

## Nebraska Section News – December 26, 2016

### Important...Ham classes for Northeast Nebraska

Got Your Technician License? Want to Upgrade? It's time for the General Upgrade Class! The Dakota County Amateur Radio Club will hold a General Class on four Saturdays in January--the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th, 2017. Class will run from 8AM to 1PM each week at the South Sioux City Law Enforcement Center--701 W. 29th St.. An Open Testing will be held on January 28th from 11AM to 1PM.

ARRL Registered Midwest Region Instructor J.R. Reider, K0JWR will be assisted by several instructors from both Iowa and Nebraska with years of experience in teaching amateur radio classes.

The mandatory course book is the ARRL General Class License Manual, 8th Edition.

<http://www.arrl.org/.../ARRL-General-Class-License-Manual-Sp.../>

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All You Need To Pass Your General Class Exam! Pass the 35-question General Class test. All the Exam Questions with Answer Key, for use through June 30, 2019.

If you wish to save some money on the book I will place an order for the bound version of the book at a cost of \$25.00 each--or the spiral bound version (easier to use) at a cost of \$28.00 each, these are discounted prices from ARRL normal rates of \$29.95 and \$32.95 respectively

. You can also order it direct from ARRL, if you wish. But you WILL need the book--and do some advance studying for the first day of class!

Ready to take the plunge? We already have about 8-10 students ready to go, but we can take more. But NOW is the time to register. Registration will close on Friday, December 30th. You can email me at [k0jwr@arrl.net](mailto:k0jwr@arrl.net) with your name, callsign, address and phone; you can also call me at 712-281-0867 and leave a message if I'm not able to answer.

There is no other cost for the class--although we will ask for a couple of students each week to bring some donuts or other classroom training enhancement treats each week.

contact Jim Reider  
[jrinnebraska@hotmail.com](mailto:jrinnebraska@hotmail.com)

If you have questions about the program, please contact J.R. Reider at [jrinnebraska@hotmail.com](mailto:jrinnebraska@hotmail.com) or 712-281-0867.

Congratulations to J.R. Reider K0JWR up in South Sioux city, Nebraska. This is an absolute HOTBED of new activity. Read and enjoy. Make sure to welcome the new hams!

### **Ham Classes, New ARES Group AND Elmer Day--all in South Sioux City, NE**

The Sioux City area is unique—there are three states separated by rivers just across from each other. And there are three clubs in the area—two in Iowa and one in South Dakota. Until recently there has been little club activity on the Nebraska side.

All that changed recently when the Emergency Management Director of Dakota County, Nebraska asked that the Amateur Radio Emergency Service program be rebuilt to support county emergency communications needs.

In order to add some new hams in our area, it was decided to hold a Technician class as soon as possible. In addition, several Emergency Management and Health Department officials wanted to take the class, but during weekday hours.

When we put a flyer and information out to other Emergency Managers and on social media, people from as far as 75 miles away registered for the class!

Two classes were formed—one meeting over two weekdays, with testing the third day; the other was a three Saturday morning class, with testing the Monday after Easter.

A total of 31 students started the two classes, including the county sheriff and a local police officer. Five had to drop out along the way due to illness or other reasons and four were unable to test recently.

But the classes were a joy to teach—very motivated students--and I had the assistance of some excellent hams to help do the teaching and show off some of their equipment. Special thanks to my YL, Paula, K0PSR—the Extra in our family--and for whom Resistance is NOT Futile when teaching Ohms Law.

The classes were held in the South Sioux City Law Enforcement Center training room, with a seemingly unending supply of coffee, water and treats courtesy of the Emergency Management Director.

Now that testing is finally over, we have 19 new Technician licensees; one passed both his Technician AND his General. Only three did not pass on their first attempt—and only by one or two correct answers. I'm confident they will pass when testing happens again soon.

But there's more to just having classes—we all need to work on getting new hams involved in the hobby right away. And that is leading us to hold our first “Elmer Day” for new hams—being held on April 24th in the afternoon at the LEC. We will have a number of stations set up by area hams to give our ‘newbies’—and others interested in ham radio—the opportunity to experience everything from kit building to HF to APRS to CW and much more. We will also help them program their new radios they will hopefully purchase at the Nebraska State Convention being held in Lincoln, NE the day before Elmer Day. It should be a fun time for all!

Finally, Dakota County ARES is well on its way to being chartered in Nebraska as an ARRL club and we also are receiving assistance in placing a total of three repeaters in Dakota County—one 70cm and two 2M units that should provide excellent coverage throughout the area. And we'll have people to use them!

Oh, we also have a ‘waiting list’ of almost a dozen people hoping to do a class soon!

J.R. Reider K0JWR

### **Southeast Nebraska Radio Club (SENRC) 80 Year (1936-2016) Anniversary Celebration**

September 26, 27, Coryell Park near Auburn, Nebraska.

