



Theodore Roosevelt Amateur Radio Club

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TEST SESSIONS

If you are in need of a test session, contact either Bill Bosch/K0UB or Emil Wiegler/N0DK. Bill is associated with ARRL VEC and Emil is with W5YI VEC. They will let you know when the next test session will be held.

Bill: 701-483-3869

Emil: 701-483-4953

- ◆ January 4: TRARC meeting, 7 pm @ LEC.
- ◆ Remember that everyone is welcome to join fellow hams for morning coffee at Arby's 10:00 am, Monday thru Friday; Friday at 5:30 pm pizza at Happy Joes; Saturday morning breakfast at the Dairy Barn 9:00 am.
- ◆ Western North Dakota ARES Net: 8:30 pm every Tuesday.

The President's Thoughts

Dear TRARC Friends,

Bill Bosch reports that the 82 repeater has been winterized (what ever that entails?). Much thanks to Mick Lewton, Jason Mahto, and Bill Bosch for accomplishing this important duty! Bill also reports that we need to replace a dual band antenna on top of the LEC and he is handling this duty. Thank you Bill!

Looking forward to January- we need to think about club officer elections and our annual licensing course.

First: about the licensing course: As per usual, the course will begin in early January and run through March approximately. It will be an ARRL sponsored course as we are an ARRL affiliated club. License testing will be via the ARRL VEC. We have a great group of volunteer instructors! We are also looking to develop *more* talent also, so if anyone wants to participate please contact me! We only need *one* Saturday morning from you and there are good instructional materials and lesson plans from the ARRL. ***Please spread the word about our upcoming class! All ages are welcome!***

Second: Our upcoming club officer elections: Please consider stepping up to the plate! A club is only as good, and survivable, as its members. Recall what I last wrote about Glenn Nickel in October:

I've heard stories about his "Snappy Apple" which could help on repeater maintenance detail. I've heard lots of stories about his service to the club. I've learned he was the President of the club for many years and on April 1983 he as editor of the newsletter inaugurated our newsletter. In his first "Pen Strokes" from the editor he wrote: "Here it is, the first issue of the TRARC Newsletter. Hope you find it interesting and informative. However to have something of interest for everyone yours truly needs input and articles from YOU, the members. Any type of article of interest or nonsense is welcome."

This also applies to the club survival. We "younger" hams need to pick up the baton and carry the club forward!

73, Melissa Sheppard, KD0AAK

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Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2009

Laurie, KC0NHW, Secretary/Treasurer called the meeting to order.

Introductions of members and guests followed.

Minutes submitted by Laurie, KC0NHW, Secretary/Treasurer.

Minutes of last meeting were approved on a motion by Emil, N0DK and seconded by Evelyn, KC0HKR. Motion carried.

Laurie, KC0NHW, gave treasurer's report. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Bill, K0UB and seconded by Emil, N0DK. Motion carried.

Old Business

- A. Repeaters – Both repeaters 64 and 82 have been winterized. Bill, K0UB changed the time on 64 and Curtis, KC0JVJ changed the time on 82.
- B. Christmas Party – Our annual Christmas party will be held November 28th, 2009 at the Elks Lodge (upstairs). There will be a social at 5:30 PM with supper to follow at 6:30 PM serving chicken and beef. We will again purchase door prizes and do a 50/50 card raffle selling the cards for \$5.00 each. Discussion on contacting some of the newer members including Brent, Stark County Emergency Coordinator.

New Business

- A. Equipment for sale – Leon, K0LU is selling the equipment of silent key Glenn, WD0DAI. The items are as follows:
 - 706 Mark 2 G,
 - TS 430-older but in working condition
 - Icom 2 meter
 - Rotor – about 30 ft. light weight
 - 75 meter wire antenna
 - 3 element HF beam
 - 6 meter beam
 - 2 meter beam
 - Contact Leon if you are interested in any of these items.

Winner of the meeting drawing is Evelyn Bjorness. Congratulations!

Motion to adjourn made by Irene, WD0DAW and seconded by Evelyn, KC0HKR. Motion carried.

MARGARET'S CORNER

The weather in November was great. Many were making comparisons to last year which made it all the nicer. We had a nice group for the Club Christmas Party. It was great to have Kim and Joe back especially Kim's entertainment and Joe's lively assistance at the auction. Nice to see new faces too - Mike and Brent and their families along with Tom from Belfield who was the lucky winner of the card draw. We also missed many of the familiar faces of those who could not make it this year.

