



# The WA4IWL Newsletter



Englewood Amateur Radio Society, Inc.

[www.earsradioclub.org](http://www.earsradioclub.org)

December, 2008

## President's Message

Not Available This Month



## EARS Meeting Minutes November 20, 2008

**Call to Order:** President Matthew Henry, KE4VEM, opened the meeting at 7:36 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. 15 members and no visitors

were present.

**October Minutes Approval:** The October 16 EARS meeting minutes were presented for approval. ON MOTION, the EARS October 16, 2008 meeting minutes were approved as published in the November 2008 newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** Our Treasurer, Vic-K4VHX, was absent from the meeting. His report was given by K4MWD Mike. The status as of 11-17-2008 is as follows: Checking - \$1,670.52 and Savings - \$2,678.60 for a total in assets of \$4,349.12. ON MOTION, the Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

**Correspondence:** World Radio Magazines for November and December were received. A "Thank You" card from Martin-K4TDB for the help was sent by EARS.

## Committee Reports

### *Sunshine:*

- Keith-KC5AS is recovering ok, but Mana fell and broke her arm.
- John-W4VMD had recent surgery and is recovering ok.

**RACES:** Matthew-KE4VEM reported there will be

a Wednesday evening net on 146.745 MHz but no net on Thursday this month.

### *DX:*

- JR-K9HUY reported that still nothing is heard from Marion Island.
- Crozet Island is expected on December 10, and Deseches Island between Jan. and March, 09.

### *Hamfest:*

- The Peace River Club would like to have 3 volunteers to help coordinate Charlotte County Hamfest.
- Tom-WA3PRC would like an HF station set up at the hamfest.

## Old Business

The Boca Bop went very well with eight volunteers. The 146.865 rpt. was used for communications

## New Business

Nominations taken for EARS officers were taken as follows: President - open; Vice-President Tom Hawes, WA3PRC; Secretary - open and Treasurer - Mike Daly, K4MWD. Trustees as follows: Matthew Henry, KE4VEM; Larry Lucio, W2FTL; and Pam Eggleton, K1UEG.

## Comments

- Christmas Party - Get your reservations and payment in ASAP to Marty-N4FA.
- World Radio Magazine - JR-K9HUY reported the magazine will soon be taken over by CQ.

**After Meeting Program** was Part Two of the Hallicrafters film "To War and Home Again" showing the BC-610 transmitter (HT-4) stages of production and use in military service.

# ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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Englewood, FL 34295

<b>President</b> Matthew Henry-KE4VEM 380-5980	<b>Vice-President</b> Thomas Hawes-WA3PRC 627-4644	<b>Secretary</b> Ken Anderson-W4JQT 475-3172 Ken Blackshaw-W1NQT 474-0662	<b>Treasurer</b> Vic Emmelkamp-K4VHX 473-5560
<b>Trustee</b> Martin Horowitz-N4FA 473-1123	<b>Trustee</b> Pamela Eggleton-K1UEG 475-9727	<b>Trustee</b> Keith Kelly, KC5AS 697-9325	<b>Trustee Emeritus</b> Don Spencer-WA4IWL 508-234-8070

## EARS Meeting

ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30PM. Meeting location is the ENGLEWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 700 E. Dearborn St. (Pine St. & River Road).

Contact one of the officers for directions to the meeting room.

*Interested in becoming an EARS member or becoming an Amateur Radio operator? Please contact one of the EARS club officers for details.*



## Adjournment

ON MOTION, there being no further business to discuss, President Matthew-KE4VEM adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.

Ken Anderson, W4JQT  
Secretary

## EARS Directory Update

Please make the following change to your EARS membership directory and Email address book:  
Tom Hawes, WA3PRC's new permanent Email address is: [wa3prc@embarqmail.com](mailto:wa3prc@embarqmail.com)

## Internet Sites to Explore

No Internet Sites reported this month  
*If you find links which might be useful to hams, please forward them to the editor.*

## - Local Happenings -

**VE Exam Sessions:** The exams are given at 9:30 A.M. the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month in the conference room of the Venice public library, 300 South Nokomis Avenue, Venice, FL. The exam cost is \$14.00. Contact Jack Sproat-W4JS, [w4js@juno.com](mailto:w4js@juno.com), 475-1929.

**RACES:** Communications Training Nets are held on the last Thursday and Friday of each month. The Wednesday night Emergency Communications Information Net begins at 8PM on 146.745 (-) MHz. On Thursday the Englewood EOC will conduct their Tactical Net beginning at 9:30AM on 146.865 (-) MHz.

**QCWA Chapter 53 Meeting:** 11:30 A.M., 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at Denny's on Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, October through May, and the Panda Pavilion in Venice June through September.

**Snowbird Net:** Net is twice daily; first on 14.293 MHz at 10:00AM and on 7.230+- MHz at 7:00 P.M.

**Connecticut Connection Net:** Net is twice daily at 8:00 A.M. on 14.340+- MHz and at 7:30 P.M. on 7.225 MHz immediately after the Snowbird net.

