



EARS

ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



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Englewood Florida
www.earsradioclub.org
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Supporting and Practicing Ham Radio in Englewood February 2021

MEETING REPORTS AND NOTES

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be: Tuesday, March 9th at the COC in Englewood, unless otherwise notified. Check the FB page , and groups.io for last minute updates

CLUB NEWS

ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY February Minutes:

Open the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. (19:10) Led by Jim Nelson

Secretary's January Minutes Report Accepted– Motion to accept by Doug Frasier 2nd by Steve Frogget, as submitted by H. Hoffman, Secretary .Treasurer's Report Accepted – Motion by Steve Frogget, 2nd by Doug Frasier., several Dues deposits/Balance on Feb.09, \$5,325.51. Checks for State of FL Corp Commission \$220.00, \$61.65 & \$41.85 for Winter Field Day. Report and balance submitted by Bob Mcallister..

Correspondence: -Multiple dues payment 12/29/2020 to PO Box, as of 2/07/2021. H Hoffman, Secretary, however, will pick up mail pick again before next meeting on 3/08/2021 unless requested.

Members Present: t, Jim Nelson W4AI /Vice President, Robert McAlister KN4RKE/Treasurer, Jon Babbit WB2SQX, Jim Sanford K8ZZU, Matthew Henry K4VEM/Trustee, Doug Frasier KE5ODR, Jim Grimes KD8OCW, Jim Porter KA8PBA, Doug Young KM4LKC, Steve Frogget KN4NFX, Kenneth Blackshaw W1NQT, John Hodgdon KN4PDQ, Walt Kline WB8WNF, Pam Eggleton K1UEG, Jim Reske NB3P, and Herman Hoffman WA9LFQ/Secretary, Jon Blincoe N1COC/Trustee

Meeting VIA Google MEET Courtesy of Jon Pellant/President with 17 members on board, thank

you all. Charlie Troxell KH2OP attempted IRLP/Echolink from MO

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sunshine – Concerned inquiry for Ray Magsby KK4LGF and Victor Emmelkamp K4VHX, Card Sent to Ray by Ken Blackshaw

ARES – (Formerly RACES) –Doug Frazier discussed Training for CERT Member with the current training curriculum subject is Radio License & Ham Radio Operations. Will be held at the Beach Complex, Port Charlotte. Also want to do a CC Flares Exercise.

Discussion regarding WinLink, Vera FM transmission technology which EOC now has the capacity to do 30Khz transmission speed. Tom Chance has cable digipeater. Identified and discussed Master Communications RA33.

Publicity – Planned picnic at Indian Mound County Park. Summer Field Day

DX – Band conditions are continuing to improve. Actual activity on 80 Meters is improving.

Training & Testing –SEE ARES

Technology – New EARS Website is now operational and looking great. Thanks to the efforts of Bob McAllister, who is this year's Treasurer and Web Master.

Ham-Fests – Actual Ham-Fest will take place on March 6th 2021, hosted by Punta Gorda Ham Club. It will be at Rich Harbor on Route 17. Check PG Web Site.

Minutes continued.....

There may be a sub-fest, courtesy of Tom Lambie as well on March 13th. Site info on PG Web Site.

Repeater – None this month

OLD BUSINESS

HF Winter Field Day on January 30th, 2021 yielded 60 (sixty) contacts. Discussed, picnic at Indian Mound County Park possibly late March or April.

Feb 8th, 2021 Meeting will continue online and perhaps live at COC.

NEW BUSINESS

Hand Off to new officer slate.

Implement Zell or PayPal for dues and transactions this year.

ADJOURNMENT called by Steve Frogget, 2cnd by Matthew Henry at 20:22

Winter Field Day Discussion to follow. Thank you for attending and take care.

2 Meter Chat Net:

The club conducts a two meter chat net every Tuesday evening on K8ONV, 146.865 136.5HZ tone, -600 transmit. On Tuesdays that the club holds its meeting, no net.

2/16/2021

Good net - lots of checkins - and generally good signals.

This is W1NQT for the EARS K8ONV Net. I will now take checkins.

1. kn4nfx - Steve - Rotonda W - 2nd shot tomorrow.
2. n9xry - Arthur - Northport - hum - Going back to Mo. soon.
3. kd2aqr - Sue - John k2gqg - Visitors.
4. k8zzu - Jim - Cape Haze - Shots last weekend. QSL from Azerbaijan today!
5. w4aai - Jim - Manasota Key! WinLink group - perhaps a March picnic? or April? LMR400 good cable for UHF.
6. n4ljt - Leonard - So. Gulf Cove.
7. km4lkc - Doug E Charlotte - six meter net on Thursday
8. k1ueg - Pam - Power washing. Also Eagle's nest
9. kn4jen - Allen - Myakka R - on wx4e later with Leonard.

