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YOUR PRESIDENT SAYS

The January membership meeting was held at the Texas Inn Cellar Door where the 1985 B-VARC officers were installed. Our very special thanks go to Ron, KA5GYG, for organizing the enjoyable evening; to Carl, WB8SVR, for the beautiful plaques and to Kenny, KA5UPB, our new membership chairman, for presenting the awards for outstanding contributions to amateur radio. Thanks to everyone for their support and participation. It was a great way to begin the new year and I will always remember it.

Our many thanks go to Lloyd and Sallie also for the production of the 1985 edition of the B-VARC Roster. They did a beautiful job with it this year and I hope you will spend a few minutes looking it over and notice the members who have volunteered to be Chairmen of our standing committees. The Committees and their responsibilities were established to direct our activities toward the objectives of the Special Service Club program.

B-VARC has a challenge in 1985 to continue providing support to all the activities which have become annual events, plus meeting our responsibility as a new Special Service Club and beginning to sponsor the Amateur License Examinations on a monthly schedule. We must search for ways to stimulate interest in Amateur Radio and provide others the opportunity to become hams and enjoy our hobby. Our success depends upon your active participation in our nets, meetings and activities. My best wishes to all of you for 1985!

73; Harold, ND5F

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 3, 1985

President Harold Parker, ND5F, called the meeting to order in the offices of Vic, K5KNH, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Bobby WA5CAC, Ken KA5DKS, Harold ND5F, Paul N5FQS, Ron KA5GYG, Lloyd WD5HEH, Stu WB5IGG, Jim W5RNL, Allan KA5RXX, Sallie KA5RXW, Steve KE5SC, Wade WN5TEN, Kenny KA5UPB, and Carter KD5XX.

Ron had two items of importance to report on: the work of Paul on the IRS report and the treasurer's audit. Lloyd will contact Mark KA5NYI, who has been in Austin, about the audit. Papers have been given to Floyd designation Lloyd club Registered Agent in the State of Texas. It was reported that Larry WD5DRB, has the only key to the mail box. Lloyd reported 37 confirmed banquet reservations.

Harold stated that standing committees for this year are set up to conform to goals of a Special Service Club; committee chairmen are to be present at all board meetings and minutes of the board meetings will be read at the membership meeting reducing the length of membership business meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Paul Brooks, N5FQS, will publicize the volunteer exams which will be put on local bulletin boards. He is "looking for a few good men and women" to help. He will try to utilize both major newspapers and all television stations.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Ed Harwell, W5WVX, is in charge of emergency preparedness and ARES operations.

TRAINING - Bobby Webb, WA5CAC, is putting in a bid for a Field Day location at Brazos Bend State Park.

TECHNICAL ADVANCEMENT - Wade Eilers WN5TEN, reported there will be a Novice class starting in March for 8 weeks; also another starting in September. Instructors are needed for the fall class also a location for the classes is needed. Ron reported Autumn Hills in Richmond is available. Wade wants feedback on the proposal to teach General class short subjects. Jim volunteered to help teach the fall class. Steve will help teach the Spring class with Wade.

OPERATING ACTIVITIES - Roger Bryant WA5RNL, will be responsible for net liaison and official bulletins.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES - Kenny Manchester KA5UPB, will continue to send new membership packets. He is going to start 3 monthly awards; an Outstanding Operator Award, an Outstanding Member Award and a Foot in Mouth Award.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 3, 1985(cont.)

PUBLICATIONS - Allan Hanus KA5RXX, requested contributors to the bulletin to please use Walt's board to help the editor. Any articles of interest are solicited and the deadline to submit is the third Thursday of the month.

ARRL LIAISON - Stu Lamkin WB5IGG, needs a copy of the new member list for the ARRL. He is working on an inventory of the club library and culling obsolete material. Stu has special materials received from the ARRL. Check with him for what he has available.

Lloyd reported \$930.00 in the treasury and 68 members to start the year.

Unfinished business - cost of printing cards is unresolved and the MS 150 Bike Tour was mentioned.

