

HARC NEWS

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On the Calendar

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, August 11, 2009
At the Parish Hall at the
Catholic Church
@ 7:00 PM.

Net time is 8:00 PM
Please check in!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Surprise drill!
Be ready

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June 9, 2009: Van, N5RZQ, opened the meeting at 7:05 PM and welcomed members and visitors. Welcome to our visitors Lou and Doreen Everett

Opening Prayer: Tommy opened the meeting with prayer.

Introduction of visitors: Welcome to our visitors Lou and Doreen Everett.

Minutes: Cindy read the minutes from the last meeting. Tommy made a motion to accept and Gene seconded. The motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Cindy gave the treasurer's report. Dennis made the motion to accept and Gene seconded. The motion carried.

Attendance: There were 14 in attendance.

Under Old Business:

- a. The repeater antenna is in and stored at Gene's.
- b. The heliax has been bought and is also stored at Gene's. We are waiting on the people who will install it.
- c. Van called Steve about the Salt-Grass link and they said they will be here soon to repair it.

Under New Business:

- a. Ken Bratz is trying to get a list of net HF operators who will help man the net for the Red Cross in case of emergencies. The need more people to help send messages.
- b. We will be working at the repeater site soon cleaning up, spraying weeds, etc.
- c. We have purchased a scrapbook for the club and need someone who is willing to take care of it. Gene volunteered and we appreciate it very much. If you have any club pictures to donate, give them to Gene.

Don't miss the August 11th, meeting at 7:00 PM.
at the Parish Hall at the Catholic Church

Bring friends

New net time is 8:00 PM. Please try to check in

HCARC is open to anyone who wishes to join, and exists for the sole purpose of promoting a great hobby, Amateur Radio. An amateur radio license is not required. All members are asked to respect and uphold the general rules and practices of Amateur Radio, and to support HCARC. Annual dues are determined by the type of membership chosen, and are payable by January 31. The Club repeater operates on 145.310(-) with a 103.5 tone and is open to anyone who wishes to use it. The 146.700(-) with a 123.0 tone has battery back-up. Club meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Houston County EOC at 7:00 PM and weekly nets are held on each Tuesday at 7:00 PM. For more information, or to join HCARC, contact any Club Officer.

Program: Lou Everett, Sr., WA5LOU talked about ARES. He is campaigning for Section Manager and appreciates our votes. He explained he will do everything he can to help HCARC and Ham Radio Operators in our area. Lou turned in his application to the club tonight. Welcome Lou. Good luck Lou!

Announcements:

- a. Next refreshment meeting will be Sept. 15th.
- b. No test session scheduled at this time.
- c. Ralph was able to acquire the Parish Hall for our meetings from Aug. thru Oct. or Nov. if we want it. Gene made a motion to meet there and Tommy 2nd, the motion carried. We will meet at the Parish hall behind the Catholic Church on N. 4th Street at our regular time.

Thanks Ralph!!!!

Door Prize: No door prize tonight.

Adjourn: Ralph made the motion to adjourn and Robert seconded. The motion carried.

A note from Van:

Everyone please, try to attend our meetings. We will have a great place to meet until our regular room is available. Let's take advantage of this great place and fill it up. Thanks Ralph for getting us such a nice place to meet.

Our new net time is 8:00 PM until time changes again. Please try to remember to check in.

CLUB TALK...CLUB TALK...CLUB TALK...

If anyone has something they would like to have printed in "club talk" just let Cindy know. I will be glad to put it in. If you have something to buy, sell, trade, etc. This section is for such as this.

Please!!! Try to make the meetings. Everyone works very hard to make these possible. We know it is not very pleasant having them in the old break room, but it will not be forever—(we hope). We'll do the best we can to make it more pleasant. We are looking for a better place for the meetings until the class is over in our regular meeting room.

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- Club Repeater — 146.700 (-)
 - T - 123.0
 - Club Repeater — 145.310 (-)
 - T - 103.5
 - 440 repeater — 443.600 (+)
 - Salt Grass Link T - 100.0
- Weekly Net Tuesday @ 7:00 PM on 146.700 repeater**



New net time is every Tues.
at 8 PM. Please check in!
We will keep this net time until
Daylight savings time changes

August Birthdays

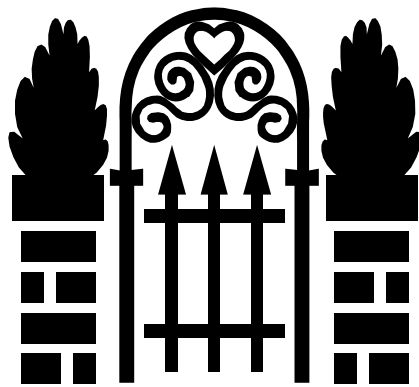
Randy Hargrove Aug. 5th.
Charlene Martin Aug. 30th.
Robert Nickerson Aug. 22nd.

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This story can fit 150-200 words.

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Inside Story Headline

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