



HDARC NEWS



Fred Lete's 442.475 repeater now operational from Sandia Peak!! See info in this edition of the HDARC Newsletter.

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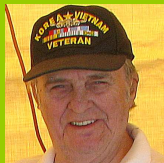
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Where did Summer go? Past few mornings were cool and nice and the nights are nice to sleep again. Air Conditioners are not running as long and that means less on the electrical bills. School as started again so it must be coming up on Fall. That means HDARC's first meeting of the coming year will be on September 19th, 2009. We will still be at our last years location off Ellison blvd in NW Albuquerque at the NW command of APD'S building across from Cibola HS. Meeting will start at 12 pm noon and our guest speaker for this meeting will be Michael Stuart AC5ZO on RF grounding. We have had PNM do a grounding presentation before but that is for electrical and not RF so this should update a lot of us on proper grounding for our RF equipment. I am looking forward to this myself.

Fall brings the State Fair in September. I will be involved with it as a member of the Albuquerque Woodworkers Association. We will be sitting the information table up on Sunday mornings to meet and answer questions about the organization. Then, October once again brings 10 days of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. HDARC once again has the privilege of operating from Balloon Fiesta field during the 10 days at our location just inside and a bit south of the North Entrance to the field. We start operations at 8 am and run until 5 pm, arriving usually in the morning around 5-5:30 am in order to beat all the traffic and get parking. We have sent an invitation to all the clubs in NM if they want to operate at our location for a day or even ½ day with our equipment to let us know and they can bring their literature and banners etc... and operate under our special event call sign this year of N5B. We should be in this months QST magazine from ARRL with frequencies also. We also need operators for both shifts. One will operate from 5 am to noon. And one from noon to 5 pm. Fiesta passes and parking permits will be issued to those who sign up to operate. If you don't operate but come to the fiesta, come by our tent and sign out guest book. We would love to see you and shake hands.

Our bi-law changes have been approved by a 2/3rd majority of the members and will be in effect as of this next meeting this month. Thanks to Kennie W5KLW for all her hard work in getting them to the membership and keeping the count on the votes.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

The Duke City Ham Fest was held in August and was attended by many members of the club as well as those members who went to the banquet as well. We had a table this year and sold some "silent key" merchandise and shook a lot of hands.

There is a General license class scheduled at CNM Workforce Training Center on the 14th of September and registration can be done on line at the college or by contacting me for more information. I will also hold a Technician weekend class at the Albuquerque EOC starting on September 25th. Again, registration for this class can be done by contacting me at 505-962-9212.

I hope everyone had a fabulous summer, are well rested and healthy and ready for a new season of functions with the High Desert Amateur Radio Club of NM , Inc NM5HD. See you all at the meeting on the 19th

Frank Warren Sr AB5WJ

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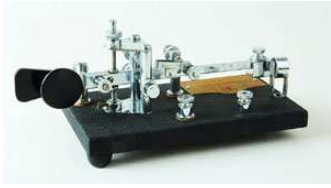
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HDARC SILENT KEYS

“Lest WE Forget”

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Robert Barrow	KD5ZPS
Robert Swigert - Past President – HDARC – K0RGS	
Ben Joseph “Joe” Murdock	W5IN



**TELL EVERYONE ABOUT
THE HDARC !!**



SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

Club reports will resume with the start up of our regular meetings in September.



CITIZEN READY PANDEMIC FLU PROJECT

Jim Hunter and I are part of the pilot group of instructors for Albuquerque. Anyone interested in sitting in and giving comments would be appreciated.

Frank Warren Sr
RACES Officer, City of Albuquerque NM

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We are asking for participants to sit in and review a pilot class called CitizenReady

Albuquerque has been selected as a phase II pilot site to review this course developed by the American Medical Association. It is a grassroots level class designed to get education material out to the public about pandemic flu and preparations that can be made.

Your comments and feedback will help to determine the direction this course and material take to get to the general public.

