



Membership Form 2015

This form may be used for any of the following purposes (check all that apply):

- Pay Dues (New Renew)
- Change of Mailing Address
- Update personal information (new callsign, upgrade, etc.)

Personal Information

Call Sign _____ License Class _____ Name _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes No

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Ham Hum Delivery: Mail Email

Spouse Information (complete only for spouse applying at same time)

Call Sign _____ License Class _____ Name _____

Email Address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes No

Minor Dependent (complete only for minors applying at the same time)

Call Sign _____ License Class _____ Name _____ ARRL Member? Yes No

_____ Yes No

_____ Yes No

_____ Yes No

New Member Application Signature

I agree to conduct my activities in accord with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Signature _____

Date _____

Annual Dues (January thru December)		
For Club Use Only – DO NOT WRITE IN THIS AREA		
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Member	\$20.00 year	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Accompanying Spouse	\$ 4.00 year	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Accompanying Minor Dependent	\$ 4.00 year times number of minors renewing	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (full time student)	\$ 8.00 year	Amount: _____
		Total Paid: _____

Make sure your information is correct and return this form to the Club with your dues. Dues are payable at any time and are considered in arrears if not received by Feb 28. Club members renewing within two years of their last year of paid membership must still pay the the full years dues. After two years, members must reapply for membership.

Ham Hum

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NE Section Manager on Ham Radio



Mat KAØBOJ (center) presents ARRL Awards of Merit to Adam KDØMMG (accepting for the club) and Mary NØTRK.

At the January meeting, Nebraska Section Manager Matt Anderson, KAØBOJ, gave an informative talk on amateur radio in Nebraska and the rest of the country. He discussed ham radio today, where it's been, and where it's going. He talked about the types of people interested in ham radio and how to attract new members.

Early in the presentation, he awarded three ARRL Certificates of Merit for Outstanding Service to the Community: One to Mary Joseph, NØTRK; one to Tomas Hood, NW7US, and the remaining to the AKSARBEN Radio Club. As Tomas wasn't present, AARC President Adam KDØMMG accepted it for him, along with the award to the club.

Thank you, Matt, for a very interesting evening!

Bill KCØSVZ

HAM HUM STARTING ITS 65TH YEAR

As mentioned on page 12 of the January 2015 *Ham Hum*, we're at volume 65. The first issue was printed in February, 1951, and consisted of three typewritten pages. It still did not have an official name, but a contest was underway to give it one.

To mark the occasion, we've inserted a souvenir copy of that issue for your reading enjoyment (copy courtesy of Mary NØTRK).

Bill KCØSVZ

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

If you haven't renewed your membership for 2015, please do so ASAP. As the fine print on the renewal form states (page 12), you'll be considered in arrears if you haven't renewed by February 28th.



February Meeting: Power Line Noise



The topic this month is "Power Line Noise: What hams can do before calling the power company" by Ed Edwards, KØIL. For details, see *Veep Speaks* on page 3.

Friday, February 13th, 7:00 PM, Red Cross Building, 81st & Spring Streets, Omaha, NE.

HAM HUM is the official newsletter of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc. in Omaha, Nebraska. It is printed monthly and is distributed to members of the club, local disaster officials, local electronics outlets, and editors of other ham radio newsletters.

Articles about activities of members are solicited. The subject matter must be of general interest to radio amateurs and be understandable to a significant portion of the membership. No payment will be made to contributors and submissions will be subject to the usual editorial review. Articles containing statements that could be construed as libel or slander will not be accepted. No guarantee can be made that an accepted article will be published by a certain date. Send your contributions to Ham Hum, P.O. Box 24551, Omaha, NE 68124-0551 or email hamhum@aksarbenarc.org. Please contact the editor for permission to reprint anything appearing in the Ham Hum.

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Address Change?

If you've changed your mailing address, or would prefer to receive the *Ham Hum* via email, please contact Mary NØTRK (Membership) or Bill KCØSVZ (Publications) with your new information.

AARC on the Web

Club Web Site: <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/aksarbenarc>

Yahoo! Groups: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AKSARBENTalk/>

(Contest Calendar continued from page 10.)