You are invited to attend the Southeast Nebraska Amateur Radio Club (SENRC/SENARC) April 9, 9:30 am. Breakfast planning meeting at the Cafe Metro, 901 Central Avenue, Auburn.

A room has been reserved for the meeting and we hope you will attend. We are trying to make contact with as many Hams as possible to make the 80th Anniversary September 26, 27 at Coryell Park near Auburn, a big success. The Club will also have a table at the April 23, Nebraska ARRL State Convention, so look for us there.

It is true that many Hams are SK's but some of you and the children and grandchildren of past Club members, remember those early days. If you could forward this email to other Hams who may have been involved in the Southeast Nebraska Radio Club over the years and send in any pictures, stories you have of SENRC past Field Days, Emergency Communications, fun times, etc. we will include it in a SENRC DVD/Publication for those interested and those attending.

Send to: [senebrradioclub@gmail.com](mailto:senebrradioclub@gmail.com) or [kd0ptr@gmail.com](mailto:kd0ptr@gmail.com). Post memories and pictures to Facebook.com/SouthEast Nebraska Radio Club; Mail: Chuck Bennett, SENRC, %67181, Lincoln, Nebraska 68506 we will include it in the memory SENRC DVD/publication.

Hams keep communicating until they are a SK. Please RSVP if you plan on attending so we can have space available.

73's Chuck, KDØPTK and Bev. KDØPTR, Bennett.

### **Public Service Honor Roll**

KB0YTM 25 Hours

### **OO Report for April 2016**

Bil Mc Collum KE0XQ OO Coordinator

KE0XQ 80

KB0ZZT 50

WB0CMC 25

KB0DNP 21

KE6DZD 80

AC0DQ 40

WB0WMB NO REPORT

N0XY NO REPORT

WB0WXS 37

W0HXL 35

Nebraska Section Traffic Manager

### **NET REPORTS for April 2016**

Nebraska 40 Meter Net Sessions 29 QNI 354 QTC 2 Reported by KW0R

Nebraska Cornhusker Net March Sessions 33 QNI 352 QTC 4 Reported by K0CWW

Nebraska CW Net Sessions 6 QNI 6 QTC 0 Reported by AA0W

Nebraska Morning Phone Net Sessions 30 QNI 1889 QTC 71 Reported by KA0DOC

Nebraska Storm Net Sessions 30 QNI 1448 QTC 18 Reported by AG0L

One Sixty Meter Weather Net Sessions QNI QTC Reported by N0IGU

West Nebraska Net Sessions 26 QNI 1560 QTC 114 Reported by K0RRL

QCWA Chapter 25 Sessions QNI QTC Reported by WB0AEA

Buffalo County ARES Sessions QNI QTC Reported by WA0LST

Dodge County ARES Sessions 5 QNI 29 QTC 4 Reported by K0VLA

Eastern Nebraska ARES Net Sessions 4 QNI 987 QTC 0 Reported by N0GMA

Mid-Nebraska ARES Net Sessions QNI QTC Reported by KC0MWM

NPPARC Sessions 4 QNI 31 QTC 0 Reported by WD0D

Platte Valley 2-Meter Net Sessions 4 QNI 4 QTC 0 Reported by KW0R

W0IRZ Memorial ARES Net Sessions 4 QNI 60 QTC 3 Reported by W0WHY

Elkhorn Valley ARC Sessions 4 QNI 29 QTC 4 Reported by KD0JE

. Net Report Legend: Sessions=Number of times net called, QNI=Number of Station Check-ins, QTC=Formal Traffic Count

KA0DBK: PSHR Total = 85

Traffic Count: K0PTK: PSHR Total = 115

K0PTK: Orig:0 ; Rcvd:44 Sent:245 Dlvd:0 for Total of 289

### **Nebraska Section Nets**

Net name frequency meets time CDT time utc 40 Meter Net 7.282 Daily 1300 1800

Cornhusker Net 3.982 Daily 1230 1730 CW Traffic Net 3.540 M-F 1900 0000

Morning Phone Net 3.982 Daily 0730 1230

One Sixty Weather Net 1.995 Daily 1930 0130

Storm Net 3.982 Daily 1830 2330 or 0130

West Nebraska Net 3.950 M-S 0700 1200

### **Notes from the Section Traffic Manager:**

Looking for any historical notes you may have about any of the Nebraska Section Net's. Please send me your articles, stories, remembrances, pictures or anecdotes you may have. We will add to the monthly summaries.

Please report your individual traffic monthly totals to me at: [nf0n@arrl.net](mailto:nf0n@arrl.net) I also check in to several net's daily, you can send to me on the net. I welcome your comments and suggestions.

