



Irving Amateur Radio Club Inc.

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Events

General Meeting
Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 7:30PM at Senter Park East Recreation Building, 228 Chamberlain St Irving, TX 75060

Business Meeting
Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 7:00PM (immediately before the general meeting) at Senter Park East Rec Building, 228 Chamberlain St, Irving, Texas 75060

VE Test Session
Saturday Aug 18, 8:30 AM at Betcha Bingo Hall #2, 2420 Irving Blvd., Irving

Birthdays!

July

AC5BC Bill Caldwell

June

- Assoc Hayes Crockett
- KG5CER Mark Ripperger
- KC5QLN Holly Schuessler
- WD8CQZ Garry Seither
- KF5PJJ Karen Siddall

Independence Day Parade



Communications Support at the Parade

Thanks to Tim N5MBQ, Jim W5OMG net control, Irving ARC, and Irving Races, we had a safe and successful (and warm!) outing at the 2018 Independence Day Parade. More pictures are available on the Irving ARC website at <http://irvingarc.org/photos/>

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/>

ARRL – North TX
<http://www.arrlntx.org/>

Radio Scouting Report - Tom N5HYP

It has been a hot, slow summer so far but it does look like youth activities are heating up for the fall.

This past weekend, I represented AMSAT with a small crew of others and Bill Byrom represented the DFW chapter of the National Space Society at the 2018 edition of "Moon Day" at the Frontiers of Flight Museum in Dallas. AMSAT and DARC were neighbors on the exhibit floor again this year. The AMSAT highlight was having the full size/full weight FOX Satellite engineering model for the young people (And some adults as well) to hold. Here is the single image I have of the Moon Day event. Telling the young folks that they were holding an



actual satellite in their hands got the kind of looks that this young Girl Scout showed. Despite the heat, we did also venture out to do some Amateur Radio Satellite contacts throughout the day. No final numbers from the event yet, but I would definitely think that there were over a thousand people in attendance over the 7 hour day.

Still working to firm up some Scouting events for the fall. The local Irving "Five Trails" Scout District will be holding a merit badge college on September 15th and I have told the organizer that we would like to again offer Electronics. The solder stations and PC board holders that the Club has purchased over the years will again aid enormously in doing this class. I would love to see some more volunteers from the Irving club to join in helping to teach this class, especially during the kit building activity during the afternoon. Please contact me for more information as to how you can take part. I am still working group and venue for Jamboree on the Air this October 20th. I made some new contacts with the STEM Scout program again at the "Moon Day" event this past weekend and will share what I know as we work out details.

And finally, I was just asked by Circle Ten to run a Radio Merit Badge session at Camp Wisdom on December 1st, my birthday. That will be a fun way to age another year. It keeps me young.

That is all the news I have for now but more details will follow.

73, Tom, N5HYP



Upcoming Hamfests/ARRL Events

08/03/2018 Texas State Convention, Austin, TX, Sponsored by the Austin ARC & Texas VHF-FM Society. <http://www.austinsummerfest.org>

07/27/2018 Oklahoma Section Convention (Ham Holiday 2018), Oklahoma City, Sponsored by Central Oklahoma Radio Amateurs. <http://www.hamholiday.org>

10/26/2018 Texoma Hamarama, Ardmore, OK, Sponsored by Texoma Hamarama, Inc. (Local ARCs). <http://www.texomahamarama.org>
Source: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>

Wanted: Icom 02AT

Dennis is looking for a used Icom 02AT portable HT for parts. Please contact Dennis K5AVT directly at dariise@verizon.net.



July Business and General Meeting 7/26

Reminder – our general meeting is this Thursday, July 26 at 7:30 at Senter Park East. Fellowship, education, and fun!

Note that the June Business meeting has been moved to July 26 at 7PM (30 minutes prior to the general meeting) at Senter Park East.

