeting

Thursday, August 24, 2017
at 7:30PM at Senter Park
East Recreation Building
228 Chamberlain, Irving,
Texas

Business Meeting

Thursday, September 14,
2017 at Heritage Park, 217
South Main Street, Irving,
Texas 75060

VE Test Session

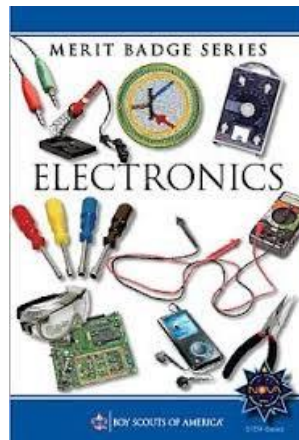
Saturday, September 16,
8:30 AM at Betcha Bingo
Hall #2, 2420 Irving Blvd.,
Irving, TX

Birthdays!

August

KB5LQR Lori Chandler
KE5JAL Kaitlin Feldkamp
KD5OEI Patrick
Jankowiak
AF5AG Thomas Kilburn
Assoc. Linda McMulle
WA6MDI Richard
Melcher
W5JZ Ben Watson

Electronics Merit Badge Class September 16



Here is an opportunity to show what you know and help some young people get exposed to electronics technology. IARC members and friends will be teaching an Electronics Merit Badge class at the upcoming "Five Trails Fall Merit Badge College" this coming September 16th at Coppell Bible Fellowship Church 751 W Sandy Lake Rd, Coppell, TX 75019. We could still use a few extra hands who can help, especially in the afternoon when we guide the Scouts through building a small electronics project kit. It is a simple circuit but many of these young people will have never picked up a soldering iron before and the smiles when they complete a working project that works, are well worth the time spent. Tom Schuessler, N5HYP has much more information on how you can be of assistance so contact him via n5hyp@arrl.net for details.

Upcoming Hamfests

09/08/2017 Queen Wilhelmina Hamfest, Mena, AR. Sponsored by the Queen Wilhelmina Hamfest Association. <http://menahamfest.net>

09/30/2017 ARCOS Tailgate/Swapmeet/Catfish Fry, Shreveport, LA
Sponsored by the Amateur Radio Club of Shreveport (ARCOS)
<http://www.qsl.net/nwlarn/arcos.htm>

10/07/2017 HamEXPO, Belton, TX. Sponsored by the Temple Amateur Radio Club. <http://tarc.org/hamexpo>

Source: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>

Contact Us

<http://www.irvingarc.org>

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Irving, TX 75015-3333

Repeaters

146.72/224.40/442.675
MHz (all 110.9Hz)

Mission Statement

To provide radio communications with honor and integrity and

To honor the amateur radio code of ethics and

To provide technical support services to others so interested and

To support citizens of our community in times of need and disaster and

To provide radio communications as needed during local emergency situations.

Links

Irving ARC Website
<http://irvingarc.org/>

Great Days of Service
<http://gdsirving.org/>

K2BSA
<https://www.k2bsa.net/>

ARRL
<http://www.arrl.org/>

Coleta Taylor KD5QFH(SK)

KD5QFH(SK). Coleta was involved with the club in so many ways and for so many years. Her dedication and enthusiasm was contagious and her attention to detail was sometimes frustrating. It makes you realize what a jewel she really was. With much admiration, love and respect, we wish her a safe journey home.

TAYLOR, Coleta M – Jan. 27, 1935 – Aug. 15, 2017 Coleta was born in Bremond, TX to Earlie and Nora Evans Kornegay on a Sunday morning in her family's home. She accepted Jesus as her savior at the age of 8 and was baptized in the Church of Christ in Flatonia, TX. She has made Irving, TX her home since 1985, before that Ennis, TX was her home where her children were born and grew up. She worked for Ennis Business Forms, several sewing factories, Lotspeich-Bond, Tri-Mark Pkg. and Ellison Concrete and Plumbing before she retired in 1985 and moved to Irving. She was preceded in death by her parents, Earlie & Nora Kornegay, her sister Mary Thomas, her brother Earl 'Sonny' Kornegay, her husbands, Carrel N. Frazier, Fred Davis and Malcolm Turner, a son John Frazier and a grandsons Malcolm Grubbs, James Frazier, Joe Wilson, granddaughter Beverly Wilks. She is survived by her very loving husband of 16 years Doyle Taylor, sons Robert P. and wife. Janette Sterling, J. Gann Wilson and wife Anna, Carrell N. Frazier, Jr and wife Sandra, daughters Mary Ann Mezzapelle husband Chris, Carolyn V. Smith, L. Marie Frazier and the caboose Coleta M. Wilkerson and husband Jarvis. Her grandchildren include Jimmy Wilson, Janet Nelson, Martin & Stanley Maddux, Veronica Wilks, John Frazier, Dr. Rob Sterling, Shirley Harrison, Michelle Rash, CN Frazier, III, Amy Wilson, Sara James, Michael Grubbs, II, Nancy Salter, Robert Ehrlich, 40 great grandchildren. She is survived by a niece Nancy Barton and nephew Sean Kornegay. Also survived by James R. Sterling friend and former husband.

