

Membership renewal information:

Members whose membership has expired or is near expiration will find their membership date highlighted on the mailing label.



<http://www.hal-pc.org/~bvarc>

ARRL Membership - Members are urged to renew their ARRL membership through BVARC, allowing the club to take advantage of reduced insurance rates. Contact John at 281-530-0432 for information

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B-VARC General Meetings
are now on the second Thursday
of each month!!!

Hot Dawg

Hot Dogs and Drinks for Members - FREE
Come one, come all to the BVARC monthly meeting and join us for Hot Dogs and Soft Drinks. Starting with the June meeting you can visit with your friends and enjoy a hot dog and drink on the club. Serving starts at 6:30pm and goes until 7:30pm. There is no charge for club members. We will have mustard, catsup, onions and pickle relish as dressings for your dogs.

Many thanks to John Moore for printing this month's issue and to Claude Sessions for production

Club Membership Application on last page.

Board of Directors:

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Larry Jacobson, Past President - K5LJ, k5lj@nstci.com

Notes from the President – September 2001

Prez Sez:

In spite of the tragic events of September 11th, it was decided to go forward with the general membership meeting.

Bill Allen presided over the Balloon Launch presentation which included video sent back from the balloon payload. There was a good turn out of members and guests.

We are still in need of additional nominations for board of director positions. The election will occur at the November membership meeting. If you are interested in serving on the board or wish to nominate someone, please contact me or Larry Jacobson, K5LJ.

As a reminder, the December meeting will include the Homebrew Contest. The grand prize winner will receive an new Alinco HT. If you have a project or kit in the works, get it finished and enter it in the contest.

I hope to see you all at the next meeting.

73,

Kevin/KD5O

SCHEDULE OF BVARC Activities

VE Sessions Change of Location:

The ARRL VEC amateur license tests which are given by B-VARC on the second Tuesday of each month has been moved to:

**Houston Community College,
Scarcella Technology Center
10141 Cash Road, Stafford, TX
Parking in the rear --**

Month	General Meeting	Program	BOD Meeting	VEC Test
Oct	11	DX presentation and Quads and Yagis	4	9
Nov	8	Chili supper and Board elections	1	13
Dec	11	Home Brew Night	18	11
Jan	4	Banquet	TBA	TBA

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**PUBLIC SERVICE EVENT CALENDAR
FROM MIKE HARDWICK, N5VCX**

October

Belton Ham Expo - Temple Amateur Radio Club - Belton, Texas

<http://www.tarc.org/hamradio/hamexpo/oct2001early.html>

October 6th, 2001

Mike LeFan - WA5EQQ - 254-773-3590

E-mail Address (es): hamexpo@tarc.org

Bike to the Beach MS150 - San Antonio to Corpus Christi

<http://www.ms150.org/>

October 6 & 7, 2001

Alfred Horn - SARO

E-mail Address(es): diamondw@swbell.net

MADD Country Classic Bike Ride - Montgomery, Texas

<http://www.woodlandcyclingclub.org/~maddccr>

October 7, 2001

Needing a Coordinator!

NEW

Race for the Cure - 5K Run Galleria area - Houston

All Hands,

I am organizing communications support for the Race for The Cure to be run in the Houston Galleria Area on **Saturday, 13 October 2001**. I need about 15 amateur radio operators to work with me to help assure the safety and welfare of the over 26,000 runners and uncountable members of the public at large who will be watching and cheering the runners along the course. The web page for the event is: <http://www.komen-houston.org/html/race.html>

Communications will begin at 5 am. We should be finished by 10 am.

Please let me know whether you can help. You have my e-mail address.

My phone number is 713-500-9185. I will be gone for a few days and Ms Sunnye Collins will be covering my phone.

And while you are marking your calendar, keep 20 January 2002 open for the Houston Marathon.

