

# IARC, Inc News



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

**JUNE 2007**

## **Upcoming Scheduled Meetings**

Next scheduled Board Meeting July 12, 7:30 p.m. at Heritage Park

Next scheduled General Meeting June 28, 7:30 p.m. at Senter Park East.

Clean out your Ham Shack and bring it to the Swap Table at the General Meeting each month

## **Monthly Fox Hunt**

A monthly Fox Hunt is held on each Sunday following the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday general club meeting. Starting point is SH183 & Story Road in the parking lot on the northwest corner at 1:30 pm. Winner of the hunt gets to be the FOX next time. All Amateur Radio operators are welcome.

## ARRL Field Day -- June 23 --24, 2007

Running Bear Park --2601 S. Story (south of Shady Grove)

Set up time 8am Sat. June 23. ---HELP NEEDED

Contest time 1pm Sat. June 23 until 1pm Sun. June 24.  
OPERATORS NEEDED

Break Down -- 1Pm Sun June 24--- HELP NEEDED

Map and info on web site [www.irvingarc.org](http://www.irvingarc.org)

The following refreshments will be furnished by Coleta KD5QFH and Doyle AD5KE:

Sandwich lunch Sat. June 23 –

Breakfast Sun. Morning 7am .June 24

Coffee, unsweetened tea, plates, cups, napkins, knives, forks and spoons, cream, sugar and sweetener, will be furnished.

**Each one needs to bring their water, ice, drinks and snacks.**

### **POT LUCK Dinner 6pm. Sat . June 23**

Bring your family dinner and spread it together for a fun afternoon.

Coffee, unsweetened tea, plates, cups, napkins, knives, forks and spoons, cream, sugar and sweetener, **will be furnished.**

**Extra ice is needed.**

All are welcome to attend.

### **Equipment for Sale**

- 1 Rohn 25G tower self bracket + thrust bearing
- 1 Ham 4 rotor+ cable
- 1 Scanner monitor antenna 30-950mhz
- 1 450 ohm plastic ladder line 100ft

You can reach me by calling 972-570-0736 or e-mail [gsei904677@aol.com](mailto:gsei904677@aol.com)

Garry wd8cqz

David Osborne N5MHG

Asking \$400.00

The AL-811 is a HF amp. 160-10 with WARC bands. Three 811 tubes, recently replaced. Nominal 500 watts with 50 watts drive. Has ALC. Some small scratching on case from other equipment. Has manual, no box. 10 meter mode has been done. Works good.

Asking \$175.00

The ATR-15 is a legal limit HF tuner. 160-10. Covers WARC bands. Has power out and SWR. Never been arced. Cabinet same as AL-811. Comes with manual, no box.

#817-907-3092 leave message and I will return calls.

E-mail [bigstatetool@yahoo.com](mailto:bigstatetool@yahoo.com) I will answer all inquires.

Thank you,

David Osborne  
N5MHG

## Upcoming VE Test Sessions

VE Testing Sessions are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 8:30 am Betcha Bingo #2 2420 Irving Blvd (Story and Irving Blvd), Irving, TX you will need:

2 forms of identification – one must include photo

Pencils or pens (black or blue)

Your current Amateur Radio License (if you have one) and a copy of same to file with your application; your CSCE; and a copy of same, if you have completed relative elements at a prior session

\*\*\$14.00 exam fee\*\*

Contact for further information

Chuck Beaupre 972/745-8456

Dennis Riise 972/255-8187

Doyle Taylor 972/579-9089

## Recipe

Serves 4 "tall Texans" or 6 "steel magnolias"

Filling:

1 cup sugar

3 egg yolks (reserve whites for meringue)

3 rounded tablespoons flour

2 cups whole milk



**Ham Shack**  
**Dennis Brady – Chairman**

We have recently restored the IARC station to full operation on bands 80 – 10. There are two functional stations available for use. Contact Dennis Brady 972/790-9026 or any of the Club officers to gain access to the station/equipment.

**Minutes**

**IARC Inc. Business meeting minutes of May 10, 2007 at Heritage Park, Irving, TX.**

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Dennis Riise, approx 7:30Pm.

Prayer by Ray McCoy

Pledge of allegiance by the membership.

8 signed the roster --- 5 board -- 4 members

Motion by Bob Alexander to accept business meeting minutes April 12, 2007 as read by Secretary Coleta Taylor, second by Raymond Jeffcoat, motion carried

Motion by Richard Bartlett to accept minutes for the General meeting April 26, 2007 as read by Secretary Coleta Taylor, second by Bob Alexander, motion carried.

