



Theodore Roosevelt Amateur Radio Club

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TEST SESSIONS

If you are in need of a test session, contact either Bill Bosch/KØUB or Emil Wiegler/NØDK. Bill is associated with ARRL VEC and Emil is with W5YL. They will let you know when the next test session will be held.

Bill: 701-483-3869
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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a wonderful time of year. I hope each of you have been finding time to enjoy and appreciate Spring! Congratulations from the club go to April Redetzke KC0KBN as she graduates from Bowman County High School.

Also, congratulations to Leon Kirschmann K0LU for being nominated from our club as "Ham of the Year." TRARC will be well represented at the upcoming International Peace Garden Ham Fest, July 11, 12, 13. Good luck, Leon, and thank you for all you do to make our club strong and vibrant!

We have had some great work parties getting the trailers ready for summer activities. Many of you have shared a lot of yourselves lately, and I wish to extend the club's gratitude to Bill Bosch K0UB, Emil Wiegler N0DK, Stan Kittelson WD0DAJ, Ken Muggli K0HL (formerly N71YZ), Melissa Sheppard KD0AAK, Dave Sheppard N0CI (formerly KD0AAJ), and Gerry Krebs KD0DDH.

Be sure to see Irene Bosch WD0DAW, or Irene Kittelson KB0NVT to order clothing with our club logo, or stop at Logo Magic. Thank you ladies for displaying the various clothing options at our last meeting! Remember that the maroon t-shirt is the "official" club uniform to be worn at the Parade, Horsefest, and most other club functions and events.

Hopefully we will see you May 31 for our SES at Painted Canyon. Be sure to bring your lunch and favorite beverages.

ALSO, FIELD DAY WILL BE HELD June 28-29 at the GRESS SOFTBALL COMPLEX. GO SOUTH OF FRANKIE'S ON STATE STREET TO 5TH STREET SOUTHWEST. From there, follow the club signs.

Bill Bosch K0UB, gave an interesting continuing education session on "Message Handling" of Radiograms. Following the June 2 meeting, Stan Kittelson WD0DAJ, will tutor us on the use of the TRARC - Motorola Service Monitor for "Testing Techniques". Bring your hand held radios and Stan will show us how to test them!

Finally, our condolences go out to Jerry (Estelle) Wolberg K0DIK on the loss of his uncle.

73 Bernie KCØRRJ

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ May 31: Special Event Station @ Painted Canyon Overlook
- ◆ June 2: TRARC meeting 7pm @ LEC
- ◆ June 15: Father's Day picnic @ Fort Peck Dam
- ◆ June 28-29: ARRL Field Day @ Gress Softball Complex
- ◆ July 5: Roughrider Days Parade
- ◆ July 11-13: Peace Garden Hamfest
- ◆ July 26: Taylor Horsefest Parade
- ◆ Remember that everyone is welcome to join fellow hams for morning coffee at Arby's 10:00 am, Monday thru Friday (Wednesday now at Twisted Bakery) ; Friday at 5:30 pm pizza at Happy Joes; Saturday morning breakfast at the Dairy Barn 9:00 am.

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Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2008

Minutes submitted by Laurie, KC0NHW, Secretary/Treasurer.

Bernie, KC0RRJ, President called the meeting to order.

Introductions of members and guests followed.

Minutes of last meeting were approved on a motion by Emil, N0DK and seconded by Gerry, KD0DDH. Motion carried.

Laurie, KC0NHW, gave treasurer's report. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Evelyn, KC0HKR and seconded by Bill, K0UB. Motion carried.

Old Business

- A. Repeaters – Bill, K0UB reported that the APRS in Killdeer is not operating at this time. 82 is working alright. We should go and line it up, it makes noise when keying down.
- B. Special Event Station – SES is May 31, 2008 from 12 noon until 6:00PM. Need to tune a couple antennas'. Stan, Bill and Emil will be working on the antennas'. One of the power supplies has a problem which Emil is working on. Stan and Bill got some new tires put on the trailer. The generator is filled and ready to go. Ken will pull the generator out to Painted Canyon and Stan will pull the trailer. A work party will be May 17th at 1:00 PM for the antennas'.

