



# BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



AMATEUR RADIO FOR SOUTHWEST HOUSTON AND FORT BEND COUNTY

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## Elections Results

The November 14<sup>th</sup> General Membership meeting was not only the BVARC Chili Supper, but also the Annual Election for Officers and Directors for the Year 2003.

The Nominating Committee placed in nomination the following:

- President – Mike Hardwick, N5VCX
- Vice-President – Jack Roberts, KB5TMY
- Recording Secretary/Treasurer – Ron Eisenbrey, AB5WG
- Corresponding Secretary – Joe Morgan, K5JWM

There was no nominee for the 3-year Board of Director position.

The club members elected the slate of Officers and Director by acclamation. Holdover members are 2-year Board of Director Ross Lawler, W5HFF; replacement 1-year Board of Director Dave Scott, WD8RZA; and Past President, Kevin Foto, KD5O.

Officers and Directors for the Year 2003 will take office at the conclusion of the BVARC Banquet, scheduled for Friday, January 10, 2003 at the Saltgrass Steak House, 9110 Southwest Freeway Service Road (Outbound) between S. Gessner and Bissonnet.

## Award Nominations Due

Nominations for the following awards need to be made as soon as possible so that the board may consider each.

### The Order of the Key

The Order of the Key is the highest honor that can be conferred by BVARC. With this award, we recognize the BVARC member who has made outstanding contributions

to the progress of the club. These contributions might take the form of a long-term, consistent commitment to service, or might represent an extremely high level of service for a shorter time. In any case, the award represents exceptional service and commitment to the goals of BVARC.

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## Presidents' Corner

*By Mike Hardwick, N5VCX, President*

The New Year is upon us with a new group of people for the Board of Directors for Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club. I first want to thank the following people for serving this year (in some cases several years) on the Board of Directors: Bill, KD5IUU, as recording secretary; Cameron, K5CAM, for his hard work as both Corresponding Secretary and Newsletter Editor; Rex, KC5EEU, for keeping up with the vast expenses of the Club; Robert, KK5UO, for his service as Vice President and doing upgrade classes; Paul, N0JAA, for service as both an at-large director and field day coordinator, and; John, AC5TL, as an at-large director and

sounding board. I want to thank them for all the time, effort and initiative they have put into the helping run Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club.

Second, I would like to thank the following people for stepping up to the plate to help with the club in 2003: Jack Roberts, KB5TMY, as Vice-President; Ron Eisenbrey, AB5WG, as Corresponding Secretary/Treasurer; Joe Morgan, K5JWM, as recording secretary; and Dave Scott, WD8RZA, as an At-Large Director. I am looking forward to working with everyone this coming year.

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Officers and Directors for 2003—Left to right: Joe Morgan, Scanner Jack Roberts, Ron Eisenbrey, and Mike Hardwick

## 2002 Club Officers:

President:  
Mike Hardwick, N5VCX  
n5vcx@worldnet.att.net

Vice President:  
Robert Moore, KK5UO  
kk5uo@hal-pc.org

Treasurer:  
Rex Ritz, KC5EEU  
icrex@yahoo.com

Corresponding Secretary: Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM  
k5cam@arrl.net

Recording Secretary: Bill Allen, KC5IUU  
[whallen@houston.rr.com](mailto:whallen@houston.rr.com)

One-Year Board Member: John Gilmore, AC5TL  
johnnygilmore\_1999@yahoo.com

Two-Year Board Member: Paul Gray, N0JAA  
n0jaa@aol.com

Three-Year Board Member: Ross Lawler, W5HFF  
w5hff@juno.com

Past President:  
Kevin Foot, KD5O  
foto@texas.net

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## Club Happenings:

General Meeting  
Second Thursday each month at the Sugar Land Community Center-

Board of Directors Meeting  
First Thursday of each month at the Sugar Land Community Center

Volunteer Examiner Program  
BVARC administers Amateur License Exams on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the HCC Scarcella Technology Campus, 10141 Cash Rd. in Stafford.  
Contact John Moore, KK5NU

Eating Schedule  
Third Friday Dinner at 6:30.  
Location announced in the calendar.

Saturday morning breakfasts –  
7:00 New York Coffee Shop  
9720 Hillcroft, south of Braeswood in Houston  
7:30 AM Viking Den,  
2939 S. Main (Hwy 90A) in Stafford

## Minutes of Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Nov. 7, 2002

**Attendees:** Mike Hardwick, President; Robert Moore, Vice President; Rex Ritz, Treasurer; Cameron Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary; John Gilmore, 1 Year Director; Ross Lawler, 3 Year Director; Kevin Foto, Past President; Ron Eisenbrey, visitor and board nominee.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM by Mike.

