

AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc

Ham Hum

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Annual Meeting Issue

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There will be plenty of drawings for door prizes.

Plenty of Food

Great Company

In addition to the election of Club Officers



The December Meeting and Elections for the Officers and Board Members will be held on Friday Dec 8, 2017, 7:00PM at the American Red Cross Building, 81st & Spring Street.



Area Nets

Monday

7:00 PM 145.290 South-West Iowa ARES Glenwood, IA.

8:00 PM 144.250 NE Missouri SWOT.

9:00 PM 146.940 AARC Chat Net. Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Omaha, NE.

Tuesday

8:00 PM 50.200 6m SSB Net.

9:00 PM 145.310 Washington Co. ARES Washington Co, NE.

Wednesday

7:00 PM 146.670 Dodge Co. ARES Dodge Co, NE.

7:30 PM 7.122 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

8:00 PM 3.564 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

8:00 PM 145.310 Saunders Co. ARES Saunders Co, NE.

8:30 PM 7.122 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

9:00 PM 3.580.5 PSK Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

9:00 PM 146.820 Pottawattamie County ARES Council Bluffs, IA.

Thursday

8:30 AM 7.122 CW Four State QRP 40M Morning Net.

7:30 PM 145.310- Lincoln/Omaha SATERN Net. Ashland, NE.

8:00 PM 28.350 SSB 10-Meter Net.

8:00 PM 144.250 2-Meter SSB Net.

8:00 PM 146.360 Heartland DX Association.

9:00 PM 28.305 10-Meter Net. (Not so Active anymore)

Saturday

12:00 PM 146.82 Swap Net Council Bluffs, IA.

8:30 PM 3.921.000 QCWA Chapter 20.

Sunday

8:00 AM 3.902.500 Swap Net.

8:30 AM 3.896.500 3900 Club.

8:30 PM 443.925+ (103.5 tone) IRLP Net.

9:00 PM 146.940- Douglas Co. ARES net, KØUSA repeater.

BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next AARC Board Meeting is scheduled for **26 Dec 2017 at 6:30PM**, Peony Park Hy -Vee on Cass Street, Omaha. Unless further Notice, the board meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Good idea to check the WEB Site for any changes in Dates or Locations.

Club Officers & Board Members

President	Kevin Hill	KAØVNY	president@aksarbenarc.org
Vice President	Bill True	WA9ASD	vicepresident@aksarbenarc.org
2017 Secretary	Russ Rosenquist	NEOG	secretary@aksarbenarc.org
2017 Treasurer	Dave Rice	NØJSB	treasurer@aksarbenarc.org
2017-2018 Director	Dan Buchholz	NØPOT	board@aksarbenarc.org
2017 Director	Barb Westcott	KCOHLB	board@aksarbenarc.org
Immediate Past President	Mitch Saure	WØJG	board@aksarbenarc.org

Club Committees

Courtesy Committee	Bill McCollum	KEØXQ	courtesy@aksarbenarc.org
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Chairman	John Gebuhr	WBØCMC	repeater@aksarbenarc.org
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Control Operator	Mary Joseph	NØTRK	repeater@aksarbenarc.org
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Aksarben ARC Meeting 11/10/17

Meeting called to order at 19:00 with the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance, 35 were in attendance.

Officers and board members present: Dave N0JSB, Bill WA9ASD, Russ NE0G, Barb KC0HLB,

Secretary's Report:

October minutes were accepted and approved.

Treasurer's Report: From Dave N0JSB

- Main Checking \$6,534, Repeater Checking \$509, Savings \$1,974, CD Life Member \$6,405, CD Life Member \$6,634 and CD Repeater \$1,095 Total=\$23,155
- Income: \$713
- Expenses: \$30.93

President's Report: Not Present

Vice President's Report: Bill WA9ASD

- Next month is a business meeting with elections, please volunteer to board positions
- Next month everyone is invited to bring food for a feast after the business meeting
- Next month there will be a big raffle drawing with all tickets collected throughout the year
- No door prizes tonight due to tonight's meeting being a mini swap meet including recently donated equipment to the club

Transmitter Hunt:

- No plans announced for upcoming transmitter,.

Community Events: Bill WA9ASD

- The USS Hazard will have ham radio operations Saturday November 11th from 10AM to 3PM.
- -The Skywarn recognition day at the National Weather Service in Valley Saturday December 2nd, everyone is welcomed to attend.
- Pat K0CTU recently had a hard drive crash and lost some contact information, the information is being recovered.

Public Service/Awareness: Jim KA0KCV

- No Update Provided

Education: Justin KE0BHP

- Spring education event will take place but no details at this time

Membership:

- New Members:

Patty Murray KE0OPD (Tech)

Richard Dennis K0QXO (General)

Jim KA0KCV made a motion to accept the new members with the motion being seconded by Barb KC0HLB. The club accepted the new members without any objections.

