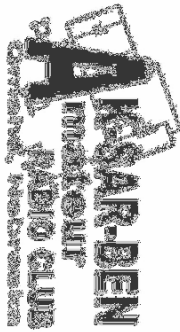


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**AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc.**

# Ham Hum

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## Prez Sez

As 2006 is coming to an end, I want to thank the membership for their support. Without the Board of Directors, the club would have probably ceased to exist. I urge all members to take an active role in the club, don't let the usual people do all the work, and then then complain that things didn't get done to your liking. The club generator was sold, we had a great Hamfest and thanks, to the efforts of John, **WBØCMC**, the club was able to get \$700.00 for the old feedline that was removed from the Channel Six tower. Plans are in the works for a General/Extra class with code. Again, this can only be accomplished with the help of the membership. There is still much needed to make the club what it once was. It doesn't take much time to be involved with the club and activities. The approval of the By-Laws will take place at the December Meeting, as well as the election of officers, it is important that you vote on these issues. Thanks to Gerry, **WA6POZ** and his committee for the hours put in to rewriting the By-Laws. A reminder to the membership - there will be **NO** food at the December meeting as it had been in the past. This was done at the request of the Red Cross. Members do meet for coffee/dinner after the meeting at several restaurants near by. I want to wish all the membership a joyous holiday season.

73,  
Bill McCollum, **KEØXQ**.

## Winner of major prizes at the AARC HAMFEST

Switching power supply:	K0NEB - Joe
Dual Band Base Antenna:	KC0MOH - Mike
Johnson P/S	KC0MOH - Mike
VT-150 Vertex Handheld	K0ELI - Eli
Yaesu FT 1802 Mobile	KC0SAI - James

In this issue we have a new bylaws proposal, pages 4-8, November Board meeting minutes, pages 3, and some changes to the bands On page 9. I apologize for the small type in this issue, I couldn't fit everything any other way. If you need a bigger print version, call me and I will send it out.

Steve Schmitz, **NØUP**, Ham Hum Editor

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**Membership Form 2007**

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

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

#### Personal Information

Callsign \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_ Name : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL Member ?  Yes  No  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Spouse Information (Complete Only For Spouse Applying at Same Time)

Callsign \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_ Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 address: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL Member  Yes  No

#### Minor Dependent (Complete Only For Minors Applying at the Same Time)

Callsign	License Class	Name	ARRL Member?
_____	_____	_____	- <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
_____	_____	_____	- <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
_____	_____	_____	- <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

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

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### AARC GENERAL CLASS

The AARC Board is checking for interest in a General and Code class for 2007. If you are interested in taking the class or helping/leading the class, contact a member of the Board of Directors.

### Contest Calendar

#### December, 2006

EU-PSK-QRP Contest	2000Z-2400Z, Dec 1
ARRL 160-Meter Contest	2200Z, Dec 1 to 1600Z, Dec 3
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0400Z-0429Z, Dec 2
	0430Z-0459Z, Dec 2
	0500Z-0529Z, Dec 2
	0530Z-0600Z, Dec 2
ARRL 10-Meter Contest	0000Z, Dec 9 to 2400Z, Dec 10
Russian 160-Meter Contest	2100Z-2300Z, Dec 15
OK DX RTTY Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Dec 16
International Naval Contest	1600Z, Dec 16 to 1559Z, Dec 17
ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint	2000Z-2400Z, Dec 17
RAEM Contest	0200Z-0959Z, Dec 24
DARC Christmas Contest	0830Z-1059Z, Dec 26
RAC Winter Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 30
Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Dec 30 to 1500Z, Dec 31

#### January, 2007

Original QRP Contest	1500Z, Jan 6 to 1500Z, Jan 7
ARRL RTTY Roundup	1800Z, Jan 6 to 2400Z, Jan 7
Kid's Day Contest	1800Z-2400Z, Jan 7
MI QRP January CW Contest	1200Z, Jan 13 to 2359Z, Jan 14
Midwinter Contest, CW	1400Z-2000Z, Jan 13
North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Jan 13 to 0600Z, Jan 14
Midwinter Contest, Phone	0800Z-1400Z, Jan 14
North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Jan 20 to 0600Z, Jan 21
ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes	1900Z, Jan 20 to 0400Z, Jan 22

For details check the following web site the week prior to the contest.