Harold proposed an addition to the by-laws concerning dues. Add paragraph 3 as follows:

"The first year's dues may be waived for individual membership to new Amateurs licensed for the first time."

Discussion followed.

Bobby spoke on the Southwest Memorial Hospital Christmas activity.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JANUARY 10, 1985

Following an excellent dinner at the Cellar Door - Texas Inn, festivities continued at 8:30 p.m. with Steve Gottlieb WA5OEN, making an announcement about the MS 150 Bike Tour to be held April 20 & 21. Kenny Manchester KA5UPB presented the first monthly Outstanding Member Award to Jim Arnold W5RNL, accepted by his wife Shirley; and the first monthly Outstanding Operator Award to Vance Peterson N5FLQ. Sallie Phelps KA5RXW, presented outgoing President Ron Bolyard KA5GYG, a beautiful Past President's plaque. Ron then administered the oath of office to the officers for 1985; President Harold Parker ND5F, Vice President Steve Schuster KE5SC, Secretary Ken McAninch KA5DKS, and Treasurer Lloyd Phelps WD5HEH. Order of the Key honors for outstanding service to B-VARC were presented to Allan Hanus KA5RXX, and to Harold Parker ND5F. Door prizes were drawn and the meeting adjourned.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 15, 1985

Balance as of December 15, 1984 622.71

RECEIPTS:

Membership Dues to date	252.00
Banquet receipts to date	242.05
50-50 Drawing	16.00

Total	1132.76

EXPENSES:

Secretary of State (Filing Fee)	25.00
Cellar Door (Banquet)	395.63

Balance as of January 15, 1985 712.13

Submitted by Lloyd Phelps WD5HEH, Treasurer

ANNUAL BANQUET RECAP:

Total receipts collected	414.35
Total banquet cost	595.63

Net loss to club	181.28

The reason for such a large loss is that we forgot to add into the ticket cost tax and gratuity.

NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

2M - SW Area ARES Net (144.870 / 145.470 MHz.)
 2/4 KE5SC 2/11 W8QK 2/18 N5FAB 2/25 N5BHQ
 3/4 N5FQS 3/11 WA5CAC 3/18 N5FLQ 3/25 N5HFH

2M - BVARC Public Service Net (144.870 / 145.470 MHz.)
 2/4 N5FLQ 2/11 KE5SC 2/18 WA5CAC 2/25 KA5UPB

75M - BVARC Rag Chew Net (3.962 MHz.)
 2/6 N5FLQ 2/13 KA5GYG 2/20 WB5IGG 2/27 N5FLQ

80M - BVARC Slow Speed Net (3.740 MHz.)
 2/4 N5FLQ 2/11 N5FLQ 2/18 N5FLQ 2/25 N5FLQ

NEW MEMBERS

Y'all welcome the following new members who joined us at or since the last Club meeting. They and others who've joined us this year wear red bordered name badges. If you haven't already done so, introduce yourself and let them know how glad you are they've become one of us!

Charley M. Fritze - license pending
6302 Chevy Chase
Houston, Texas 77057
H - 524-3097
W - 924-5220

Jack VanDemark KA5SQS, Tech.
7514 Winter Glen
Houston, Texas 77072
H - 933-8242
W - 789-2300

BVARC VOLUNTEER EXAMINER SCHEDULE

Each month we will list the Volunteer Examiner amateur radio exam sessions scheduled in this general area, compiled to the best of our ability as information is made available. In the listings of sessions, the information will be described as follows:

- A. SPONSORING GROUP
- B. SESSION DATE(S)
- C. SESSION SITE
- D. WHO TO CALL FOR INFORMATION

Following are the sessions scheduled for this area, as reported by the Houston FCC office as of January 7, 1985.

