



PARC NEWS

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska



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SPECIAL
NO
SEPTEMBER
MEETING

It's PARC Picnic Time!

Sunday, September 27th, 5:30 P.M.
At the Theophilus Home
507 E. 3rd, Fremont

Hot Dogs, Chicken, Drinks & Utensils
Provided.

Please bring a side dish if you can.
Salad or Dessert
But please bring yourself.
It's Always A Good Time



**Iowa State Convention
HAMFEST/CONVENTION**
Vendors, Flea Market Tables, Seminars, VE Testing
Concession Stand for Good Eats
September 26, 2015
8 am—2 p.m.
Sergeant Bluff Community Center
907 Topaz Drive
Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054 Siouxland ARC
Talk In 146.970 Contact: Jim Rhodes, K0XU

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Minutes for August 27, 2015

PROGRAM: The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for August 2015 was called to order at 7 PM by President Dan Steinhoff, W7UP, who then turned the meeting over to the speaker for the evening, Joe Eisenberg, KØNEB. Joe presented a program on the Hamfests at Dayton, Orlando, and Huntsville.

Following the program, W7UP re-opened the meeting. 18 people were present. Everyone introduced themselves.

MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT: The July Minutes and August Treasurer's Report were approved as printed in the August *PARC News*. The final Flea Market figures will be available at a future meeting.

MOTION to Pay Bills: No bills.

HOSPITALITY: Sharon Martens, KBØTVB reported that cards had been sent to Dick Klebe, KBØHEC; Dick Felt, KBØQWM; and Sandy Cunningham, KBØTVA, all due to their recent hospitalizations.

EDUCATION: Nothing to report.

FIELD DAY: In 2016, Steve Benke, KFØMS will take care of the facilities.

FLEA MARKET: Rich Mehaffey, KBØARZ and Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN discussed the 2016 date. It was decided to hold the event on July 9 in North Bend.

PICNIC: Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 530 PM at the home of WØNRW. PARC will furnish hot dogs and chicken, drinks, and utensils. Members are asked to bring a side dish, if possible. The picnic will take the place of the usual meeting in September.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Saturday, December 12 at the Office Bar & Grill in Hooper from 530 PM to 9 PM.

NET Manager: Mel Cunningham, KØVLA passed around sign-up sheets for Net Control duties and thanked everybody. Additional Net Control Operators are always welcome. He reported that in his last monthly net report there had been 41 check-ins.

ARES: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW said that the severe weather season had been very quiet so far. The NWS in Omaha/Valley has excellent El Nino information on their website.

PUBLICITY: WØNRW had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: W7UP thanked WØNRW for his meeting notices, and Darlene Hoffman, NØLOP for the *PARC News*. He also reminded members to send pictures and write-ups to NØLOP.

DRAWING: The winner of the \$10 Gambino's Gift Card was Rich Mehaffey, KBØARZ.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 800 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Dave Theophilus, WØNRW



Lance WNØL checks Larry's NØLL QSL card

NØLL Receives Award

Larry Lambert, NØLL, recently received his 488th 6-meter QSL card from VE9IQ in grid FN67. His cards were checked Sept. 20, 2015. It took him 35 years to accomplish the feat. He will be the sixth person to receive the FFMA.

The Fred Fish Memorial Award was created in honor of Fred Fish, W5FF (SK), who is the first amateur to have worked and confirmed all 488 Maidenhead grid squares in the 48 contiguous US on 6 meters. The award will be given to any amateur who can duplicate W5FF's feat.

This award also encourages operation on the VHF bands from rare grid squares (known as Grid DXpeditions) to help activate all 488n grids.

The rules of FFMA closely follow the VUCC rules.



Silent Key K9RZ William 'Bill' Jackson

William "Bill" Jackson (K9RZ), 59, was born July 9, 1956. He died September 17, 2015. Bill worked for the Chicago and North Western Transportation Company and the Union Pacific Railroad for 34 years. He was also president of the Heartland DX Assoc.

Bill grew up in Wheaton, Illinois and in 1983 moved to Chadron, Nebraska to set up the communications system for the C & NW line going into the coal mines in the Powder River Basin. There he met Karen and they were married July 26, 1986. After the Chadron Railroad office was shut down in 1991, we moved back to the suburbs of Chicago. In 1995, we came to Omaha with the Union Pacific Railroad.

