

# WA4IWL NEWSLETTER

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June 2013



**Be sure to attend our meeting this Thursday for Field Day Planing!**

## SECRETARY'S REPORT



**Secretary Marcia Fowler KA1GCV**

EARS MEETING MAY 16, 2013

Pam K1UEG called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm; asked Tom WA3PRC to lead the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 11 members and 1 visitor present.

The Secretary's report by Marcia KA1GCV was accepted as written in the newsletter.

The Treasurer's report was sent by Vic K4VHX showing a balance of \$4921.34 and was accepted by the group.

Committee Reports:

Sunshine: All okay....no requests were asked to be sent.

RACES: Charlie K1QNF gave a short report. Drills are going well.

Publicity: none.

Testing: same

DX: Tom WA3PRC reported no change; please see his report.

Hamfests: Daytona tomorrow. Lots of discussion on Armed Forces Day re: HAMS and the Military.

Old Business: none

New Business: FIELD DAY weekend is next month; the day after our June meeting!! Friday will be set-up

day. The club radio will be brought back for the weekend. Who has what was discussed in length re: retrieving, gathering, and transporting same to the site; operators and times were discussed. Picnic is planned for Sunday....Tom will purchase; Frank will cook. Wives will bring desserts. We all will have a good time!!

Pam K1UEG suggested different things we could do together. She stated that different clubs do updates on lighthouses, such as on Snake Island, or Rhodes Island. This needs more discussion, but sounds like fun! Stay tuned.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and was accepted by all present. Adjournment was at 8:25 pm.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2013 at 7:30 pm....REMEMBER...it's the day before FIELD DAY!!!! YAY!!!!

Respectfully submitted by:  
Marcia Fowler KA1GCV  
Secretary

Next meeting June 20th  
7:30 PM  
Englewood United Methodist  
Church

## DX REPORT



Sorry, I haven't been radio active lately



73s Tom WA3PRC

## HAMFESTS/CONVENTIONS

Nothing local, visit [arrl.org/hamfests](http://arrl.org/hamfests)

## LOCAL

### VE Exam Sessions:

7:00 p.m. on the Third Wednesday of the month at the Century Link Building at the corner of Harbor and S Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL.

Bring 2 forms of ID, your current license if upgrading and \$15

Contact Gino at 941-629-7933 for more info.

Click here for the next scheduled session.

[http://www.arrl.org/exam\\_sessions/port-charlotte-fl-33952-9999-18](http://www.arrl.org/exam_sessions/port-charlotte-fl-33952-9999-18)

**RACES:** Communications Training Nets are held on the last Wednesday and Thursday of each month. The Wednesday night Emergency Communications Information Net begins at 8 PM on 146.745(-)MHZ with a PL of 136.5

### 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 14.317 MHz at 10:00AM and on 7.233+- MHz at 7:00 P.M.

**Connecticut Connection Net:** Net is twice daily at 8:00 A.M. on 14.343+- MHz and at 6:40 P.M. on 7.184+- MHz.

### Two Meter Nets

EARS 146.550 - Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

NPARC 147.120 Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

CARS 146.745 - Daily 8:30 a.m.

TARC's website is at: <http://tamiamiarc.org/>

PRRA 146.255 - Sunday 8:00 p.m.

NICE 146.430 - Daily 8:30 p.m.

## LOCAL REPEATERS

MHz (-) Tone

145.130 (-) N4SER Laurel/SERC

145.430 100 NI4CE Verna/Big Stick

146.570 N4XJQ Punta Gorda

146.5900 W0AC 136.5 North Port

**146.700 77 N4EAR Englewood/EARS**

146.730 100 N4SER Sarasota/SERC

146.745 136.5 WX4E Charlotte County/ARC

146.775 77 K0DGF Englewood

146.805 100T W4AC Venice/TARC

**146.865 K8ONV Port Charlotte/EARS.**

146.910 W4IE Sarasota/ARA (A)

146.925 N4ZNU Port Charlotte

147.015 KS4ST Port Charlotte

147.120 136.5 K4NPT North Port/NPARC

147.255 136.5 W4DUX Port Charlotte/PRRA

442.050 100 KB2WVY Placida/Stewart

442.100. 136.5 KA9RIX North Port

442.700 136.5 N4FOB Port Charlotte

442.925 136.5 W4DUX Port Charlotte/PRRA

442.950 100 K4WCF Big Stick

444.625 77T K0DGF Englewood

444.975 136.5 KS4ST Punta Gorda/CARS

## Letters to the Editor

TNX for the newsletter, Mike.

A few comments.

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I noted your quote from the QRZ.com page for W8OK. While I never heard Frank speak of "Skywarn" I know he was the founding father of the Dayton Hamvention, which became the largest hamfest in this country. He died just about the time a Hamvention was under way up in Dayton. Frank was also an active member of the TARC and QCWA Chapter 53--in fact, he snookered me into becoming the chapter president after him. I recall how Frank and his son-in-law built one of the early Elecraft radios—back when you had to wind all the torroids from scratch. Frank was so proud of that radio that he gave a program at QCWA describing its features. (Elecraft makes it a lot easier nowadays to assemble their great K3, etc.) Frank was strictly a CW DXer. No matter what any of us worked, when we told Frank of our accomplishment his standard response was "Junk DX." Frank used to winter over at the Ramblers Rest and there were enough ham snowbirds there that the owner gave them use of a buildings to set up a ham radio station. So, those are some of my memories of W8OK.

73,

Jack Sproat-W4JS

(EARS President 1998 thru 2000)

## From the Editor



**Have fun at Field Day  
and listen for K4MWD  
from the lake.**

**Mike K4MWD**

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