Rex reported that his printer was down and no full report available at this time. In summary, there is \$50.00 in cash, \$389.63 in checking and \$2952.39 in savings for a total of \$3392.02. The full version will be available later. Approximately 6 membership dues payments came in recently. No outstanding bills were received this month. The individual members will handle the Awards banquet meal payment and there will be no club subsidy.

Cameron reported that the total membership is up from 114 to 123 this month.

Robert had nothing to report.

Ross discussed the preparation for the upcoming chili supper. Ross made a motion to reward the winner with a \$20 Gift Certificate to Pappadeaux Restaurant. Rex seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously. Ross also initiated discussion regarding soliciting donation of gift certificates from EPO and Houston Amateur Radio Supply.

John stated that he would participate in the 25K Warm-up event.

Kevin proposed giving a small gift to the winner of the December Homebrew contest.

### Emergency business:

The upcoming Elections were discussed.

Proposed by-laws changes were also discussed in light of the reduced club membership and minimal participation in club support functions.

### New Business:

It was mentioned that the December General Membership meeting would be held at the Sugar Land Branch Library on Eldridge from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

The board decided to meet at Skeeters near the Sugar Land Home Depot for the December board meeting. The location is near the intersection of Williams Trace and US59.

There was lively discussion about the past Awards and that they are old and possibly may need to be changed to reflect the times.

Fort Bend County Fire Training Center was voted on and approved as the site for Field Day 2003.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM.

The **December Meeting** will be held in the meeting room of the Sugar Land branch of the Ft. Bend County Library, 550 Eldridge Rd., just north of U.S. 90A. Meeting time will be 7 pm. December is our "Home Brew" night, so get your "home brew" specials ready. Kevin Foto, KD5O, [foto@texas.net](mailto:foto@texas.net) is the meeting coordinator.

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## THE BVARC Rag Chew Net

*By Sam Wilson, N5CPA*

**November 2002**

**PLEASE NOTE FREQUENCY CHANGE FROM  
3960 KHz**

**3962 KHz +/-3KHz Wednesdays at 7:00PM**, Joe Morgan, K5JWM, Net Coordinator

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-VARC members, as well as hams from around the south central US! WHAT?? Don't have voice privileges? Got a short-wave receiver? Dial in and listen, then check in using the telephone number announced at the beginning of each net.

**10/02/02--N5CPA, K5CEK, K5VRJ, AB5BA, K5JWM, K5LKJ, WA5VRB, KD5QLK, W5DDD. (9)**

**10/09/02--N5CPA, K5VRJ, AB5BA, K5CEK, K5LKJ, WB5SRN, K5JWM, KB5XV, W5GHK, K5HFY, KB5SDU, W5DDD, KD5O, WB5VYR. (14)**

**10/16/02--N5CPA, K5HFY, K5CEK, K5JWM, WA5VRB, WB5SRN, K5VRJ. AB5BA, WA5CYI, WB5VYR, W5DDD. (11)**

**10/23/02--N5CPA, K5CEK, WA5VRB, WB5SRN, K5LJ, K5HFY. (6)**

**10/30/02--N5CPA, K5CEK, KB5F, K5LKJ, K5JWM, WB5SRN, W5GHK, K5LJ, K5HFY, W5DDD/M, K5VRJ, AB5BA, KD5O, K5WOJ. (14)**

## BVARC Public Service Net

*Doug Woodruff, KC5VYZ - Coordinator*

The BVARC Public Service Net meets every Monday night on 145.47 (123 PL) at 9:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Check-ins and that night's net control:

**11/4 - 23 - Cameron, K5CAM**  
**11/11 - 27 - , KD5O**  
**11/21- 21-K5V42**

## Amateur Radio Testing

### Results of the November 12<sup>th</sup> Testing Session

*by: John Moore, KK5NU*

B-VARC sponsored and administered the ARRL's Amateur Radio Examination session that was held on Tuesday, November 12th, 2002 at HCC's Scarcella Technology Campus here in Stafford.

#### Members Of The VE Team:

- Louis House, KD5GM
- Larry Jacobson, K5LJ
- John Moore, KK5NU
- George Ontko, KM5VP

Seven examination elements were administered during the course of the evening to six applicants. Three unlicensed candidates passed the Technician license exam with the total passed elements being 3. The overall "pass rate" for the evening was 43%.

