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THE BARN

MAY MEETING

The Beaumont Amateur Radio Club will hold this month's meeting, at 7:30 PM Monday, May 27, 2013 at North End Baptist Church, 5115 Eastex Freeway in Beaumont. The program for this month will be a presentation on APRS By Rocky Wilson, N5MTX



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Meeting Place NORTH END BAPTIST CHURCH

INVITE A YOUNGSTER INTO AMATEUR RADIO

"HAM HAPPENINGS" TOUR DU ROUGE BIKE RIDE MAY5&6,2013



Richard KA5IQX

May 09, 2013

Once again, local "ham" operators were busy providing communications and escort duty for the "Tour-du-Rouge" bike event, as the bike riders came through the area on May 5th and 6th. It's quite an undertaking for the bikers, as they ride from Houston to New Orleans over several days ... and on the first day of that journey, both Houston "hams" and those from the "Golden Triangle" area, were heavily involved.

The Houston group escorted and SAG'd the bikers to the outskirts of Nome, on highway 90, where local "hams" began to assist in helping the riders to get through the Beaumont portion of the route safely. As they came into Nome, we directed them to turn onto the "Old Nome Highway" ... which took them to China, Texas ... where they rode down the main street ... past all of the skyscrapers, observation towers, and the outdoor "WoodChuck Pavilion", where the China, 3-piece symphony orchestra was playing their rendition of "Riders In The Storm". (which was odd, because it was a sunny day)

Then, it was on into Beaumont via the "Old Sour Lake Highway", until they turned right, onto the "Old Sour Grapes Highway" ... which runs parallel to the "Old Fritter Freeway", which finally runs into the "Old Dirt Road" right next to the hotel. ("Ye Old Elegante" Inn & Blacksmith Shop") Lets face it. By the time we got there ... all of us were a lot older.

But ... what was really cool was ... the Red Cross had set up tables under a huge tent, where the riders could get a free massage, after their long and difficult trip. I actually managed to get four massages before they figured out I had already been through the line several times and not only that I wasn't even a rider. I tried to explain that I was an important part of the event, and that I had been very busy ... following behind the riders to make sure they made it to the hotel ok. Unfortunately, they had three witnesses and a photograph, showing that I was NOT following any bike riders I was following a Blue Bell ice cream truck that was well off the route. Hey ... how was I to know? It looked so similar to the Red Cross truck. Sheeesh.

Anyway, it was good to meet and talk with some of the Houston area "hams" after we got to the hotel. Kirk (N5WKM), Fred (KF5FNO) and I, had a great conversation with them, under the shade of an "Old Oak Tree" ... (No ... that's not a road, it's actually a tree) We decided that next year we're going to add parade floats and a Blue Bell ice cream truck to the SAG vehicles. (The ice cream truck was my idea) Some of the Houston group were ... Lee (WA5QXE) ... Rich (KE5ZZP) ... and Frank (N5EJX).

The next morning ... bright and early ... (I think I got there at 2pm) ...we escorted the bikers down "Old Cardinal Drive" and then down "Old West Port Arthur Rd" and onto Pleasure Island. After the bikers took a break at the rest stop on the Island, we continued to escort them until they rode over the Causeway Bridge into Louisiana.

All in all ... things went quite well ... and the weather was perfect. We're looking forward to doing it again next year ... and I'm sure it will be even better. There were 95 riders this year ... which was a considerable increase from last year ... so the event seems to be gaining in popularity. All the more reason we need to be there to assist in case there are any bike breakdowns, physical problems, or perhaps simply a rider who has taken the wrong road. We do make a difference, so if you are available next year at this time, be sure to volunteer to help ... and as always ... let's

"Ham it Up".



