

# Irving ARC, Inc. Newsletter Nov. 2011

Irving Amateur Radio Club Inc.

P.O. Box 153333, Irving, TX 75015-3333

The Friendly Bunch - Website <http://www.irvingarc.org>

WA5CKF Repeaters:

146.72 (110.9 Hz) - 224.40 - 442.675 MHz - Public Service

President - James Comer KB5FVS,

Vice President - Stan Disbrow WA2KQY, Treasurer - Chris Shanahan KE5KPC

Board Members - James Shugart N5BKL, Dennis Riise K5AVT,

Bob Alexander W5AH, and Tom Sheussler N5HYP



## Happy Birthday!

### December:

- ▲ N5HYP Tom Schuessler
- ▲ KF5GYU Susie Hubbard
- ▲ KE5YCJ Lance Parkes
- ▲ WA5RWO Raymond Jeffcoat
- ▲ KE5KGGK Nick Disher
- ▲ KF5FRV Tim Fooks
- ▲ Assoc. Cindy Borba

### November:

- ▲ KF5JAV Duncan Parkes
- ▲ KF5HDU Kent Weeks
- ▲ N5LF Bill Haney
- ▲ ASSOC. Melodye Green
- ▲ N5PLT Tommy Carver
- ▲ N5CSG Ray McCoy

## WELCOME to the "Friendly Bunch"

New member

Jim Bratton KF5MYB

## Weekly Wednesday Morning Breakfast

Every Wednesday at 8:30AM, a group of IARC Inc. members and guests gather for breakfast, coffee, etc., at McDonald's, 2410 N. Story Rd. and 183, (East side of Story, before Rochelle).

Please join us for breakfast!

## Texas 2M FM Simplex Challenge

Sunday, December 11, 2011, 2 PM to 5 PM CST

Full rules and information at  
[www.txvhffm.org/documents/challengerules.pdf](http://www.txvhffm.org/documents/challengerules.pdf)

## Upcoming Meetings:

### Board Meeting:

December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

### General Meeting:

IARC Inc. general meeting ( Nov. 17th, 2011 ) At  
Senter Park East Recreation Building, 228  
Chamberlain, Irving, Texas

*Lee K5LMH will show pictures from past  
Christmas parties*

## Yes it is that time of the year again!!!!

IARC Inc. 2012 dues were due Sept. 1, 2011. Past due Nov. 1, 2011. Dues are \$15.00 per year, family members are \$7.50 (living in the same household).

Those that have paid their 2012 dues --- Thank You.

You may bring your dues to the general meeting on Nov. 17, 2011 at 7:30PM at Senter Park East or mail them to:

IARC Inc.

P.O. Box 153333

Irving, TX. 75015-3333

Thank You .

Coleta M. Taylor KD5QFH PIO

Ph. # 972-579-9089

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## Monthly Newsletter Recipe Mashed Potatoes with Corn

### Ingredients

1. 4 medium baking potatoes
2. 1/2 C. milk
3. 2 ears fresh sweet corn (to make 1 C. kernels)
4. 4 Tbs. butter
5. Salt, freshly ground black pepper, and cayenne

### Directions

Peel and quarter the potatoes. Bring a saucepan of salted water to the boil, add the potatoes and boil them, partially covered, for 15 to 20 minutes, until the potatoes are tender. While the potatoes are cooking, heat the milk in a small saucepan, add the raw corn kernels, butter, and seasonings, and heat until the butter melts. When the potatoes are done, put them through a ricer or coarse strainer. Mix in the corn and milk mixture and beat until fluffy. If the potatoes are too stiff, add a little more milk. Makes 4 servings.

*Recipe courtesy Coleta KD5QFH*



## **WA5CKF Walking Fox Hunt**

On Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at Fritz Park in Irving, Irving ARC Inc officers set up 2 hidden transmitters. Both were eventually found by our fox hunters. Thanks to James and Chris for a great hunt, and we look forward to the next!

## **IARC Inc. CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Invitation for a fun night of visiting and good food with friends and family

DATE: Thursday, December 15, 2011

TIME: 6PM

LOCATION: Golden Corral  
1701 N. Beltline Rd. Irving, TX,

Ph # 972-790-6665

**WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE!!!!**

**BRING A GIFT – RECEIVE A GIFT**

Note: At the time you purchase your meal, there will be a 15% gratuity added.

## **Irving Amateur Radio Club, Inc. Membership Drive Contest**

WHO: IARC, INC. MEMBERS

WHEN: July 28, 2011 thru November 30, 2011

WHERE: Irving, Texas and Vicinity

WHY: Increase active membership

HOW: Follow the following requirements below and win a VHF Mobile or VHF Portable.

1. Qualifications are that the participant must be a current full club member.
2. Prizes: 1st Prize shall be a VHF Mobile Radio w/Mic and Power Cord. 2nd prize shall be VHF Portable radio w/normal accessories of an antenna, battery and charger.
3. Family membership [Has a license] is also qualified to participate.
4. Associate members are not eligible to participate in this contest.
5. A non-licensed applicant can count if they take and pass an Amateur license exam before November 30, 2011 using a signed CSE as proof.
6. Any persons that tie for 1st or 2nd place shall both receive the appropriate prize.
7. The membership applications have been modified with a place for Name & Call of the person recommending applicant and a  
NOTE: line to insert the word 'CONTEST'.  
See the membership tab on the web site [www.irvingarc.org](http://www.irvingarc.org) for an on-line or printable membership application.
8. Expired full memberships over a year old are considered fair game for this contest.

All disputes shall be resolved ONLY by the IARC, Inc., Board of Directors. Rules above have been ratified by: IARC, Inc., Board of Directors meeting, June 9, 2011.