March 2015

SARL Hamnet 40m Simulated Emerg Contest	1200Z-1400Z, Mar 1
North Carolina QSO Party	1500Z, Mar 1 to 0059Z, Mar 2
ARS Spartan Sprint	0200Z-0400Z, Mar 3
AGCW YL-CW Party	1900Z-2100Z, Mar 3
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Mar 4
AWA John Rollins Memorial DX Contest	2300Z, Mar 4 to 2300Z, Mar 5 and 2300Z, Mar 7 to 2300Z, Mar 8
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Mar 6
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Mar 7 to 2400Z, Mar 8
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0600Z-0800Z, Mar 7
DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest	1100Z-1700Z, Mar 8

Sources: <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> & <http://www.aksarbenarc.org>
Check the above sites for last minute changes. If you know of an upcoming contest that should be published in the next *Ham Hum*, please notify the editor or an AARC officer.

Club Calendar

Feb 11	7:30 PM LARC Meeting, 4647 Superior St., Lincoln, NE.
Feb 13	7:00 PM AARC Meeting. Red Cross Building, 81 st & Spring St., Omaha, NE.
Feb 14	11:00 AM HBQRP, Bredeaux Pizza, 1425 Silver St., Ashland, NE.
Feb 14	1:00 PM BARC License Exam, .11111 S. 84 th Street, Papillion, NE.
Feb 15	3:00 PM AARC Rabbit Hunt. Memorial Park, 57 th and Underwood.
Feb 17	7:00 PM OMMRS Training, 10629 Burt Cr, Omaha, NE. (details, pg 9)
Feb 18	7:00 PM Heartland Hams, 403 Railroad Ave., Glenwood, IA.
Feb 19	7:30 PM BARC Meeting. Masonic Hall, 1908 Franklin St, Bellevue, NE.
Feb 21	10:00 AM Douglas County siren test (details, pg. 9).
Feb 21	6:00 PM AARC Coffee. Perkins Restaurant, 108 th & L Streets, Omaha, NE.
Feb 24	6:30 PM AARC Directors' Meeting. Village Inn, 78th & Dodge St, Omaha, NE.
Feb 26	7:30 PM PARC Meeting. 1900 E. Military Ave, Fremont, NE.
Feb 26	7:30 PM SWIARC Meeting. 705 N 16 th , Council Bluffs, IA.
Mar 5	<i>Ham Hum</i> article submission deadline.
Mar 5	6:30 PM LARC License Exam. See http://k0kkv.org/ for details.
Mar 7	SWIARC Hamfest, 107 Main Street, McClelland, IA.
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Mar 26	7:30 PM SWIARC Meeting. 705 N 16 th , Council Bluffs, IA.
Mar 31	6:30 PM AARC License Exam, Red Cross Building, 81st & Spring St., Omaha NE.

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February 2015

ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Feb 9 to 2359Z, Feb 13
NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Feb 11
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 11
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 11 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 12
RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	2000Z-2130Z, Feb 11
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Feb 13
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 13
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 13
CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	0000Z, Feb 14 to 2359Z, Feb 15
SARL Field Day Contest	1000Z, Feb 14 to 1000Z, Feb 15
Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW	1100Z-1300Z, Feb 14
KCJ Topband Contest	1200Z, Feb 14 to 1200Z, Feb 15
Dutch PACC Contest	1200Z, Feb 14 to 1200Z, Feb 15
OMISS QSO Party	1500Z, Feb 14 to 1500Z, Feb 15
New Hampshire QSO Party	1600Z, Feb 14 to 0400Z, 1200Z-2200Z, Feb 15
FISTS Winter Unlimited Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Feb 14
PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint	2000 local, Feb 14 to 0200 local, Feb 15
RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz Contest	2100Z, Feb 14 to 0100Z, Feb 15
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0400Z, Feb 16
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 18
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 18 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 19
AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening	1900Z-2030Z, Feb 18
RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	2000Z-2130Z, Feb 19
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Feb 20
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 20
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 20
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Feb 21 to 2400Z, Feb 22
REF Contest, SSB	0600Z, Feb 21 to 1800Z, Feb 22
SARL Youth Day Sprint	0800Z-1000Z, Feb 21
Feld Hell Sprint	2000Z-2159Z, Feb 21
Russian PSK WW Contest	2100Z, Feb 21 to 2100Z, Feb 22
High Speed Club CW Contest	0900Z-1100Z, 1500Z-1700Z, Feb 22
SARL Digital Contest	1300Z-1600Z, Feb 22
CQC Winter QSO Sprint	0100Z-0259Z, Feb 23
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Feb 25
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 25
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 25 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 26
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Feb 27
QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Feb 27
CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB	2200Z, Feb 27 to 2200Z, Mar 1
UBA DX Contest, CW	1300Z, Feb 28 to 1300Z, Mar 1
North American QSO Party, RTTY	1800Z, Feb 28 to 0559Z, Mar 1