December turned out much like October - nasty. Mostly cold, even some below zero temps and some snow. Other than shivering in our boots it hasn't really been that bad and again, better than last year.

Finally, as we come to the end of another year, it time for reflection and change. The years seem to go much faster these days or maybe I am getting slower. For that reason my corner has come to an end. It has been a fun fifteen years but when it ceases to be fun and becomes a chore it's time to quit. May God bless each and everyone. Happy New Year!

73, Margaret KB7ITR

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Rhonda	Redetzke	KC0ROR	1/6
Rodney	Bakke	K0ALV	1/7
Gene	Hamilton	W0III	1/11
DeLane	Meier	KB0DRM	1/17
Louis	Tysver	W7IKC	1/21
Mark	Shields	WB0OAJ	1/23
Nick	Vollmuth		1/29
Clarence	Thompson	W0RTK	1/31

ND ARRL SECTION NEWS

Welcome to the North Dakota ARRL Section News for November 2009.

It is already December in North Dakota and what a wonderful November did we have. The new Boat Anchor Net on Saturday after the 12:30 PM WX Net has been a real success! Bill, N0CKB from Minot said that the amateurs are having fun trying out their old rigs. Check in with your vintage equipment and show off your signal quality!

**** SEC Update **** We are still finalizing our initial plan for the ARES Services in North Dakota. KD0AAK, ND Section Emergency Coordinator

**** Upcoming Events **** The Bismarck Hamfest will be held on February 27, 2010 from 7 AM until 3 PM at St. Mary's Grade School in Bismarck. There will be a North Dakota Net Control's meeting, testing for amateur licenses and an ARRL Forum at the Hamfest. The North Dakota QSO Party will be held on March 20th & 21st, 2010 and is planned to be a full 24 hour contest. If you have any input on this activity, send me an email at w0cq@arrl.org with your thoughts. This is a great time to get your WAS or help others out with North Dakota, including a lot of DX trying to work ND. Stay tuned for the rules on the website of W0CQ.COM.

**** November Net Report **** The Goose River Net on 160 Meters- 1.895 MHz, Sundays at 8:30 AM CST reported 5 Sessions, 74 Check-ins & 1 Message passed.

The ND CDO/WX Road Net on 75 Meters- 3.937 MHz, 8:30 AM CST & 12:30 PM CST, Monday thru Sat reported 47 Sessions, 775 Check-ins & 13 Messages passed, and the DataNet on 75 Meters- 3.397 MHz, 5:30 PM CST, Daily reported 29 Sessions,

511 Check-ins & 15 Messages passed. ALL NET CONTROL OP'S --A special thanks to K0HDA, KE0VF, N0RDJ, K8BBM, K0MAD, W0KRC, W0OSP, W0TF, KA0ETO, W0FC, KD0YX, K0TLW, W0CQ and AI0Q for acting as net control for November. We are experiencing QRM on 3937 due to the band conditions at sunrise and sunset.

Our plans are to work with the ND net members and try to move the net times to better utilize the frequency.

**** Section Managers Notes **** Have begun working on a spreadsheet to list the ND amateurs that check into our nets with email addresses. After we get that completed, our plans are to build a group email so that ND information can be distributed quicker than "word of mouth". The list of ND check-ins with locations and names for the ND nets and the Net Control preambles are still available for printing in a PDF file format on W0CQ.COM.

MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE NORTH DAKOTA SECTION NEWS FOR THE LATEST NORTH DAKOTA ACTIVITIES & NEWS AT www.arrl.org. This site has an Alert Section that allows me to put out quick alerts. If you have any special announcements, feel free to email me w0cq@arrl.org. Until next month... 73's.

Lynn - W0CQ

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TRARC Membership / Renewal Application


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1 _____	_____	N T T+ G A E	Mo() Day()	Y N	Y N
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- Membership Type**
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 - Digital User \$10
 - Under 16 \$10
 - Over 65 \$10
 - Newsletter Only \$8

Home Phone Number () _____ - _____

E-mail Address _____

<p>Mail this form to:</p> 	<p>TRARC PO Box 1854 Dickinson, ND 58602-1854</p>
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*Note: The information on this form will not be given out. It is only used to maintain a database of information for all club members. If you do not feel comfortable giving out this information, you are **not** required to do so.*