If interested in participating please email

Larry Nelson larry.nelson@state.nm.us

Location of the class is

BANK of the WEST

17th floor

5301 San Mateo NE

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Thursday September 17, 2009



A NOTE FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Hi Everyone,

Summer is just about over and the club returns to its normal meeting schedule starting this month. Frank has a program lined up regarding grounding of station equipment. This comes at a good time, since our club member Alex KH7CF took a direct lightning strike (Sept. 3rd) to his triband vhf/uhf antenna, destroying it and damaging the Yeasu transceiver connected to it. His Kenwood rig along with his Directv receiver were also damaged. My IRLP system apparently was also damaged since the link radio has no receive audio, just a dead carrier when someone is trying to use IRLP on my 224.480 Mhz repeater system. I'm keeping my fingers crossed that the link radio (Icom IC-37A) has not been damaged and that I can get the IRLP system back on the air soon. I'm also keeping my fingers crossed for Alex hoping that his Yeasu transceiver and other equipment are not badly damaged.

About ten of our club members attended the memorial service of our latest Silent Key, Joe Murdock W5IN, which was held on August 30th. I only met Joe a few times at the club breakfast and also when I helped our group fix his antenna some time back. Joe always had a smile and was very appreciative of the help he received from our club. He loved operating cw and really was happy when we got his station going again. Joe was very warm and kind and we will certainly miss him at breakfast and the club meetings. I want to extend a continuing welcome to Joe's wife, Doris as a member of our club. I hope Doris will continue to take part in the many women's and other member activities our club has to offer.

We will, once again, have a Special Events station at the Albuquerque Balloon Festival coming up in October. If you would like to come by and operate the station, contact Kathey WB6JAN. She has the operating schedule and time slots. Frank has also invited other clubs to take part if they wish.

Hope to see you all at our club meeting!

73

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BALLOON FIESTA

I was informed by Fred Lete yesterday that we can do the Balloon Fiesta again this year. I will be going over and putting in for the parking and entrance certificates shortly. I did put an announcement on the SCAT net this morning. If you can get on Rusty's net, I cannot at my location, I would request put the announcement up that we are looking for operators for the 10 days that we will be operating. I will also put out an e-mail to our club members. I will also send, as I do every year, e-mails to all the clubs in NM to let them know that if they want to take a day, or part of day to operate, we will advertise for them and their club. We should be in QST in this months issue hopefully. I would like a meeting to discuss any changes we should make to make operating better this year. What is a good time and day for us to meet? Let me know how your schedules are in the week ahead after the holiday.

Thanks

Frank Warren Sr. AB5WJ



AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

September 6, 2009 – **New Mexico Marathon.** This is a one-way, 26-mile run from approximately Tramway and I-40 along Tramway west and south and eventually winding its way to Tiguex Park near Old Town. There are half marathon and 5K runs associated with the race as well. We will need stations at mileposts along the route and probably shadowing some race officials. The communications plan likely will include a need for several bicycle mobile stations. For race info, see www.thatsawrapevents.com. This event will be coordinated by Dick Powell, AD5CS.

October 18, 2009 – **Duke City Marathon.** Albuquerque area amateurs have supported this event for more that 20 years. The marathon will follow an out-and-back course from downtown Albuquerque north along the bosque bike path to Paseo del Norte and east to a turnaround point near Edith Blvd. A half marathon and 5K race are included in the event. We will need a substantial number of volunteers to cover rest stops along the course or to shadow race officials as well as a few bicycle mobile stations. For a course map and additional event information, see www.dukecitymarathon.com.

73, Ed Ricco N5LI



SUITSAT-2 NOW CALLED ARISSat-1 (FROM THE ARRL)

The SuitSat-2 project -- an Amateur Radio satellite housed in a Russian spacesuit -- now has a new name to go with a new shape: ARISSat-1. On Wednesday, August 19, Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Chairman Gaston Bertels, ON4WF, announced the new name for the satellite and project. According to ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, the project team is moving ahead, using the same hardware that was to fly in the Russian Orlan suit. Russia will continue to call the satellite Radioskaf-2, so ARISS is designating it ARISSat-1/Radioskaf-2.