Congratulations to the following who passed an exam; and/or upgraded:

- H. Robert Lao, KD5UJU, Technician
- Charles I. McFerrin, KD5UJS, Technician
- Marie Schaer, KD5UJT, Technician

Many thanks to all the Team Members and Assistants who volunteer their valuable time and effort each month. All of us at B-VARC again thank everyone at HCC Scarcella Technology Center for making these excellent classroom facilities available to us for our exams each month.

## Scanner Jack's Corner

*by Scanner Jack Roberts, KB5TMY*

#### Programming Most Trunk Tracker Scanners

1. Put the scanner in the trunk mode.
2. Program all the frequencies in the trunk system.
3. Program the trunk ids.

In some scanners you must hold down the trunk until you hear two beeps.

#### New frequencies for Spring Branch ISD and Dayton ISDs.

152.930.....SPRING BRANCH I.S.D  
151.535..... DAYTON I.S.D.

**Silent Key:** Lewis Aaron Kronberg, W5IMY, longtime BVARC member, died on November 14, 2002.

## Award Nominations

*(Continued from page 1)*

Any BVARC member may make nominations for the Order of the Key. The nominations must be made in writing, and should include a description of the nominee's contributions to the club. Nominations must be submitted to any BVARC officer or Board member not later than the December regular membership meeting. The President will then poll the Board of Directors secretly to allow them to vote on the nominations.

Although any member may enter a nomination, only the Board of Directors does voting. If in any year, no candidate receives unanimous approval of the Board, then no award shall be made that year. The vote by the Board of Directors must be unanimous for the award to be conferred.

### The Dr. Bill Award

In 1988 BVARC initiated the presentation of the Dr. Bill Award, which was originated by Keith and Eva Huge (KA5F and KA5CYZ) in honor of Dr. Bill Ossenfort, NG5C, now a silent key, which was very active in the Volunteer Examiner Program in the Houston area.

This award may be presented each year to the BVARC member recognized as the outstanding participant in the BVARC Volunteer Examiner Program. There shall be no more than one award presented each year, unless in any given year the Board of Directors elects unanimously to award more than one award. It is not mandatory that an award be made each year; if in the board's majority opinion, no nominee is selected. Under normal circumstances, other than the condition stated in the first sentence of this paragraph, the yearly recipient of the award, should there be one, must receive majority approval of the BVARC Board of Directors.

### The Loop and Zepp Award

In 1989, the Loop and Zepp Award was originated to recognize BVARC members for their efforts to promote

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operation on the high frequency (HF) bands. These efforts may take the form of dedicated participation in any form or forms of HF activities, the promotion of HF activities or the assistance in furthering HF activities.

There shall be no more than one award presented each year, unless in anyone given year the Board of Directors elects unanimously to award more than one award. It is not mandatory that the award be made each year, if in the board's majority opinion, no nominee is selected. Under normal circumstances, other than the condition stated in the first sentence of this paragraph, the yearly recipient of the award, should there be one, must receive majority approval of the BVARC Board of Directors.

Any member of the club may make nominations for all Awards.

Nominations must be made in writing, and must be submitted to any BVARC officer or Board member not later than the December regular membership meeting.

## Public Service Events

*By Mike Hardwick, N5VCX*

Here are some events for the rest of the year. Come out and help. Put your license and radio to a good use. If you like the hobby, this is one of the best ways to promote the hobby and help a worthy cause at the same time. Remember, one of the main reasons for amateur radio is to help the community. If you are interested in any of these events, give me a call and I will send you the information on the event. Call me at 713-771-4625 or e-mail [n5vcx@worldnet.att.net](mailto:n5vcx@worldnet.att.net).

### **30k Warm-up Run**

<http://www.slfinishlinesports.com/home.html>

Sunday, December 8, 2002 25 hams needed

### **HP Houston Marathon**

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

Sunday, January 19, 2003 140 hams needed

### **Add don't forget the MS150 Bike Ride**

<http://www.ms150.org>

Saturday/Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13, 2003 120 hams

## President's Corner

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Last but not least, a word of thanks to the Election committee, Kevin, KD5O; Larry, K5LJ; and John, KK5NU for bringing in the new members for the Board of Directors.

This issue of the newsletter is the first for our new newsletter editor, Marie Schaer, KD5UJT. I want to thank her for her "bravery" to take such a Herculean task as the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club newsletter. I know that the club will help her with this monumental task.