IARC Business Meeting 24 May 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:05 AM at Senter Park East park building. 14 people were present, including:
President Ken Hansen N2VIP
Vice President James N5
Secretary/Treasurer Tom Schuessler N5HYP was not present
Board members: Bill Byrom N5BB, Ron Tabb KC5HPO, Dennis Riise K5AVT

Wes Dyer is at Texas Methodist HEB room 501.
After prayer and pledge of allegiance, we introduced ourselves. There were no visitors.

AREDN report by Ken Hansen. We are ready for the ADEDN final installation.

We are looking for materials for the club website.

We are waiting for responses to our club grants.

Club shack clean-up was performed after last club meeting. We have many items which need to be taken out of the shack and given to members.

Lance Parkes gave us an update on our cloud storage. He will send information to board members about access.

Repeater committee: Dick will update us during the general meeting tonight.

Doyle Taylor was recognized for getting the room opened earlier.

We discussed our experiment tonight with the business meeting being held right before the general meeting.

Ken discussed the idea of a simple portable 31 foot portable tower. <\$2,500

Ken shipped the Yaesu repeater off for updates. Shipping cost was \$17.24.

Checks written: \$17.24 Ken Hansen

\$584.55 to James Shugart deposit reimbursement for 1/4 of the cable work at the hospital

\$1,753.65 to Richmond Communication for 3/4 of the cable work at the hospital

Meeting closed at 7:25 PM. Minutes taken by Bill Byrom N5BB.

IARC General Meeting 24 May 2018

Meeting called to order by president Ken Hansen N2VIP at 7:42 PM at Senter East park building a few minutes after the business meeting ended. Officers present were:

President Ken Hansen N2VIP

Vice President James Shugart N5BKL

Secretary/Treasurer Tom Shuessler was not present (out of town)

Board member Bill Byrom N5BB acted as Secretary/Treasurer for the meeting.

Wesley Dyer fell and broke his hip. He is in the hospital.
After prayer and pledge, everyone introduced themselves. 15 people were present (no visitors).
Birthdays in May were announced.

EchoLink is still down due to computer internet access issues.
Shack renovation: Ken will look at used furniture stores for appropriate tables and other improvements to the room.
ARDEN/ARPS: Cable rerouting is complete. Ken will schedule the additional antenna work.
Lance Parkes discussed cloud storage on Google Drive.

Ken discussed the micro grant project. We have notified the four clubs and are waiting for proposals from them. The four clubs who received our request for proposals are:

K5UTD ARC
Richardson Wireless Klub
Dallas ARC
Metrocrest ARC

Dennis Brady W5FRS and Bill Byrom N5BB discussed Field Day and we passed around a signup list. The plan is for a one-day Saturday Field Day at Heritage Park. There was some discussion of bands and antennas to be used.

Dick Melcher WA6MDI discussed via telephone during the meeting the repeater engineering work being performed. We will be able to connect 2 or 3 repeaters together. The Kenwood 2M repeater was repaired. The new Bridgecom 220 repeater was discussed. The 440 repeater will be reprogrammed to make it compatible with the controller. The old 2M repeater will need to be reprogrammed. The new duplexer was also discussed, as well as what to do with the old unused controllers. 2M repeater redundancy and use of the Yaesu Fusion DR-1X dual band repeater were also discussed.

Tim Fooks N5MBQ reported on the Independence Day Parade: 8:30am - 11:00am on Wednesday, July 4. The club will have a table set up at Heritage Park.

Dennis Riise describe future access badges to the hospital for repeater work. He also reported that Gary Dallas W5BFA (previous member of the IARC) passed away recently.

\$30 cash dues were accepted from:

Larry Saletzki WA9VRH
Rick Rhein (no call yet)

We believe they both submitted membership applications and these were approved at a previous meeting.

The club netted \$10 cash from the 50/50 raffle.
Three prizes were distributed based on attendance tickets.

We will probably hold the business meeting on the second Thursday of June and make a decision at that time about holding future meetings on the same night

The meeting closed at 8:37 PM. Minutes taken by Bill Byrom N5BB.