Coleta Taylor will have her final services on Friday, 11:00AM at the Cotton Ginn Cemetery in Mexia, Texas. Any and all family and friends are invited to this small service. The Urn will be placed in a grave next to other family.

Coleta was a person who loved to help others. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to organizations that support our military troops such as the (USO), SFO Intl. Airport Terminal 1 Mezzanine Level, San Francisco, CA 94128, or your favorite charity.



VE Testing Sessions

VE Testing Sessions are held every 3rd Sat. at 8:30 am Betcha Bingo #2 2420 Irving Blvd Irving, TX

You will need:

2 forms of identification – one must include photo

Pencils or pens (black or blue)

Your current Amateur Radio License (if you have one) and a copy of same to file with your application;

Your CSCE; and a copy of same, if you have completed relative elements at a prior session

W5YI \$14.00 exam fee – cash, correct change please

ARRL \$15.00 exam fee— cash, correct change please

Contact for further information

Doyle Taylor
972/579-9089 or Dennis Riise 972/255-8187.

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Business Meeting Minutes, July 13, 2017 7:30PM

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1. Concerns for members, family, friends; Coleta is continuing to recover well. Walking better than expected. Waiting for an additional surgery. Ken Hansen wife is doing fine. Recovering well looking for the future. Gamma knife procedure in Sept.
2. Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. 7 Members in attendance.
5. Minutes. Minutes for both meetings in June were sent via email beforehand. Motion by K5AVT to accept Approved
6. Treasurer Report for June also sent via email (See related file). N5BKL motioned, Accepted
7. Old Business
 - a. Committee Reports
 - i. Trailer Sale Committee; Dennis Brady, W5FRS
 1. Update July payment received. Last payment in August. Buyer says they do not need combo locks but we will leave tongue lock
 - ii. Fourth of July Committee
 1. Review; Tim Fooks, N5MBQ related to Ken Hansen after the event that he was very pleased with club participation. Full turnout. IARC plus ARES/RACES participation made for a well covered event.
 - iii. HamCom Talk-in
 1. Review; No additional feedback. Ken feels event was success for us.
 - iv. AREDN
 1. Being configured by Andrew KE5GDB.
 2. Installation date TBD as it is to hot in summer to do install in the summer.
8. New Business
 - a. New Members: There were no new member applications to act on.
 - b. Club Directory Project: Documentation for club needs to be addressed Ken will attempt to bring forth a list of items we should be tracking.
 - c. 70cm Repeater Outages: Ken reports that twice recently, we had to power cycle the 440 repeater. Other repeaters stayed up. Hospital has been working on power. Discussion centered on the possibility that this could have been an issue with repeater changeover to a non-existent backup battery. Bill Caldwell, AC5BC suggested that he thinks we need to purchase large enough batteries to sustain the repeaters for an hour of operation. This might be 20 or 30 AH per repeater. Ken motioned that the club buy batteries to not exceed \$300 and then install to address power loss issue. The Motion was seconded and carried.
 - d. HamThreads: Ken and proprietor worked on logo. Added some gold to make it stand out. Our club is too small for them to do

Join Us!

To join the Irving Amateur Radio Club we encourage you to attend one of our upcoming meetings, held twice monthly in Irving, Texas. Dates, times and locations are on the club calendar elsewhere on the website, but we typically meet on the 2nd and fourth Thursdays of each month. If you are interested in joining but unable to attend an upcoming meeting, you can send an email to staff@irvingarc.org for personal attention.

an on-site sale but Ken will put an article with links together for the newsletter.