1. A. BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.
B. Fourth Saturday of each month starting in February, 1985.
C. Missouri City Municipal Building, Missouri City, Texas.
D. Stu Lamkin WB5IGG, fone 713-777-3345.
2. A. HOUSTON ECHO SOCIETY.
B. March 2, 1985.
C. Red Cross Headquarters, Houston, Texas.
D. Charles Barker K5PGS, fone 713-783-5629. (It is anticipated that this session will accept walk-ins without prior appointment.)
3. A. BRAZOSPORT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.
B. First Saturday of each 3-month period beginning February 2, 1985.
C. Brazoswood High School, Clute, Texas.
D. Steve Ray KA5KRI, 319 Pine Lake Jackson, Tex 77566, fone 409-238-1312

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
3 WEST HOUSTON RACES NET 8 PM 146.07/67	4 FT.BEND COUNTY ARES NET 8:30 PM. 144.87/5.47 BVARC PUBLIC SVC. NET 9 PM 144.87/5.47	5 10-X HOUSTON SHOT NET 8 PM - 28.688 S. TEXAS EMER. NET 9 PM - 144.87/5.47 AMSAT NET 10 PM 144.85/5.45	6 SLOW SP 7:45 PM BVARC R. 8:30 PM
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W E D N E S D A Y	T H U R S D A Y	F R I D A Y	S A T U R D A Y
		1	2 BREAKFAST BUNCH HOLIDAY INN S.W. FRWY & WEST BELFORT 8:30 AM
D CW NET - 3.740 CHEW NET - 3.962	7 BVARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:30 PM	8	9 BREAKFAST BUNCH HOLIDAY INN S.W. FRWY & WEST BELFORT 8:30 AM
D CW NET - 3.740 CHEW NET - 3.962	14 BVARC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING -FELLOWSHIP- 7 PM -CALL TO ORDER- 7:30 PM	15	16 BREAKFAST BUNCH VOLUNTEER EXAMINERS ORGANIZATION MEET. MO. CITY MUNICIPAL BLDG. 8:00 A.M.
D CW NET - 3.740 CHEW NET - 3.962	21	22	23 BREAKFAST BUNCH ARRL/VEC LICENSE EXAMS, MO. CITY MUNICIPAL BLDG. 8:00 A.M.
D CW NET - 3.740 CHEW NET - 3.962	28		

BVARC PUBLIC SERVICE HONOROLL

A. Houston Marathon, Jan 6

Henry Freedenberg, N5HF - A
Dick Hagerman, WB5SRN - A
Stu Lamkin, WB5IGG - A

Harold Parker, ND5F - A
Ed Truitt, KD5JC - A

ANYONE WHO HAS PARTICIPATED IN THESE EVENTS AND IS NOT INCLUDED, PLEASE CALL ALLAN HANUS, KA5RXX. ALSO, LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN SIMILAR SERVICE EVENTS THAT WE HAVE NOT RECOGNIZED.

NEW AWARDS PROGRAM

Starting in January, three new awards will be given on a monthly basis. They are: OUTSTANDING RADIO OPERATOR, OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBER, and FOOT N' MOUTH Award, the latter possibly being a little undesirable to some.

OUTSTANDING RADIO OPERATOR as deemed by club members, will be given a nice certificate at the BVARC membership meetings. To qualify, an individual can be nominated by any club member, must be active on at least 2 amateur bands, must be licensed by FCC and need not be a BVARC member. The nominees should demonstrate a courteous, ethical, friendly disposition; work hard to better the image of amateur radio; and try to help others both licensed and unlicensed. At the year's end the Board members will choose one of the year's OROs for the OUTSTANDING OPERATOR OF THE YEAR. He/she will receive a nice wall plaque and will have his/her name imprinted on a permanent club trophy which will be displayed at all BVARC events.

BVARC OUTSTANDING MEMBER may be any club member nominated by the membership. The nominee need not hold an FCC license. The recipients of this distinction should have good attendance at BVARC public service events and participate as well. I think the title, is for the most part, self explanatory.

FOOT N' MOUTH Award will be a printed quote in the monthly BVARC Bulletin. I will be listening for goofs, slang, slander and any other verbal screw up made while "on the air" Be Careful out there....In the event an individual appears twice throughout the year, the coveted OUTHOUSE AWARD shall be theirs at the year end banquet. I will accept all bribes and will expect to hear nominations from the club members somehow. Either catch me at the meetings or call 772-1604. I will need your help!