Due to storage considerations, the two surplus Orlan space suits in storage on the ISS were discarded via the Progress Cargo Vessel earlier this year. One of these suits was to be used to house the electronics for the upcoming SuitSat-2 mission; the batteries were to be mounted inside the suit, solar panels attached to the extremities with the electronics, video cameras and antenna mounted on the helmet by the ISS crew prior to deployment during an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), commonly called a spacewalk. The removal of the Orlan space suits from ISS removes the "Suit" component of the deployment and the new name reflects the change in configuration.

White told the ARRL that the ARISSat-1/Radioskaf-2 team, through Gould Smith, WA4SXM, made the final decision for the satellite to be square, with solar panels on all 6 sides. "The team is mounting a 70 cm quarter-wave whip on the bottom and a 2 meter quarter wave whip on the top," she said. "All of the hardware and software goes inside the square, and cameras go on the outside." The experiment being developed by Russia's Kursk State University is expected to be integrated into the electronics once the US-produced equipment is delivered to Russia this fall.

AMSAT and ARISS pointed out that the importance of this project to both organizations is not diminished. "ARISS sees this mission as an important component of education outreach, as it will provide an opportunity for students around the world to listen for recorded greetings from space, as well as learn about tracking spacecraft in

orbit," White said.

The ARISSat-1/Radioskaf-2 transmitter and receiver will be based on a Software Defined Transponder (SDX) system. It will consist of two major components: The RF Module and the Digital Signal Processor (DSP) module. In the RF module, there will be an upconverter that receives a signal from the DSP module as a 10.7 MHz intermediate frequency signal with a 50 kHz bandwidth, and up converts it to 145 MHz signal of 50 kHz bandwidth centered on 145.9375 MHz. The receiver is a downconverter with a 50 kHz bandwidth centered on 437.6125 MHz. The output of the receiver is a 10.7 MHz RF signal with a bandwidth of 50 kHz. The DSP processor receives the 10.7 MHz signal from the receiver downconverter and processes it and outputs a 10.7 MHz signal to the transmitter upconverter. The DSP can also inject signals such as the CW ID, telemetry, audio and packet signals as determined by the software on the DSP.

AMSAT calls the deployment of the SDX "a critical milestone" for the organization. "This upcoming flight provides an opportunity to flight test the next generation of spacecraft hardware," Bertels said. "Lessons learned from this deployment will be applied to future flight opportunities as AMSAT moves towards a 'modularization approach' to spacecraft development with the expectation the future spacecraft missions will utilize a derivative of SDX and the associated hardware."

The ARISS International Team has been informed that there is still space available for shipment of the ARISSat-1/Radioskaf-2 electronics on the projected cargo flight to the ISS in January 2010, and the EVA scheduled for April 2010 still has a SuitSat-2 deployment on the schedule.

Plans to launch a second SuitSat-spacesuit-turned-satellite were the subject of discussions and presentations at the November 2006 AMSAT Space Symposium and ARISS International Delegates' meeting. Despite a weaker-than-anticipated 2 meter signal, SuitSat-1 -- a surplus Russian Orlan spacesuit fitted with an Amateur Radio transmitter -- sparked the imagination of students and the general public and turned into a public relations bonanza for Amateur Radio. ARISS hoped to capitalize on the concept by building an even better SuitSat that will include ham radio transponders.

The SuitSat.org Web site attracted nearly 10 million hits during the mission. Designated by AMSAT as AO-54, SuitSat-1 remained in operation for more than two weeks, easily outlasting initial predictions that it would transmit for about a week. SuitSat-1 re-entered and burned up in Earth's atmosphere in September 2006. ARISSat-1/Radioskaf-2 is expected to be live for at least six months.



