



Ham Hum

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The December meeting will be on Zoom. We will announce the 2021 Officer's and Board Member's.

In addition, we will have announcements on future monthly programs. A discussion about what other programs would members like to see. And, then two short videos on Really Big antenna farms.

After the December meeting, those elected to officed officers and board members will have their biographies posted to the club website.



AKSARBEN ARC Club Meeting – November 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM Zoom. There were 34 attendees. Officers and Board members present included: Pat WOOJU Dan, NOPOT; Dave, NOJSB; Brian, KEOGKB; Rea, NOREA; Kevin KAOVNY.

Secretary's Report - Brian, KEOGKB - The minutes were posted in the Ham Hum. A motion was made by Rea NOREA that the minutes be accepted as written with a second by Mary N0TRK, the minutes were approved with no corrections.

Treasurer's Report - Dave, NOJSB - - As of October 31 the club accounts had balances of: Main Checking \$4,316.95, Repeater Checking \$332.60 Savings \$6,993.91, CD Life Member one \$6,506.02, CD Life Member two \$6,758.01, and CD Repeater \$1,113.07 This leaves the balance of all the club accounts at \$26,020.56.

In the month of October there were No deposits.

In the month of October there were expenses totaling \$200.00 for the club liability insurance.

President's Report - Sean, AD0QG - Sean is unable to attend due to medical issues.

Vice President's Report -- Pat, WOOJU Next month we will not have a program because of club elections. Tonight, we have a presentation by Bob Heil from Heil Sound.

Education Committee - Rea NOREA- There are no classes scheduled at this time due to Corvid. There is a testing session at the Red Cross in Council Bluffs on November 23, you must have a reservation to test and mask are required. If you would like to make a reservation contact me at NOREA@arrl.net

Membership Committee - Mary, N0TRK two new member were presented to the club, Thomas Buck, KFOBSE and Gerald Matson AE0NE. A motion was made by Mary N0TRK with a second by Howard AE0Z to accept these applications. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

Courtesy Committee - Bill Snyder KDOFJR - A card was Sent to Sean AD0QG

Nominating Committee - Kevin KA0VNY - The nominating committee presented their nominations and asked for additional nominations from the floor as outlined in the election procedure approved at last month's meeting.

There were no nominations from the floor so the ballot will be:

For President Pat Connell W00JU

For Vice President Howard Parks AE0Z or Terry Begley KE00PB

For Board position 1 Dave Rice N0JSB

For Board position 2 Dan Buchholz N0POT

There were no reports from the following committees:

ARES; SATERN; Community Service; Web Services; Publications; Repeater; Field Day; Flea-Esta.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No new Business

There being no more business before the club, a motion was made by Rea N0REA that we adjourn with a second by Keith KE0AEP. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 as we welcomed our guest Dr. Bob Heil.

Famous Hams and their Callsigns

A41AA	Oaboos Bin Asid Al Said - Sultan of Oman
CN8MH	King Hassan II - King of Morocco (sk)
DD6CF	Reinhard Alfred Furrer - German Space Agency astronaut.
DG2KM	Dr Ernst Willi Messerschmid - German Space Agency astro-
EA0JC	King Carlos of Spain
F5VBV	Brother of Ray Dolby - Inventor of the Dolby Sound System
F5VBX	Ann Dolby - Wife of F5VBV
FX0STB	Jean-Pierre Haignerž - French government space agency spationaut. 2 Missions to MIR
GB1MIR	Helen Sharman - First British woman into space

GM3ITN	Les Hamilton - He first alerted England of Argentine invasion of the Falklands 1982
G3EUR	Major John Brown - Designer of the famous WW2 spy B2 suitcase radios & founder of the Duxford Radio Society (sk)
KB2GSD	Walter Cronkite - "The worlds most recognised" US television newsreader - Walter has an asteroid named after him
KB5UAC	Mike Foale - British born US astronaut
KB6LQR	Jeana Yeager - Pilot of non-stop, non-refueled flight around the world in the Rutan Voyager aircraft.
KB6LQS	Richard Glenn Rutan - Rutan Voyager aircraft designer and pilot for non-stop, non-refueled flight around the world

Silent Key

A note from Pat Connell:

Douglas Dee Halbert—K0BOY

June 28, 1940 – November 28, 2020

Doug (K0BOY) and I had lots of contact back in the 1970s to early 1990s. Doug was my ham radio Elmer. He helped fix my equipment, antennas, rotors etc. and always had lots of good advice and love to talk about everything. He taught me to safely climb towers, which is one of the reasons I am alive today. I found him a two meter receiver site for his repeaters on top of the tallest building in South Omaha. For over 15 years I was his go between for this site, and I was honored to do so.

Doug started as an early DXer. At one time, he had a home down around 82nd and Giles. He had a tall tower and had two five elements 10-meter stacked beams. When the band open on 10 meters, he was the first in Nebraska and Iowa to work that new dx station. He could hear DX stations for a hour before the band opened and for a hour after the band closed for us local hams. I remember one time a rare South Pacific DX station was on ten meters. A half dozen locals kept calling to no avail. Joe KOKES called Doug to let him know and Doug worked him on the first call. The rest of us struck out that night.

I found that I needed an HF amplifier to take my station to the next level. I didn't have much money and Doug sold me a Dentron Clipperton amplifier. I later found out that he sold the amp to me at less than market, he knew I could not afford the market price and because he was such a nice guy, he sold it at a price I could afford. A couple of years later, I bought an even more powerful amp (MLA-2500) from Doug. This time I did my research in advance, and I paid him the market price. He did not complain about my higher offer. I still have that amp today.

I lost touch with Doug in the mid-1990s when my career took off and my interest changed for a while.

Doug was always a direct straight shooter with me. His advice was always good, and he always offer to help if he could.

His friendship, generosity, and his contributions to local ham radio community will be missed.

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

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 147.360 Heartland DX Association.

Friday

10:00 PM 224.760- Tone 146.2 Promote the Band Net

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 3.897.500 3900 Club.

8:30 PM Locally IRLP and the Nebraska IRLP net is heard on:

145.410 - 97.4 PL ABOVX Honey Creek

444.800 + 97.4 PL ABOVX Honey Creek

444.925 + 136.5 PL KOBVC Mondamin

146.745 - 136.5 PL KOBVC Portsmouth

223.580 (Simplex) 100 PL KOOQL North Omaha

2:00 PM 50.200 6 Meter Net

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

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