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

### Upcoming Events

December 8	AK-SAR-BEN ARC Club Meeting, 7:30 PM, Red Cross Annual Meeting and Elections
December 12	AK-SAR-BEN ARC Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Red Cross
January 12	AK-SAR-BEN ARC Club Meeting, 7:30 PM, Red Cross
January 13	HBQRP Group Meeting, Ashland NE
January 16	AK-SAR-BEN ARC Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Red Cross
January 30	AK-SAR-BEN ARC/HDXA Test Session 7:00 PM Red Cross

### Board of Director's Meeting Minutes - November 14, 2006

#### Roll - NGØK

[x] KEØXQ – Bill [ ] KKØDX – Todd [x] KMØY – Brian  
[x] NGØK – Doug [ ] KØOMA – Dennis (SK)[ ] WØAAI - Greg  
[x] AEØEG – Marvin [ ] KCØOYT – Rob [x] WA6POZ - Gerry  
[x] KCØSHZ – Jim [x] NØUP - Steve  
Visitors - Shelley - KCØKAY, Andrew

#### Minutes – Doug Rathman, NGØK

The October minutes were approved as printed in the Ham Hum.

#### President's Report – Bill McCollum, KEØXQ

No report.

#### Vice-President's Report – Todd LeMense, KKØDX

Not present.

#### Treasurer's Report – Brian Zdan, KMØY

Money Market	19356.06	Includes 65.64 Int.
Repeater Acct	2486.12	
Checking Acct	3076.14	Includes a 700.00 dep. from sale of coax.
<b>Total</b>	<b>24918.32</b>	

As indicated above, \$700.00 was deposited into the checking account from the sale of coax.

Gerry WA6POZ moved that \$2000.00 be used to open a 7 month CD account. \$700.00 would come from the checking account and \$1300 would come from the repeater fund. Jim KCØSHZ 2nds the motion. The motion passed.

#### Standing Committee Reports

##### Disaster Preparedness – Jim Harper, KCØSHZ

Bio-preparedness: Jim discussed bio-preparedness issues. It was recognized as a very important issue and it was recommended that we talk with the ARES organization. Also, we will consider this for a club meeting program.

##### Education – open

General/Extra classes: Ideas were discussed for a code class and general classes. Gerry suggested that we put an item in the Ham Hum to gauge interest.

#### Other Committee Reports

By-laws: Some corrections were completed and they will be voted on at the December club meeting.

#### New Business

Steve raised the question about the interest income for the life membership dues. Brian will research to find out the income.

#### Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be Tuesday, 12/12 at 7:00pm.  
The next General Club meeting will be Friday, 12/8 at 7:30pm.  
The meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

Doug Rathman, NGØK, AKSARBEN ARC, Inc. Secretary

## Proposed change to the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, inc. Bylaws

Several years ago it was brought to the attention of the Board of Directors that our bylaws needed a bit of work, ok a complete overhaul, not just a revision. This project sat on the back burner and simmered until early this year. Shortly after the beginning of the year, a small group began to work on a completely new set to bylaws. Several samples were reviewed and then the work began.

On the following several pages, you will find the new bylaws as proposed. They must be voted on in December to be either approved or sent back to the committee for revisions. The bylaws are being presented as a complete set, and will need to be approved or rejected as a whole.

The bylaws will be voted on just as we elect our officers. If you can't attend the December meeting, please send your proxy to someone who can attend with your voting instructions.

Any changes to the text and any typos that have been fixed will be found in red text.

### BYLAWS OF THE AK-SAR-BEN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

#### ARTICLE I: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 - NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY: The club will be nondiscriminatory and membership shall be open to all individuals. The club shall accept applicants of any race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, religious preference, or physical limitation to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to members of the club. The club board has the right to refuse membership to any amateur radio operator based upon that person's radio operating history; verbal/written statements regarding other amateur radio operators, clubs, organizations, etc.; and/or violations of any FCC rules.