Publications: Brian WE0BEP - Things are going well.

Website: Bill WA9ASD

- Website is working.

Repeaters: John WB0CMC

- The 94 repeater has been repaired

Courtesy Committee: Bill KE0XQ

Nothing to report

Equipment Committee: Bill WA9ASD

- There was equipment donated to the club and this will be listed on the club website.

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Flea Esta: Chris N/C

- No updates at this time.

Old Business: None Discussed

New Business:

- Four people have volunteered to run for positions. Bill WA0ASD is running for President, Justin KE0BHP is running for Vice President, Barb KC0HLB along with Brian Sohl KE0GKB are running for board positions. Dave N0JSB nominated Albert KE0LOL for board position. Next month the club will also accept nominations for any position.

Announcements:

- The Red Cross has new antennas and has a working HF antenna and VHF antenna. Club members should be able to have access to radio equipment with details to be worked out in the future. This will be great for club members that do not have personal access to HF equipment to operate station equipment.

- Dick Dennis with Omaha Public School approached the club requesting repair expertise in repairing packet equipment that goes up in weather balloon. John WBOCMC offered to have equipment to come to his basement for repair. It was assured the equipment did not come from a Russian satellite.

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The meeting was called adjourned at 19:50

Coffee and Conversations get togethers are held on the 3rd Saturdays of each month at the Village Inn Restaurant on the corner of 108th and L Street, Omaha, NE. An informal setting to have a late diner off the menu, or breakfast of course, or just have a pot of coffee or drink and maybe enjoy some really nice deserts available.

The next C & C is 18 November 2017 at 6:30 PM.



EQUIPMENT ADS

Home Brew Amplifier

A superb construction of a full legal limit HF amp. by the book. Needs only a 3-1000Z tube and HV P.S. needs to be reassembled. See Aksarben eSwap for more details. just reduced to \$500. We deliver.

Dummy load - high power. full legal limit - 12 x 600 Ohm 375 watt resistors in parallel \$150

Tektronix 475 O'scope with manual and 2 probes. Has sweep problem 200 MHz dual trace \$200

HP 432A RF Power Meter with 8478B thermister mount 10 MHz to 18 GHz \$160

Shure 522 desk mic \$25

Kenwood PC-1 phone patch \$20

Heathkit HD-19 Phone Patch Change the connectors and you have a computer interface. \$15

Bell and Howell 5 MHz scope - does not work \$15

1988 Handbook \$20

1995 Handbook \$20

Low speed reversible motor - 11 or 23 RPM - 115 vac \$20

600 Ohm 375 watt non-inductive resistor \$15

General Radiotelephone SWR/Wattmeter 5w / 25 Model 615C \$15

Hy Gain SPT-500 VERTICAL, 10/12, PENETRATOR, 1.5KW

This fantastic true full-size 5/8 Wave 10 / 12 Meter vertical antenna from Hy-Gain with a full-size radiator with lower radiation angle concentrates power closer to the ground, where you want it. Measures 22 foot, 9.5 inches. Four full-length radials and special machine-formed brackets give extra talk-power and overall strength.

Gain (dB) 5.3 dB \$20

2018 Nominations



Bill True Omaha Magazine 2015

For Club President: Bill True,

WA9ASD As you can tell from my call sign (originally WN9ASD) I have been licensed for many years and I have enjoyed a wide range of ham radio activities over the years. For more than half of the years I have been licensed I have been a member of this club. While my participation in club activities over the years has varied

from none to a great deal my membership has always been important to me. The club provides a wonderful resource not only for the hams in the area but also does an excellent job of providing benefit to a number of government and private entities in the area. To continue and enhance this benefit I feel increasing the membership in the club is an important goal for the coming year.



For Club Vice President: Justin Tabor, KE0BHP

First licensed in 1993. I have always had an interest in electronics and building things since I was young. Always trying to think of ways to improve a process or build something to see if there was a better interface to the people that use it. Later, I graduated from the University of Nebraska as a Industrial Engineer deeply intrigued with systems and processes. After school, I worked at UPS in the Engineering dept and had a lot of experiences with many aspects of the package delivery business. My interest in ham radio began while listening to our local

emergency radios on a scanner my Dad gave me for Christmas. Of course today I use a cell phone every day, but am intrigued by the fact that in an emergency situation, amateur radio operators dispatched into the field can be the only source of communication. I take part in APRS, AREDN (Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network) exercises with my local club.



Board of Director Biography for Barb Westcott — KCOHLB

My name is Barb Westcott, KCOHLB. I am running for re-election to another term on the Board of Directors for our club...