Richard.... KA5IQX

CLUB NEWS:



CLUB PATCHES FOR SALE \$5.00 each



**Our Club Net is on Thursday Evening at 8:00pm on 146.700, -offset, pl: 107.2
W5RIN EchoLink Available for Check In**

Next Beaumont Club Meeting is Monday, May 27 @ 7:30pm

UPCOMING PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS

June 01	Spindletop Spin Bike – A – Thon
June 13	SkyWarn Class Basic and Adv., Civic Center, Pt Arthur
June 22,23	ARRL Field Day
September 21	CCA Kids Fishing Rodeo, LaPorte, TX (tentative)
October 18, 19, 20	BSA Jamboree on the Air
November 02	Winnie Survive, WWII.5, 'Retribution'
November 09	Gusher Marathon-Pleasure Island

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 07	WEST GULF DIVISION CONVENTION, PLANO, TX
JUNE 29	W5AW HAMFEST, BIG SPRING, TX
JULY 13	TEXAS CITY HAMFEST
JULY 20	JCARC TAILGATE & VE TESTING
AUGUST 02	TEXS STATE CONVENTION, AUSTIN

Beaumont Amateur Radio Club Minutes

Minutes: 25 MAR 2013

General Meeting called to order by L.B. Little, WB5YDA @ 19:30 CST
Everyone introduced themselves by name and call sign.
Lynn Sandell, KF5LNZ, was installed as the Beaumont Amateur Radio Club's Vice President

OLD BUSINESS:

- Winnie Wars, WWII.5 was quite a wet experience, but great fun.
- March for Babies was a great success and a lot of fun.
- Belton HamFest was a good HamFest and enjoyed by all that went.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Congrats to Lynn Sandell on her appointment to Vice President
- Upcoming events: Tour du Rouge, Don Allen Sorts Day, Spindletop Spin
- Upcoming Hamfests: Texas City, Austin, JCARC Tailgate Sale
- Welcome New Member, Wayne Sonnier, KF5SRG

BALLOON BUSINESS: Nothing to Report

Program: A great program: "Secret Listeners, WWI & WWII: Volunteer Interceptor for the Radio Security Services" video

presented by L.B. Little, WB5YDA.

Motion to Adjourn made by David, KF5CAE and Seconded by John, W5EME.

Meeting Adjourned @ 08:25 (20:25) pm by L.B. Little, WB5YDA

Members Present: 20

Visitors Present: 1

Signed: *Randy Lefbrich*, KE5YLY

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP ON SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 7:30 TILL ? at DAIRY QUEEN
ON PHELAN BLVD & 23rd, BEAUMONT**

From the Jefferson County Club

The Jefferson County Club will have their next meeting June 11th at the JCARC Clubhouse at 216 10th Street in Nederland at 7:00 pm. The next ARES meeting will be June 20th, at the JCARC Clubhouse at 7:00 pm.

Lots of events to prepare for this year. Please join us.

The Mid and South county HAM Operators are meeting for breakfast on Saturday at the Magnolia Diner on Hwy 366 around 7-9am. Please join us.

Our Club Net is on Wednesday at 8:00pm on 145.470, - offset, pl: 103.5

Check out our Web sites at: www.w5ssv.com and www.qsl.net/w5ssv

From the Big Thicket Club

The Big Thicket Amateur Radio Club will have their next meeting June 4th at the Kountze Fire Station on E. Deer & S. Beach St. in Kountze at 7:00 pm. Please join us.

We are raffling off a New Kenwood TMV71A 2m/440 XBand rig to be given away at ARRL Field Day. Tickets are \$2.00 each.

Our Club Net is on Thursdays at 7:00pm on 145.230, - offset, pl: 103.5

EchoLink is available to check in and use.

Visit us at: <http://www.qsl.net/btare/> .

From the Orange Club

The Orange Amateur Radio Club will have their next meeting June 7th at the Red Cross Chapter House in Orange. ARES meeting starts at 6:30 pm and the Club meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

Our Club Net is Daily at 6:30pm on 147.180, + offset, pl: 103.5. ARES Net on Monday Nights.

Remember "CQ at the DQ" our Ham Breakfast meeting at the Dairy Queen on Strickland Dr. in Orange the third Saturday of the month at 8:30AM. Hope to see you there!!

Check out our Web sites at: www.qsl.net/w5nd

From the Lakes Area Club

The Lakes Area Club will have their next meeting May 30th at the Jasper Airport, Bell Field Terminal Building at Hwy 190 W & FM 777 in Jasper at 7:00 pm. Please join us.