--Kenny KA5UPB Membership Chairman

SW AREA ARES
NET CONTROL PROCEDURE

QST, QST, QST. THIS IS _____ (ACTING) NET CONTROL FOR THIS SESSION OF THE SOUTHWEST AREA A.R.E.S. NET FOR FORT BEND AND ADJOINING COUNTIES. THIS AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY NET MEETS EVERY MONDAY EVENING AT 8:30 PM LOCAL TIME.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NET IS TO EXERCISE THE COMMUNICATIONS ABILITIES OF THE AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY TO PROVIDE A NECESSARY LINK BETWEEN MISSOURI CITY, RICHMOND/ROSENBERG, STAFFORD, SUGARLAND AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS IN TIMES OF NEED. ARES IS SPONSORED BY THE ARRL BUT LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP IS NOT REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION IN THE GROUP. THERE IS A PLACE IN ARES FOR EVERY AMATEUR REGARDLESS OF CLASS OF LICENSE, EQUIPMENT, OR PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES. THERE ARE NO PREREQUISITES NOR OBLIGATIONS INCURRED BY CHECKING IN TO THIS NET. THIS IS A DIRECTED NET --- PLEASE ADDRESS ALL CALLS THROUGH NET CONTROL.

THERE WILL BE A BRIEF STANDBY FOR ANY EMERGENCY OR PRIORITY TRAFFIC.

o I WILL NOW ACCEPT CHECKINS FROM AMATEURS WITH CALL SUFFIXES

A ALPHA THROUGH J JULIET.
K KILO THROUGH Q QUEBEC.
R ROMEO THROUGH Z ZULU.

ANY CHECKINS A ALPHA THROUGH Z ZULU ? ETC. ANY NEW CHECKINS TO THE NET ?

o PROCEEDING WITH BUSINESS. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM FORT BEND COUNTY ARES EMERGENCY COORDINATOR, ED HARWELL, W5WVX.

o ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NET ? (NET PROGRAM, IF ANY PLANNED)

o ANY LATE CHECKINS ?

o CLOSING: WITH THE SOUTHWEST AREA ARES NET FOR FORT BEND AND ADJOINING COUNTIES, THIS IS _____ CLEAR AND RETURNING THIS REPEATER TO NORMAL AMATEUR USE.

o NCS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NET PROGRAM.

o NCS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROCURING A REPLACEMENT IF UNABLE TO MEET THE NET AT THE SCHEDULED TIME.

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 * 73, Don Busick, K5AAD *

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Bolex H-8 Movie Camera w/turret mtd YVAR f1.9, 13mm normal & YVAR f2.8 36mm tele lenses - 16mm model body, will take 100 ft rolls 8mm film; speeds from 8 fps to 64 fps; frame counter, wind-up motor or manual drive systems.
 Harold Parker, ND5F 464-9044

FOR SALE

HW-16 & HG-10 VFO \$125; SB-300 needs work \$ 75; NC-101 gen. coverage rcvr. \$50; Antennas, galore; 80 foot tower; Rotors, etc. Inquire. Antenna work done. WANTED: Remote antenna switch. Muirl Robinson, W8QK 776-3067
ATARI 800XL Computer, COMMODORE 1702 Color Monitor, INDUS Disk Drive, several pieces of business software. Ron Bolyard 342-1365

BOLLY'S-YARD RBBS NOW AVAILABLE FOR BVARC BULLETIN UPLOADS

Due to increased usage and resulting difficulty in being able to access the PC-EVE RBBS for the purpose of submitting and retrieving material for the BVARC BULLETIN each month, Ron Bolyard, KA5GYG, has generously introduced a LIMITED USAGE RBBS primarily for this purpose.

The periods of availability will be from 7 to 10 p.m., Monday thru Friday, for 10 DAYS FOLLOWING THE BVARC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING EACH MONTH. The phone number is 342-1365 which is Ron's only residence number so please observe the operating periods which he has designated.