(Contest Calendar continued on page 11.)

You may be a ham radio operator if...you have designated all your friends as Hams or Non-Hams.



Veep Speaks

Our February program will be given by Ed Edwards, KØIL, a member of our club. His subject is "Power Line Noise: What hams can do before calling the power company." Topics covered are: things to learn about RFI, things to check first, things to know when tracking down RFI, and when to call the power company to resolve the problem. Ed is a telecom engineer for OPPD.

Mitch WBØGBI, Vice President AARC

AARC Rabbit Hunt

The January, 2015 fox hunt started at 3 PM, January 11 from Memorial Park. The hunters were the KØCTU team with NØTRK and KAØVNY; plus the NØJSB team consisting of Dave.

After just three transmissions the KØCTU team appeared at the Red Cross Parking lot at 38th Street and Dewey. Pat proceeded to get out of the car, walk to within 50 feet of the transmitter, look directly at it (it was in plain sight) and turn around and walk away. On the next transmission he was able to get himself back near the transmitter, see it and go turn the switch to position number 2 at about 3:16.

All was quiet in the parking lot until about 3:54 when Dave, NØJSB arrived. He was able, on the next transmission, to use his HT by shielding it with his body and get a good null, turn around and look at the transmitter and not see it. He was then able to again find a good null in the same direction, turn around and look at the transmitter and see it at 3:57.

The transmitter, with the antenna on the top of the transmitter, was on the top of a bus stop shelter on the lower level of the two Red Cross parking lots. The transmitter was at eye level in the upper lot and could be reached from the top of the wall separating the two lots. No climbing, balancing or other gymnastics were required to reach it. The minimum travel time from the starting point to the transmitter was eight minutes (but you had to know where it was). No transmitters, receivers, antennas, vehicles, or persons were harmed in this hunt.

Come join us for the fun next month on February 15 when Pat, NØCTU will show no mercy for the intrepid hunters. Participation is at the individual's own risk.

NEXT EVENT: The next rabbit hunt is scheduled for Sunday, February 15th at 3:00 PM. Starting location is the parking lot at Memorial Park near 57th and Underwood. Last-minute changes will be announced at the club meeting the Friday before. Also look for announcements on the AARC Internet sites (page 2). Everyone is invited.

Bill WA9ASD

Ham Hum Masthead Update

Thanks to Bill KEØXQ for sending in updated information about the ARRL Midwest Director and Vice-Director (page 2).

Club Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2015

Bill WA9ASD, Secretary AARC

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by the President Adam, KDØMMG by saying the Pledge of Allegiance followed by introductions by name and call. There were 32 attendees.

Officers and Board members present included: Adam, KDØMMG; Mitch, WBØGBI; Dave, NØJSB; Bill, WA9ASD; Barb, KCØHLB and Russ, NØMNW.

Secretary's Report - Bill, WA9ASD - A correction was required for the December meeting minutes: the tellers for the election were Mary, NØTRK and Adam, KDØMMG. With that correction, a motion was made by Jim, KAØKCV, seconded by Steve, NØUP to accept the minutes of the previous club meeting as corrected. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Dave, NØJSB - In the month of November there were no deposits. Payments consisted of \$126.06 for refreshments, \$30.00 for new checks, and a \$3 bank fee. This leaves the balance of all the club accounts at \$22,003.97.