Coming up at the next meeting will be "Home Brew" night so bring in your best piece of home built equipment and show it off. Contact Kevin, KK5DO, for more information on bringing in equipment. Also in talking with Kevin as well as several other club members, it has been suggested on someone bringing in an HF station to the club meetings. Kevin did this several months ago and the response was great. So if you would like to bring in an HF station to show it off as well as operate it, contact someone on the board so we can schedule it.

Also in December, there will be the by-law vote. In the newsletter are the proposed changes for the by-laws. Due to a timing error, the vote was not done at the November meeting so in December we will have the vote. Please read over the proposed changes and remember they are being made to help the club. The changes in term limits, reduction in officers, and the adding of the Past President as an at large member are to use what resources the club has. Over the past few years the club membership has dropped as well as the pool of available and willing members to run for office. The increase in general membership dues, the new student membership, and the yearly review of the life membership rate is to help bring in new members and to bring the club in line with the other clubs in Houston. Even at \$20 per year, the membership dues are still one of the lowest in Houston.

So come on out and bring your best "home brew equipment" (who knows, I might even bring something!). Read over the proposed changes and come out and vote. If you are not able to come to the meeting, send in your proxy. Check the by-laws on the web site for the correct way to submit a proxy. It is listed under Article V, Section A, paragraph 2. The by-law changes are to help Brazos Valley become a better and stronger club

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## Proposed By-law Changes for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club

### 1. Reduction of At-Large Board of Director from 3 members to 2 members.

The new article would now read:

#### Article IV Section A

The Board of Directors shall consist of the five (5) Officers of the Club, the Activities Chairman, if any, and two (2) at large members, elected at the regular membership meeting in November.

1. At the membership meetings in November, one (1) director shall be elected for a two-year term to replace the outgoing at large member.

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### 2. Change the term of the officers to 2 years having staggered periods. Beginning in 2003 the office of President, Recording Secretary and one of the At-large directors will be elected. Next year election will be for Vice President, Corresponding Secretary/Treasury, and the other At-large Director.

The new article would now read:

#### Article II Section B

Officers shall be elected for a term of two (2) years at the regular membership meeting in November preceding the year for which elected, and shall take office at the regular membership meeting the following January. Office positions will be staggered with the Vice President, Corresponding Secretary/Treasurer and At large director elected on even years and President, Recording Secretary and the other At large director on odd years.

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**3. Include the Past President as an At Large director.**

The new article would now read:

**Article IV Section A**

2. In addition, the immediate past president of the Club shall be a member of the Board of Directors during the two (2) calendar years following his term as President of the Club. The Past President will be considered as an at large member with all rights herein.

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**4. Add a student membership to the classes of members with reduced membership dues.**

The new articles would now read:

**Article I Section C**

There shall be four classes of membership as follows:

1. Individual membership.
2. Student membership, verified with a current student ID. A student will be defined as some attending public school, college, junior college, university, and trade school
3. Family membership, when more than one (1) member of a family is living at a single address.
4. Individual lifetime memberships

**ARTICLE VI -- DUES**

**Article VI Section A**

Membership dues for each calendar year are as follows:

4. Student membership shall be one-half (1/2) the Individual membership

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**5. Allow for a yearly review of the Life Membership rate by the board.**

The new article would now read:

3. Individual lifetime membership dues shall be determined to be a multiple of the annual dues as specified in ARTICLE VI, Section A, Paragraph 1 of these By-Laws. The value of the multiplier shall be ten (10), unless otherwise set by the Board of Directors; which will be review on an annual basis at the January Board of Directors meeting.

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**6. Increase the Individual membership dues to \$20.00 per year.**

The new article would now read:

**Article VI Section A**

Membership dues for each calendar year are as follows:

1. Individual membership shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).
2. Family membership shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00), plus two dollars (\$2.00) for each additional family member.

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**This is a summary of the items to be voted on:**

- 1. Reduction of At-Large Board of Director from 3 members to 2 members.**
- 2. Change the term of the officers to 2 years having staggered periods. Beginning in 2003 the office of President, Recording Secretary and one of the At-large directors will be elected. The following year the election will be for Vice President, Corresponding Secretary/Treasury, and the other At-large Director.**
- 3. Include the Past President as an At Large director.**
- 4. Add a student membership to the classes of members with reduced membership dues.**
- 5. Allow for a yearly review of the Life Membership rate by the board.**
- 6. Increase the Individual membership dues to \$20.00 per year.**



If you are not able to make it to the December meeting to vote on the by-laws change, you can vote by proxy. This is the information on proxy voting. If you are not sure about proxy voting, contact one of the board members for assistance.