BOLLY'S-YARD RBBS (cont.)

The access procedures are the same as for the PC-EVE RBBS so anyone who is familiar with Walt's board should have no trouble with Ron's.

If you have anything for the Bulletin and are unable to leave it on BOLLY'S-YARD, please continue to leave it on PC-EVE and I will get it.

THANKS AGAIN RON !!!!

Allan Hanus KA5RXX, Production Editor

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACCESSING THE BULLETIN BOARDS

1. LOAD YOUR COMPUTER WITH WHATEVER TERMINAL PACKAGE YOU MAY HAVE
2. DIAL PHONE # (BOLLY'S-YARD- 713/342-1365) OR (PC-EVE- 713/ 955-7564)
3. WHEN YOU GET A CONNECT, PRESS (ENTER) TWICE, OR (CARRIAGE RETURN) TWICE
NOTE: THIS SYSTEM WILL ADJUST TO WHATEVER SPEED AND PARITY YOU'RE USING
ie.1200,N,8,1 1200,E,7,1 300,N,8,1 300,E,7,1 etc.
4. FROM THIS POINT, JUST ANSWER THE QUESTIONS WHEN PROMPTED, AT ANYTIME IN THE SYSTEM THAT YOU ARE NOT SURE OF HOW TO ANSWER A QUESTION OR ENTER A COMMAND, JUST TYPE "H" FOR HELP, AND THE SYSTEM WILL GUIDE YOU THROUGH..

PROCEDURE FOR UPLOADING INFORMATION FOR THE BVARC BULLETIN

1. FOLLOW THE SAME INSTRUCTIONS AS ABOVE FOR ACCESSING THE SYSTEM
2. WHEN YOU GET TO THE MAIN MENU, TYPE "F" FOR FILE SECTION
3. THEN "U" FOR UPLOAD A FILE
4. TYPE THE NAME OF THE FILE THAT YOU WANT YOUR FILE TO BE CALLED
5. CHOSE THE TYPE OF FILE TRANSFER (A) FOR ASCII OR (X) FOR X-MODEM
6. THEN SET UP YOUR TERMINAL FOR THE FILE TRANSFER (THIS METHOD WILL VARY FROM COMPUTER TO COMPUTER AND DEPENDING ON YOUR TERMINAL SOFTWARE)
7. AFTER THE FILE HAS COMPLETELY TRANSFERED, YOU WILL BE PROMPTED FOR UP TO A 40 CHARACTER DESCRIPTION OF THE FILE..
8. AT THIS POINT, ENTER A "/" AND "ENTER" OR "CARRIAGE RETURN", SO THAT THE FILE NAME WILL NOT BE LISTED ON THE PUBLIC DOWNLOAD DIRECTORY YET.
9. THEN TYPE "Q" FOR QUIT, TO GO BACK TO TO THE MAIN DIRECTORY
10. TYPE "E" FOR ENTER A MESSAGE, TO: ALLAN HANUS AND CHOOSE "R" FOR READ PROTECTION, AND TYPE THE NAME OF THE FILE YOU HAVE JUST UPLOADED.
11. WHEN YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR MESSAGE, HIT THE ENTER KEY TWICE, AND CHOOSE "S" FOR SAVE THE MESSAGE...

ABOUT THE BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Organized in 1977, the club has been growing steadily. It is a gathering place for ham radio operators in Southwest Harris and Ft. Bend Counties and surrounding communities. It is a general purpose type of ham club offering a variety of activities open to all interested persons. Membership is open, not only to licensed ham operators but also to anyone interested in the hobby. In addition to regularly scheduled monthly membership meetings, the club conducts classes leading to amateur radio licenses each year and sponsors a volunteer examiner team which offers examinations in all levels of ham licenses each month.

For more detailed information about the club and any of its activities, call Stu Lamkin WB5IGG at (713) 777-3345.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A double tongue will bring you double trouble.
-- Chinese proverb

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