President's Report - Adam, KDØMMG - Adam announced that board meetings will be the 4th Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM and they will be held at the Village Inn restaurant at 84th street and Dodge. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Vice President's Report - Mitch, WBØGBI - Tonights program is an update from our Section Manager, Matt Anderson, KAØBOT. Next month's program will be by Ed Edwards, KØIL on Power Line Noise.

Public Service

- ARES - Steve, NØUP - see OMMRS
- SATERN – Jim, KCØSHZ/Jim, KAØKCV - no report
- OMMRS - Mary NØTRK - There will be a combined OMMRS and ARES training session on February 10 at 7 PM at the Salvation Army facility at 116th and Burt streets. The topic will be the potential threats.
- Community Events - Pat, KØCTU - The State Track Meet will be May 22 and 23 and volunteers for this event should contact Pat.

Education Committee - Mary, NØTRK - We need to plan! Class will start in February. Bill Jackson, K9RZ will no longer be coordinating license exam sessions for Akasrben ARC. Greg Ross, NØGR will assume those duties for 2015. Exam sessions will continue on the same schedule, the last Tuesday of each odd numbered month at 6:30 PM at the Red Cross at 81st street and Spring. The schedule and requirements are posted on the Akasrben ARC web site.

Membership Committee - Mary, NØTRK - Pay your dues early and often. We have two applications for membership; Bob Eastwood, WØRJE and Paul Breckinridge, KEØCMA. There was a motion by Jim, KAØKCV, seconded by Norm, WAØJYD to accept these two applicants for membership. The motion passed unanimously.

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January Door Prizes

The ever-generous Rollie ABØNN gave away several top quality prizes at the January meeting. A Dottie Tip-Bits auger set went to Mary NØTRK. Then another Dottie Tip-Bits auger set to Russ NØMNW. Brian KDØSVD was the lucky winner of a SnapGate 10' Tape Measure, plus two Chicago Electric cheater plugs. Dave NØJSB was awarded a Chicago Electric 6 ft.

Fluorescent Work Light. Mary KEØBXD got a USB Car Adapter/Charger. Steve NØUP won a Cen-Tech 7-function Digital Multimeter, as did Elmer, WBØTTB, the winner of the Brown Bag Door Prize.



Mr. Reeh Door Prize Winner
Jim KAØKCV

The unlucky winner of the Mr. Reeh Door Prize was the club P.I.M.P.*, Jim KAØKCV. After carefully opening the package, he discovered an antenna assembly. A couple of other hams pointed out that it was an aircraft antenna, but Ye Olde Electronics Guru Bill WA9ASD determined that it was "...a Motorola aircraft antenna made by Phelps Dodge tuned for 35.840 MHz. Complete with a detachable piece of coax. According to the postage label it was shipped in 1972."

Note that the proceeds for each month's tickets go for buying next month's prizes. Also, all tickets are kept and included in the Grand Prize drawing in December.

Bill KCØSV

* Public Information Media Person

Weapons of Mass Destruction

OMMRS Volunteer Communicator Training will be on February 17th at 7:00 PM. Training will be at the Salvation Army building at 10629 Burt Circle, in Omaha. This month's training will be *Weapons of Mass Destruction* by Kathy Jacobitz of Nebraska Regional Poison Center. To make sure we have plenty of seats and refreshments, please sign up here: <http://tinyurl.com/17c3vtf>

Mary NØTRK

Siren Tests

As we are approaching storm season 2015, it is time for the annual siren test. Each year DCEMA asks for volunteers to to be on site of each siren to and verify that all of the sirens in the county are functioning properly. This is a large task!

This year the inspection will be on Saturday February 21st with the first sounding 10:00 AM. The second sounding (if needed) will be 30 minutes later at 10:30 AM and the third sounding (if needed) will be after another 30 minutes at 11:00 AM. The more volunteers there are the few soundings will be needed.

If you can help please let me know. I will need your name, call sign, address or part of town (so I can assign close-by sirens), email address, and phone number.

Thanks.