Mike, NF0N

### **Links to State Club Webpages**

AKSARBEN ARC <http://www.aksarbenarc.org>  
Amateur Radio Association of Nebraska (used to be: Hastings ARC) <http://www.w0wwwv.org>  
Ashland ARC <http://ashlandarc.org/>  
Bellevue ARC <http://www.bellevuearc.org>  
Boyer Valley Amateur Radio Club (IA) <http://www.bvarc.net>  
Buffalo County ARES <http://www.bcares.info>  
Douglas County ARES <http://www.mdares.org/home/>  
Elkhorn Valley ARC <http://www.qsl.net/evarc>  
Heartland Amateur Radio Association <http://www.qsl.net/hara>  
Heartland DX Association <http://www.hdx.net>  
Lincoln ARC <http://www.k0kkv.org>  
Midway ARC <http://w0ky.kearney.net/>  
Midwest Home Brewer's & QRP Group <http://www.qsl.net/hbqrp>  
Nebraska EMA <http://www.nema.ne.gov/>  
Pine Ridge ARC <http://www.pineridgearc.org/>  
Pioneer Amateur Radio Club <http://www.k0jfn.com>  
Strategic Air Command Memorial ARC <http://www.sacmarc.org/>  
Quarter Century Wireless Association <http://www.qcwa.org/>  
Society of Wireless Pioneers <http://www.sowp.org/>  
South East Nebraska Radio Club <http://www.senrc.farmpond.net>  
10-10 International <http://www.ten-ten.org/>  
3900 Club <http://www.3900club.com>

### **Other Links of Interest**

ARRL DX Bulletins <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/dx/>  
ARRL Propagation Bulletins <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/prop/>  
ARRL Keplarian Elements <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/kep/>  
ARRL Transmission Schedule <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html#w1awsked>  
ARRL General and Special Bulletins <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/>  
ARRL Emergency Communications <http://www.emergency-radio.org>

## **SICK CALL**

These are Amateur Radio Operators who are ill and need our support. Please send get well cards or QSL cards with your best wishes on them as they recover from their illnesses or surgeries. I will post along with their names what they are recovering from only with the permission of the families or the member themselves.

## **SILENT KEYS**

While we celebrate the friends that they were, it is with sadness that we recognize the loss of these hams from our fold.

2013

WØADK - Lambert (Burm) Burmester  
WDØFCK - Floyd D. Scholl

KFØFO Jim Peterson

KØSDG Paul Heiser

2012

WØAEX - Bob Rennolet, Sr.  
KØAQQ - William Sprout  
WAØASM - Steve May  
KAØBTY - Robert Musil  
KCØEHX - Roger Wilmont  
WØHNW - Garry (Hoss) Cartwright  
KØJPP - Berl Damkroger  
KØKES - Joe Nanos  
KBØOZD - Tadhg (Tag) Jackson  
WØQOU - Martin Klein  
WDØQVX - Henry Missel  
ex-KAØREX - Claudius Shoniwa  
KØRPC - Raymond M. Pohl  
WØRVQ - Verne Voss  
WØSZF - Verle (Moe) Francis  
KAØTDN - Glen A. Roberts

2011

KAØFZW - Raymond E. Sheridan  
WØGFQ - Leo Meyerson  
WØJCB - William A. Rice

WØJCP - Dick Dyas  
WØJJL - Jim Monk  
KCØKOG - Jim Nitz  
WØKQX - Ronald L. Frame  
KIØKS - Robert Dunn Jr.  
KAØLAR - Dan Tinkham  
KBØLLZ - Bud Watson  
KA2NIC - John Mark  
KA0S - Doug Mibourn  
WCØP - Don Duckett  
KCØQR - Jerry Robb  
KØTVP - Stanley Prokes  
KØUDB - Gaylord Ottun  
KBØWIC - Richard W. Harter  
NØWWO - James Kuehn  
KØYAB - Dick Moen  
KCØYE - Robert M. Hill  
NØXII - Steve Peterson  
KCØYFU - Steve Rudolph  
NØZRV - Vernon (Vern) Berggren

## **WEB RESOURCES**

ARRL External Noise Handbook

## **HAMFESTS AND CONVENTIONS**

ARRL Listing

Nebraska Section Convention: <http://www.lincolnhamfest.org>

## **VE TESTS**

When attending a VE session, make sure you bring the following: your original license, a photocopy of your original license, 2 forms of identification (one with a photograph of you), any CSCE's and \$15.00 cash or check.

## **NEBRASKA**

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml?State=NE>

## **Lincoln Amateur Radio Club**

First Thrusday of every month at 7pm CT, T&R's Garden Restaurant, 5250 Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln. For more information, the club website is <http://www.k0kkv.org>.

## **IOWA**

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml?State=IA>

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