

AIRWAVES



Volunteers Needed

There are several opportunities to help serve our community this month:

L Games

The second annual L Games will kick off with the 5K run on Saturday, September 12th. Ham radio volunteers will be needed to monitor the course and direct runners. Last year we showed the TWO staff and L3 that we are a great asset.

The only equipment required for this event is a 2 meter HT with a charged battery. If anyone is available Saturday morning from 7:30 to 9:30, please email president@wd5gsl.org with your name, callsign, preferred email address, and any preference for positions at the event.
2.75

Cotton Patch Challenge

The 21st annual Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Patch Challenge (CPC) will be held in Greenville on Saturday, September 19, 2015 as part of the Rally Round Greenville Festival. The Rotary Clubs of Greenville and the YMCA of Greenville & Hunt County will host the CPC, which benefits YMCA youth programs.

The Sabine Valley Amateur Radio Association has facilitated communications between the Rest Stops and provided Sweep Vehicles for several years, and will again be providing communications.

The ride begins at 8am, with the course closing down at around 2pm. Volunteers will need to be in position at various times depending on location. Required equipment will be a high power (30 watts+) 2 meter mobile or base station.

Approximately 12 ham radio operators are needed for this event. To volunteer, contact Joe Lalumia at joelalumia@sbcglobal.net.

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Special points of interest:

There are two opportunities to use Ham Radio for Community Service this month.

The HF Station is now operational!

HF Station Update

WD5GSL Lives! The HF Station Committee is pleased to report that Victor Paul, WB0TEV, had a 20m SSB QSO on the Ten-Tec net on 14.325 at 1818Z on Wednesday, September 2. He exchanged signal reports with Tony VE3DWI in Ontario who gave him a 57. He also got on 40m (7195) and worked Janet at K5G, a special event station in Hattiesburg, MS at 1832Z.

Victor brought up the Bencher Keyer from KK7JS and plugged it in. The radio is making the CW sidetone and the keyer in the radio

appears to work but he was unable to make it actually key the radio. Jon Brown, WB5KSD, stated that VOX must be enabled in order to key the radio.

If any dues paid member of the club would like to operate the radio, please contact one of the HF Station Committee members for information:

- Victor Paul
- Stephen Denison
- Jae Stutzman
- Mark Stites

August Club Meeting Minutes

Michael Ketchum – President, opened the meeting at 1147.

Announcements were made.

President's Report:

HF Antenna installation Done.
Working LGames planning

Vice President's Report:

Cotton Patch Classic on September 19th needs operators
Need articles for Newsletter

Secretary Treasurer's Report:

John Nelson – NODFW is out of town today.

Old Business:

Remote HF Project:

Antenna is connected with poor VSWR on 15m.
Other bands look good.
David Kessinger to tune it a bit later with Victor – WB0TEV
USB CAT Cable arrived.
Jae – K5JAE has tried to get IT approval for HRD Software. Now having to escalate.

VE Class and Session:

VE Session on November 7th for Home School Group
VE Class on Friday and Saturday, November 20 - 21 with VE Session to follow.

Membership:

Suggestion made to fix results to only show

ARRL for MEMBERS ONLY.

Repeater Upgrade:

Still need cables and announcement programming done.

New Business:

L GAMES 5K RUN/WALK Saturday, Sept 12th at 7:30am need operators.

Adjournment at 1201

Motion made by Mark Bushnell – AE5FG
Motion pass by voice vote – No objections.

ATTENDANCE:

1. Scott Davis – KK7JS
2. Mark Bushnell – AE5FG
3. Stephen Denison – W5SMD
4. Victor Paul – WB0TEV
5. Bob Yakel
6. Jae Stutzman – K5JAE
7. Michael Ketchum – K5MDK
8. Chance Young – Visitor from TWO

After the meeting, we held a short impromptu meeting to discuss planning elements for the L Games public service event. Some notes were taken by Michael – K5MDK, who will compile them into a packet for the volunteers.

September

17 SVARA Meeting at 7:00pm at Hunt Regional Hospital
12 L Games 5k at the TWO. 7:30 to 9:30 am
19 Cotton Patch Classic
24 MFARC Meeting PD North Conference Room at 11:45am

October

15 SVARA Meeting at 7:00pm at Hunt Regional Hospital
29 MFARC Meeting PD North Conference Room at 11:45am

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily DFW Early Traffic Net (NTS) at 6:30pm 146.88 – PL 110.9Hz

Daily DFW Late Traffic Net (NTS) at 8:30pm 146.72 – PL 110.9Hz

Daily DFW CW Traffic Net (NTS) at 7:00pm and at 10pm on 3541 KHz www.k6jt.com

Thurs Sabine Valley Amateur Radio Association Net Every Thursday night at 7:00pm on the K5GVL/R 146.780 MHz (+) PL 114.8Hz

FridayMajors Field Amateur Radio Club Talk-In Net Every Friday morning on your way in to work on the WD5GSL/R 147.160 MHz (+) PL 100.0Hz

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are welcomed. Please
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Club Station

Club Station: TBD
VHF Repeater: WD5GSL/R
147.160 MHz (+) PL 100.0 Hz
Friday Morning Talk-In Net
UHF Repeater: WD5GSL/R
444.625 MHz (+) PL 151.4 Hz
Temporary Antenna Position Limits Range Currently