Treasurer Report 4/30, 2007 by Doyle:

\*\* NOTE -- donation check to Vision Impact (Great Days of service) was written.

Motion to accept by Richard Bartlett and second by Raymond Jeffcoat, motion carried.

Motion by Coleta for the purchase of streets and trips, 2 -Rhion 150 W inverters and 2 chill pads for the 2 laptops by Richard Bartlett and second by Doyle motion carried.

Motion by Coleta, to have all monies in the repeater fund transferred to general account, therefore having only one account, General Account, second by Richard Bartlett motion carried.

After the discussion of the need to move the IARC Inc. 2 Kohler Generators stored at Two Classic, Irving TX. By the end of May, 2007, new owners.

Motion by Richard Bartlett to have sealed bids, two for one price, pictures and email will be sent to all IARC Inc. members, to be opened at the general meeting May 24. Email bids will be accepted and sealed by Coleta. If no bid, others will be contacted for a donation and removable of the generators. Second by Ray McCoy, motion carried.

\*\*\* NOTE --Richard Bartlett and Doyle Taylor to get pictures and Coleta will send to all members

Due to other commitments and not being at the April 26, 2007 installation of the IARC Inc. 2007 officer and directors. Richard Bartlett KE6LOU was installed as director 2007-2008 by Coleta Taylor KD5QFH, IARC Inc. Secretary.

Discussion:

Dennis Riise -- the need to purchase a duplexer for the 450 repeater UHF

Reminder:

Arbonet Flight # 2 cancelled due to weather --next flight date TBA

May 24, 2007 IARC Inc General meeting:

Bharathi Prasad VU2RBI from NEW DELHI, INDIA will have the program for the night, on her experience with DX and disaster management through Ham radio in India.

Next Fox Hunt will be May 27 the FOX will be Joshua KD5ZBD

Ham Com June 8-9. 2007

The Plano Centre

2000 East Spring Creek Parkway

Plano, TX.

June 23-24, 2007 Field Day-Running Bear Park Irving, TX.

The Park has been reserved per Tom N5HYP.

Meeting adjourned approx 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

IARC Inc. Secretary

Coleta M. Taylor KD5QFH

**IARC Inc. minutes of general meeting May 24, 2007, at Senter Park East Irving, TX.**

The meeting was called to order approx 7:30 Pm by Pres. Dennis Riise

Prayer by Ray McCoy

Pledge of allegiance by the membership and guests

15 Members, 7 guest Program speaker Bharathi Prasad VU2RBI, her daughter, D.S. Mahathi VU3DSM, nieces Priya Chitta, Pranathi Chitta and their Dad ,Suresh Chitta, Gary Moncrief KA5KPC and Melissa Allred gave their name and call sign.

Bharathi Prasad VU2RBI from NEW DELHI, INDIA had the program for the night, on her experience with DX and disaster management through Ham radio in India. Very informative.

Refreshments of cookies and cold drinks by Amelia Shultz were enjoyed by all present.

!!!! CONGRATULATION!!!!

New General licensee ---Mike Barnes W5IWZ A little history of this Family call sign. It was first his grandfather's Marvin E. Barnes, Bob Barnes'N5WZ dad. After he became a silent key his son Bill Barnes (Mike's uncle) got the call sign. Since Bill has become a silent key Mike applied for the W5IWZ call sign when he upgraded to general.

Reminder:

**Order IARC Inc. Club badge from The SignMan of Baton Rouge**  
<http://www.thesignman.com>

**Check the website-- IARC Club Badges [www.irvingarc.org](http://www.irvingarc.org)**

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Field Day & GOTA shirt and Pin order by Coleta will be sent in June 1, if you wish to order please contact her by email or phone.

50 /50 Raffle \$ 19.00--(\$ 9.50 each) the winner was Ray McCoy

The sealed bid by email for the 2 Kohler generator was opened, the only one was from Billy Geer KA5OZC for the gas generator. The bid was declined as the bid was to be for both generators. Billy will be contacted .Others will be contacted for the removal of the generators by the end of May 2007.