Our Club Net is on Tuesdays at 8:00pm on 147.000, - offset, pl: 118.8 EchoLink available for net check in and communications.

Please check our web page : www.w5jas.orgfor the latest info. If you have any questions or ideas please let me know at dakeller@cmaaccess.com.

From Tyler County Amateur Radio Association

The Tyler County Amateur Radio Association will have their next meeting June 6th , the first Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Woodville Emergency Center located at 201 Veterans Way. Turn at the light by Brookshire Bros. Grocery Store and you will see the building. It runs parallel to Hwy 69. Please join us.

Our new repeater frequency is 146.680 -offset and pl:100.0.

From the QCWA

We meet the third Saturday each month at noon at Baytown Seafood on Hwy 347 just north of Hwy 73 in Groves.

Meetings are very informal and usually involve a "show and tell" about some kind of old radio equipment the members have in their collections. You don't have to be licensed 25 years to attend the local meetings, as is required for

National QCWA membership.

From the LC-M SCHOOL RADIO CLUB

We will be having a meeting next Thursday. The club sponsor Cory Parsons. Parsons' email address is coparsons@lcmcisd.org. If you have any more questions, just let me know. John Nichols, KF5LPY

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

A couple of quick notes before I turn it over to Richard for a double dose of HAM HAPPENINGS: First of all, I want to thank and congratulate, Lynn Sandell for accepting the Vice President's Role with the loss of Tootie. I think she will do a good job of shoe filling. Second, I wish to thank all that have volunteered for the Public Service Events, I know they are coming at us fast and furious, but you are making a name for the HAM RADIO community that will never be forgotten. Some folks are even getting used to seeing us around. And finally, Congratulations go out to Richard's, KA5IQX, Grand Daughter, Hanna Jannise, for taking 2nd place in the Beaumont Soap Box Derby-Super Stock Division. It is only her second year to participate and she placed 5th in the Stock Division last Year. I see a New Danica Patrick in the Making.....

"HAM HAPPENINGS"

APRIL 2013

MOTHER'S MARCH AND SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST

Richard KA5IQX

There were several events taking place over the past few weeks. Each one was a bit different, but all were interesting and enjoyable. This is an extremely busy time of year for "ham" operators in this area, and trying to be involved in all of the activities can really keep you jumping.

One event was the "Mother's March For Babies", which was held on April 20th, on the campus of Lamar University. Rich (N5ALE), Ray (WA5DQW) and I were assigned to "Station 4" ... which fortunately for me, was located very close to the newly constructed "Apple Fritter Plaza" ... paid for by a donation from the "Fitness and Fritters Foundation". It's a "must see" for any visitor to the campus ... with a flowing fountain of "melted butter" in the center of the cobblestone plaza ... surrounded by six vendor booths ... each one selling "apple fritter sandwiches" and refreshing "fritter icing coolers". No doubt about it ... it was ten times better than DisneyWorld.

The "Mother's March" was quite successful ... and it wasn't just mothers who were walking the route. There were also plenty of men ... along with kids in strollers ... kids in wagons ... kids on skateboards ... dogs on skateboards ... dogs walking with their owners ... cats walking with the people they own ... two racoons driving go-carts ... and on one part of the route, a flock of great-tailed grackles ... flying and swooping over the walkers below them ... and apparently playing a game which could be accurately called "Dodge This If You Can". It was great fun for all ... especially the birds. (Artistic License used at this point for "story enhancement" purposes)

Rich had a "clicker" to keep track of how many walkers passed our location. I counted 16,287 ... but Rich was the official "clicker guy" ... and his count was about 1,050 or so. In his count, he included dogs as being two people, since they had four legs. I believe the reason for the difference between my count results and his, was the fact that I was on a "sugar high" ... and therefore my perception of reality had been distorted. (Also known as "Fritter Overload")

Lynn (KF5LNZ) and Carla (KF5CEE) were on bike patrol for the event ... and Rich was able to set up his APRS mobile system as a portable digi-peater, so that the APRS beacon from the "bike turtle" (following behind the last of the walkers) could reach the digi-peater in downtown Beaumont, and then hit an "I-gate" to allow it to display on the APRS internet web site. So, not only could we receive information via their radio reports ... but we could also get a great "visual" perspective as to where the "hams" were at any particular time along the route. Of course nobody ever knew where I was ... including me.