Bill is survived by his wife, Karen Jackson; brother, Peter (Mary) Jackson of Spokane, Washington; nephews, Colin Jackson of Spokane, Washington and Evan (Paige) Jackson of Eugene, Oregon; aunt, Mary Carlson of Marietta, Georgia; and mother-in-law, Joan Johns of Gering; and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ginny and Bill Sr. and a brother, Thomas.

Visitation will begin at 6 p.m. followed by a memorial service at 7 p.m. Wednesday, September 23, 2015, at John A. Gentleman Mortuaries 72nd Street Chapel.

Graveside services will be at Creighton Valley Cemetery in Gering at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad, American Radio Relay League Scholarship fund and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

This & That

Nebraska Radio Clubs

Bellevue ARC

Pioneer ARC

Fremont DX & Contest Club

Pawnee ARC

Heartland DX Association

Grand Island ARS

Buffalo County ARES

Heartland ARA

Lincoln Nebraska Satern Salvation Army D

Lincoln ARC Inc

Plattsmouth ARC

Elkhorn Valley ARC

North Platte Progressive ARC

WBØCAP YOUTH ARC

AK-SAR-BEN ARC, INC

Tri City ARC

Blue Valley ARC

New Amateur Radio Clubs—This past month saw the addition of two clubs affiliating with ARRL. The McPherson ARC of McPherson, Kansas and The Rural Iowa ARC of Oelwein, Iowa which was recently approved as an ARRL Special Service Club.

Iowa QSO Party — The Iowa QSO Party is sponsored by the Ottumwa ARC, will be held on Saturday October 17, 2015 from 1400 to 2300 UTC (9AM to 6PM CST). Details are essentially the same as last year. See www.wa0dx.org/IAQSO/ for details.

VHF/UHF Tropo Opening — Jon, NØJK, Wichita, KS reports a widespread tropospheric opening on the VHF and UHF bands over the weekend of Aug. 29-30. From eastern Kansas, Jon logged VE4KQ/p EN09 and NTØV EN08 Sunday morning with strong signals on 2 meters. The tropo drifted north and west later Sunday. NØLL EM09 and NØOY EM18 made many contacts on 144 MHz and up into IL, IN and MI. WØRT EM27 also worked VE4KQ/p.



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WE'RE ON THE WEB!
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President—Dan Steinhoff, W7UP
V. President—West Chrisman, KDØPGV
Secretary—Dave Theophilus, WØNRW
Treasurer—Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

Board of Directors:

Jim Sweeney KBØDYY
Bob Kirchmann WØICE
Frank Veverka, KØAJA
And 2 Officers

Committee Chairs:

Hospitality: Sharon Martens
Field Day: Jarad & Wes Chrisman
Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey
Picnic: Dave Theophilus &
Sharon Martens
Christmas Party: Linda Kirchmann
& Jane Mehaffey
Publicity: Dave Theophilus
Education: Jane Mehaffey
Net Manager: Mel Cunningham
ARES: Dave Theophilus

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Yearly PARC Dues are \$10 for the first member of a family and \$3 each additional member if paid between Jan. 1 and March 1.

Dues are prorated at \$1 per month after March 1st for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10 whenever they are paid.

Life membership is \$200.

SEND TO:

Sharon Martens,
KBØTVB
2316 E. First St
Fremont, NE 68025

Morse Code Training Class In Process

PARC has received an email from Dan Buchholz, NØPOT, saying that he is in the process of starting a Morse Code training class.

At this time, the classes would be held in Omaha at the Red Cross Building.

If you or anybody you know, would be interested in this class you may contact Dan at n0pot@juno.com

Dave T. WØNRW, Publicity

2015 PARC SCHEDULE

September 27th—Picnic
October 22nd Meeting
November 19th, 3rd Thursday
December 12th, Christmas
Party

HAMFESTS

9/26/15—Iowa State ARRL Convention in Sergeant Bluff, IA

9/25,26/2015— 11th Annual W4DXCC DX and Contest Convention in Pigeon, TN . Includes Ham Radio Boot Camp training session on Friday.

AUCTION

9/27/15 -LARC Ham Radio Equipment— 10:30-3. auction at 1 p.m. Admission \$3.

Treasurer's Report September, 2015

Savings.....	\$130.68
Checking.....	1,756.44
TOTAL.....	\$1,887.12
INCOME	
Flea Market Tables.....	\$30.00
TOTAL INCOME.....	\$30.00
EXPENSES:	
Flea Market (Rich)	\$117.37
(Diff between Income & Exp)	
TOTAL EXPENSES..	\$117.37