



EARS
ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



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Supporting and Practicing Ham Radio in Englewood

July 2022

MEETING REPORTS AND NOTES

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be: **Tuesday, August 2nd at the COC in Englewood at 19:00, and virtually via Google Meet unless otherwise notified. Check the FB page, and groups.io for last minute updates**

CLUB NEWS



July Meeting

Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. (19:02)

Led by Jon Pellant, President

Members Present: Jon Pellant President W1JP, Robert McAlister KN4RKE Treasurer, Herman Hoffman WA9LFQ Secretary, Steve Malone KN4YIV, Bill Reed K7WWR, Bill Dolan W2CWL, Michael Reid N3MR, Jon Blincoe N1COC

VIA MEET: No local MEET due to Post summer solstice break)

Guests: Unfortunately, NONE – But all are welcomed . 10 attendees' total

Please note: If I missed or mangled any member's names or call signs, advise me by phone or email: WA9LFQ@yahoo.com.

Secretary's Report for 6/14/22 Meeting Minutes Accepted: Motion to accept by Jon Pellant, 2cnd by Bob McAllister, accepted as submitted by H. Hoffman Secretary, in June Monthly Newsletter

Treasurer's Report Accepted. \$3,440.84 on hand. B of A & EB&T + \$3.00 Petty, Cash balance total on 6/1/2022, \$3,357.98

All funds have now been moved to Englewood Bank & Trust.. Motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Herman Hoffman, 2nd by Jon Blincoe.

Correspondence: -No mail

Sunshine –No Sunshine to speak of this past month

Publicity – Summer N4EAR Field Day, was celebrated June 25th and 26th, 2022, at Ann Dever Regional Park, 6760 San Casa Drive, Englewood, FL. We encouraged all members to take as many pictures, skill level withstanding on my part, so that Ken Blackshaw can publicize from his summer nest on Nantucket.

DX – 20 Meters & 10 Meters are functioning well and 40 Meters, is improving with Morning activity nearly predictable without referencing condition reports. 80 Meters is even hic-upping along with distance contacts periodically. Overall Sunspot activity is slowly developing into a robust cycle. If you have the optional Northern Lights Display, it is fabulous! If not, drive up to US/Canadian border for an in-person display.

Training & Testing –. Contact Doug Frasier for further information.

Technology – N4EAR install is proceeding, it was discovered that the power supply had a problem with crashing when the transmitter was engaged. BroadCom, the supplier of the unit, is shipping a replacement power supply for installation. N4EAR will have separate rack space. Tom Chance, Charlotte County Ham Radio contact, is preparing the new repeater for installation. Continued on page 2.....

Minutes continued.....

Ham-Fests – Check club websites for details.

Old Business –No old business

New Business – No new business

ADJOURNMENT- called by Bill Dollan
19:57, 2cnd by Bob McAllister

August 2, 2022, 19:00 -- Next Meeting at Chamber of Commerce.

**EARS HOPES ALL MEMBERS & FAMILIES
HAVE SAFE JOURNEYS THIS SUMMER.
PLEASE BE CAREFUL.**

Join us on EchoLink

With our Hurricane Season upon us, lightning events, and prolonged outage, costly damage that these lightning storms can inflict are very frustrating. So, in the interest of not getting frustrated, I will be disconnecting the Echolink reflector when lightning hits come within six miles of my location. To support that practice I have installed sensor apparatus that monitors direction, range, intensity, and the number of lightning events taking place.



2 Meter Chat Net:

The club conducts a two meter chat net every **Tuesday evening on K8ONV, 146.865 136.5HZ** tone, -600 transmit.at **7:30 PM**. On Tuesdays that the club holds its meeting, no net.

The club is always looking for net control operators.
If you would like to participate as a net controller,
please let a club officer know!

6/28/2022 W1NQT Net control

Hi there EARS folks - So happy to be able to run the net from afar using EchoLink. Almost like ham radio! ;-) Here are my notes.\This is w1nqt, Net Control for the EARS K8ONV Net. I will now take check-ins. First Check-in

please come now. Mention breakfast. Pictures from FD??

1. ke5odr - Placida - Pavillion support for FD - WinLink exercise.
2. w4aii - Jim - Manasota Key - Breakfast and FD - Visitor from Uruguay. 70 countries on FT8!! Needs Hawaii.
3. kn4rke - Bob - Englewood -
4. kn4phq - John - York Beach, Me. 72 degrees. Just a little rain.
5. ka8pba - Jim - Englewood - Enjoyed FD.
6. kw4sab - Steve - So. Gulf Cove - new callsign. First HF contacts at FD!
7. w2cwl - Bill - Placida - FD CW contacts. New vertical antenna. Flagpole! CE3XO visited at FD!
8. wb1fld - Dave - Englewood - Enjoyed FD.

July 5th KN4NFX—Steve, net control

Call Operator QTH Comments

- N3MR** Mike Rotonda Lakes Field Day Saturday setup
- K1LOV** Steve Charlotte County In & out
- K8ZZU** Jim Grand Blanc, MI 13 Colonies + heard field day but couldn't connect
- W4AII** Jim Manasota Key 12 members @ breakfast @ Junior & Rosies + 75 countries FT8 + Field Day
- KN4YIV** Steve South Gulf Cove just back from Marathon Key
- KN4PHQ** John York, ME Went to beach, water was 50 degrees + van engine being rebuilt
- KW4SAB** Steve South Gulf Cove Field Day Sat & Sun + tried contacting ISS + getting RV ready for trip North
- WB1FLD** Dave Englewood New member + field day + neighbor of club president W1JP
- KO4WAO** Jackie Arcadia in & out



Tuesday morning breakfast at **Junior and Rosie's** continues to be a popular spot to be at 7:30 am. We are holding our own with a special row of tables to seat the crowd of

10 or so Ham's that show up for the great food at great prices and ham radio discussions! Rosie has even added an "EARS omlette" to make us all feel welcome!



