



The STATIC

May 2019

The monthly newsletter for members and associates of the Hill Country Amateur Radio Club
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President's Message

Our prayers and best wishes continue in support for Emily's continuing recovery and return to good health.

Emily is now sitting up and eating solid food. She has begun extensive rehabilitation and will "soon" be transferred to a skilled nursing facility to continue her rehab.

Until then, 73s from all of us to Dale and family. Starr, KI5SC, Editor of The STATIC

Welcome to our Newest Members

A warm Hill Country welcome to:

Joe Preski, KG6KH

Saichon Preski, KC6WAW

Congratulations to the new licensees & upgrades

A Hill Country Cheer for:

Arron Saul, KI5EEH, a new Tech

Wesley Jenkins, KI5DFU, upgrade to General

Committee Reports

Repeater -

Repeater Site Review Committee - Meeting news

The committee continues to discuss the various items to achieve a proposed relocation to a new site

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 19th at 1:30pm at the Red Cross.

[Editor]



Red Cross Liaison - Terry Hipskind WOHIP

Club Calendar

May 2nd - The regular monthly meeting will be held at the Red Cross at the usual time

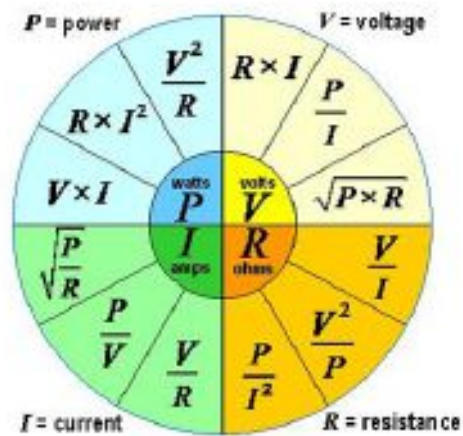


There have been no Disaster Response Operations within Central and South Texas Region this past month. Our local Chapter has been heavily involved in training both with the Red Cross and the Sheriff's Department. Our Chapter has also been busy providing emergency supply caches throughout the eighteen counties this Chapter covers.

[Editor]

VE Testing - Fred Gilmore WOLPD

[Upcoming Conventions](#)



Our first VE test in April was on the third. Arron Saul became a new Technician and now has the

great cw call KI5EEH. The VE's were K5HAB, K5YB and KI5SC. We had K5HV and K7HER standing by if needed. Thanks to all who helped.

So far we have two candidates registered for our scheduled June 1st 1:00 PM session at the Red Cross, and two to test after our next club meeting May 2nd. Its nice to see so many new hams and upgrades in the Kerrville, Fredericksburg, Bandera and Medina areas.

April 10, we had a session at our morning coffee where Wesley, KI5DFU upgraded to General. VE's at this session were AF5AO, AD5UZ, K5HAB, K5HV, K5YB, and KI5SC. Sure is great to see so many VE's come to coffee.

Web site of the month

Our club is getting several ladies, YL, XYL and others just interested in the hobby. Did you know there is a Ham Radio Club for ladies only? Check out <http://www.soar-yls.com/the-club.html>. It only takes three members to start a local chapter which would be a terrific addition to our club and membership is free. How about it gals!

Fred W0LPD

ARES - Terry Hipskind W0HIP



No news since our last report

Club Station

RADIO ROOM – Terry Hipskind WØHIP

Stay tuned for upcoming news about Flex Radio upgrades for the new station radios. Also about new station antennas currently being tested and prepped for installation.



License Study Class - Dale Gaudier K4DG



Stay tuned for upcoming announcements regarding licensee study classes.

If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact Dale.

Contact Dale Gaudier at k4dg@arri.net



Other Radio News

Program Calendar

May 2nd - Buzz Jehle, N5UR will present on IOTA

June - Field Day

The Canadian National Parks on the Air, CNPOTA, operating event runs for the entire year of 2019, with special stations active from Canada's parks and historic sites.

Medina Radio Club

<https://medinaradioclub.com>

Comments on FCC Rule Making

The FCC is seeking comments on more proposed rule making petitions filed by the ARRL and others.

You can comment on these electronically (takes a couple of minutes) according to the following instructions:



ARLB009 Commenting Electronically on FCC Proceedings

Those interested in posting brief comments on Petitions for Rule Making (PRMs) to the FCC, may do so using the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) by accessing the FCC Electronic Comment Filing System

Express at, <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/filings/express> .

In the "Proceeding(s)" field, enter the number of the PRM,

complete all required fields, and enter brief comments in the box provided. You may review your post

before filing. All information you provide, including name and

address, will be publicly available once you post your comment(s).