We also had the ARES "SET" on April 27. (Amateur Radio Emergency Service ... Simulated Emergency Test). This can be enjoyable ... but it's also a very useful exercise to improve communications skills and become more familiar with procedures and the various types of equipment and transmission modes available to "ham operators" these days. By holding "practice sessions" like this ... along with our annual "Field Day" exercise ... it helps to recognize problems, and find solutions before a real emergency takes place.

Orange ... Jefferson County ... and Jasper "ham" groups were all participating ... and "ham" operators were also stationed at the Port Arthur Police Department ... the Texas Department of Public Safety in Beaumont ... and the Red Cross building in Orange. The guys and gals who participated in this exercise were certainly doing their part to "Ham It Up" as we all should. As always, there are more events coming up, so volunteer to help if you can.

Richard ... KA5IQX

If ya'll haven't figured it out yet... Area Amateur Radio is getting a GREAT reputation in the community, thanks to all your hard work!!
by: Randy Leftwich, KE5YLY, BARN Editor

From ARRL:

ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up to Lately?

05/01/2013

Compiled by S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, ARRL News Editor, k1sfa@arrl.org

This feature -- including convenient Web links to useful information -- is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment covers the month of April.

The FCC once again [denied](#) an ARRL *Petition for Reconsideration* regarding the Commission's BPL rules.

ARRL leadership [met](#) with FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, KK4INZ, to discuss Amateur Radio's role in public service and disaster communications.

[World Amateur Radio Day](#) -- celebrating the 88th anniversary of the founding of the IARU -- was April 18.

The ARRL [is offering](#) T-shirts, mugs, hats, pins and patches for 2013 Field Day.

The [deadline](#) to apply for the ARRL's Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology, as well as for equipment and resource grants, is May 15 and May 1, respectively.

WIAW News: WIAW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, installed two new audio oscillators for use on 2 meters and EchoLink conference server W1AWBDCT.

Development Update: ARRL Individual Giving Manager Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD, reported that the [ARRL Diamond Club](#) is at 30 percent of its 2013 goal (419 donors), the [Spectrum Defense Fund](#) is at 7.5 percent of its goal (241 donors) and the [Education & Technology Fund](#) is at 19 percent of its goal (60 donors). Click [here](#) to make your contribution to the fund of your choice

The ARRL [announced](#) the top three finishers in the annual *QST* Video Contest.

The ARRL [introduced](#) a T-shirt, key chain, pin and challenge coin to commemorate the 75th birthday of WIAW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station.

Chris Brewer, N5GMJ, was [appointed](#) ARRL North Texas Section Manager, replacing Walt Mayfield, KE5SOO, who resigned due to work and family commitments.

The [32nd Annual ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference](#) will be held September 20-22 in Seattle, Washington.

For the 12th year in a row, the ARRL has been [approved](#) to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign.

A [new QuickStats Poll](#) was posted to the ARRL website.

The [winner](#) of the April *QST* Cover Plaque Award is **George Wallner, AA7JV**, for his article "The Garden Beam."

The June print issue of *QST* and the May/June issues of *NCJ* and *OEX* were released to the printer. The June digital edition of *QST* was released to the digital publisher. The [May digital edition of QST](#) was made available to ARRL members. A new book, [Understanding Your Antenna Analyzer](#), was released to the printer. A third printing of both [The ARRL Satellite Handbook](#) and [Hints & Kinks \(18th edition\)](#) were also sent to the printer.

Official Observer Desk: ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, handled complaints concerning hang glider pilots not identifying properly while using 2 meters, RFI from a CB operator using high power in Arizona, interference to repeaters in Washington, DC, a pool pump causing interference on the ham bands in Arizona and a numbers station on 30 meters.