THE STORY OF A CLASSIC AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR

Editors note – [Kathy WB6JAN](#) did not know [Chet K6VM](#), but admired his story and asked if I would include it in the newsletter. After reading it, I felt he [demonstrated exactly what amateur radio is all about](#).

> **Chet Smith, K6VM SK**

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> **Chet Smith passed away after being ill for over a year. Chet was born**
> **in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1919 and was always interested in**
> **electronics. He built a crystal set and received his Amateur call,**
> **W9TRC at the age of 13. He joined the Naval Communications Reserve in**
> **1937. In 1940, he became active United States**
> **Navy as a seaman; his electronics skills served him well. He went to**
> **Navy "A" and "B" schools and became a radio operator. He was at his**
> **typewriter copying naval communications on the USS GRANT on December 7,**
> **1941 when the message came: "This is no drill--Japan has bombed Pearl**
> **Harbor." The ship turned around and headed for Pearl to pick up**
> **casualties.**

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> **By the time the Japanese were invading the Aleutian Islands, after the**
> **American forces had taken the Island of Kiska, Alaska, Chet (by this**
> **time a First Class Petty Officer), was selected to go ashore and**
> **collect Japanese electronics radar equipment. He brought back the first**
> **boatload of electronics gear for delivery to electronic laboratories in**
> **Seattle where it was analyzed. When the war came to a close Chet had**
> **advanced to Chief Petty Officer and went to various Navy schools for**
> **additional training.**

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> In 1964, Chet made the rank of Lieutenant Commander and was assigned to
> the Bureau of Naval Weapons, Washington, D.C. as Administrator for
> Electronic Programs. He also was awarded a Presidential Citation. He
> moved into an apartment in Arlington, VA. It was there he meet his
> neighbor Bea "His wife to be." A few days earlier he was playing his
> HIFI full blast and he apologized, and they soon became best friends.
> He learned that she worked for the Navy too--as Technical Editor for
> the Office of Naval Research.

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> In 1966, Chet left for Vietnam, where he was aviation officer in
> Project Jenny, a naval airborne television program. He was there during
> the Tet offensive and was promoted to Navy Commander. All this time, he
> kept in touch with Bea through tapes and letters. When he returned from
> Vietnam in 1968, they were married.

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> In 1970, after 31 years of active service, Chet retired from the Navy.
> He said he and his wife "took a chance and swung the compass." The
> needle pointed to El Cajon, California, where they both enjoyed the
> sun, the diversity, and the life that Chet
> believed is a "perfect paradise."

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> As a Ham, Chet kept his station in an attempt to provide the
> "camaraderie and warmth" that communication gives to people everywhere.
> While he was in the Navy, Chet helped keep morale high for sailors,
> soldiers, and civilians by enabling them to
> contact family and friends--to deal with business, or just let their
> loved ones know they were OK. During his tour in Morocco, there were
> several earthquakes, and Chet's radio station helped support disaster
> relief efforts and save lives. He was able to supply similar assistance
> while in Kansas City throughout a tornado. All in all, to people
> everywhere, the comfort provided by radio communication is nothing
> short of
> gratifying. Chet always encouraged the current and next generations to
> get involved in Ham Radio. He said, "It is not just a hobby that
> teaches basic engineering and emission, but it brings people together.
> It brings students together with seniors and Hams into the classroom.
> It's a wonderful welding agent." With such words, how could anyone
> refuse the temptation?

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> Chet will be missed very much, but never forgotten. He has done so much
> for mankind and the Amateur Radio Community it would take a book to
> tell the whole story. So with great sadness I say 73 to my friend Chet,

- > K6VM.
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- > Paul Rios, KC6QLS
- > President Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon



VANITY CALL SIGN FEES TO INCREASE SEPTEMBER 10.

On August 11, the FCC announced that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase \$1.10, from \$12.30 to \$13.40.

Now that notice of the increase has been published in the Federal Register, the increase will take effect in 30 days, September 10, 2009.

The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended, to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new 10 year term.