Visit "How to Comment on FCC Proceedings" for additional information

at, <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/how-comment> .

Treasurer's Report

HILL COUNTRY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
TREASURER'S REPORT
April 2019

| BALANCE | |
|--|------------------|
| TOTAL MEMORIAL & GENERAL FUND | |
| Wells-Fargo Checking Account | |
| March 26, 2019 | <u>\$5879.12</u> |
| 4/4/19 Linda Ransom KF5NHN dues | 20.00 |
| 4/4/19 Jerry Ransom N7BYN dues | 4.00 |
| 4/4/19 William Burgin —— dues | 15.00 |
| 3/7/19 Becky Grinfield KG5PQJ dues | 20.00 |
| 4/4/19 Lew King W5LEW dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 Danny Rhoten AB6UR dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 Sherry Rhoten KD6FWK dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 Derrell Spencer KG5BTT dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 David Reihl AF5B dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 John Trolinger N5ZKK dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 Jane Trolinger N5ZXO dues | 4.00 |
| 4/15/19 Glen Rowan KI5BLI dues | 20.00 |
| 4/15/19 Bill Stegemueller K5KB dues | 20.00 |

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| 4/15/19 John Brown W5LKB dues | 20.00 | |
| 4/15/19 Robert Russell KF5AIE dues | 20.00 | |
| 4/4/19 Half & Half drawing | 59.00 | |
| TOTAL DEPOSITS | | 306.00 |
| 4/20/19 1188 Mort McKenzie Repeater | 1000.00 | |
| 4/27/19 1189 Mercer Consumer insurance | 320.00 | |
| TOTAL WITHDRAWALS | | 1320.00 |
| ENDING BALANCE | April 27, 2019 | <u>\$4865.12</u> |
| REPEATER FUND | Balance | 477.66 |
| 4/4/19 Half & Half drawing | 59.00 | |
| | Balance | \$536.66 |
| GENERAL FUND | Balance | \$4328.46 |

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of HCARC Meeting – 4/4/18 (draft)

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

Pledge of Allegiance – led by Gary Johnson NA3VY

New member and guest recognitions

KD6R and spouse, Joe KB6KH, Dr. Bergen – new member, Cory - observation

Public service/emergency service and membership assistance/emergering recognitions

Pete helped Steve update radios, Jim Froemke helping with club computers

- LBJ 100 – Chuck Brainard KA1PM

Updates to (if any Committee Reports)

- Repeater (Dale K4DG)
- VE Testing (Fred WØLPD) (New ham story in Static)
- Red Cross Liaison (Terry WØHIP)
- ARES – (Terry WØHIP) CONEX April 9-11 (2 meter) participants work Monday after the net. Email Terry for help setting up for CONEX. Note: We will all go to

volunteer fire departments in a real emergency.

- SKYWARN – (Larry N5QGD) Tornado season is here!

Other announcements

Thanks to Starr, KI5SC for another great issue of the Static

Reading/approval of prior month's minutes

The reading of the minutes for April was waived and the minutes, as posted, were approved.

Reading/approval of prior month's Treasurers report

The reading of the Treasurer's report for March was waived and the report, as posted, was approved.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Update from Mort: Repeater

Spectrum analysis and noise floor done, working with committee on possible frequency change. Coax purchased.

NEW BUSINESS

Field Day – Tower trailer needs HELP!!

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS/BUSINESS

none

Break for Refreshments

PRESENTATION: RFI by Peter Schaumberg K5HAB

50/50 Winner: Donated to club

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING:

May 2. IOTA by Buzz Jehle



HCARC General Information

Repeater: W3XO 146.98(-) Tone 162.2
General Meeting: First Thursday of every month except
December at 7pm at the American Red Cross, 333 Earl Garret, Kerrville, TX. Meet & Greet begins at 6pm
Club Net: Every Monday at 7pm on the N5HR Repeater
Website: www.kerrhams.org
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The Radio Amateur's Code

The Radio Amateur is:

+CONSIDERATE...He/She never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

+LOYAL...He/She offers loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs, the IARU Radio Society in his/her country, through which Amateur Radio in his/her country is represented nationally and internationally.

+PROGRESSIVE...He/She keeps his/her station up to date. It is well-built and efficient. His/Her operating practice is above reproach.

+FRIENDLY...He/She operates slowly and patiently when requested; offers friendly advice and counsel to beginners; kind assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the marks of the amateur spirit.

+BALANCED...Radio is a hobby, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

+PATRIOTIC...His/her station and skills are always ready for service to country and community.

