



NOTES FROM THE EDITORS

Another season is upon us and thinking back, it was only two short years ago that our club was formed and what we had envisioned back then is slowly but definitely starting to happen. We have tripled our membership in that time, competed in contests, gave a technician no code ham class which gave us two very supportive members and has also given our members what they basically wanted in a club. So we must salute each and every one of you for your unequaled support you have given this club and hope for many success stories in the future.

FIELD DAY

The AADXA held field day competition on the weekend of June 26-27 at the Berwick Fire station which was thankfully donated by club member Ray Raspberry WB5LKR after the originally decided spot from the April meeting (the Belle River Fire Station) was met by member concerns of lack of access to supplies and media publicity. The club which competed under the 2A classification was on 80-2 meters using the club call of WA5MC. Also the club's postponed crawfish boil became a crab boil which was graciously donated and boiled by Lacey KD5ETG's dad Albert Gros on Saturday night. The club would like to personally thank Mr. Ray and Mr and Mrs. Gros for their unselfish help beyond what was asked of them.

ANTENNAS

At the May meeting, Mr. Ray WB5LKR also donated to the club a 40 thru 10 meter Cushcraft no ground radial vertical antenna that was put together but was hardly used. The club plans to use the antenna for field day and other club hf operations.

NETS

The AADXA Thursday night net has grown since its March beginnings due to the hard work of net control Joel KC5RFO and alternate net controller Guy KC5ZIM usually with between 5 and 10 check-ins weekly on the 146.745- repeater at 7pm.

Another roundtable net we would like to publicize is the non-club affiliated 30 minute in and out net led by net control Barry WB5GCG and is held nightly at 8pm on the 145.210- repeater with 144.500 simplex as an alternate frequency.

REPEATERS

The 6 meter repeater has been fixed by Paul KM5GD and is currently at Huey N5DVI's home in Amelia for final tweaking and operational testing for bugs on the repeater's assigned frequency of 52.450-. We ask that anyone with a 6 meter fm radio please use this repeater to help Huey out and establish our new presence on the magic band.

The 444.625+ repeater is back on the air after the electrical bugs were eliminated by Huey N5DVI and repeater owner Noel KB5GON . The repeater uses a PL tone of 100.0. Reports coming in on the repeater are favorable with the exception of a range problem toward the east which is being investigated at this time.

No more news is known on the club's proposed 145.430- 2 meter repeater and proposed 440 Frankin repeater.

The N5BOD 146.745- and 146.910- repeaters, which club members use, are said to be functioning properly with no reported problems.

The other club member owned repeater, the 145.210- repeater of Thibodaux was recently replaced back on the west Thibodaux water tower after the tower was repainted.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Congratulations goes to Lacey Gros KD5ETG on her graduation from Assumption High School on May 21st. Her future plans call for starting college in the fall at Nicholls for her Nursing degree.

COMING MEETINGS

The upcoming meetings for the club are scheduled for July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, and October 1st barring any unforeseen problems.

INTERNET NEWS

The club's Internet site is still getting rave reviews from people who check us out and in fact we are now a part of a ham radio web ring (sites all linked together) with comments from our site care takers to look for a possible new look to the site as soon as they have the time (Guy KC5ZIM and Joel KC5RFO)like uploaded field day pictures (as soon as the day after field day!) using a digital camera loaned to us by Ron KD5GAG and other ideas previously discussed in the April issue.

VE INFORMATION NEEDED

The club has accidentally misplaced most of the forms that were sent to us for ARRL VE examination accreditation. If you previously sent in a form or are a general class ham or above and wish to serve, please see Guy KC5ZIM for a form and have a photocopy of your license and any previous accreditation from other VE exam coordinators because they are needed for the application.

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

If you would like to reply to anything in this newsletter or submit an article for printing, send e-mail to wa5mc@qsl.net or you can snail mail it to:

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NOTE: We do have the right to edit for size and/or content and ask that you leave your name, call, and how to get in touch with you for any possible questions or comments.

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