





(Our Temporary Logo)

AADXA NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2004

This has been a rough year to say the least for AADXA... Is it the 7th year blues that they say happens during any kind of marraige? Or is it something else? I wish someone would tell us. But anyway we have gone through some of the worst times this club has endured in the past year with having paid membership numbers below 10 for the first time since our founding. The first time we actually had a worst showing than almost any of the years before at Field Day.... But instead of drawing on the negatives anymore, I'd like to talk about some positives too... The Positive of Noel KB5GON getting us the Mr.Charlie for Field Day when we didn't have the EOC this year, Sonny KC5MSK not only once but TWICE getting the club a place to meet when the place we would meet at would become unavailable or we would have to move from... Phillip KC5WFV and the many others coming out at Field Day to help even though they never stayed to operate.... So yeah, we have a few things hopefully to still be thankful for....

Mike KC5OKP

New Logo (Finally?) Part 2

Our on going look for a logo will hopefully come to a head almost 2 years after the old one was dumped due to disagreements.

At the October meeting, we plan to narrow the field of logo ideas to two and let the general membership make the final call. We have been holding a poll of our current logos at http://www.qsl.net/wa5mc/light/logo.html for a few months with the cut coming down to the last two ideas after Guy W5ZIM tallies up all votes from members from over the past few months. Voting will still happen up until September 30th for all logos. After the meeting, The new logos will be distributed and a new deadline will be set for voting to occur.

This is being done this way so no one person can say the officers are being partial to one logo. We are doing this democratically this go around.

Hopefully by the end of the year, The next newsletter will have the winning logo proudly displayed permanently as part of our main page.

Elections 2005

We will have elections for officers for 2005 upcoming at the end of this year. At our November meeting, we will have nominations and December will be final nominations and elections for 2005.

President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, as well as Newsletter editor and co-editor will be up at this time. Current incumbants for the positions are:

President: Michael Robichaux KC5OKP Vice president: Pauline Barbier KD5NOX Sec/Tres: Ronald Barbier KD5GAG Editor: Michael Robichaux KC5OKP Co-Editor: Mark Robinson KD5NOY

Almost all have been in office for 2 or more years (Pauline has been in office only for 2004) and wish for new and fresh people and ideas to lead this club. If you wish to become an officer, just email or snail mail a letter to Mike KC5OKP and we will be glad to help you out.

New Meeting Site!

As published in a earlier release to members, we are now meeting at the St.Mary Parish Sheriff's office building at the corner of Railroad and Myrtle St. in Morgan City. It is less than 1 block off Business 90 (La 182) and has parking off the Myrtle St. side.

With many thanks once again to Mr. Sonny Bourg KC5MSK and the St.Mary parish Sheriff's Office for the extended welcome and help in having a more permanent place to hold our meetings.

Meeting Dates

Here are the official meeting dates for AADXA for 2004 and 2005. The dates till the end of the year are October 1st, November 5th, and December 3rd.

The dates tentitive for 2005 are January 7th, Februrary 4th, March 4th, April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd, July 8th, August 5th, September 9th, October 7th, November 4th, and December 2nd. Notice the date changes to the second Friday of the month in July and September due to it being a holiday (3day) weekend on the first Friday week.

Testing

Our testing registration hotline is 985-518-3945. This is VP Pauline KD5NOX's phone number and she is currently giving information and helping pre register for the VE tests. We also pre register at wa5mc@qsl.net

The VE team will decide soon if going to a pre-registration only testing schedule may be better for us because as of late, we have been having problems in getting the required 3 VE testers together for testing. This is an unfortuneate thing we have to do but is something that may have to be decided upon soon. We already have 90+% of our testees already do some sort of preregistering with us, and this will just insure some past problems with getting VEs and materials together will be hopefully solved or we can inform testees of problems before they make a long journey to test with us.

Upcoming Events in the Area

Upcoming hamfest and events include:

October 16 CLARC hamfest Pineville,La. http://www.clarc.us/hamfest.htm , contact JJ Wages KD5MDQ 318-641-6635 or email: hamfest@clarc.us

November 13 Twin City hamfest Monroe,La. http://www.tchams.org, contact David Gore, KC5LFB 318-237-9245 or email : mail@ares-nela.org

November 19-20 Jackson County ARA hamfest Pascagoula, Ms. http://www.jcmsara.org ,contact Don Arnold, KB5FHX 228-762-9795 Email: kb5fhx@cableone.net

December 4 Minden ARA hamfest Minden,La. http://www.bayou.com/~k5dlh/mara.html or contact Dusty Collins, KB5WFE 318-371-0636 or email: dusty1@microgear.net

Februrary 12-13 Louisiana QSO Party- On Air gathering/contest FMI: kd5wdy@bellsouth.net

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