10. kh2op - Charlie - St. Louis - 17 degrees! Eagles on the Mississippi. All seniors there got their shots and are three weeks from the next shot.

11. ke5odr - Doug - Placida - SERC Class Saturday's next month in Port Charlotte - contact Doug - To get your shots, recommend - myvaccine.fl.gov as a good starting point for the vaccine. Happy Mardi Gras.

12. ka8pba - Jim -

Check for NCS next week. I will be standing down for a week.

EARS meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at Englewood Chamber of Commerce, or virtually on N4EAR.

EARS members and friends meet every week on Tuesdays at 8 AM at Maria's on Indiana in Englewood.

Information on EARS can be found at QRZ.com at N4EAR, or on website earsradioclub.org, or ears.group.io.

Closed net at 7:32 pm and the repeater is back to its normal open operation.

73's - Ken

2/23/2021

K1UEG Pam —Net Control

7:01 pm

Check-ins:

KN4NFX Steve, KE5ODR, Doug, W8JJV, Dwaine, KN4JEN Allen, N4LJT Leonard, KM4LKC Doug, KN4RKE Bob, KN\$PHQ, John, W4AII Jim, K2GQG John, and via echolink, KH2OP Charley, KN4LSC Tony

Net closed at 7:24pm

Thanks Pam!

Breakfast at Maria Restaurant



The weather is getting a bit nicer so I thought I'd remind everyone that breakfast is Tuesday mornings at Maria Restaurant.. Starts officially at 8:00 am, but a few show up a bit earlier.

The food is good, the prices are good, and the ham radio fellowship is good!

It's Time to Renew Your EARS 2021 Dues!



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| Field Day | Technical |
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Yearly Membership Dues \$15
Family Membership Dues \$18.50

Bring form and check to Meeting, or mail form and check to:
E.A.R.S.
P.O. Box 572
Englewood, FL 34995

Until I get it figured out differently, we only have two ways of paying dues. Mail in the form with a check, or pay at a meeting. Hopefully we will be able to have face to face meetings again soon, but in the meantime, please consider mailing your dues for 2021 in. The last sheet of this newsletter is a membership form. Dues are \$15.00 per year, single member and \$18.50 for a family membership. Please take time to submit you're dues as soon as you can. Thank you!

Charlotte Amateur Radio Society Picnic

CARS invites all hams to attend their "Spring Picnic", March 13th from 11:00am to 2pm. The picnic will be held at the Charlotte Harbor environmental Center. For details email info@carsfl.org or view the webpage at: www.carfl.org

CERT RADIO OPERATOR TRAINING:

The CERT class for radio operators will be held on Saturdays, March 13, 20, and 27th, from 9 am to 3 pm, at the Charlotte County beachfront facility on Harbor Drive in Port Charlotte. We are keeping the class size small, and the room is quite large, so distancing should be no problem.

The curriculum includes Personal/Family disaster preparedness, Fire safety and suppression, Emergency medical (breathing/bleeding/shock), General first aid and emergency medical operations, Search and rescue, Disaster psychology, and Terrorism. When you have completed the classes, you have the option of going ahead and undergoing a security/background check, which will allow you to participate on behalf of Charlotte County, and with County support. If you miss part of the instruction, you will have the opportunity to make it up at a later date. If you would like to register, or have any further questions, please contact KD5ODR, Doug Frazier.

HAMFEST INFORMATION



Charlotte County Hamfest

March 6, 2021
Saturday 8AM - 2PM

www.w4dux.net
Tone 136.5

50/50 Raffle @ 11:00 AM (your Presence is required)
Prize Drawings Every Hour
Coffee - Cold Drinks - Donuts available

Location: Ridge Harbor - 30337 Cedar Road, Punta Gorda, FL 33982
Admission: \$7.00
Tailgate: No Charge - \$10.00 Covered open air tables available



5 1/2 Miles East On Rte 17 from I-75 / Rte 17 interchange
Follow the Posted Hamfest Signs after crossing the Peace River
Talk-in 147.255+
Need more info visit our Website @ www.peacerradio.com
Contact: Dave Beck (WB4GVZ) prior to event to reserve your table
(A1steel@verizon.net)

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

CUT OFF FOR EARS SUBMISSIONS: 25th of each month (except Dec, which is 20th) Please, no articles of a political, religious, controversial or argumentative nature. The Club reserves the right to accept, edit, or reject any submission.. **Bob McAlister KN4RKE Phone: 941-416-2516 (cell) 941-474-4190 (Home) E-Mail: bob.mcalister@outlook.com** Please use the email shown..



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