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CALENDAR

Next B-VARC -- Regular membership meeting - September 9, 1982.
-- Board of Directors meeting - September 16, 1982.
-- National Simulated Emergency Test (SET) - Oct. 16/17, 1982.

Nets -- B-VARC 2M - Public service, Mondays 9PM, 147.60/00 MHz.
-- Emergency training, Wednesdays 9PM, 147.60/00 MHz.
-- B-VARC 10M - Wednesdays 8:30PM, 28.700+ MHz.
-- West Houston RACES - Sundays 8PM, 146.07/67 MHz.
-- Ft. Bend County RACES - Tuesdays 9PM, 146.16/76 MHz.

Conventions -- ARRL West Gulf Division (Houston Com-Vention 82), Oct. 1-3, 1982.
-- ARRL National, October 6-8, 1982 in Houston.

AT THE AUGUST 12 MEETING

Vice President Joanne Morpew K5HOY presided in the absence of the President and after a short business meeting and a brief break, turned the meeting over to Ron Bolyard KA5GYG, Program Chairman, who introduced the speaker of the evening, our own Ken McAninch KA5DKS. Ken told us about his tour of

August 12 meeting (Cont.)

duty in Papua New Guinea, an assignment which was supposed to be for 3 months that stretched into 7! Along with a well organized narrative of his stay there, he had a large map of the region and a table full of items of handi-craft and other items produced there, pictures and descriptive books which he included in his presentation. A fine job, Ken. Thanks.

Following that, Bob Spradling W5UBD showed the video tape footage he and Dale Williams WD5AJC took at our July picnic. It was muchly enjoyed by the goodly number who attended the meeting, which, altho it wasn't as large as we would have liked, we enjoyed having the families and friends of a number of members.

In addition to the above, several fine door prizes, donated by Madison Electronics, were drawn for which the lucky ticket holders were glad to get.

Which reminds us that we have been remiss all this time that Madison has been donating prizes for winning hidden transmitter finders and for meeting door prizes, in not chronicling in each issue of the BULLETIN who the skillful and lucky ones were and what they won. We'll try to do that in future issues, and in the meantime, be sure to identify yourself as a B-VARC member every time you go to Madison's for some kind of goodies!

(Advertisement)

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73, Don Busick K5AAD

REMEMBER the Club get \$2.00 if you join or renew your ARRL membership thru the Club. Also, if you're over 64 or under 18, you can save \$5.00 per year! Call Harold Parker KC5HZ, Club Treasurer, for details.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Period, May 10, 1982 - August 18, 1982

Beginning balance, May 9, 1982 \$ 365.16

Receipts:

BVARC club dues	\$ 17.50	
ARRL dues	25.00	
Arm Patch sales	2.50	
Coax sales	82.00	
Donuts	10.67	
Picnic tickets, etc.	<u>180.35</u>	318.02

Disbursements:

Gateway Electronics	\$ 74.20	
ARRL Flag	8.00	
Club supplies	21.39	
ARRL	23.00	
Supplies and postage	152.14	
Picnic supplies	277.29	
Dues overpayments	<u>20.00</u>	<u>576.02</u>

Balance on hand, August 18, 1982 \$ 107.16

Harold Parker, KC5HZ
BVARC Treasurer

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

If a disaster were to strike our area, would you be ready? One way to get ready is to participate in the Wednesday evening ARES emergency training nets.

Although this net has been referred to as the Missouri City training net, it should not be misconstrued as having limited boundaries. Disasters generally do not limit themselves to political boundaries.

Emergency communications (Cont.)

The emergency communications training net needs YOU, and YOU, and YOU. Remember: 147.60/00 repeater, 9PM local time, Wednesday evening. See you there!

Also, if you haven't already done so, please fill out the ARES registration form in last month's issue of the Bulletin, fill it out, and send it to me as soon as possible.

73, Ed Harwell W5WVX
E.C., Ft. Bend County

PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE WORKS

Ron Bolyard KA5GYG

SEPT. -- 9/9 - Regular membership meeting. Fellowship at 7PM, call to order 7:30PM. A double bill: Speakers will be Tom Casey WA5ACF on "Emergency Communications", and Phil Steinbach WB5SUR on "Power Supplies".