The notice in the August 11, 2009 Federal Register, entitled "Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2009," includes regulatory fees. These fees are expected to recover a total of \$341,875,000 during FY2009, encompassing all the Services the FCC regulates.

For more information, see the recent ARRLWeb article, "FCC Looks to Raise Vanity Call Sign Fees for Second Consecutive Year" at, <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories>



HDARC WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

HDARC women's group:

The next luncheon is on Friday September 19th. Men—please let your wives know about this luncheon. I do have to put in reservations so I need to know if you are coming. The luncheon starts at noon at the Pasta House on Southern Avenue in Rio Rancho.

Please bring books you want to share. Projects you are working on. Pictures of vacations to share, etc. and come to enjoy the group and conversation.

Please let me know if you are coming.

Kennie Warren

961-9212



MFJ ACQUIRES CUSHCRAFT ANTENNAS

MFJ Acquires Cushcraft (Aug 7, 2009) -- On August 7, MFJ Enterprises announced they had purchased the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product line from Missouri-based Laird Technologies effective July 31. According to MFJ, Cushcraft -- makers of HF/VHF/UHF vertical, beam and Yagi antennas for the Amateur Radio community -- will continue to be manufactured in Manchester, New Hampshire. "We are excited to have the Cushcraft Amateur Radio Antennas product line alongside our other five companies," said Martin F. Jue, President and founder of MFJ Enterprises, Inc. "This product line increases our ability to offer our customers a wide range of antenna options at different prices. Customers will be able to choose from Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas, Hy-gain and MFJ antennas through one source." MFJ purchased Hy-gain in 2000 the company also owns Ameritron, Mirage and Vectronics. Jue said that the Cushcraft line will bring more than 50 new products to MFJ's Amateur Radio product line. "We will add more new products to this antenna line and will continue the Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas name long into the future. Cushcraft Amateur Radio antenna product customers will appreciate the continued and expected top-quality manufacturing of this product in New Hampshire and the MFJ commitment to superb after-the-sale service and tech support in Mississippi," said Jue. The 120 page 2010 MFJ catalog will include the entire Cushcraft Amateur Radio antennas product

line. MFJ has set up a special customer support line -- 662-323-5803 -- to handle Cushcraft antenna product technical support, parts requests and customer services.



UPCOMING HAMFESTS

Upcoming hamfests, tailgates & conventions =====

September 5 Alamogordo Hamfest (Alamogordo, NM)

September 27 Boulder ARC BARCFest (Longmont, CO)

October 3 Pecos Valley ARC Swapfest (Roswell, NM)

October 31 Socorro Amateur Radio Association Hamfest (Socorro, NM)



SCHEDULE OF CLUB EVENTS

Club Meeting

3rd Saturday of the month at noon. Location of meeting is the Albuquerque Police NW Command – 4051 Ellison Ave NW (across from Cibola High School).

Breakfast Social

**4th Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM.
At the Golden Corral on Alameda.**

Coffee at Flying Star

Every Wednesday-2:00 PM on Corrales Rd across the street from The Sunflower Market Shopping Center at Hwy 528 and Corrales Rd.

Breakfast at Flying Star

Every Thursday morning at 8:00 AM on Corrales Rd across the street from The Sunflower Market Shopping Center at Hwy 528 and Corrales Rd.

HDARC NET

Thursday nights at 8:00 PM on 145.330 Mhz (100 Hz PL).

Jim Hunter (KE5IPR) Net Control Coordinator.



DX News

Larry Elkin NY5L – Vice President

DX'G AND PROPAGATION

As this article is being written during the last weekend of August, there have been ZERO sunspots observed for close to 50 days in a row! Atmospheric indices have generally indicated moderate to low upheavals in potential propagation conditions into mid September. What this means is: theoretically conditions are still not really improving for an increase in propagation.