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Facsimile: 713-500-9171

Alamo Challenge Bike Ride - Houston to San Antonio
<http://www.alamochallenge.com/>

October 13 & 14, 2001

Two day bike ride from Houston to San Antonio. Event Starts at Katy Mills Mall and follows basically FM1093 and alternate Hwy 90 to Seguin and then into San Antonio. About 45 to 55 operators are needed to cover the entire course.

Bill Wilson - KA5GHI
E-mail Address(es): ka5ghi@aol.com

CLARC's ARRL Sanctioned HamFest 2001 - Clear Lake City, Texas

<http://www.clarc.org/hamfest.htm>

October 20th, 2001

Bob KA5GLX ka5glx@swbell.net
John Taylor - KD5IHO - (713) 504-1403
E-mail Address(es): kd5iho@swbell.net

UPDATED

Wings Over Houston Air Show - Ellington Field
<http://www.wingsoverhouston.com/>

October 19th, 20th & 21st, 2001

Well, its that time of year again guys. Ole W5DNE is looking for amateur radio volunteers for the airshow again. The dates are **October 19 (for the special show on Friday) October 20 & 21** for the regular show. If you can make it call me on the phone at 281-338-2918 or at work 281-483-4552. I will give details to you later, but if they haven't changed hardly any since last year. If you know of any other hams that want to volunteer, just pass my phone number or email address on to them.

Thanks & 73
Bill Terrell, W5DNE
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Boy Scout Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)
www.bsa-scouting.org/international/jota.html
www.arrl.org/ead/jota.html

www.bsa-scouting.org/sitemap.html
www.geocities.com/ac5yk www.arrl.org/ead/jota.html
October 20 & 21, 2001
Rick Hiller - W5RH
E-mail Address(es): rhiller@sysdev.com
Don - AC5YK
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20K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Houston

<http://www.houston20k.com/>

October 21, 2001

Needing a Coordinator!

November

Novemberfest Bike Ride - Sealy, Texas

<http://www.cri-usa.org/criform.htm>

November 3, 2001

Robert Temple - WD5DBZ

E-mail Address(es): Robert.B.Temple@usa.conoco.com

American Heart Walk - Houston

<http://www.americanheart.org/heartwalk/index.html>

November 3, 2001

Needing a Coordinator!

The coordinator would like 7 to 10 operators to handle communications along the route. The main reason for the communications is for medical situation that may arise. The amateurs may be working with the event officials as well as on their communications channels as well. Event contact: Jimmy Hatzis - 713-610-5021

E-mail Address(es): Jimmy.Hatzis@heart.org

25K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Houston

<http://www.rrca.org/clubs/data/1065.htm>

November 11, 2001

Needing a Coordinator!

ADDED!

2nd Annual West Houston Tailgate & Swap Fest - Houston

The Farm and Ranch Club - On Hwy. 6 about 2 miles north of I-10

Saturday, November 24th, 2001 7AM till 11AM

Free Admission

For more details, contact Jeff - N5CEP

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December

30K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Sugarland

December 2, 2001

Mike Hardwick - N5VCX

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January, 2002

San Antonio SWAPFEST'02 and Texas VHF-FM

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January 12, 2002

Little Joe's Country Gold

7405 Old Pearsall Rd.

San Antonio, Texas

Royce KA5OHJ - 210-680-0432

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Houston Marathon - Houston

<http://www.compaqhoustonmarathon.com/compaq.htm>

January 20, 2002

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**BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
WERE NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME.**

SCANNER JACK'S Corner

by Jack Roberts, KB5TMY

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MONDAY NIGHT PSN check-ins (KCSVYZ net control)

7/9 - 30 - Bruce

7/16 - 26 - Jack

7/23 - 28 - Doug

7/30 - 21 - Doug

8/6/ - none

8/13 - 17 - Bruce

8/20 - 28 - Jack

8/27 - 24 - Doug

9/3/ - 22 - Cam

9/10 - 26 - Bruce

9/17 -20 - Jack

B-VARC RAG CHEW Net Check-Ins for August 2001 by Sam Wilson, N5CPA

3.960MHz +/-3KHz Wednesdays at 7:00PM ←PLEASE
NOTE TIME CHANGE FROM 8:00 TO 7:00

Just WHAT IS the Rag Chew Net? Well it's a chance for
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central US! WHAT?? Don't have voice privileges? Got a

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each net.