## Two Meter Nets

EARS	Simplex 146.550	Wednesday	7:30pm
NPARC	147.120+	Tuesday	8:00pm
CARS	146.745-	Daily	8:30am
TARC	Simplex 146.580	Tuesday	7:30pm
TARC	145.610-	Thursday	7:30pm

**Weekly Area Amateur Breakfasts:**

- Tuesday, 7 A.M. at Denny's in Englewood
- Tuesday, 8 A.M. at Angeles in Englewood
- Tuesday, 8 A.M. at Peach's in Venice .
- Friday, 8 A.M. at Denny's, 1681 US 41 Bypass, Venice.

### **Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale, Trade, Want to Buy**

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#### **For Sale:**

**Ameritron AL-80B HF Linear Amplifier, mint condition** . . . . . \$800.00

Contact: Jim Lawlor, KB2NZ, (941) 423-8051

*Contact the Editor to add your FS, Trade or WTB.*

#### **December Florida Hamfests**

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<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html>

- ◆ 6-7 Dec 2008 West Central Florida Section Convention (The Tampa Bay Hamfest), Florida Gulf Coast Amateur Radio Council Manatee Civic Center, 1 Haben Boulevard, Palmetto, FL, <http://www.tampabayhamfest.org>, Talk-In: 146.955 (PL 100Hz), Contact: Keating Floyd, KC4HSI, c/o Tampa Bay Hamfest, PO Box 22042-2042, Tampa, FL 33622, Phone: 813-765-8916, Fax: 866-684-7478, Email: [chairman@fgcarc.org](mailto:chairman@fgcarc.org)
- ◆ 13 Dec 2008 Silver Springs Radio Club, Green Clover Hall (field & parking lots, SE 25th Avenue & Ft. King Street, Ocala, FL, <http://www.qsl.net/ssrc/hamfest/index.html>, Talk-In: 146.61 (PL 123), Contact: William Miller, N6WGM, 3381 SW 46th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34474, Phone: 352-873-2017, Fax: 352-873-2017, Email: [n6wgm@cfl.rr.com](mailto:n6wgm@cfl.rr.com)

#### **December Special Events**

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<http://www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html>

- ◆ Dec 1-Dec 16, 0000Z-2359Z, Istanbul, TURKEY. AKUT DXpedition Team, TC12AKUT. 12th anniversary of AKUT Search & Rescue Association and the 1st activity of the AKUT DXpedition Team. All Bands. QSL. TA0U, PO Box 17, 34734 Sahra-i Cedid, Istanbul, TURKEY. [www.qrz.com/TC12AKUT](http://www.qrz.com/TC12AKUT)
- ◆ Dec 5-Dec 8, 0600Z-0559Z, San Angelo, TX. Donald Goff, AB5BG. Remembering Pearl Harbor. 28.400 21.300 14.265 7.235. Certificate. Donald Goff, 1210 Ardmore, San Angelo, TX 76905. [ab5bg@wcc.net](mailto:ab5bg@wcc.net)
- ◆ Dec 6-Dec 7, 1400Z-2200Z, Wheeling, WV. Northern Panhandle Amateur Radio Club, W8ZQ. Winter Festival of Lights at Oglebay Park. 145.52 18.120 14.250 7.250. Certificate. WB8CTC, PO Box 192, Blaine, OH 43912. [fishcrick@aol.com](mailto:fishcrick@aol.com) or [www.nparc.us](http://www.nparc.us)
- ◆ Dec 6-Dec 9, 1400Z-0400Z, Linthicum, MD. Historical Electronics Museum Amateur Radio Club, W2W. Pearl Harbor Anniversary. 14.241 14.041 7.241 7.041. Certificate. W2W, MS 4015 Box 1693, Baltimore, MD