New Business

- A. Used Radios – The Dickinson Ambulance is willing to donate the Motorola Radios that were replaced from the ambulances. Motion made by Emil, N0DK to accept them and seconded by Glenn, WD0DAI. Motion carried. Darryl, KC0EWH would like to keep one for the use of training for the boy scouts.
- B. 2008 Field Day – There has been a change in leadership at the trap club. Due to scheduling conflicts this year we will have to move to a different location. A meeting was held with Greg Sund, City Administrator about using Prairie Outpost Park. Mr. Sund suggested talking to the museum board of directors. They also have spoke to Kristi at Wal-Mart and that also would be a possibility. It was brought up that Prairie Outpost Park has a sprinkler system which should be located as to avoid any damage putting in spikes. Have to stay with coax and control cable for the rotor. It was also brought up to check with the city about the parking lot by the Recreation Center. Bill, K0UB has volunteered to be the coordinator for this but would like someone to help with the paperwork. Melissa, KD0AAK will assist.
- C. Summer Events – June 15th is the Father's Day picnic at Fort Peck, MT. Roughrider Parade is Saturday July 5th. Taylor Horsefest is July 26th. Peace Garden Hamfest is July 11th, 12th and 13th.
- D. Club Clothing – Betty, KB0NVT has checked on prices for silk screened t-shirts. The cost is \$14.00 with print, call sign and name embroidered. \$1.50 extra for 2X and \$3.00 for 3X. The need to get at least 12 shirts ordered or they will be more expensive. May 19, is the deadline to stop in at Logo Magic and place your order.
- E. Ham of the Year – Leon Kirshemann was nominated by the club for Ham of the Year at the Peace Gardens. Irene, WD0DAW made a motion to accept the nomination and was seconded by Stan, WD0DAJ. Motion carried.
- F. Trailer – The trailer needs a new battery which needs to be done soon. Stan's suggestion would be 2 golf cart (6Volt) batteries instead of a recreation battery. Stan will talk to Gary Kostelecky on getting it replaced.

Winner of the meeting drawing is Irene, WD0DAW Congratulations!

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Emil, N0DK and seconded by Chuck, KD0DDJ.

Meeting adjourned.

MARGARET'S CORNER

May - a time when flowers bloom, grass is green and crops are planted. This year everything is set back. We had a taste of rain and everything started to perk up but the fire danger is far from over. We even had a nice blanket of snow which didn't last long but put needed moisture into the ground. Little rain and high winds make a lethal combination so we all sit tight and hope no one gets careless.

The annual ham radio activities are intertwined with school graduations and other things. A couple of work parties have taken place to get the emergency trailer outfitted with necessary equipment for the special events station at Painted Canyon on May 31st. Field day will be in a different place this year due to a conflict at the Trap Club. Plans are also being firmed up for the Roughrider Day parade on July 5th as well as the Horsefest at the end of July

On a personal note I would like to thank everyone for the cards and expression of sympathy on the loss of my brother.

Here's hoping everyone has a good summer!
73, Margaret KB7ITR

JUNE and JULY BIRTHDAYS

Laurie	Heick	KC0NHW	6/7
Rod	Redetzke	KC0RRR	6/10
John	Iglehart	N0MGL	6/12
Harrison	Church	W0KXP	6/16
Darrel	Heick	KC0APN	6/18
Debbie	Vollmuth	KA0SXS	6/20
Kady	Hansey	KD0KDY	6/20
Connie	Allar	KF00N	6/23
Larry	Fischer	KB0ZHN	6/29
Joe	Michels	KB0VSC	7/12
Ed	Schaper	KA0SXP	7/12
Stanley	Kittelton	WD0DAJ	7/15
Bill	Bosch	K0UB	7/16
Floyd	Huschka	KC0MRT	7/27

NORTH DAKOTA: SM, Kent Olson, KA0LDG -

You know what they say about the weather in ND, wait around for a few minutes, and it's bound to change. Nothing could be further from the truth when it came to Fargo's hamfest. Who would have guessed that we would have received 10 inches of snow on April 22nd. Having said that, hams still found their way to the fest from all points of the compass. I guess we are just tired of winter, and a little (a lot) of snow wasn't going to stop us from swapping gear and stories. Thanks to all who made the effort to attend and I hope it was worth it. The RRRR in Fargo also thanks you for attending and making the hamfest a success.

Remember to try and contact the Theodore Roosevelt ARC's Special Event Station on May 31st. They will be operating from the Painted Canyon Overlook at the Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Field Day is coming up, and the ND Top Gun award will be up for grabs again. The folks from Minot won last year, so now you all know who you need to beat. This year, we are not going to wait until the ARRL scores come out to decide the winner. Instead, we'll trust the scores you send me, and make the announcement of the winning club.

Lots of fun to be had by all, and be sure to get those new hams involved.

It's a great time for us to set the hook and show them how much fun HF can be.

HF NM K8BBM net reports for April: Weather Net: 26/601/6. Data Net: 30/1122/26. Goose River Net: 4/40/1.

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HELP WANTED! (and appreciated!)

We are in need of volunteers who are willing to help with upcoming happenings that TRARC is involved with, or assists with communications for. If you would like to help out and would like more information, please contact one of the Club's officers. If I can be of assistance, please call 483-0143 or email mlewton@ndsupernet.com. Thank you!

Mick KCØRLF

TRARC Membership / Renewal Application

<u>Name</u>	<u>Call</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>B-Day</u>	<u>ARRL</u>	<u>VE</u>
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3 _____	_____	N T T+ G A E	Mo() Day()	Y N	Y N
4 _____	_____	N T T+ G A E	Mo() Day()	Y N	Y N
5 _____	_____	N T T+ G A E	Mo() Day()	Y N	Y N

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Membership Type

- Family \$30
- Regular \$25
- Digital User \$10
- Under 16 \$10
- Over 65 \$10
- Newsletter Only \$8

Home Phone Number (_____) _____ - _____

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