8/01/01—N5CPA (NC), K5CEK, K5VRJ, AB5BA, K5HFX, K5LJ, K5LBU, KE4NT. (8)

8/08/01—N5CPA (NC), K5CEK, KE5SR, N5VXU, K5LJ, K5VRJ, AB5BA, WC5S, K5JWM, NM5K. (10)

8/15/01—N5CPA (NC), K5VRJ, AB5BA, K5JWM, K5LBU, KB5F, WB5SRN, K5CEK, KE5SR, KK5W, KAOTEN, N5VXU. (12)

8/22/01—K5HFX (NC), WBB5SRN, K5CEK, KE5SR, N5VXU, KB5F, WB5HUY. (7)

8/29/01—N5CPA (NC), K5HFX, KB5F, WB5SRN, KD5FWD, KK5UO, N5VXU, K5LJ. (8)

<http://www.viptx.net/varc/>

Clear Lake ARC:

<http://www.clarc.org>

(Please advise of additions. Thanks.)

From Paul L. Gray, Jr., N0JAA
Field Day Committee Chairman

The time has come to start planning for next year's Field Day. We have a few sites under consideration, including the following:

Bear Creek Park, Harris County
George Bush Park, Harris County
Katy County Park, Harris County
Tom Bass Regional Park, Harris County
Fort Bend County Fire Training Field, Richmond, TX, Fort Bend County

I have received word that the Fort Bend County EOC was very impressed with our operations this year, and they have invited us back to use their facility again next year.

We will discuss these at the next committee meeting. The next meeting of the committee will be held concurrent with the October Board of Director's meeting, Thursday, October 4 at 7:30 PM, at the Sugar Land Community Center.

At the meeting, we will also take nominations for committee chairman. The committee and the board will vote on the nominations.


Sincerely,

Paul L. Gray, Jr., N0JAA
Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club
3-year Director
Field Day Committee Chairman

AMATEUR RADIO RESPONDS IN FORCE IN WAKE OF TERRORIST ATTACKS

Some already are calling it "Amateur Radio's Finest Hour," as volunteers answer the call to assist in ongoing relief and recovery operations in New York City, Washington, DC, and western Pennsylvania in the wake of terrorist attacks on the US September 11. The need continues for operators to assist over the long haul, however. Current estimates suggest hams may be needed for a month or longer in the New York City area, and for at least the next two weeks in Washington, DC.

Along with most other federal agencies, the FCC closed its offices and sent its employees home following the attacks. The FCC issued no emergency declarations nor other special instructions to the Amateur Radio community. The ARRL



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Club Links

Some web page links to clubs in the Southeast Texas area — Cameron Mitchell
(Not all active)

Brenham ARC:

<http://www.alpha1.net/~barc>

Texas DX Society:

<http://n5uh.tech.uh.edu/~tdxs>

Houston Echo Society:

<http://www.qsl.net/echo>

Northwest ARC (Houston):

<http://www.w5nc.org>

Johnson Space Center ARC

<http://www.w5jtt.org>

COMPAC Radio Club:

<http://www.houston-intranet.com/~cpqham>

Katy ARS:

<http://members.aol.com/karsradio>

Stephen F. Austin ARC (Bellville area):

http://users.argolink.net/danwhite/W5SFA/W5SFA_index

Hou-Texins ARC (Stafford):

<http://www.hal-pc.org/~tiarc/>

Brazos Valley ARC:

<http://www.hal-pc.org/~bvarc>

Tidelands ARC (Texas City Area):

<http://www.tidelands.org>

South East Texas ARC (Tomball):

<http://setac.homestead.com/setachome.html>

Victoria ARC:

