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MEETING

The Beaumont Amateur Radio Club will hold this month's meeting, at 7:30 PM Monday, November 29, 2010 at Wesley Methodist Church, 3810 N. Major Drive (at the end of Folsom Drive) in Beaumont. This month's meeting will feature Voting on Ham Of The Year award to be presented at next months meeting. Also a discussion on club officer election next month. Also expected, is an update by John, W5EME or other balloon group members on the clubs balloon project.

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NOVEMBER MEETING BE THERE!!!

Leadership For the Amateur Radio Club

*By Norm Fusaro, W3IZ ARRL Affiliated Club & Mentor Program Manager
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Congratulations! You have just been appointed to a leadership position of your Amateur Radio club. You may be on the board of directors or an officer of the club or you may be chairperson of an event like a hamfest or Field Day. Other positions of leadership may include heading up a team of Volunteer Examiners or organizing a new licensing class. Whatever the responsibility, the fact remains that the members of your organization are now looking to YOU to lead them to accomplish a set of goals.

Leadership is not a popularity contest. During the course of your tenure some people are not going to be happy with some of the decisions that are made. That is unfortunate but a leader has to do what is best for the organization. Trying to please everyone is a losing proposition and will only alienate those that truly have something to offer.

This does not mean that as the leader you get to ride roughshod over everyone. There are always diplomatic ways to affect change. As a leader you are the champion of change. Doing things the same old way is not leading, it is simply repeating the mistakes of others. Not that the way things were previously done were necessarily wrong, but a leader is one who will look at ways to do things better. Finding ways to tweak it, move it up a notch, fine tune it, or whichever cliché that you choose, is what a leader will do.

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Editorially Speaking

As a leader you are not going to have all of the solutions so keep an open mind and consider fresh ideas from your members. Rather than doing things "the way that we've always done" look for better ways to do them. It is neither "your way" nor "my way" but the *best way*. Stimulate your members to find new approaches to the challenges at hand. An effective leader is one whose people believe that they did things on their own. Be innovative, not imposing. Be influential, not demanding. Inspire your team to take ownership of the project and do the best that they can do.

(Continued at: <http://www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-resources>

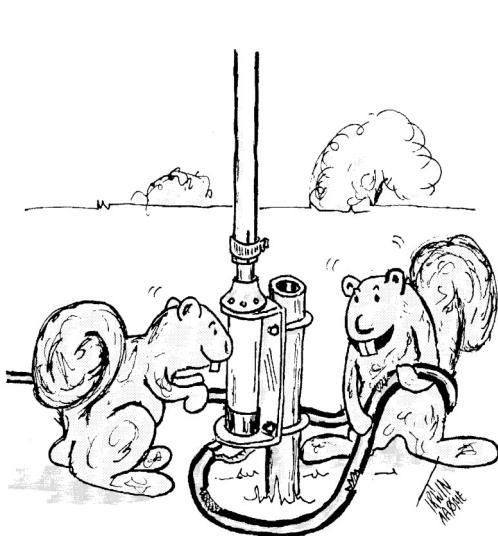
The November club meeting is where the members decide on who wants to lead this club into 2011 and maybe beyond. We have not had any of the membership in the club step forward for several years. A small core of people have had to keep the BARC going for longer than I can imagine. Now I agree the club is doing OK. We have a steady group of people show up for meetings and don't seem to have too much trouble with response to public service event needs. We have even had pretty good luck with a special Balloon Launch group participation, although a few have dropped out.

I just feel like we have, in our membership, the resources to make this club even better than it is. If you should happen to feel similarly, why not come out to this next meeting and step up and get involved. Let us know you want to help out and bring even more life to the Beaumont Amateur Radio Club. We have a great group here in Beaumont and surrounding areas and we can be a bigger and better club. HOW ABOUT IT?

Also at this meeting we will be voting for the 2010 Ham of The Year. You won't have your say on who that is unless you are at this meeting. HOW ABOUT IT?

Come on out and be a part.

Earl, K5UJC, Editor



Until he unscrewed the barrel connector, Tom had scoffed at obscure reports of water traveling down through coax cables.

'At first, my mike fright was difficult to overcome... but where there's a will, there's a way!'

'Although RG-213/U is pretty good, for a real taste treat, I prefer mil specs 9913'

From the Internet

Surfin': Indexing Ham Radio By Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU Contributing Editor

This week, *Surfin'* unearths online indices and archives for the "Big Four" in ham radio periodicals. It seemed like forever that *QST*, *CQ*, *Ham Radio* and *73* were the big four Amateur Radio periodicals. I subscribed to all four until *Ham Radio* expired and *73* lost its mojo for me.