Section 2 - APPLICATION FOR ALL MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: Applications for membership shall be submitted by the prospective member to any elected club officer or the membership chairperson. The application shall be signed indicating the applicant's agreement to abide by the bylaws and any other rules promulgated by the club. All applications received shall be submitted to the secretary. The secretary shall insure that the application is complete. The applicant will then be introduced to those attending the next general membership meeting. Approval is by a simple majority vote of the members attending. Membership dues will not be collected or accepted until the application has been approved. The secretary will add the accepted member to the membership roster, collect and give the dues to the treasurer.

Section 3 - MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: The following paragraphs define the various membership classes.

- A. REGULAR Membership: An individual membership.
- B. SPOUSE Membership: Husband or wife of a regular member
- C. MINOR/DEPENDENT Membership: A child or legal dependant through their 18<sup>th</sup> year, residing at the same address of a regular or life member.
- D. STUDENT Membership: A student enrolled full time in an accredited educational institution.
- E. LIFE Membership
  - 1. LIFE Membership – Life membership fees paid for a regular member.
  - 2. SPOUSE LIFE Membership – Life membership fees paid for a spouse member
  - 3. HONORARY LIFE Membership – membership nominated by the membership and approved by two-thirds of the votes cast at two consecutive general membership meeting or nominated by the board and approved at the next general membership meeting.

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From the CQ Newsroom...

The FCC's Report and Order in WT Docket 04-140, the "omnibus" proceeding that, among other things, greatly expanded the voice subbands on 75, 40 and 15 meters, was published today in the Federal Register. Since the new rules take effect 30 days after publication in the Register, the effective date the new phone band limits is **December 15, 2006**. The appropriate pages in the Federal Register may be viewed at [http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?dbname=2006\\_register&position=all&page=66460](http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?dbname=2006_register&position=all&page=66460)

**As of December 15**, the 75-meter phone band will begin at 3600 kHz, the 40-meter phone band will start at 7125 kHz and the General Class phone band on 15 meters will begin at 21,275 kHz. **A summary of the new band plans as well as other major features of the ruling appears on page 2 of the December issue of CQ**, which is in the mail now to subscribers, and should be on newsstands soon as well.

(Tnx W5YI)

### AKSARBEN ARC HAMFEST

The hamfest at the Millard American Legion Hall was quite well attended. Club president KE0XQ said the club made a profit. KMOY greeted everyone at the door and took their money with a smile. There was an unusual amount of scopes and test equipment of fairly good quality. Like wise, the boat anchors were mostly in good shape as collectibles. Very little "plain ol' junk". There was some stuff from a Really Messy Basement. I don't know if he sold it, though. Notably, I saw N0SWI/G. He was playing a Texican for the day (which is why I'm writing this). The food was good. The hall normally serves food and does a good job. I've had lunch there on several occasions. D & L was there and seemed to be doing a good business. Lots of people were socializing with others they don't see or talk to every day. That's one of the reasons many come to these things. Over all, it was a quite enjoyable time. De WB0CMC

### Tech Tip

If you hold down the Ctrl key on your key board and turn the small wheel in the middle of your mouse, the print size will change – it will either get larger or smaller - depending on which way you turn the wheel.

In December of each year, the general membership meeting shall be replaced by the ANNUAL Meeting, and shall be held for the primary purpose of electing board members and officers for the following calendar year, although other business may be conducted if time permits. The exact date and time of the annual meeting shall be determined by the availability of the site selected for the meeting, but shall be no later than the third Friday of December.

Section 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS meetings shall be held at the discretion of the president, but at least once each calendar quarter. The purpose of these meetings is to conduct club business and to plan and discuss future activities. The time and location shall be at the discretion of the president.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

Section 1 - PROPOSALS TO AMEND: Proposals for amendments to the bylaws shall be submitted in writing at a general membership meeting. The proposals shall be read to the members present, and upon approval of a two-thirds majority of those present, shall be further considered in accordance with Section 2 of this Article. The language of the proposal may be revised so long as the concept and intent of the original proposal is retained.

Section 2 - APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS:

- A. The text of the proposed amendment, after due consideration by the voting board and/or duly appointed committee(s), shall be submitted to the general membership at least 30 days in advance of a vote.
B. A notice of any proposed amendment shall be submitted to each member by mail, including any special voting instructions and deadlines. A proposed amendment to the bylaws shall be adopted if approved by two-thirds of the votes cast.