I got my Technicians class license in March of 2000; I have since upgraded and become a General Class Operator. I am involved with both the Douglas and Sarpy County Emergency Management Agencies with storm spotting. I also mentor the ARRL Emergency Communications Course and serve

on the committee to revise the EmComm course in order to make it more relevant as well as cost efficient.

I have been on the Board for the past 4 years, and enjoy the challenge of keeping this club viable and exciting for seasoned hams and well as to those hams that are so very



Board of Director Biography for Brian Sohl, KE0GKB

Although relatively new to amateur radio (Just two years), I do have a very diverse background in radio from Bearcat scanners, GMRS, and SDR's. This passion has been used to support my work in community service and disaster preparedness.

One of the events that I worked with AKSARBEN ARC has been the Market to Market Relay for the past 2 years. I started off on exchange 8 and this last year I took on exchange 9, the most remote site. I learned so much from this experience and I am anxious for next year when I can use these lessons learned to provide even more value to the event.

In addition to Aksarben ARC I am also involved with REACT where I am a Storm Spotter and also work with Law Enforcement providing traffic control and road closures for special events, as well as 4 wheel drive patrol during bad weather.

In my personal life I moved from the DC area back to Nebraska almost 4 years ago to be closer to family and friends and enjoy a more normal lifestyle. As for work, I spend my days at Offutt AFB where I am a Windows Server Administrator.

My hope is that I can be of service to the organization and I look forward to learning so much more about Amateur radio from each and everyone here.

Skywarn - National Weather Service



SKYWARN® is a National Weather Service (NWS) program developed in the 1960s that consists of trained weather spotters who provide reports of severe and hazardous weather to help meteorologists make life-saving warning decisions. Spotters are concerned citizens, amateur radio operators, truck drivers, mariners, airplane pilots, emergency management personnel, and public safety officials who volunteer their time and energy to report on hazardous weather impacting their community.

Left, Mitch - W0JG
Below, Russ -NE0G



AARC Officer Nominations

We have once again reached the time of year for Club Officer nominations. This includes President, Vice-President, and Directors. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. It is not too late, even during the December Club Meeting.

President: _____

Vice-President: _____

Director: _____

Director: _____

Assess your dedication, position, and ability to accept a floor nomination. Help continue to keep AARC an ongoing strong organization. Realistically, it takes only a couple hours each month. If you are interested or willing to take a position please contact one of the current Club officers to discuss the details. Please consider helping.

AK-SAR-BEN ARC PROXY

This form is used to have your vote represented by a member attending the annual business meeting in the event you are unable to attend. If you cannot attend, decide on whom or what you wish to vote and instruct the recipient of your proxy to do so.

Known by all men by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints _____ as attorney and proxy to appear and cast the votes which the undersigned, as a member of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc., is entitled to cast at the annual meeting of said corporation, to be held at the Heartland Chapter House of the American Red Cross, 2912 South 80th Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska on December 8, 2017, and at any adjournment thereof. The undersigned hereby instructs said attorney to of the corporation, and

Upon any other business which may properly be vote:

For the election of new directors and officers brought before the meeting of any adjournments thereof.

Member Signature: _____

Date: _____, 2017

Club Calendar

- Dec 8** AARC Meeting, 7:00 PM, Red Cross, 81st & Spring St, Omaha, NE
Dec 13 Lincoln ARC meeting, 7:30PM 4647 Superior St, Lincoln, NE
- Dec 16** AARC , Coffee and Conversation 10770 M St, Village Inn Omaha,6:30 PM
(Corner of 108th and L Streets)
- Dec 20** 7:00 PM Heartland Hams Meeting, 403 Railroad Ave, Glenwood, IA
Dec 21 7:30 PM..Bellevue ARC meeting, Bellevue Masonic Hall Dining Room,
1908 Franklin St, Bellevue, NE
- Dec 26** License Testing 6:30 PM 705 N 16th St, Council Bluffs, IA 51501
- Dec 28** 7:00 PM SWIARC meeting 705 N 16th St, Council Bluffs, IA.
Dec 28 7:30 PM PARC Meeting, 1900 E. Military Road, Fremont, NE
- Jan 4** License Testing 6:30 PM, Lincoln ARC, 2701 N 48th St, Lincoln, NE.
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As Mentioned on page one, December's meeting will have multiple pots of Chili of different recipes and spiciness. A Meat and Cheese tray for sandwiches. Coffee, soda, and juices.

Not only are Door Prize tickets available, but all tickets purchased throughout the year have been placed back in the container for the drawings on 8 December.

Plenty of prizes of which one being a M3D Micro+ 3 D Printer.