



Irving Amateur Radio Club Inc.

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General Meeting

Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 7:30PM at Senter Park East Recreation Building 228 Chamberlain, Irving, Texas

Business Meeting

Thursday, Aug 10, 2017 at Heritage Park, 217 South Main Street, Irving, Texas 75060

VE Test Session

Saturday, August 19, 8:30 AM at Betcha Bingo Hall #2, 2420 Irving Blvd., Irving, TX

Birthdays!

July

AC5BC Bill Caldwell

August

KB5LQR Lori Chandler

KE5JAL Kaitlin Feldkamp

KD5OEI Patrick Jankowiak

AF5AG Thomas Kilburn

Assoc. Linda McMulle

WA6MDI Richard Melcher

Lifetime Achievement Award - James N5BKL



On June 10th, 2017 at HamCom, Irving ARC Inc. Vice President and DARC member James Shugart N5BKL received the Lifetime Achievement award from Dr. Woolweaver of ARRL. Congratulations James! We are thankful for your dedication both to the Ham community and our club. Photo and information courtesy DARC. Link: <https://w5fc.org/2017/06/12/arrl-west-gulf-division-award-presentation-at-hamcom-june-10-2017/>

K5ZYZ Repeater Frequency Change

After 43 years on 146.61, the TX VHF-FM Society has coordinated and approved our move to 146.82, P/L 110.9, from our Carrollton site. Operations should commence the last week of June. Open to all licensed amateur radio licensees, our only rules are those of the FCC's Part 97. Any questions can be e-mailed to ars.k5zyz@gmail.com. Enjoy Steve, K5ZYZ

This tower is at Webb Chapel and Beltline, and was formerly on the 146.61. Repeaterbook entry:

https://repeaterbook.com/repeaters/details.php?state_id=48&ID=16227

W5JZ Ben Watson

Contact Us

<http://www.irvingarc.org>

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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/>

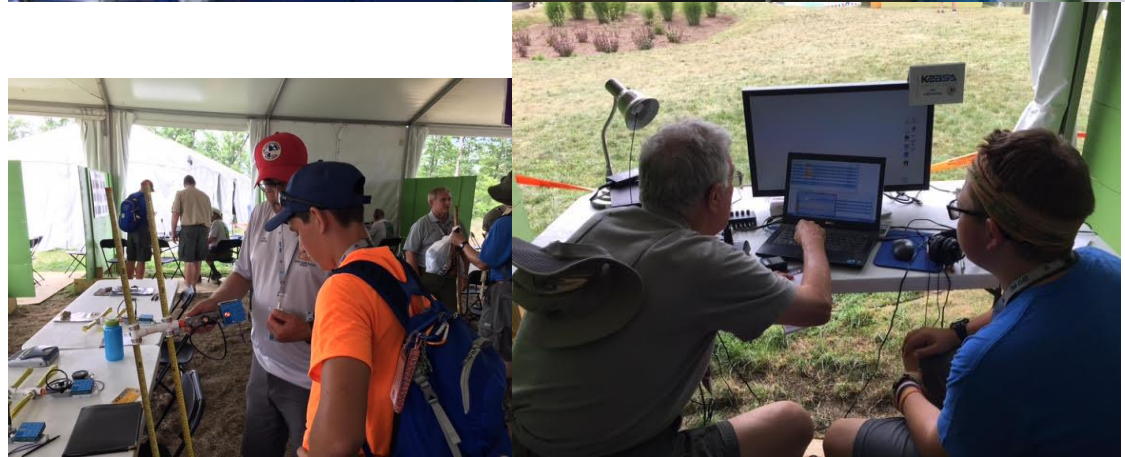
K2BSA
<https://www.k2bsa.net/>

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

VE Testing Sessions

K2BSA at the 2017 Jamboree

I am at the 2017 Jamboree and have had a couple of very good visits to the good folks at the K2BSA tent. Below are some pictures of their setup. They had a balloon launch and tracking system, satellite, 2 meter, D-Star, FT-8 digital, CW, HF voice, 2-meter fox hunts, plus many more activities.