- e. MentorFest; Bill Caldwell, AC5BC talked about history of 2005 event. As with the past event, this will be an ARRL NTX section event with IARC providing the venue (Bingo Hall) and assistance in room arrangement. It will take more people to rearrange venue at Bingo than club can supply. The question at hand is whether the club wants to participate in this event. Proposed dates of September 30th or October 21st were discussed. Desire is to avoid conflict with Texoma and Belton hamfests. Ken proposes the club agree to participate and facilitate a Mentorfest at the Bingo hall on October 21 with Bill Caldwell AC5BC as the event chair for both the club and for ARRL NTX section. Bill and NTX Section will attempt to engage other clubs to both promote and also to participate in site preparation and reset. Ken proposed and the leadership approved to hold the event on October 21st.
 - f. In-meeting upgrade class; Ken Hansen says we need to rethink the way we will hold our upgrade class with discussion later.
9. Meeting closed at around 9:00PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Tom Schuessler, IARC Secretary/Treasurer, Irving Amateur Radio Club Inc.

General Meeting Minutes, July 27, 2017

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1. Concerns for members, family, friends Wes Dyre medical needs. Coleta may be coming home soon.
2. Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introductions; 12 members and one guest present.
4. Birthdays for July and August read by James Shugart and others.
5. Minutes will be covered at Business meeting, second Thursday of the Month.
6. Committee Report
 - A. AREDN, APRS
 - i. Installation tentatively planned for September, due to weather conditions.
 - B. Repeater Update
 - i. 440 repeater had been found down several times in June and early July, Repeaters have the facility to do an auto changeover to a battery source for power when power goes down but since there is no battery, they can switch to nothing.
 - ii. Board approved purchase of Batteries for repeaters discussed, Need to allow controllers to switch over to a battery source for power while emergency power comes on. Size needs to be large enough to allow for more operating time.
 - iii. No more downtime was noted since the last meeting, (Business Meeting, July 10th).
 - C. Echolink computer
 - i. The Echolink computer has been going going down often, PC on UPS, breaker left off for over 60 minutes. Ken will set PC to power up when power returns, that will provide log of outages in system log.

D. Documentation review

i. Ken discussed that he has not yet been able to assemble a list of documents we need to be electronically archiving on an on-going basis. Club might consider how, where to store certain files such as (roster, applications, etc.) – Club member PCs are not ideal location.

E. Tax exempt status report.

i. Tom Schuessler has procured a copy of our "Statement of Fact" 501C(3) Tax-exempt status which is obtained from the Secretary of State office to exhibit to City Parks and Recreation office when reserving meeting spaces. Our date to sign for upcoming meetings is November 1, 2017.

F. Trailer committee

i. Trailer finally sold! Dennis Brady reports the trailer has been sold and has now been removed from Bill Byrom's driveway by the new owner. Final payments have been received and deposited. Thanks everyone involved.

G. Shack Renovation

i. Ken proposes we consider renovating the shack, nicer furniture, better wiring and better use of space. Specifics will be taken up later.

H. Mentorfest, October 21st at Bingo. Club board has approved our working with the North Texas ARRL section to put on "Mentorfest", a learning day for new and experienced hams. We will furnish the space (Bingo Hall), but stipulated that other clubs are to be recruited by event organizers to aid in volunteering to work the event. Discussion by Tom Schuessler on JOTA as a parallel event to Mentorfest. He will bring up to DARC for some support and will research promotion opportunities from within Circle Ten Council.

I. License Upgrade classes

i. In meeting classes not working out, think we need to re-work schedule, plan sections, prepare lessons, etc. Perhaps find another way to do more in less time? Suggestion by Tom Schuessler to change to an on air format, Monday was discussed with presentation materials available on the web site. Suggestion also made to record the audio and then place it on website to allow for people not able to stream live. No date for beginning this format was announced.

7. New Members; Jim Bratton, KF5MYB, Irving . Application for membership moved by James Shugart and approved by members.

8. HamThreads; New IARC logo will be featured on items ordered through HamThreads. The club paid for the logo setup and orders can be made online now.

9. Break

10. Program – Ken, N2VIP, discussed the basics of DMR radios and programming.

11. Door Prize, 50/50 Drawing. Numerous traditional ARRL paper logbooks were given out to multiple members present. The 50/50 drawing for \$17 won by Stephen Boelter.

12. Meeting closed at 9:15PM .

Respectfully submitted;

Tom Schuessler, N5HYP, IARC Secretary/Treasurer