**Signed,**

**James D. Comer Jr. KB5FVS**

**President IARC, INC.**

Irving Amateur Radio Club, Inc.  
Minutes of Business Meeting 10-13-11

Meeting called to order by James KB5FVS at 19:36.

Members Present: James KB5FVS, Chris KE5KPC, Coleta KD5QFH, Dennis K5AVT, Doyle AD5KE, James N5BKL, Tom N5HYP, Stan WA2KQY, Bob W5AH, Bill AC5BC, Tim KF5FRV

Prayer by Tom and pledge by membership.

Special Concerns:     Silent Key Ray Story K5ANG and Cameron Mears WX0SKY  
                              Chuck Beaupre was suppose to have surgery. Jim W5OMG is doing well.

Treasurer's report for the month of September 2011. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Bob, seconded by Tom. Motion passed.

Minutes of the business meeting on September 8, 2011 were passed out for members to read. Motion by Bob to accept the minutes and seconded by Dennis. Motion passed.

Minutes of the general meeting on September 22, 2011 were passed out for members to read. Motion by Bob to accept the minutes and seconded by Dennis. Motion passed.

Current Business:

New ARRL North Texas Section Manager is Walt Mayfield KE5SOO.

This is Stan's first official meeting as Vice President.

Membership drive is on going through November 30. The drawing is at Golden Corral during the Christmas party.

Coleta took the tax records to the CPA and has not heard anything back yet. She will call and inquire in the next few days.

Scout Activates:

About two weeks ago we had a proof of concept for the JOTA fox hunt. We found out that we can have the hunt. Tom found out that the article that was published in QST was also published in Boys Life so the some of the scouts may have an idea of what the fox hunt is.

We are about 4 licensed operators to help in rotating people on breaks. Tom has made announcements on the traffic nets for a person or two to help with the NTS message table.

JOTA set up on the inside will be at 6:00pm on Friday 10-14-11 and inside set up will be 6:30am on Saturday 10-15-11.

James N5BKL is donating ~~the use of~~ some short run coax cables to use in the museum and not the hard line the club has.

Dennis has yet to order the Kenwood power supplies. He will place the order soon.

Repeater work is still ongoing, Dennis was ill and not yet 100%.

We still have \$300 approved and when we begin work on the repeater, we will discuss.

James Bratton KF5MYB is applying for full membership. He is a newly licensed tech. James made motion to accept his application, Dennis second passed

2012 dues are due if you have not already done so. Thanks

Texas Hamorama is 10-21-11 and 10-22-11.

Dale Finley KB5NFT is going to give a program on D-Star at the next general meeting.

Larry Essary K5XG is looking for donations of \$200 for the Boy scouts to help put up an antenna on a tower out at camp wisdom. Dennis made motion to spend the funds and Tom seconded, motion passed.

Dennis asked us to look at asking help from other clubs to help out at JOTA. Doyle said GP may be good idea to ask. It was also brought up that we start soliciting for help earlier in the summer.

Irving Hamfest is coming up soon. We should start planning soon.

Motion to adjourn was made by James N5BKL, seconded by Tom at 21:39. Motion passed.  
Minutes submitted by Chris KE5KPC

Irving Amateur Radio Club, Inc.  
Minutes of General Meeting 10-27-11

Meeting called to order by James KB5FVS at 19:42

Members Present: James Comer KB5FVS, Chris Shanahan KE5KPC, Lee Vincent K5LMH, Stan Disbrow WA2KQY, Jim Nordgren W8EP, Doyle Taylor AD5KE, Amelia Shultz KD5TXQ, Tom Schuessler N5HYP, Lance Parkes KE5YCK, Duncan Parkes KF5JAV, Collin Parkes KE5YCJ, Coleta Taylor KD5QFH, Dennis Brady W5FRS, Bob Alexander W5AH, James Shugart N5BKL, Robert Johnson KF5AZJ, Ray McCoy N5CGS, Bill Byrom N5BB

Guests: Jim Bratton KF5MYB, Dale Finley KB5NFT

SK: Cameron Mears WX0SKY

Membership concerns: Dennis Riies may have had a stroke and was taken to the hospital.

Prayer by Jim W8EP and pledge by membership.

Jim Bratton KF5MBY new member. He is applying for full membership. Motion to accept application was made by Coleta and seconded by Bob. Application accepted.

We have a new ARRL Section Manager for North Texas, Walt Mayfield, KE5SOO

Happy Birthday to our members.

Secretary position is open and needs to be filled please

Membership drive is going through November 30 and prizes will be awarded at the Christmas Party

We will have our Christmas party at the Golden Corral on December 15 at 6pm. We will announce the winner of the membership drive. The party will be a white elephant gift exchange like we have had in the past. So bring your family for food and fun.

VE testing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 8:30am.

Fox hunt winner was Tom S and we will send out a message to the membership.

Stan mentioned that we need to form a Bylaw Committee to review the bylaws and make sure they are current and up to date. Chair will be Stan WA2KQY, members: Tom N5HYP, Chris KE5KPC, Bill N5BB. We will get together in the near future to begin the process.

Scout Activities:

JOTA was on Oct 15. The event went real well and was a success. Scouts liked the fox hunt and one scout participated in all 5 we conducted.

The next Radio Merit Badge Class is February 4, 2012 and Jota will be October 20, 2012

Dale Finley KB5NFT gave a program on D-Star

50/50 drawing was \$26 total for a \$13 split and the winner was Doyle AD5KE

Motion to adjourn at 21:26 made by Bill and seconded by Lance, motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Chris KE5KPC