Steve NØUP
email: n0up@cox.net

Want Ads

For Sale: Kenwood TS-870S AT (with DSP) HF Amateur band transceiver in VERY NICE shape with the original manual, matching PS-52 Power Supply, SP-31 speaker, and MC-80 desk mic. A great looking and performing radio! Read the details direct from Kenwood at this link: <http://tinyurl.com/km6cea6> Price: \$1,200.00. Contact an AARC officer at the next meeting, or send an email to the club web site at: <http://tinyurl.com/p55ckov>

Wanted: Byonics Tiny Tracker Looking for any version of a Byonics Tiny Tracker APRS device in good condition. If you have one you aren't using, I'll be happy to take it off your hands. Interested in TT3 or TT4. Other items considered as well. Price \$20.00. Contact Mary NØTRK at the next AARC meeting, or email <http://tinyurl.com/qbkwuuv>

For Sale: Anderson Power Poles I have some extra Anderson Power Poles (new). Too many to store in the parts drawers. These are the 30 amp variety. Price: \$1.00 per pair (1 Set of Black and Red connectors). Contact: Mary NØTRK at the next AARC meeting or email <http://tinyurl.com/q9jvsmf>

Job Opening: Ham Hum Editor Position available in March, 2015. Please consider becoming the editor starting with the April issue. And, no, this isn't an April Fool's joke. I'm retiring after the March issue. Contact Bill KCØSVZ at kc0svz@gmail.com or any club officer at the next meeting.

BAN AND BAR

Thomas W. Schwartz, NØAKA, you are hereby enjoined from operating on the following repeaters:

145.235 WBØEMU	145.310 KØASH	145.37 NØYMJ
145.39 WBØYLA	146.82 KØSWI	146.94 KØUSA
147.00 WBØCMC	147.06 WBØEMU	147.075 WBØYLA
147.39 WØWYV	224.76 WBØYLA	442.9 NØUP
443.775 WØEQU	443.925 KGØS	443.95 KGØS
444.125 KGØS	444.5 WBØYLA	

We are taking this step due to foul language, tampering with systems that do not belong to you and your total disregard for anyone else or their equipment and the law.

BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next AARC Board Meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2015, 6:30 PM at the Village Inn on 78th and Dodge Streets. Unless noted otherwise, Board meetings take place at that time and location on the fourth Tuesday of the month. For any changes to this schedule, check for an announcement at the next club meeting, or on the AARC web page at <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/>.

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Publications/Web Services

- Ham Hum - Bill, KCØSVZ - Ham Hum is published and it came out ok. The club needs an editor after the March issue. There will be a sign-up meeting after the club meeting.
- Web Site - Mary, NØTRK - The web site is functioning and we are on Facebook.

Repeater Committee - John, WBØCMC - It's working. Support you local repeater. The club accepts donations for any area repeater and forwards the money to the appropriate owner.

Field Day - Adam, KDØMMG and Eric KBØLF - Field Day 2015 will be June 27 and 28. There will be an initial meeting for planning on Saturday January 17 at 2 PM at the Village Inn at 84th and Dodge. All interested parties are welcome to attend.

QSL and Technical Committee - Eddy, KØIL - no report. If anyone has a KØUSA logs from any year they should forward them to k0il@arrl.net.

Courtesy Committee - Bill, KEØXQ - KBØZZT has lost his dad and KEØAMV is recovering from a broken hip.

Trailer/Equipment Committee - Mary, NØTRK - It's cold.

Public Awareness - nothing coming up.

Transmitter Hunt - The transmitter hunt will be Sunday January 11 at 3 PM starting at Memorial Park. Bill, WA9ASD is hiding the transmitter. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Flea-Esta - Chris, NØCALL - We are scheduled for September 12 at the Sarpy County Fairgrounds. More details to follow.

Old Business - none

New Business - We have requests for donations to AMSAT and the Red Cross. The donation jar in the break room will be turned over to the Red Cross and the club will match the amount contributed.

Announcements - Fred, KBØLF announced that the Nebraska QSO party will occur on April 18 and 19.

- Mitch, WBØGBI announced that after the 10 meter net at 8 PM on Thursday there will be local Slo-Scan activity on 28.350 MHz.
- If there is interest a field trip to the Omaha Makers Group facility could be arranged.
- There was a discussion of recent repeater activity.
- On February 28 there will be a Boy Scout Radio Merit Badge session at Bellevue University.