Member Contact: ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, and ARRL Lab Manager Ed Hare, W1RFI, attended the International DX Convention in Visalia, California; Sumner also attended the 10th Annual CubeSat Developers' Workshop in San Luis Obispo, California; ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, attended AES SuperFest in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; ARRL Awards and Programs Assistant Mike DeChristopher, N1TA, ARRL Louisiana State Convention in Monroe, Louisiana.

From the Internet

Surfin': How Far Away Is the Horizon?

05/17/2013

By Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU, Contributing Editor

Here are some online tools to help you answer that question.

As a fan of VHF and UHF operating, I often seek out mountaintop locations so I can work some DX, unimpeded by manmade objects and Mother Nature's higher hills. And while I appreciate the view, I often wonder how far away the horizon is.

I discovered a great article about this topic years ago and after reading the article again, I realized that it was still good stuff. So without further ado, I refer you to Phil Plait's blog post "[How far away is the horizon?](#)" on [DISCOVER Magazine's](#) website.

So you don't have to do the math, Erik Rasmussen -- who writes the [American in Spain](#) blog -- has an [online distance-to-horizon calculator](#) (scroll down to the end of the blog post). And even better, Larry Johnston, W4SAT, has a [VHF/UHF line of sight calculator](#).

This is [Hamvention](#) weekend --- probably the biggest non-operating ham radio event of the year. More than 20,000 hams (including me) get together in America's heartland to celebrate Amateur Radio. I hope to see you there, and you can expect a full Hamvention report from me in the coming weeks.

Until next time, keep on surfin'!

Editor's note: Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU, seeks the unusual in radio. To contact Stan, send [e-mail](#) or add comments to the [WA1LOU blog](#).

The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club, KK5W is participating in this year's Museum Ships Weekend. June 1-2, 2013. Our call sign, KK5W will be credited as a contact with both WW II Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart, representing the USS Cavalla and USS Stewart. Visit our web page for more information, [www.bvarc.org](#). We will be operating from, Seawolf Park in Galveston, Texas, NA-143.

Frequencies as follows:

SSB	CW
7.260 MKHz	7.039 Mhz
14.260 MHz	14,039 MHz
21.360 MHz	21.039 KHz
28.360 MHz	28,039 KHz

Amateur radio operators in the Galveston - Houston area are cordially invited to participate. You can sign up on the web page if you would like to operate KK5W during the event at Seawolf Park.

KK5W will also host two VHF Nets for Houston-Galveston amateurs to contact the local museum ships using the WA5CYI repeater 146.94 (-) PL 167.9 on Saturday and Sunday from 11AM - 1 PM Local time. We are anticipating the USS Texas (NA5DV), Elissa (N5E), and the Grandcamp/High Flyer Memorial (AC0TX) will be on the net.

Operation on OSCAR satellites is planned for daytime passes on Saturday, June 1.

A balloon launch is scheduled for Saturday morning.

For the second year, KK5W is sponsoring the Texas Navy Award. This year's Texas Navy Fleet is expanded to include:

- USS Cavalla and USS Stewart -- KK5W
- USS Texas -- NA5DV
- Tall Ship Elissa -- N5E
- USS Lexington -- W5LEX
- SS High Flyer and SS Grandcamp Memorial -- AC0TX
- National Museum of the Pacific War -- N5P

For KK5W and AC0TX, one contact counts for both ships.

Provide evidence of two way communication (log extract) with at least four of the call signs during MSWE 2013 to earn the 2013 Texas Navy Certificate. Work all six to earn the coveted "Clean Sweep" endorsement. Visit our web page, [www.bvarc.org](#) for information on how to claim the certificate.

73,

Ron, K5HM, Event Coordinator

[k5hm.ron@gmail.com](#)

[www.qrz.com/db/k5hm](#)

Attn: Beaumont ARC Club Members c/o Randy KE5LYL...

Please visit: [www.FactorReady.com](#)

For: Emergency Tips & Resources for Hams

See: Crank-A-Watt generators for DIY Power!