ARTICLE VII - RULES

Section 1 - Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all proceedings.

Section 2 – STANDING RULES – The board shall establish a set of standard rules which shall govern the members and committees of the club. The secretary shall maintain the set of standard rules.

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The undersigned, being president of the club, states that these revised bylaws supersede all previous bylaws as amended, and privileges granted under earlier versions of the bylaws do not extend to this revision, these bylaws were adopted by the directors and approved by at least two thirds of the votes, which members present or represented by proxy were entitled to cast at a meeting of members on the \_\_\_\_\_, at which a quorum was present, and does sign said bylaws this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

President

I, being the secretary of the club, hereby attest that the above-named president of the club did sign the foregoing Bylaws in my presence on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Secretary

- 4. CHARTER LIFE Membership – member of the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club electing Life membership when life membership was first offered.

Section 4 – Only members holding a valid amateur radio license shall have full voting rights at club meetings, and shall be eligible to hold an office or to sit on the Board of Directors.

Section 5 – Only Regular, Student and Life members shall receive newsletters.

- Section 6 – Forfeiture of Membership: A member may be dropped from membership if
A. The member does not pay annual dues by March 1st of each year.
B. The member submits a written resignation and shall forfeit all dues paid.
C. The Federal Communications Commission cancels the member's amateur radio license and shall forfeit all dues paid.
D. Undesirable Conduct: The club may forfeit membership for "just cause" based upon that member's radio operating history; verbal/written statements regarding other members, clubs, organizations, etc.; persistent violations of club repeater (or any other repeater) guidelines; and/or violations of any FCC rules. In order for a membership to be forfeited for "just cause" a motion must be made and approved by 2/3 of the voting members present at two consecutive general membership meetings. A notice of forfeiture for just causes shall be by written notice from the board, and shall be effective as of the date of the written notice. A member terminated by the club for "just cause" shall forfeit all dues paid.

ARTICLE II - DUES

Section 1 - MEMBERSHIPS: All members except life members shall pay dues. Dues are assessed for the period January 1st through December 31st and are payable annually. The board shall set the dues to be assessed to applicable membership classes.

ARTICLE III – OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 – ELECTIONS:

- A. By September of each year, the president shall designate a nominating committee whose duty it shall be to nominate the officers and board members to be elected at the next annual meeting. The committee shall consist of at least three members, with the club's immediate past president as chairperson. The nominating committee shall nominate a least one member to fill each position. The positions shall be president, vice-president and four directors.
B. 30 days prior to the annual meeting, the president shall present to each voting member a written report of the nominating committee selection.
C. The election of officers and directors shall take place at the annual meeting each year by a majority vote of the voting members present. In addition to the nominating committee's slate, further nominations may be made by any member during the annual meeting.
D. Officers, president and vice-president, shall serve for a term of one year and secretary and treasurer shall serve for a term of two years. All directors shall serve for a term of two years. The term of the office shall begin at the conclusion of the annual meeting.
E. If the position of secretary and/or treasurer becomes vacant, those positions should be chosen from among the directors by the board at its next meeting.

Section 2 – PRESIDENT: The PRESIDENT shall preside over all meetings. The president shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of business at all meetings. The president shall appoint all committee chairpersons and shall be an ex officio member of all committees. The president shall be responsible for compliance with the bylaws of the club. The president shall be responsible for insuring that all required club documents are filed with the appropriate agencies, and that the documents are current and up-to-date. The president shall perform all other duties customary to

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the office of the president.

Section 3 – VICE PRESIDENT: The VICE-PRESIDENT shall work closely with the president and shall be prepared at all times to act as president when the president is absent, assuming all rights, duties, and privileges of the office of the president. The vice-president shall serve as the chairperson of the program committee. The vice-president shall perform all other duties customary to the office of the vice-president, and any other duties assigned by the president

Section 4 – SECRETARY: The SECRETARY shall serve as official recorder for the club. The secretary shall have charge of all correspondence and shall maintain an accurate record of the proceedings (minutes) at all club meetings. The secretary shall receive, from the membership chairperson, and process all applications for membership. The secretary shall keep the bylaws, shall record proposed and approved amendments thereto, and shall have a copy of the current bylaws available at all meetings of the club for access by the membership

Section 5 – TREASURER: The TREASURER shall be responsible for receiving, disbursing, and accounting for all club funds. The treasurer shall receive, shall properly deposit, and shall record all club income. The treasurer shall pay no bills without proper authorization of the board or the general membership. The treasurer shall pay all duly authorized expenditures of the club. The treasurer shall insure that proper receipts exist for all transactions. The treasurer shall prepare financial reports as directed by either the president or board. The treasurer shall maintain an accurate record of all club financial transactions and shall provide the board and the membership with a monthly report of all transactions.