40 meter contacts, 37 20 meter contacts, 16 15 meter contacts, 3 10 meter contacts, and 6 20 meter cw contacts.

KW4SAB, K7WWR, and N3MNR, hoping for a QSO tracking down the International Space Station. Unfortunately they didn't get through the pile up but got an "A" for effort!



W4AII and K8PBA adjust setting for Win Link and run local traffic, testing out the radio email capabilities along with FM communications.



The afore mentioned "antenna farm":



Hex beam set up on 20, 15, 12, and 10 meters

The vertically polarized half wave dipole from the CCFLARES 2 meter "go kit"

The "work horse" antenna was K7WWR's off center fed dipole, which with the tuner worked smoothly over 80 to 10 meters. That antenna was strung up along the fence line at the back of the park property. Sorry I do not have a good picture of that antenna, it worked great!



Field Day Results



The club started setting up the stations about 9:30 am Saturday at Ann Deever Park, off San casa Rd. The set up crew put up a 3 band hex beam, an off center fed dipole

W2CWL with visitor Dardo (CX3EO)

(tunable from 80 to 10 meters), 2 meter verticle dipole, and a 2 meter moxon on the park grounds. Two HF transmitters, running about 100 watts, and a QRP rig were set up using battery power. W4AII brought along the CCFLARES 2 meter go kit and ran some Win Link traffic. In attendance were KN4RKE, N3MNR, WB1FLD, KA8PBA, K7WWR, WA9LFQ, W2CWL, KW4SAB, W4AII, KE5ODR, KY4GH, KE4VEM, and visitors CX3EO and Carol Nelson.



The operators all worked under the club call sign N4EAR and ended up making 5 80 meter contacts, 10



The next club sponsored field day type of activity will be at Boca Grande Lighthouse in August. Preliminary planning is underway and we would like you to be a part of it. Come to the August 2

club meeting at the Englewood COC at 7pm to get the latest information



Next meeting August 2nd at 7:00pm at the Englewood Chamber of Commerce. 2 Meter Chat Net every Tuesday (except meeting night) at 7:30pm on K8ONV repeater

It's time to renew your EARS Membership dues for 2022/2023!

At the end of this newsletter is a dues renewal form, which you can use (bring to meeting or mail to PO Box) to renew for 2022/2023. Or you can now use a credit card or Paypal by going to the webpage www.earsradioclub.org and clicking on the "buy now" button on the membership page.

Options

Single Membership one year \$15.00 USD ▾

Buy Now



Use the BUY button above to purchase a membership on line with Paypal

Take a moment and renew for "22" or :23"



If you are not on this list, I don't have you marked for 2022. Please contact me if I've made an error. Thanks, Bob KN4RKE, Treasurer lobanker@hotmail.com

F Name	L Name	Call Sign
John	Babbitt	K2GQG
Sue	Babbitt	KD2AQR
Steve	Bishop	KW4SAB
Ken	Blackshaw	W1NQT
Jon	Blincoe	N1COC
David	Bourque	WB1FLD
Joyce	Bourque	N1RUZ
Tom	Chance	K9XV
Steve	Churchill	N9USZ
Freeman	Crosby	W1NPR
Bill	Dolan	W2CWL
Shirley	Duke	KN4YIU
Cliff	Evans	KC3F
Doug	Frazier	KE5ODR
Steve	Froggatt	KN4NFX
Jim	Grimes	KD8OCW
Michael	Henry	KF4KDI
Matthew	Henry	KE4VEM
John	Hodgdon	KN4PHQ
Herman	Hoffman	WA9LFQ
Duwain	Hunt	W8JJV
Janet	Iwanski	KO4MZO
Stephen	Johnson	K1LOV
Karl	Kaukis	K0CIE

Walt	Kline	WB8WNF
Ray	LaBrie	KN4LFC
Steve	Malone	KN4YIV
Robert	McAlister	KN4RKE
Luis	Napoles	KN4ITK
Jim	Nelson	W4AII
Jon	Pellant	W1JP
Jim	Porter	KA8PBA
Bill	Reed	K7WWR
Michael	Reid	N3MR
Jim	Reske	NB3P
Jim	Sanford	K8ZZU
Bernie	Silverberg	K4KUO
Leonard	Trudeau	N4LJT
Doug	Vanderlaan	K8RFT
Jay	Wilson	KB1HNE
Doug/	JayneYoung	KM4LKC

Groups.io Website

If you are not getting the EARS groups.io emails, please contact one of the club officers. Groups.io is used to send emails concerning club activities and other supportive functions. If you don't get the messages you are missing out on club information! Get more information at main@ears.groups.io | [Home](#) or main+subscribe@ears.groups.io



*Join us Tuesdays at Junior and Rosie's 7:30am in Englewood!
Great breakfast Specials at the best prices in Englewood!*





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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:

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