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Announcements (continued)

- Rollie announced the array of door prizes along with the famous Brown Bag Door Prize and the dreaded Mr. Reeh Door Prize. All tickets purchased are retained throughout the year and are eligible for the grand prize drawings at the Annual December Meeting.
- Coffee and cookies are available in the break room before the program. This month's donations will be matched by the club and turned over to the Red Cross.

At 7:37 PM a motion was made by John, WBØCMC to end the meeting. So moved.

Bill WA9ASD, Secretary AARC

Donate to AMSAT

Your Donation Will Help the Future of AMSAT!

- AMSAT has committed to launching Fox-1C in 3Q 2015.
- We teamed with SpaceFlight, Inc. for integration and launch utilizing SpaceFlight's SHERPA System to sun-synchronous orbit in third quarter of 2015 and we have already paid the launch fee.
- AMSAT must now raise the funds to replenish our reserves.
- Along with serving as a rainy day fund, these reserves provide the seed money for future satellite projects.
- It takes real dollars to develop real satellites.
- As a result, AMSAT has initiated a \$125,000.00 campaign to raise the capital needed to provide the resources to maintain our ability initiate future projects.

Please donate NOW to help the future of AMSAT.

Choose where your contribution should go:

AMSAT-Fox Project ARISS Future Projects General Fund

Donate via the links on www.amsat.org, phone, or return this form in the mail

I enclose my Check Credit Card Information:

Card Number _____ Exp. _____

Name _____ Call _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____

A \$100 or higher donation will earn you a Fox Challenge Coin

Since AMSAT is a 501(C)(3) organization donations may be USA tax deductible. (Check with your tax advisor.) For further contribution options please contact Martha at the AMSAT Office by phone (888) 322-6728 in the US, or (301) 822-4376; e-mail martha@amsat.org.

Copy this form and send it with your information to: AMSAT, 10605 Concord Street, Suite 304, Kensington, MD 20910

THANK YOU!

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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

- 7:00 PM 147.360 QCWA Net, Chapter 210 (seasonal, October through March).
- 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 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.

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.

Please let us know of any updates or corrections to the above.

AARC Equipment Loaner Program

Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club members who are in good standing and possessing an active FCC issued US Amateur Radio License may borrow one of two Icom HTs. Each radio is a basic two meter transceiver with an NiMH battery and charger. It is perfect for when you need to borrow a rig to help with that community service event, or if you are itching to get on the air as you shop for your new radio.

Other equipment includes an ARRL *Introduction to Morse Code* CD set and (in the near future) an MFJ-259B antenna analyzer. A policy for the antenna analyzer is still being set—see the AARC web page at <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/main/> for its status.

You can check out a radio for one month at any Club meeting and return it at the next. Alternately, you can contact the equipment committee at equipment-committee@aksarbenarc.org. For more details, see the AARC web page listed above.

de AARC Equipment Committee

Did, if you have a ^{short} really interesting film would you please bring it Friday? We have been having a hard time finding some extra time for this meeting.

Bob Sted.

NAME ME AND WIN A VALUABLE PRIZE!

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HERE SHE IS FELLOWS!
HOPE YOU LIKE HER

Through the recommendations of the Board of Directors and Club Members it was unanimously agreed to have a club scratch sheet. We believe this sheet will help circulate news of our many and varied Ham activities to members and non-members all over this area. It is our hopes that this paper meets with your approval. We can't exist unless you help support the club and the paper. A paper thrives on news and we are counting on "you" and "you" to send in news of your activities! So with our inauguration issue we extend our invitation to all members to send along all the "QRN" you can find! Let's all cooperate!

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PROPOSED ARTICLES

We plan on carrying many columns on a variety of club activities. Here are a few:

1. Personal Notes!
2. Mobile Activities!
3. New Equipment!
4. General Ham News!
5. Newcomers!
6. For Sale or Exchange!
7. Club Memos!
8. Meeting Announcements!

If you want anything else in the paper please let us have your comments.

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QRN COLLECTORS

The following have been appointed full time reporters:

- Robert Rosenquist, W0EHF
Leo Schmalenbach, W0JFM

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WHATS MY QRA?