**“A Club member may assign his right to vote at any membership meeting to another member. Such proxy shall be in writing, signed by the member granting it, and shall designate the specific membership meeting at which applicable, and shall state whether the proxy is specific or general.”**



Kevin Foto sampling some chili at the Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> Chili Supper



Another view of the chow line. More pictures at [http://bvarc.freeshell.org/images/chili\\_02/index.html](http://bvarc.freeshell.org/images/chili_02/index.html)



Got some information that you think would interest other hams? Got an opinion to get off your chest? Then you have something that the newsletter needs! Articles! Send your ideas to Marie Schaer, KD5UJT, [schaer@hal-pc.org](mailto:schaer@hal-pc.org). Completed articles due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding newsletter mailing.



Orin Snook, KB5F, expounds on his confrontation with local government concerning his antenna.

The BVARC Board of Directors would like to thank Lockhard & White Telecommunications Engineers for the production of the newsletter

# BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

## 2002 Membership Application

Check One:

New Membership                       Renewal                       Roster Update ONLY

Regular membership dues are \$16.00 a year. Lifetime Memberships are \$160.00. Additional family members may join B-VARC for only \$2.00 a year each with no additional copy of the newsletter.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: If this is a renewal, please indicate only changes in personal information. Thanks.)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4: \_\_\_\_\_ Eve Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Main area of interests in amateur radio: \_\_\_\_\_

License Class:	ARRL Membership?
<input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> General	<input type="checkbox"/> Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Technician <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Annual
<input type="checkbox"/> Tech+ <input type="checkbox"/> Extra	<input type="checkbox"/> Not a member
<input type="checkbox"/> Former Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Not Yet a Ham	

I agree to observe the By-Laws of Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club and rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Remittance:

Regular Membership \_\_\_\_\_ + Family Membership \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BVARC \*LIFE MEMBERSHIPS\* at \$160/Person \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to BRAZOS VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB and write your call sign, if any, on your check. Send this form and your check or money order to:

**Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club**

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## B-VARC Calendar - December 2002

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	3	4 HF Net 7:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	5 <b>BOD Meeting 7:30 PM</b>	6	7 See *below
8 30k Warm-up Run	9 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	10 VE Session 6:30 pm	11 HF Net 7:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	12 <b>Club Meeting 7:30 pm</b>	13	14 See *below
15	16 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	17	18 HF Net 7:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	19	20 See ** below	21 See *below
22	23 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	24	25 HF Net 7:00 pm 3962 +/-3KHz	26	27	28 See *below
29	30 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	31				

**\*Every Saturday: Breakfast at the Viking Den (7:30) & the New York Coffee Shop (7:00)**

**\*\*Third Friday Dinner: None this month.**

## B-VARC Calendar - January 2003

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 HF Net 8:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	2 <b>BOD Meeting 7:30PM</b>	3  /td>	4 See *below
5	6 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	7	8 HF Net 7:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	9	10 <b>B-VARC Banquet - 7:00 pm</b>	11 See *below
12	13 Net 9:00 pm 145.470	14 VE Session 6:30 pm	15 HF Net 7:00 pm 3960 +/-3KHz	16	17 See **below	18 See *below
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The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) was, organized in 1978, primarily as an emergency communications group available to assist the communities of Missouri City and Stafford, when required. Since that time, BVARC has grown and expanded its activities to become the most active Amateur radio club in the Southwest Houston and Fort Bend county areas.

Today, BVARC is truly a general interest club with an impressive record of Public Service. The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) has recognized the clubs commitment to service with the coveted status of Special Service Club. We are proud of our members who represent the some of 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 (PL 123.0) repeaters. Membership dues are \$16 annually.

BVARC sponsors ARRL-VEC license exam sessions on the second Tuesday of each month. BVARC also conducts a Public Service Net at 9 pm. each Monday on the Memorial Emergency Radio Association's 145.470 and 444.55 repeaters.

To obtain information about joining BVARC or its activities, contact Cameron Mitchell at 281-565-4665. New members and prospective hams should contact the Club's "Elmer", Ross, W5HFF at 281-342-3340 or [w5hff@juno.com](mailto:w5hff@juno.com).

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***Note change in time and location for next general meeting:***

**December 12 at the Sugar Land Branch of the Ft. Bend  
County Library, 550 Eldridge Blvd starting at 7:00 PM**