

### Membership renewal information:

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**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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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:diamondw@swbell.net)

#### MADD Country Classic Bike Ride - Montgomery, Texas

<http://www.woodlandscyclingclub.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.

Carl Hacker - KB5LDY

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**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

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

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

**October 20th, 2001**

Bob KA5GLX [ka5glx@swbell.net](mailto:ka5glx@swbell.net)

John Taylor - KD5IHO - (713) 504-1403

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**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 it 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

[bttcar@ghg.net](mailto:bttcar@ghg.net)

**Boy Scout Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)**

[www.bsa-scouting.org/international/jota.html](http://www.bsa-scouting.org/international/jota.html)

[www.arrrl.org/ead/jota.html](http://www.arrrl.org/ead/jota.html)

[www.bsa-scouting.org/sitemap.html](http://www.bsa-scouting.org/sitemap.html)

[www.geocities.com/ac5yk](http://www.geocities.com/ac5yk) [www.arrrl.org/ead/jota.html](http://www.arrrl.org/ead/jota.html)

**October 20 & 21, 2001**

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Don - AC5YK

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**20K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Houston**

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

**October 21, 2001**

*Needing a Coordinator!*

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## **November**

**Novemberfest Bike Ride - Sealy, Texas**

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

**November 3, 2001**

Robert Temple - WD5DBZ

E-mail Address(es): [Robert.B.Temple@usa.conoco.com](mailto: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](mailto:Jimmy.Hatzis@heart.org)

**25K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Houston**

<http://www.trca.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

E-mail Addresses(es): [n5cep@flex.net](mailto:n5cep@flex.net)

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## **December**

**30K Marathon Warm-Up Series - Sugarland**

**December 2, 2001**

Mike Hardwick - N5VCX

E-mail Address(es): [n5vcx@worldnet.att.net](mailto:n5vcx@worldnet.att.net)

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## January, 2002

### San Antonio SWAPFEST'02 and Texas VHF-FM

#### Society Winter Mtg

January 12, 2002

Little Joe's Country Gold

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San Antonio, Texas

Royce KA5OHJ - 210-680-0432

E-mail Address(es): [swapfest01@juno.com](mailto:swapfest01@juno.com)

### Houston Marathon - Houston

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

January 20, 2002

Carl Hacker - KB5LDY

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**BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
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### **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  
you to get on the low bands and hang out with other B-  
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using the telephone number announced at the beginning of  
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, KA0TEN, 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)



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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](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:

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

Clear Lake ARC:

<http://www.clarc.org>

(Please advise of additions. Thanks.)

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**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

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#### 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



advised amateurs to stay alert to instructions from local authorities.

New York City-Long Island Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D, reports that hams have been supporting emergency officials and the American Red Cross relief and recovery effort. Amateurs have been staffing several Red Cross shelters in addition to a staging/National Disaster Medical System center, various Red Cross units, and the Greater New York City American Red Cross Headquarters as well as the New York City Office of Emergency Management.

Carrubba says the telephone system in lower Manhattan continues to be problematic because of the high call volume. "American Red Cross communications are overloaded, and traffic from the shelters is coming into the New York City net at a rapid pace," he said. "The Amateur Radio ops are doing a great job under very difficult and strange conditions, but this is what they have trained for; they are getting it done well."

Red Cross Communications Officer Jay Ferron, N4GAA, agreed. "The Amateur Radio community has come out very big and very strong," he said, adding that local clubs and repeater groups have volunteered gear, frequencies and operators.

New York City District Emergency Coordinator Charles Hargrove, N2NOV, has expressed his appreciation to the amateur community. "Thank you for all the support and well wishes," he said. "This is a difficult time for all of us. We appreciate all the amateurs who have volunteered their time and equipment."

Carrubba also cited the ongoing efforts of Guy Richman, KC2AYG, who has been coordinating net controls for the ARES nets, and Manhattan ARRL EC John Kiernan, KE2UN.

Carrubba is seeking additional volunteers from the Greater New York City region. He has asked out-of-state volunteers to "stand by until we can provide for your safety and comfort." Volunteers need a VHF (2-meter) or, preferably, a VHF/UHF (2-meter/70-cm) mobile radio, power supply and cables, and mobile/portable mag-mounted gain antenna. Carrubba says hand-helds are not sufficient to deal with the difficult operating conditions.

"Operators are still needed," he said, but stressed, "This is a difficult assignment."

Amateurs are working two 12-hour shifts per day, 8 AM to 8 PM and 8 PM to 8 AM, "plus or minus three or four hours, mostly plus," Carrubba said. Additional information is available on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org>>.