PS: see "Getting Started in Ham Radio" page under Downloads for your new ham prospects

Thanks: Joe Ke5nys in Jasper, Texas

JUNE 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 6am SPINDLETOP SPIN 8am BARC Breakfast
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		7:00pm BTARC Mtg 8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC Net	7pm TCARA Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net	7:30PM OARC Mtg	8am BARC Breakfast
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		7pm JCARC Mtg 8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC Net	6pm SkyWarn Class 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		8am BARC Breakfast
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC Net	7pm JCARC ARES Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		ARRL Field Day 8am BARC Breakfast
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
ARRL Field Day	7:30PM BARC Mtg	8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC Net	7pm LAARC Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		8am BARC Breakfast
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Local Frequencies, Access Codes and Nets

52.525 6 Meter FM National Calling Frequency
 53.150/52.150 Groves Repeater (pl 100.0) **NEW**
 144.390 APRS
 145.010 BPT (W5SSV) Packet
 145.010 W5SSV-10 & N5MTX-11 RMS Packet
 145.050 KC5YSM-10 RMS Packet
 145.210 S.W.L.A.R.C. (W5BII, pl 103.5)*
 145.230 B.T.A.R.C. (N5BTC, pl 103.5)*#
 145.330 Anahuac (KK5XQ, pl 123.0)
 145.470 J.C.A.R.C. (W5SSV, pl 103.5*)
 145.350 Sulphur A.R.C. (KC5PNH, pl 103.5)*
 145.560 Simplex-Jeff Co ARES Secondary
 146.450 Mid County Simplex
 146.520 National Simplex
 146.580 Simplex Jeff Co ARES Prim & Special Event
 146.680-Tyler Co Amateur Radio Assoc (100.0) **NEW**
 146.700 B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, pl 107.2)*#
 146.730 S.W.L.A.R.C. (W5BII, pl 173.8)#
 146.760 B.A.R.C. (SW Lynx Link) pl 107.2

* Denotes transmitted PL tone. # Denotes echo link.

146.860 Port Arthur (WD5GJP) pl 103.5
 146.980 H.A.M.S. (Devers, N5FJX, pl 103.5)*#
 147.000 Jasper (W5JAS, pl 118.8)*#
 147.060 DuPont (AA5P, pl 103.5)
 147.180 Orange A.R.C. (W5ND, pl 103.5)*
 147.200 Port Arthur (KC5YSM) (pl 118.8)*#
 147.300 Mobil Oil (W5XOM) (pl 103.5)*
 147.420 Simplex-Orange ARES Primary
 147.460 Simplex-Orange ARES Secondary
 147.570 Simplex-Hardin Co ARES Primary
 223.800 Beaumont (KA5QDG) (pl 123.0)
 224.920 Devers (KA5QDG) (pl 123.0)

442.575 Devers (KA5QDG, pl 103.5)
 444.700 B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, Salt-Grass, pl 107.2)
 444.900 Mobil Oil (W5XOM, pl 103.5)
 446.000 National Simplex

NETS

BARC Net Thurs Night 8:00pm 146.700
JCARC Net Wed Night 8:00pm 145.470
BTARC Net Thurs Night 7:00pm 145.230
Org ARC Net Nightly 6:30pm 147.180
LAARC (Jasper) Tues Night 8:00pm 147.000
2M SSB Net Tues Night 8:30pm 144.270
2M CW Net Wed Night 7:30pm 144.160
10M CW Net Fri Night 7:45pm 28.970
10M LAARC Ph Net Wed 8:45pm 28.325 USB

Daytime Texas Traffic Net Daily 8:30am 7.285
7290 Traffic Net M-Sat 10am-12N, 1-2pm 7.290
Texas Traffic Net Daily 6:30pm 3.873
Gulf Coast SSB Net Daily 6:30pm 3.925
Delta SSB Net M-Sat 7:00pm 3.905
Ctn Gulf Cst Hurricane Net Daily 8:00pm 3.935
Southwest Traffic Net Daily 9:30pm 3.935
Central Tx Emerg Net Sunday 8:00am 3.910
Louisiana ARES HF Net Sunday 7:30pm 3.873
Texas ARES HF Net Monday 7:30pm 3.873

BARN YARD:

For Sale:

From: Doug Thomas, N5BST (n5bst@arrl.net), Secretary-Treasurer, W5SSV

I am adding a new page to our website. I have had a couple of members asking me to list some items that they have for sale. So, just "click" on the sign at www.w5ssv.com and it will take you to the listing. If any of you have items that you might want to list, just drop me an e-mail and let me know.