Section 6 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS – The board shall consist of the four officers of the club, six directors and the immediate past president. The president shall serve as the chairperson. The board shall be authorized to suggest policies, new projects, programs and to carry on such business as may be required in the general operation of the club.

Section 7 – REMOVAL FROM OFFICE: Any elected officer may be removed from office for just cause based upon a written motion (including details for just cause) signed by ten percent of the club's voting membership, and approved by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present at two consecutive general membership meetings.

#### Section 8 – ABSENCES AND VACANCIES

1. In case the secretary or treasurer are unable to attend a meeting for any reason, the president may appoint an assistant secretary or an assistant treasurer, as appropriate, to serve during the absence.
2. A vacancy of a membership elected office which occurs during the term of office shall be filled by special ballot at the first general membership meeting after the vacancy occurs. Nominations shall be taken and voted on at the meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV – COMMITTEES

The following standing committees shall operate within this club.:

Section 1 – Program Committee - This committee shall consist of at least to two members, with the club's vice-president as chairperson. It shall be the duty of this committee to provide programs for all regular meetings.

Section 2 – Public Service/Emergency Committee - This committee shall consist of at least two members. It shall plan for emergencies and act as a liaison with other amateur radio emergency organizations, e.g., ARES, RACES, SATERN

Section 3 – Education Committee - This committee shall consist of at least three members. It shall

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be the duty of this committee to plan and execute a training program for future amateur operators.

Section 4 – Publications/Web Services Committee - This committee shall consist of at least three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan, publish and maintain the club monthly publication, "Ham Hum" and the club's web site.

Section 5 – Finance Committee - This committee shall consist of at least three members, with the club's treasurer as chairperson. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare the annual budget and provide assistance for any committee requiring the expenditure of funds as part of their activities.

Section 6 – Repeater Committee - This committee shall consist of at least three members, one of which shall be the club's FCC License Trustee and one of which shall be a qualified radio technician. It shall be the duty of the committee to insure that the repeater is functioning properly, to arrange for repairs and/or adjustments when necessary, and to select and train sufficient control operators for said repeaters.

Section 7 – Membership Committee - This committee shall consist of at least three members, one of which is the club secretary. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive and process all applications for membership, maintain an accurate record of all club members, which includes but is not be limited to, name, call sign, mailing address, club membership status, American Radio Relay League (ARRL) membership status, and a signed club membership application. The chairperson shall announce all new members at the regular membership meetings

Section 8 – Field Day Committee – This committee shall consist of at least three members. It shall coordinate activities in connection with Field Day, as authorized by the club, including the provisions of food for the Field Day workers.

Section 9 – Other Committees – The board may from time to time form other committees in furtherance of the interest of the club.

#### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS AND QUORUMS

Section 1 - MEETINGS: All meetings shall be open to members, guests and visitors. The location of all meetings shall be within the city of Omaha, Nebraska, unless approved by the board.

Section 2 - QUORUMS: At meetings, a quorum shall be required for the transaction of business. Once a quorum is verified, all matters which concern the operation or business of the club shall be voted on and shall be considered passed by a simple majority vote of members present at any general membership meeting, or as otherwise specified in these bylaws. Quorums are defined as follows.

- A. A quorum shall consist of a minimum of ten per cent (10%) of total voting membership including at least two board members.
- B. A quorum for the board meeting shall consist of at least five elected board members. Any vote taken at a board meeting must carry by a simple majority vote of the board in attendance.

Section 3 - MEMBERSHIP meetings of the club shall normally be held monthly January through November as scheduled by the board. Regular business of the club shall be conducted during these meetings.

Section 4 - SPECIAL MEETINGS

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