I still have back issues of the "Big Four," but finding something in the stacks is either painful or impossible. That is, until I received an e-mail from Steve Lampereur, KB9MWR, informing me that he had created an online index for *73*.

Cool! I moseyed on over to Steve's *73 Magazine index* (<http://www.qsl.net/kb9mwr/files/ham/73.html>) and gave it a whirl. I searched on "WA1LOU" and found the first article I ever wrote – "TT Pad for the Wilson HT" -- published in the July 1976 issue.

I wondered if there were any other indices online for the Big Four. Of course, I am aware of the ARRL's searchable database (<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/Page/1857>) for *QST*, *QEX*, *Ham Radio* and *NCJ*; I use it often. By the way, ARRL members can also access the online archives of *QST* for years 1915 through 2006.

The difference between searching the index and accessing the archives is that the results of an index search allows you to view the particulars of an article (its issue date, page, title and author), whereas accessing the archives allows you to view the actual article as a pdf.

I poked around the Internet and found *CQ's index* (http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_1980-2009_master_index.html) for their issues, dating 1980 through 2009. I also found another *73* index, the *73 Magazine -- Table of Contents Database* (<http://www.w1sdm.net/73/index.html>) brought to you by Tom Green, W1SDM.

Ham Radio also has multiple online representations. Bill Griffith, VE3WGX, has his *Ham Radio Magazine Index*, (<http://webhome.idirect.com/~griffith/hrindex.htm>)

while Mike Yancey, KM5Z, has An Index for Ham Radio Magazine. (<http://www.km5z.us/hamradiomag/index.php>)

Until next time, keep on surfin'!

Editor's note: Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU, writes *Surfin'* 520 times a decade. To contact Stan, send him e-mail or add comments to his blog.

Complete article can be found at: <http://www.arrl.org/news/surfin-indexing-ham-radio>

Local Happenings

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Dec 2010 (Central Time)

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|------------------|
| | 28 7:30pm - BARC | 29 | 30 8pm - JCARC Net | 1 6pm - BTARC Net @ 8pm - BARC Net | 2 | 3 8am - BARC |
| 5 | 6 7:30pm - BTARC | 7 Immaculate 8pm - JCARC Net | 8 | 9 6pm - BTARC Net @ 8pm - BARC Net | 10 | 11 8am - BARC |
| 12 | 13 7pm - Dinner @ 7:30pm - Jcars | 14 8pm - JCARC Net | 15 6pm - BTARC Net @ 7:30pm - ARES 8pm - BARC Net | 16 | 17 8am - BARC 8am - BTARC | 18 |
| 19 | 20 6:30pm - Dinner | 21 8pm - JCARC Net | 22 6pm - BTARC Net @ 8pm - BARC Net | 23 Christmas Eve | 24 Christmas | 25 8am - BARC |
| 26 7:30pm - BARC | 27 Childermas | 28 8pm - JCARC Net | 29 6pm - BTARC Net @ 8pm - BARC Net | 30 New Year's Eve | 31 New Year's Day | 1 8am - BARC |

Local Repeater Frequencies and Access Codes...

52.525 6 Meter FM National Calling Frequency
 145.010 BPT (W5SSV) Packet
 145.050 Packet
 145.070 Packet
 145.210 S.W.L.A.R.C. (W5BII, pl 103.5)*
 145.230 B.T.A.R.C. (N5BTC, pl 103.5)*
 145.470 J.C.A.R.C. (Open Patch, pl 103.5)*
 145.350 Sulphur A.R.C. (KC5PNH, pl 103.5)*
 146.450 Mid County Simplex
 146.520 National Simplex
 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* Temporarily Down
 146.860 Port Arthur (WD5GJP) pl 103.5
 146.980 H.A.M.S. (Devers, N5FJX, pl 103.5)*# Down

147.060 DuPont (AA5P, pl 103.5)
 147.180 Orange A.R.C. (W5ND, pl 103.5)*
 147.300 Mobil Oil (W5XOM) (pl 103.5)*
 147.340 B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, no Patch, no PL) Down
 147.420 Simplex
 224.920 Devers (KA5QDG) Down
 442.575 Devers (KA5QDG, pl 103.5) Down
 444.500 Beaumont-(WB5ITT, pl 100.0) Down
 444.700 B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, (Salt Grass) pl 107.2)
 444.900 Mobil Oil (W5XOM, pl 103.5)

* Denotes transmitted PL tone. # Denotes echo link.

from J.C.A.R.C. Mic & Key

(There is no longer a phone patch on the 147.340 repeater.)