A club paper without a name is like a bootleg ham. To promote interest and add another activity to our meetings we have decided to let all members join in naming our paper! Yes, another contest — another prize! and more fun.

Here is our plan! What name would you like your paper to have? Every member is asked to submit one or more names at the next club meeting. The name most appropriate will be chosen and approved by the Board of Directors and the winner will be given a useful prize. Here's hoping all will enter this contest.

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"CLUB OFFICERS 1951"

At the annual election of officers the following members were elected to serve during 1951:

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| E. OLSON, W0JKE | President |
| R. STRATBUCKER, W0HZE | Vice President |
| R. J. STRANGE, SJ W0QHG | Secretary |
| J. "Doc" FRY, W0EMO | Treasurer |

The President appointed the following members on the Board of Directors:

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| E. OLSON, W0JKE | Chairman of the Board |
| H. CURRY, W0QXR | B. FISHER, W0PIR |
| DR. BECKER, W0BEX | E. RICHARDSON, W0LWJ |
| R. STRATBUCKER, W0HZE | R. J. STRANGE, W0QHG |
| J. ORR, W0PHV | F. COOPER, W0IOS |

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NOTE: All club members are happy to hear that our Secretary Father Strange is well on the road to recovery. Hurry, back Father. We've missed your attendance.

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IMPORTANT: NEXT REGULAR MEETING AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB, FEBRUARY 9, 1951 - HOTEL FONTENELLE, 8:00 P. M.

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

It has been heard that Rosenquist, WØEHF, Stratbucker, WØLZE, and Curry, WØQXR, have undertaken the establishment of manufacturing a certain feminine garment and are currently making only 3 types: The Russian type, the Salvation Army type, and the American type. The function of the Russian type is to uplift the masses, the Salvation Army type, to raise the fallen, and the American type to make mountains out of molehills.

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As we hear it Bob Stratbucker, WØHZE fell 15 feet off a step ladder while working at the U. S. Brush Company. The reason feminine pulchritude! As told by Leo Schmalenbach, Stratbucker was painting when a charming miss in a very tight fitting sweater walked by and as Bob leaned backwards to carefully scrutinize the new receiver he dived headlong to the floor. Fortunately no damages were done and soothing comfort was applied by the eye appealing girl.

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CHOKERS NOTE!

Herb Curry, WØQXR advises that the new neck ties will be ready for delivery by the next meeting. Please bring your \$\$\$\$\$\$.

Incidentally, we have received one special one, maroon, for Allen Fleming, WØYOF.

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CAPTAIN VIDEO RIDES IN OMAHA.

Like the dauntless and headless horseman in Washington Irving's Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Bill Dunbar's WØVLL Video Ranger Squad from WOW-TV was seen several Sunday mornings in a farce emergency experiment scattered throughout Omaha. A reporter spotted the rangers ignoring their radio completely by building fascinating objects with Sonny's Tinker Toys, TUT! TUT! Captain Dunbar how can we possibly trust our communication to your Video Rangers under this condition.

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XYL OF DR. BECKER WØBBX HAS PASSED HER LICENSE EXAMS WITH FLYING COLORS. CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME, MIG, LET US KNOW YOUR CALL.

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NOTICE FROM CEDAR BLUFFS, NEBR.

WØVMP has flown the "coop." Welcome home. We are glad to hear you're back.

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CLUB CERTIFICATE!

Have you your Membership Certificate? Dick Eilers has gone to great pains to make up, free a beautiful membership certificate. All paid up members in good standing may obtain this item from club secretary. Have you yours?

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TENNESSEE VALLEY INDIANS!

Chief, Rosey WØEHF is our prize master of this tribe. See him for peaceful settlement of your battles. Eh, What Bob!

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SPECIAL NOTE

AK-SAR-BEN Radio Club takes this opportunity to invite all newcomers Hams, SALS, and others to our regular meetings on the second Friday of each month! Place: Fontenelle Hotel. Time: 8:00 P. M. Free doughnuts, coffee, and plenty of activities for all. Come up and see us!