- 21203. [www.hemarc.us](http://www.hemarc.us)
- ◆ Dec 7, 1500Z-2245Z, Baton Rouge, LA. Baton Rouge and USS Kidd Amateur Radio Clubs, W5KID. Pear Harbor Day. 15 20 40 m Gen bands. QSL. USS Kidd Special Event, 305 S River Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. [www.lsu.edu/brarc/uss\\_kidd.htm](http://www.lsu.edu/brarc/uss_kidd.htm)
- ◆ Dec 7, 1600Z-2100Z, Wichita, KS. Wichita Memorial VFW Post 3115, W0VFW. Pearl Harbor, Radio Silence at 1855, time of first bomb. 14.283. Certificate. Marc Hammann, Wichita Memorial VFW Post 3115, 4801 West Douglas Ave, Wichita, KS 67209. [www.vfw3115.org](http://www.vfw3115.org)
- ◆ Dec 7, 1700Z-2359Z, San Diego, CA. USS Midway CV-41 Museum Radio Room, NI6IW. Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. SSB 14.325 7.250 CW 14.060 7.040 BPSK 7.070-7.080 MT63 14.109 7.037 RTTY 14.080 7.080. QSL. USS Midway CV-41 Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA 92101. [af6ha@yahoo.com](mailto:af6ha@yahoo.com)
- ◆ Dec 7, 1800Z-2300Z, Interlachen, FL. USS Essex CVS-9 Aircraft Carrier, WA2SEI. Remembering Pearl Harbor. 14.250 50.135. QSL. Raymond Czyzewski, 224 Louise Ave, Interlachen, FL 32148. [wa2sei@yahoo.com](mailto:wa2sei@yahoo.com) or [www.qrz.com/wa2sei](http://www.qrz.com/wa2sei)
- ◆ Dec 13-Dec 14, 1400Z-2200Z, Royal Palm Beach, FL. Major Edwin H. Armstrong Memorial Radio Club, W2XMN. 75th Anniversary of the invention of FM radio. SSB 14.270 7.270 FM 52.525 29.600. QSL. Major EH Armstrong FM Association, PO Box 1584, Loxahatchee, FL 33470. [www.freewebs.com/mafma](http://www.freewebs.com/mafma)
- ◆ Dec 13-Dec 14, 1600Z-0400Z, Coos Bay, OR. Coos County Radio Club, K7CCH. 22nd annual Holiday Lights at Shore Acres State Park. 14.260 14.250 14.270 3.980. QSL. Coos County Radio Club, PO Box 698, Coos Bay, OR 97420. [carl-3@charter.net](mailto:carl-3@charter.net)
- ◆ Dec 13-Dec 15, 1400Z-0200Z, Nazareth-Bethlehem, PA. Christmas City and Delaware-Lehigh ARCs, WX3MAS. Annual Christmas greetings from the Twin Christmas Cities. 28.465 21.365 14.265 7.270 3.970. Certificate. CCARC/DLARC WX3MAS, Greystone Building Gracedale Complex, RR 8, Nazareth, PA 18064. Times are daily. [www.dlarc.org](http://www.dlarc.org)
- ◆ Dec 18-Dec 23, 2300Z-0200Z, Belen, NM. Valencia County Amateur Radio Club, KC5OUR. Celebrating Christmas from Bethlehem (Belen) New Mexico. 21.368 14.268 7.268. QSL. VCARA, PO Box 268, Peralta, NM 87042. [www.qsl.net/kc5our](http://www.qsl.net/kc5our)
- ◆ Dec 20-Dec 21, 0000Z-2000Z, Flint, MI. Genesee County Radio Club, W8ACW. Genesee County Radio Club 75th Anniversary Special Event. 14.270 7.270 PSK RTTY CW. QSL. Genesee County Radio Club Inc, via K8LJG, 3528 Craig Dr, Flint, MI 48506. [www.qsl.net/w8acw](http://www.qsl.net/w8acw)

#### **December WA7BNM Contest Calendar**

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

- ◆ ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 2
- ◆ ARCI Topband Sprint 0000Z-0600Z, Dec 4
- ◆ NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 5

- ◆ ARRL 160-Meter Contest 2200Z, Dec 5 to 1600Z, Dec 7
- ◆ TARA RTTY Melee 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 6
- ◆ Wake-Up! QRP Sprint 0400Z-0429Z, Dec 6 and, 0430Z-0459Z, Dec 6 and, 0500Z-0529Z, Dec 6 and, 0530Z-0600Z, Dec 6
- ◆ TOPS Activity Contest 1600Z, Dec 6 to 1759Z, Dec 7
- ◆ NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Dec 10
- ◆ NA High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally 0000Z, Dec 11 to 0200Z, Dec 15
- ◆ NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 12
- ◆ ARRL 10-Meter Contest 0000Z, Dec 13 to 2400Z, Dec 14
- ◆ MDXA PSK Death Match 0000Z, Dec 13 to 2400Z, Dec 14
- ◆ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 14
- ◆ NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 19
- ◆ AGB-Party Contest 2100Z-2400Z, Dec 19
- ◆ Russian 160-Meter Contest 2100Z-2300Z, Dec 19
- ◆ OK DX RTTY Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 20
- ◆ Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party 0001Z, Dec 20 to 2359Z, Jan 4
- ◆ Croatian CW Contest 1400Z, Dec 20 to 1400Z, Dec 21
- ◆ International Naval Contest 1600Z, Dec 20 to 1559Z, Dec 21
- ◆ Feld Hell Sprint 2100Z-2400Z, Dec 20
- ◆ ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint 2000Z-2400Z, Dec 21
- ◆ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 22
- ◆ SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Dec 24
- ◆ DARC Christmas Contest 0830Z-1059Z, Dec 26
- ◆ RAC Winter Contest 0000Z-2359Z, Dec 27
- ◆ Stew Perry Topband Challenge 1500Z, Dec 27 to 1500Z, Dec 28
- ◆ Original QRP Contest 1500Z, Dec 27 to 1500Z, Dec 28
- ◆ RAEM Contest 0200Z-0959Z, Dec 28

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