In addition, Al Guy WA5RVT, Southern Texas Section Emergency Coordinator will be a special guest of the Club.

-- ??? - On a date to be announced on the Monday and Wednesday night nets, there will be a practice Simulated Emergency Test in preparation for the official SET to be held on the weekend of October 16/17.

OCT. -- 10/14 - Regular membership meeting. Speaker: Lloyd Phelps WD5HEH on "Ham Radio and the Computer Age".

-- 10/16-17 - National Simulated Emergency Test (SET).

NOV. -- 11/11 - Regular membership meeting. Speakers: Keith Huges KA5F and Orville Burg K5VWW will conduct a narrated slide show of their recent trip to Russia and other points.

Y'all welcome our latest new member of B-VARC. He is Vic K5KNH, and is, along with others who've joined us this year, wearing a red- and blue-bordered name badge. If you haven't already, introduce yourself and make 'em glad they're one of us! Add Vic to your Roster: Vic La Rocca K5KNH, 1502 Foster Lake, Richmond TX 77469, home fone 342-7151, work fone 482-3477, Advanced class ticket and is not a member of ARRL.



ROSTER

In addition to adding Vic's information to your Roster, please also make the changes therein to keep it up to date:

Pages 3 and I -- Change Emmett Bean's call sign to KZ5I, and on

Pages 1 and IV -- Change the work phone number of Charlie Sloan WB2ACK to 626-2020, Ext. 421.

NEW NOVICE CLASS?

Wade Eilers WN5TEN is looking into the feasibility of starting a new Novice class in September. If you know of anyone who might like to get started in Amateur Radio, have that person call Wade at 499-4230 for more information.

ADVERTISING SPACE NOW AVAILABLE IN B-VARC BULLETIN

With a circulation of approximately 100 copies per month and because of the wide cross section of membership the Club now enjoys, it has been decided to open the pages of the B-VARC BULLETIN to space advertising.

The following rates will apply for single issue runs, with discounts available for multiple issue insertions:

Full page	\$ 25.
Half page	15.
Quarter page	10.
Business card	5.

If you have a service that might be attractive to our circulation list, tell about it in a space advert in the BULLETIN. You might be surprised at the diversity of needs of our readers.

The above rates apply for camera-ready copy. If layout, copy design or writing is needed, rates will be quoted on a specific basis.

As noted in the B-S-S section, ham-related equipment classifieds will be run as freebies.

NCS SCHEDULES FOR SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

2M. Publ. Serv. - 9/6 KC5HZ 9/13 WA5OEN 9/20 WD5DRB 9/27 KA5GYG
 10/4 KC5HZ 10/11WA5OEN 10/18 WD5DRB 10/25 KA5GYG

10M. Ragchew - 9/1 WD5AJC 9/8 N5HF 9/15 KA5GYG 9/22 WB5IGG 9/29 WD5AJC
 10/6 N5HF 10/13 KA5GYG 10/20 WB5IGG 10/27 WD5AJC

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO HAMS

In the March 1982 issue of the B-VARC BULLETIN there appeared a news release of the Federation for Amateur Radio, Inc. announcing a number of cash scholarships available exclusively to licensed hams. On page 7 of this September issue is another news release of this group, listing the winners of the awards in that competition. It's interesting to note that with the exception of one which went to a ham in the Denver area, all were awarded to residents of the north midwest and northeast states.

We've heard expressed the opinion that this probably is the result of the availability of the scholarships not being very well publicized in other parts of the country.

The QCWA Houston Chapter Newsletter and the B-VARC BULLETIN plan to help correct this deficiency next spring when the Foundation issues its news release on the next competition!

COM-VENTION 82

The advance registration mailer for Houston Com-Vention 82 is out, and if, somehow, you didn't get one, call Richard Shankle N5KV at 495-2699 and find out how you can get one. Looks like it s going to be a great event!

If you register in advance, by September 17, you'll save a bit on the fee and be eligible to participate in the drawing for the advance registration prize, a Kenwood TR-7850 2-meter transceiver. And there's a great list of grand prizes, together with a bunch of others!

Foundation For Amateur Radio, Inc.

PRESS RELEASE

Washington, D. C.

ADDRESS REPLY TO:

Hugh A. Turnbull W3ABC
6903 Rhode Island Avenue
College Park, MD 20740

August 18, 1982

The FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO is pleased to announce the 1982 winners of the ten (10) scholarships which it administers.