From: Larry Perkins, W5LDP (papaperk@qt.rr.com) 409-860-1925
Beam: Mosley TA34 XL WARC 5 Element Tri-band plus 17M WARC
Rotor: Hygain Ham IV

I will sell both with the mast for \$1000. I am not interested in selling them separately. The antenna is assembled and on my tower at about 10 ft. elevation.

Estate sale of HAM Radio Equipment

CDE Transmit/Receive Direction Control, Cobra 140 GTL CB Radio, Kenwood HF Transmitter TS-870, Micronta Power Supply, Mobile Amplifier, Palomar 300A amp, Pyramid Gold Series Power Supply, Radio Shack SWR/Power Meter, Uniden Bearcat BC-760XLT Scanner, Yaesu FL-2100B, Yaesu FT-101ZD, Yaesu G-500A, Yaesu SWR/Power Meter YS-60, Radio books and manuals, Misc. antennae rotors, wires, connectors, etc.

I was asking 3500 for the complete package. I would consider dividing up the package knowing that the parts would all move so I wouldn't have anything around. Dad was a smoker. I did open up all the equipment and blow the dust out and cleaned the exterior of the pieces. I believe the equipment has set up for about 3 yrs. There is no tower or antenna since they were destroyed by wind from the hurricanes.

Condition (IMO) is from good to excellent on the pieces. I can coordinate with anyone who would like to come and look at the equipment. I live in High Island and do shift work.

David N. Kane Cell: 409-651-4138 Email: kanedn@hotmail.com

FOR SALE By JOHN COOPER, WT5Y, (jcooper005@qt.rr.com), Beaumont, Texas

MFJ clearatone speakers 10, KRM Variac 50, wouxun kguvd1p with accessories(dual charger, 2 batteries, prog cable, hand mic) 80, MFJ dummy load 300w 25

Oak Hills Research qrp wattmeter 50, Heathkit cantenna 15, Power Sonic 35ah battery 40, MFJ 208 VHF analyzer 35, AADE l/c meter 20, cushcraft 70cm 11el beam 50 tram 2m/440 base antenna 75, cushcraft ma5v 10-30 hf vertical 165, ramsey dtmf decoder 30, leader signal generator 20, elenco audio generator 20 misc bnc coax jumpers coax adapters amphenol connectors

FOR SALE By BILL GARVEY, WB5LYB, (wb5lyb@gmail.com), Leesville, LA

The mics I have for sale are the Icom SM-8, \$75.00 an the Icom SM-20,\$100.00..also have 2 Radio Shack Pro-2006 scanners for sale at \$50.00 each, they are 400 channel scanners.

Ham Gear For Sale from silent key estate (W5ASA Leesville,La.)

New in the box,Cushcraft A3WS 12/17 meter , 3 elem.beam,Cushcraft A3S,10/15/20 meter beam, Astron 35-M power supply, Icom 2200-h 2meter mobile, Icom 910 H Sat.Radio, Icom 208-H dual band mobile, Icom V-8000, Yaesu FT-450 HF/6meter, Astron 20-M power supply, TE-2meter amp, TE 440 amp, Yaesu VX-7R, Yaesu FT-270-R, Yaesu FT-60 R, Wouxun 2meter/440 handheld with extra optional stuff with it, Alinco DR-130, Alinco DR-150,both Alinco radios are 2 meter only, Yaesu FT-90-R, New Yaesu Rotor new still in the box, 60 foot of Rohn 25-G tower with Cushcraft 5 elem 6 meter beam,13 elem 2 meter beam,10 elem 440 beam,rotor,all of these antennas are still on the tower an the tower needs to be taken down, 2 500 ft rolls of either 9913 or RG-213,I'll have to check to be sure on the coax. Plus there is a lot of odds an ends, guy, turnbuckles etc.