Now back to reality! I still stand by my theory that patience, listening carefully when you tune slowly, and not being afraid to dig into a pile-up can allow you to work some DX. This August, I worked a couple of easy DX stations, they were in the United States; AB5BG a Special Events station for the “Code Talkers” in Arizona, and W6RO, the Queen Mary Amateur Radio Club in Long Beach CA., a station I have wanted to work for many years. Lastly, I had a real DX contact with V7XX, in the Marshall Islands.

Overall propagation in the evenings and late afternoons Mountain Time has been poor. A few VK's and ZL's showing up, and sometimes even an E51 station. I also heard some ES operators and a few XE stations. I generally go after countries I have not worked or those I need a QSL from.

If you do not recognize any of the above amateur prefixes, Google the “DXCC country list”.

For you new HF amateurs, give distant station contacts a try, A G5RV or short vertical antenna and a 100 watt transceiver can get the job done. Don't be afraid, it will not bite you. Your basic station can get the job done—just try.

Give “eQSL” a look on the web; you may have some amateurs having sent you an electronic QSL card. Register for membership. The club, as well as Frank and I have signed on and found we had many eQSL's waiting.

I am preparing a presentation on DX'g for those new to amateur radio and especially HF. Look for the presentation at either the October or November club meeting.

73.....Larry NY5L



INFORMATION FROM OUR MEMBERS

Fred Lete (KC5IPK) has moved his 442.750 (PL 162.2) repeater to Sandia Crest!! It is working great and should have a very wide area of coverage. Lets get on his repeater with signal reports whenever you can. His system is working very well. At its new location, it is ideally suited for club use, club net, etc. Reports are needed to determine just what the coverage is. If you would like more info on his system, you may call him at 892-0380 or on his cell phone at 261-7464.

My 224.480 Mhz repeater is doing well at Fred's QTH. Our 220 Rag Chewers Net, meeting on Wednesday evenings at 8:30 PM, is doing very well and has become quite popular. Incorporating my IRLP system has made the net even more fun, allowing for stations from all over the country to join in on the net. I hope to hear more of the club members in the future.

I have added the Amateur Radio Newsline broadcast to the system every Monday evening at 8:30 PM local time.

If you have any questions regarding this system, contact Jerry – K6LIE at 771-1323.

Please consider supporting the club use of these systems that are available to all of you. They constitute much work and personal expense in setting up and maintaining them and are provided simply for the love of our hobby. It would be great to see our net or other activity on these systems. I think I can speak for Fred and certainly for myself when I say that the club truly has two very useful repeaters to use and enjoy.

HIGH DESERT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF NEW MEXICO

It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community.

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR UPCOMING MONTH
September 2009**

Saturday, September 19th.

Club Meeting at the Albq Police Station – 4051 Ellison Ave NW (across from Cibola High School).

Saturday, September 26th.

BREAKFAST SOCIAL at 9 am at the Golden Corral on Alameda.

Every Wednesday at 2:00pm NMHDARC Coffee At The Flying Star at Hwy 528 & Corrales Rd across the street from Sunflower Market

Every Thursday at 8 am NMHDARC Breakfast at The Flying Star at Hwy 528 & Corrales Rd across the street from Sunflower Market

Club net on Thursday nights at 8:00 PM on 145.33 with 100 Hz PL.

NET CONTROL

- **NET CONTROL SCHEDULE**
HDARC HAS A DIRECTED NET THAT OCCURS EVERY THURSDAY AT 8:00PM ON 145.330 WITH 100 HZ PL.

If you are interested in being a Net Control Operator, please contact Jim Hunter, NM5JH our net control coordinator to sign up. We have several openings in January and February. Jim can be reached via e-mail at nm5jh@arrl.net, or by phone at **505 897-2939**.

[The list of Net Control operators for September:](#)

Sep 3	Kathey - Meland WB6JAN
Sep 10	Larry Elkin – NY5L
Sep 17	Jim Hunter – NM5JH
Sept 24	Frank Warren – AB5WJ

If you do not have the radio capabilities to be net control but would like to do so anyway, please contact Frank & Kennie Warren at ab5wj@arrl.net. You are welcome to use their radios at their home and take net control. This is great practice for talking on the radio. Just make sure they are going to be home. Frank teaches a lot of courses and sometimes we're not available.