The John W. Gore Memorial Scholarship - \$900
Richard E. Church, Jr., WA2YMS - Central Square, NY

The Richard G. Chichester Memorial Scholarship - \$900
Theodore S. Rappaport, N9NB - West Lafayette, IN

The Edwin Van Deusen Scholarship - \$350
Steven J. Gies, KA9EHI - Stevens Point, WI

QCWA Silent Key Memorial Scholarship - \$500
Brian D. Miller, KA0DGT - Englewood, CO

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Marc Vernon, KI9V - Hinsdale, IL

Radio Club of America Scholarship - \$500
Stephen Carlson, KA9KME - Wauwatosa, WI

The Edmund Redington Memorial Scholarship - \$500
Nicholas L. DiFiore, N8DNF - Warren, MI

Young Ladies Radio League Scholarship - \$300
Susan Beth Solomon, KA2FLL - Uniondale, NY

Amateur Radio News Service Scholarship - \$500
Wayne B. Ditsworth, N0BGI - Cedar Rapids, IA

Columbia (MD) Amateur Radio Association Scholarship - \$500
Richard A. White, Jr. KA3T - Columbia, MD

These Scholarships were open to all Radio Amateurs meeting the qualifications and residence requirements of the various sponsors. This year applications were received from 31 states, Canada and India. The FOUNDATION is a non-profit organization representing fifty clubs in Maryland, the District of Columbia and Northern Virginia. It is devoted exclusively to promoting the interest of amateur radio and to the scientific, literary and educational pursuits that advance the purposes of the Amateur Radio Service.

Information regarding the scholarships to be awarded next year will appear in the April or May issues of the major amateur radio publications.

NEW HAM BILL, PASSED BY CONGRESS, COULD AFFECT B-VARC

House of Representatives bill HR-5008 passed by the House and accepted by the Senate, was sent to the President for signature, and at the time of composition of the Sept. 1 issue of the W5YI REPORT was expected by the FCC's Washington Legislative Unit to be signed by the President within two weeks. This is the bill that has been in process for a long time and it contains a number of provisions very important to the ham community.

One that could affect B-VARC will allow the FCC to hand over nearly complete administration of Amateur Radio Service licensing to the ham community. The Commission feels that the ARRL is the only group that could handle this and is working very closely with the League. The League reportedly is already prepared to take over administration of ham licensing, including creation of the actual amateur tests, and administration through affiliated clubs. As you know, B-VARC is one of those clubs.

This bill will also permit the FCC to set minimum performance standards for home entertainment equipment, to use volunteer amateur operators to assist in radio wave enforcement by monitoring and reporting violations by CB and ham band operators of the Rules, and to discontinue CB licensing.

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(We'll be happy to list your desire to buy, sell, or swap any ham or electronic gear at no cost to you. Just send us your copy by the 3rd Thursday of the month for insertion in the upcoming issue.)

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FOR SALE -- Drake TR-4C HF transceiver and Collins KWM-2 HF transceiver.
Both rigs in excellent condition.

Ray Morphew K5EST
Fone 664-1726

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FOR SALE - CW/SSB transceiver. Swan 350 with 117XC power supply and speaker. 10 - 80 meters full coverage. 400W PEP makes this especially nice. For price/info call Woody Woodward WB9CYI
Fone 980-4145

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B-S-S Mart (Cont.)

FOR SALE - Computerized chess game -- Chess Challenger.

For price/info call Woody Woodward WB9CYI
Fone 980-4145

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FOR SALE - S1T 2M transceiver with touchtone pad. With all kinds of extras, such as chargers, extra battery pack, small amplifier, speaker mic, carrying case, , adapters, etc., this rig can be operated as a mobile, fixed, or HT station.

Stu Lamkin WB5IGG
Fone 777-3345

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FOR SALE - Maco boomless 10-15-20 meter full wave quad antenna. In service now. Almost a giveaway but not quite!

Stu Lamkin WB5IGG
Fone 777-3345

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FOR SALE - IC-RM2, a computerized remote controller. Designed for use with the IC-701 and IC-211 or IC-245.

Dale Williams WD5AJC
Fone 980-1819

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Every person is a volume to be read --
if you know how to read.

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