Icom-746-PRO, PS-125 power supply, SP_21 speaker, all three pieces sold together....

You can contact me at wb5lyb@gmail.com or by phone,337-208-6583....please spread the word....Thanks for reading....Bill,WB5LYB in Leesville,La.

Please send anything you want to buy, sell or trade to me so I can post it. Randy, KE5YLV, rwlftwch@aol.com or 409-466-5828

W5RIN BALLOON NEWS

BALLOON GROUP NEWS

The Balloon Group Meeting had a meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at the Jefferson County Amateur Radio Club clubhouse, following the JCARC meeting. A demo of the payloads was given and a lot of discussion on soliciting funds and getting a mailout list together. Anyone that has not been involved and wishes to do so, please contact LB, WB5YDA, and give him your contact info. We are looking towards a spring time launch.



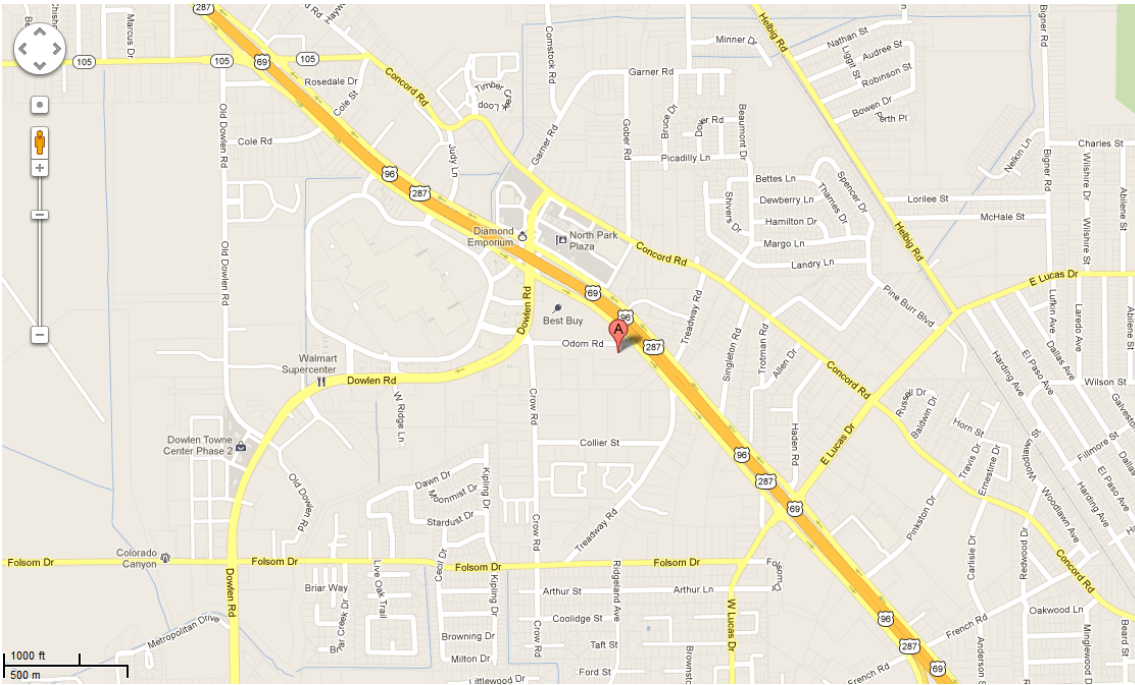
New antennas are built, X Band repeater is being fine tuned and readied.....Stand By.....Here We Go Again>>>>>>>>>>>>Q
The group is asking each member for a \$20.00 donation and looking for club and corporate sponsors.

LB's Tips and Techniques.

Power-steering fluid is the hydraulic fluid that transmits the power in power steering. Servicing it involves draining or flushing out your car's old power-steering fluid and then adding fresh power steering fluid. The fluid is the cheapest component of your power-steering system. Changing it can help to prolong the life of other, more expensive power-steering components such as the power-steering pump and the stratospherically expensive power-steering rack.

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