**DON'T FORGET THE CLUB MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19TH AT NOON!!**



CONTESTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2009

DATE	EVENT	INFO
2 – 9	Hiram Percy Maxim Birthday Celebration	See Page 20 of Sept. QST
7	Labor Day Sprint (CW)	www.qsl.net/miqrclub
12	Arkansas QSO Party	www.arkanhams.org
12	ARRL VHF QSO Party	www.arrl.org/contests
13	North American Sprint (CW)	www.ncjweb.com
19	ARRL 10 GHZ and UP Contest	www.arrl.org/contests
19	South Carolina QSO Party	w4cae.org
19	QCWA Fall QSO Party	www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm
20	North American Sprint	www.ncjweb.com
21	Fall VHF Sprint	www.svhfs.org
26	CQ WW RTTY Contest	www.cqwwrtty.com
26	Texas QSO Party	www.txqp.net
29	Fall VHF Sprint	www.svhfs.org
29	Fall QRP Homebrewer Spring	www.njqrp.org



OTHER NEW MEXICO AMATEUR RADIO CLUBS

AMATEUR RADIO CARAVAN CLUB

- They own and operate a repeater site on Sandia Crest in Albuquerque, NM, W5CSY which has 2 meter on 145.33 Mhz, and 70cm. on 444.0 Mhz. Both repeaters require a 100 Hz PL tone. They meet on the second Friday of each month from October through May at 7:00pm at Height Cumberland Presbyterian Church 8600 Academy Rd. in Albuquerque.

- The Club holds a Net each Sunday evening at 9pm local time on 145.33 and 444.0 Mhz for purpose of holding club business, passing traffic , making announcements of interest to Hams and just getting to know each other.
- Contact: Haska KC6BBP, 288-8358

ALBUQUERQUE DX ASSOCIATION

- ADXA holds their regular meeting on the last Wednesday of every month. They meet at JB's Restaurant on Eubank & I-40 next to the Owl Cafe.
- All Hams are welcome. The members start gathering about 6pm and the business/program starts at 7pm
- The call sign W5UR is issued to the ABQ DX Association. The call sign honors one of ASXA's founding members.
- Website: <http://www.qsl.net/adxa/index.html> or Contact: Kermit KB5HA, 884-3554

ANTIQUUE RADIO CLUB

- Meets on the Second Sunday of each month at 1pm in the parking lot at the Anna Kaseman Hospital.
- If interested, come join us.

ALBUQUERQUE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

- The club meets at 7:30 am on the first Saturday of the month at JB's Restaurant at 15 Hotel Circle.
- Contact Michael K5ATM, 296-3455

NEW MEXICO WEAK SIGNAL GROUP

- Meets on air on various bands on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for the promotion of and general utilization of the VHF & UHF bands.
- Contact Bob N5XZM, 298-8478 for times & frequencies

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

- This club is made up of hams who were licensed at least 25 years ago.
- They meet Quarterly at Shoney's Restaurant at Louisiana & Menaul Blvd. NE at 1pm. Contact Warren W5UZU 298-7097

UPPER RIO FM SOCIETY, INC.

- The members meet quarterly at 7:30 on the second Tuesday of January, April, July and October at the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 114 Carlisle SE.
- The Upper Rio FM Society is a technical club with extensive repeater coverage in New Mexico and extending into Colorado and Arizona.
- Repeaters: 146.640, 146.860, 146.900 with -67 tone, 146.940 with -100 tone, 146.960 with -100 tone, 147.060 with +67 tone, 147.080 with +67 tone, 444.525 with +67 tone, 449.550 with -71.9 tone, 449.800 with -67 tone, and 449.825 with -67 tone. WEBSITE: www.urfmi.org