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SILENT KEYS

We hear that the Rock-Bound Stalwart Never Die Art Gaeth, WØFQB has finally succumbed to the "Devil-Tennessee Valley Indians." His ham activities are silenced -- along with this 3 cheers have been raised as we no longer will be forced to listen to one hour long discourses which could have easily been presented in 3 minutes. Hurry back, Art, we'd rather listen to your speeches than have you give up ham radio.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

WØHZE wishes to thank some boot-logger for all his DX cards which he is receiving! PLEASE, PLEASE try a little harder and get him zone 24 as this will give Bob membership in the Century Club and WØZ.

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MR. STORK IS CALLING

Jerry Armstrong WØNKG has been repeatedly approached to serve on club committees. His reply has invariably been negative. The reason! It appears that the erection of his new antenna has resulted in some extra special DX, namely, he and Pauline are expecting a new baby. Congratulations and we hope they're push-pull.

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

OLD EAGER ELMO, otherwise known as WØBTE Frank Fernald, called up Earl Olson one week after the transmitter hunt took place inquiring with whom he was to ride. Payoff was -- Transmitter hunt was completed the prior week and the temperature the day he called was 14 degrees below zero. Wake up boy or the world will pass by in a hurry! We understand you are still looking for radio waves which you transmitted many months ago.

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SOS! SOS! SOS!

In order that our club functions financially stable, each delinquent member will be forwarded a statement showing the amount due every quarterly period. This statement will be a reminder to the member that his dues are necessary to operate the club. If the delinquent dues are not received within a reasonable period a second statement will follow with this clause included. "This is your final statement!" Unless a remittance is received immediately lack of interest in club membership is indicated and your membership will be automatically cancelled. This action is necessary to eliminate drifters and non-interested parties. We appreciate your cooperation so let's pay up.

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SPECIAL TO DOC. BECKEL, WØBBX

One of the editorial staff and all club members wish to express our sincerest gratitude and appreciation for a most wonderful and successful club year during your reign as President. It is through the hard work and ambitious program which you and your associates promoted that leads us to believe that 1950 was an outstanding year for the club. Thanks, DOC!

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GUY BAILEY WØKJP PLEASE NOTE:

Our thanks to you for condemning our club newspaper before its birth. We know you are in the grave selling business but why bury our new baby just to earn another dollar. Come on, DIGGER O'DELL live up to your good side and forget pecuniary interests.

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DON'T FORGET NEXT CLUB MEETING FEBRUARY 9, THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE!

HOW TO JOIN AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB

Many visitors, guests, and hams throughout the area have asked the following questions: How do I join Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club? How much will it cost me? To join the club simply come down to any meeting and voice your opinion to the membership chairman or any member of the club, that you desire to join. Dues are as follows: Senior Members 50¢ per month or \$5.00 per year if paid at once. Associate Members, Students only, 25¢ per month. Initiation fee for all members \$1.00. Where can you get so much for so little. Now is the time to join up and build yourself as well as our organization. We are looking forward to seeing you.

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FLASH FLASH

Members of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club are anticipating a trip to the Southwestern portion of the state. A beautiful and inviting spot is Cozad, Nebraska. How about an invitation????? The reason for this trip is strictly for a social visit. No politics -- no technicalities. WØCOU is our choice for host -- Can you take the hint. We are waiting patiently for your invite -- Herb Curry, speaking.

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Chief Rosenquist of TVI fame is whooping a war dance over the fact that he cannot obtain a QSL card from Video Ranger Bill Dunbar WØVNL. Dunbar claims he never worked Rosey who counter claims in all true tradition of Indian Chief that he is ready to throw away his peace pipe and start a war dance unless Ranger Dunbar gives out with the goods.

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TO THE BILL PETE SON'S WØJRY

Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club extends its best wishes to Bill's XYL for a speedy speedy recovery. WØIOS, WØQXR, and families spent an enjoyable afternoon visiting with the Peterson's.

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SPECIAL SNQOP

The reason for such good attendance at recent club meetings is the addition of the very charming YL who claims to have possession of Bob Stratbucker. It's nice to see you around, Mary.

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1951 -- FONTENELLE HOTEL -- 8:00 P. M. GOOD PROGRAM! -- GOOD EATS!