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, June 8, 2017 7:35PM

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1. Concerns for members, family, friends – Ken’s wife is doing well and on the mend. Bob Alexander is improving in memory but has a way to go but now has Kidney stones. Coleta Taylor is also doing well in Rehab.
2. Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Introductions – N2VIP, N5BKL
5. Minutes emailed to leadership in advance. Motion by James, N5BKL to accept as presented passed
6. Treasurer Report emailed to leadership by Tom, N5HYP. Accepted as presented.
7. Old Business
 - a. Committee Reports
 - i. Trailer Sale Committee
 1. Update June \$500 received. Buyer will make effort to produce the final \$1000 in early July.
 - ii. Fourth of July Committee – Tim Fooks passed email about activities planned and help needed. Those who will volunteer should contact him.
 1. Updates
 - iii. HamCom Talk-in
 1. Setup – James Shugart
 2. Volunteers - Ken has circulated a list of times and people
 3. Talk-in ending at 1:00 each day
 4. Take-down -- Ron Tabb will assist along with Doyle.
 - iv. Field Day IARC will not directly host a Field Day.
 1. MARS Email Need a head count for who will attend their event.
 2. DARC Invitation – Flagpole hill Voluntary donation for BBQ meal on Sat.
 - v. AREDN
 1. Equipment purchased -- Sector install gear and antennas
 2. Being configured by Andrew Koneig.
 3. Installation date TBD
 4. Spent about \$1,200 of allocated \$1,500 --1108.76
 - a. Ken suggest purchasing two AREDN nodes, one for club shack, and one portable for members to test connectivity. Will not recommend purchase until after main gear is installed.
 8. New Business
 - a. New Members – None.
 - b. Suggestion from Ken to contact Jason P. Johnston of the Ham Radio 2.0 video podcast to potentially sponsor his video blog, especially preceding the 2018 hamfest. www.livefromthehamshack.tv
 9. No Program this meeting.
 10. Close 20:25

General Meeting Minutes, June 22, 2017

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1. Concerns for members, family, friends; Bob Alexander recovering from Kidney Stones. Coleta is doing real well. Continuing to recover and gain mobility. Ken

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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.

Hansen wife is doing well. Physical and occupational therapy. Will still have another surgical procedure in Fall...

2. Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introductions; 12 in attendance, no visitors, 10 ARRL members.
4. Birthdays for June and July were read from newsletter.
5. Minutes for previous meetings are now read and approved at the monthly Business meetings.
6. Committee Report
 - a. HamCom
 - i. Talk-in Feedback from Organizers was that they were not happy with leaving at 1.

We ultimately did man until 3. We did have a good set of volunteers. Discussions on show traffic on Friday being slow but Saturday was better.

- b. Field Day
 - i. MARS will be hosting their Field Day at Briarwood Retreat campground in Argyle, TX
 - A/C, Bathroom, field for antennas.
 - ii. DARC will be hosting their Field Day at Flag Pole Hill at White Rock park.
 - iii. Both clubs ask that participants contribute towards food expenses.
 - iv. Question was asked by Jerry Aberdeen, KB3RWT as to why club is not hosting it's own FD. Reasons why were discussed and possibilities for what might be done to increase membership. Jerry volunteered to help work on this.

- c. Fourth of July Parade
 - i. Tim Fooks, N5MBQ says he is still looking for just a couple more volunteers, see email sent previously Tim thanks club members for their support. All intersections are covered. 7P on July 2 Pre net meeting. All working should participate in this net. Will go over all aspects.

- d. Hamthreads.com
 - i. Ken contacted Hamthreads and arranged to have revised logo "setup", at a onetime cost of \$75

- ii. You'll be able to order hats, shirts, vests, with updated IARC logo on them
- e. AREDN, APRS purchase/install
 - i. Items delivered to Andrew, KG5GDB. He is in-process of configuring equipment, may do install in couple weeks
 - ii. We'll need to make sure the APRS station won't interfere with 2m repeater.

It was discussed that the APRS equipment would only be a receive node and beacon packets would be relayed via Internet connectivity.

- iii. Club spent \$1200 of \$1500 authorized. Ken N2VIP recommends purchasing two nodes, one for shack, one for loans for member testing their home locations for ARDEN and to learn the technology.

Trailer sale continues. Payment in June for another \$500. Trailer now is being stored at Bill Byrom's locked driveway until sale completed probably in August.

- f. Repeater Update, Dennis Riise, K5AVT
 - i. Some New Coax Tags needed;
 - ii. Approximate estimate to finish repeater work being put together;
 - iii. Consideration being given to replacement of current repeater controller;
 - iv. Update Yaesu Repeater? Need to ship to Yaesu, have HW/firmware updates installed. This is a backup repeater controller purchased earlier this year. Work would be under factory warranty.

7. New Members; No new member applications for consideration at this meeting.

8. No program for this meeting.

9. Door Prize, 50/50 Drawing! Door prize winners, K5AVT and Jerry Aberdeen, KB3RWT. 50/50 drawing was a total of \$38 with \$19 going to Dave Dobbins, KF5STS.

10. Close of meeting slightly after 9:00PM

Respectfully submitted, Tom Schuessler, N5HYP, IARC Secretary/Treasurer.