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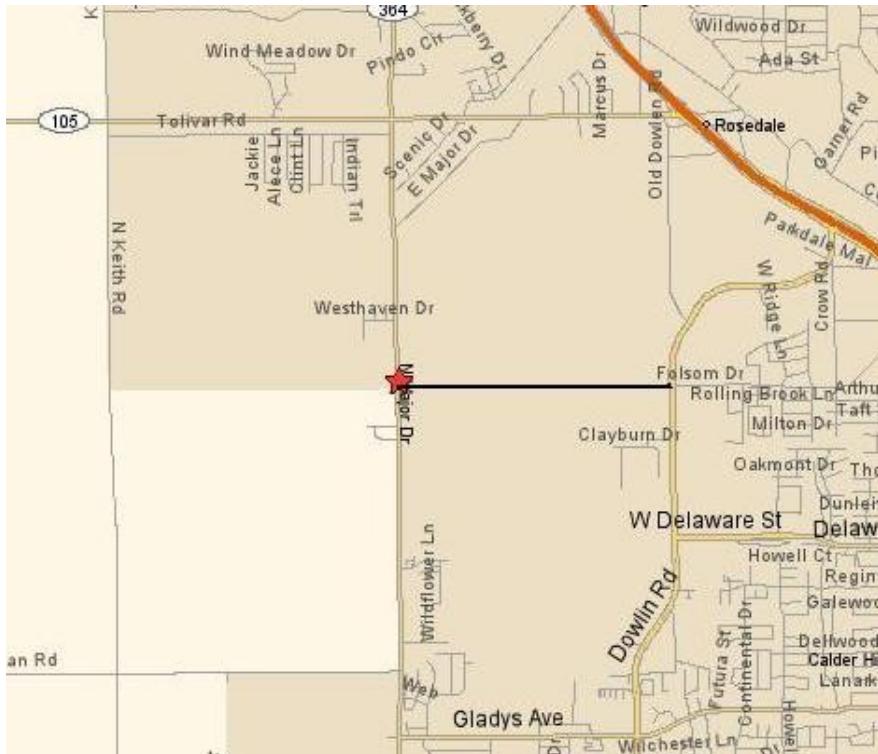
The list of the last items donated to the club by a most gracious club member, Jack Coving-ton, NG5F are listed below for your consideration. If you are interested in any of these items please contact Walt, W5CPH

| Description | Condition | New Value | High Sale price or make offer | | |
|--|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|----|
| J. W. Miller 1000 watt low pass transmitter filter & Specification Card. Compare to *5 MFJ-704. | Good (???) Sealed - looks very good. | *5 60 | 35 | | |
| Ten Tec Paragon Transceiver (no mic); Includes: Model 258-IBM Serial Control Program (5-1/4" disk); RS232 Interface Board; 250Hz CW Filter; 500Hz CW Filter; 1.8KHz SSB Filter & Manuals. Purchased 2/17/1992. | [J.C. - The last time I used it as set out in my letter it was unstable at very low frequencies but covered the ham bands OK.] Does not receive below approx. 2.5MHz. | 2,243.4 2 (1992) | 400 | | |
| Ten Tec (22Amp.) Power Supply and Speaker | Very Good | | | | |
| Bencher paddles, dust cover (custom made) and Instruction Sheet. | Very Good | 110 (now) | 100 | | |
| The DX Edge - Instructions, Guide Map & Templates. (mfg. c. 1982) | Good | | 10 | | |
| (3) straight keys (more or less) | Fair | | | | |
| Misc. cable fittings | Fair - Good | | | | |
| Co-Axial Cable Lightning Arrestor (mfg. c. 1975) | (???) Sealed - looks good. | (Incl.↑) | | 2 | 5 |
| 50 feet cable RG58U (???) All cable lengths estimated by counting the coils | Fair | 20 | | 5 | 10 |
| V-2S Hy-Gain vertical antenna with Instructions (144MHz - 148MHz) (mfg. c. 1985). Compare to *3 V-2R. | Fair | (none) | *3 110 | | |

Your Ad could be right here, so check out your for sale or trade items and send a note to the BARN Editor at eoster@gt.rr.com and it will be in the BARN YARD next month.

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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|---|---------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> FULL MEMBERSHIP | \$20.00 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER.... | 5.00 | (ANNUAL RATES) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BARN SUBSCRIPTION ONLY..... | 7.50 | |

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| NAME | CALL | LICENSE CLASS | ARRL (Y/N) | PHONE |
| ADDRESS | CITY/STATE | | ZIP CODE | E-MAIL |

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