At the scene of the Pentagon attack near Washington, DC, Virginia Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Gregory, N4NW, reports an "upbeat" crew of about two dozen amateurs is staffing six Amateur Radio stations in the immediate vicinity of the Pentagon. "What shocked me the most was the devastation you can see right there, 100 feet from the building," Gregory said. "The destruction is total."

The ARES operation is providing logistical support between the Salvation Army's relief and recovery effort on site and the agency's Arlington headquarters. The Salvation Army has deployed several mobile canteens and a feeding unit to serve military and civilian emergency personnel assigned to the

recovery operation.

"What we're finding is that communication is very difficult because of the tremendous amount of noise from the construction-type equipment and the generators providing power for the lights and support staff," Gregory said. Because of the noise level, operators are being rotated frequently in and out of the immediate vicinity of the attack. "There's the emotion of it, and there's the tremendous amount of noise, and it's very grating on you because you can hardly hear the radio to communicate," Gregory explained.

Gregory described the entire area as "very crowded with people" inside and outside the Pentagon. "People and equipment cleaning up, finding bodies, finding plane parts, firefighters still checking for hot spots, hoses, equipment," he said. "The damage to the building looks worse when you are right next to it than it does on TV."

"I found that it took me a few minutes to realize the gravity of what was going on and the importance of what we hams are doing in our own small way to help out," Gregory said. "The devastation of that building is awesome, and it puts things in perspective and it certainly made me proud to be an Amateur Radio operator and serve the people of the United States by offering the support we could."

The Pentagon ARES operation continues to seek volunteers. "Because of the immensity of the thing, we're trying to have six amateurs on duty at all times," he said. "We need 20 volunteers every day for at least two weeks." Volunteers should e-mail Tom Gregory, N4NW, at [n4nw@arrl.net](mailto:n4nw@arrl.net).

Gregory emphasized that Pentagon site security is extremely tight. All ham volunteers must have a photo ID issued by a government entity to the secured area. "The FBI is handling issuance of IDs for access to the secured area and is doing a complete NCIC check before a photo ID is issued," Gregory said.

At the so-called "fourth" plane crash site in rural Somerset County western Pennsylvania, Kevin Custer, W3KKC, reports a busy scene as the investigation continues. Custer arranged preliminary repeater communication into and out of the crash site on Tuesday to help the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Pennsylvania State Police, the FBI and other state and federal agencies on the scene.

Custer said the investigation could continue for several weeks. "At this time we are preparing for the possibility of family members coming to the crash site—or close by," he said.

Montgomery County, Maryland, Deputy RACES Officer John Creel, WB3GXW, observed that while the enormity of the attacks is bound to touch the amateur community directly or indirectly, he has seen nothing but professionalism among the responding operators in his area. Creel advised amateurs to "just be prepared," and he echoed the sentiment of many that the events of September 11 "will be with us for the rest of our lives. More detailed and updated information on Amateur Radio's involvement in the disaster relief and recovery efforts is available on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org>>.

**BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB - 2001**  
**Membership Application**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Tech+	<input type="checkbox"/> Extra	<input type="checkbox"/> Not a member
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (B-VARC) was originally organized in 1978, primarily as an emergency communications group available to assist the communities of Missouri City and Stafford, when required. Since that time, B-VARC has grown and expanded its activities to become the most active HAM radio club in the Southwest Houston area.

Today, B-VARC is truly a general-interest club with an impressive record of Public Service. The Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) has recognized the Commitment to service with the coveted status of Special Service Club. We are proud of our members who represent the finest in Amateur Radio. Membership is not limited to licensed operators, but is open to anyone with an interest in Amateur Radio. Meetings are held generally at 7:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, at the Sugar Land Community Center. Talk-in assistance is available in the 145.470, and 444.550 MHz repeaters. Membership dues are \$16 annually.

B-VARC conducts A.R.R.L. VEC license exam sessions on the second Tuesday of each month. B-VARC also conducts a Public Service Net at 9:00 P. M. each Monday on the 145.470 and 444.55 (MERA) repeaters.

To obtain information about the club, its activities, or about joining B-VARC, contact John, K5LKJ, at 281-530-0432.

**B-VARC Meeting Schedule**

The next general membership meeting is Thursday, October 11.

**Location:**

7:30 p.m. Sugar Land Community Center, 226 Matlage Way, Sugar Land Texas

**B-VARC Eating Schedule**

Saturdays-7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Location: New York Coffee Shop, 9720 Hillcroft.

Also at 7:30 a.m. Location: Viking Den on 90A, Stafford.

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday dinners - October 19, at Vinnie's Italian Cafe, 5413 Bellaire Blvd at Chimney Rock in Bellaire. - 6:30 p.m. SHARP!

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