Condolences to Rose XYL of Bob Ingram KB5DNL SK. For sale listing of his Ham equipment will be sent to the IARC Inc. members

Meeting adjourn approx 9:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted  
IARC Inc. Secretary  
Coleta Taylor KD5QFH

### **News from Dayton:**

**Excerpts from remarks by:**

**Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH,**

**Special Counsel, Spectrum Enforcement Division, Enforcement Bureau, FCC.**

**As reported by Bert from QCWA**

Begin Quote:

The blatant rule violators - I think you can see that we are taking care of them, or most of them - on a gradual basis. Current violations are about what we would expect from a service your size. But what concerns me most is this: You still need to lighten up. I said that last year but you need to take it to heart more. All of you can learn from each other. And you need to work together

more and show a little more respect for your diverse interests and for the service as a whole. It isn't about you. It isn't about enforcement. It's about Amateur radio. Every time you get on the air, you need to decide what's most important to you---the best interests of Amateur radio as a whole, or your own pride or ego or "rights". I realize I may be preaching to the choir here, but on the air you need to be more cooperative and less argumentative - and I need you to take this message with you when you go home.

In a nutshell, I have good news and bad news. The good news: nothing is wrong with Amateur radio. It is a good service that is showing its value to the public on a daily basis. Bad news is that there is an element of Amateur radio that too often reflects present society generally. Whatever the phenomenon behind Road Rage (whatever that is) that's what I am talking about. All of you need to work together and depend upon the FCC less to solve your operating problems. We live in a rude, discourteous, profane, hotheaded society that loves its rights, prefers not to hear about its responsibilities, and that spills over into the Ham bands. You are the only service that has thousands of frequencies and hundreds useable at any given time of day or year---it was designed that way to give you alternatives, to have fail-safe back up plans and to experiment and lead technology. Even the public safety services don't have thousands of frequencies.

Now some frequencies are like bad neighborhoods. They are being cleaned up but it will take more time and it's just not something that happens overnight. We will get **there**.

We can enforce our rules but we can't enforce kindness and courtesy or common sense. And a very wise person once told me: "You just can't regulate stupid." If we could, we'd be working for the United Nations instead of the FCC.

To the Nets: Just because you have been on the same frequency for 75 years that doesn't mean you own it. All frequencies are shared. If you vary your frequency, or even if you don't have a net one night, the radio world isn't going to end.

To repeater owners: Just because you are coordinated doesn't mean you own the frequency. Coordination is a recommendation, not a frequency assignment. It's your call sign on the repeater and it's your station and your responsibility, just as if you had left the door open to your station at home. If there is abuse, lock the door. Don't ask us to be baby-sitters or hall monitors of your repeater that's what control operators are for. Nobody asked you to start a repeater. If you shut it down tomorrow, what would happen? People would use OTHER repeaters!

To the contesters: be more courteous. You are responsible for the frequency you are operating on and realize that's true even when you operate split. All frequencies are shared.

To those who don't like contesters: lighten UP!! Contests are short lived. Use the WARC bands. Wash the car. Cut the grass. Learn from the contesters and this applies to you Traffic net folks too: learn from the contesters-they pass information a lot faster and more efficiently than you do. Contesters are some of the best radio operators on planet Earth. If the contesters operated at the same pace as some of the emergency traffic nets, the contest would be over after the first few dozen signal strengths were exchanged!

To the widebanders: If you want to be a Broadcaster, apply for a broadcast license. Using extraordinarily wide bandwidth on crowded frequencies at peak operating time is rude and selfish and inconsiderate.

To the QRP'ers: Thank you thank you thank you for your vitality, inspiration, enthusiasm and for being BUILDERS again! I wish I could take your enthusiasm and spread it over all segments of Amateur radio When I watch you folks, I see the excitement and magic of my first contact.

To those who don't like QRP'ers: Lighten UP. ANYONE can use a linear amplifier as a crutch.

To the rag chew nets: 4 or 5 people meeting on the same frequency every night for 50 years using 1200 watts to talk a few hundred miles when 100 watts would do just fine is not a net-it's an informal roundtable. It ain't going to hurt you either to vary your frequency or skip a night. And the so-called "net" on 75 that bills itself as an Oasis of Amateur Radio---give us all a break - you are an ordinary roundtable, and no net is an Oasis of Amateur radio.

To those of you who don't like DXpeditions: Lighten UP! If a group of people want to spend a lot of money to go to a rock or sandbar in the ocean, live in a tent and swat flies and scorpions for a week and talk over Ham radio 24 hours a day, SO WHAT: LET 'EM DO IT!!. DXpeditions, too, are short lived, and such operation must be important to SOMEONE.

And to those of you who have been continual problems and we just haven't gotten to you yet: you now have a problem yourselves. Your renewals are coming up. YOU have the burden of proof in showing that you should have a license and YOU have to come to Washington to make your case and we are going to have a LOT of questions for you.

And finally, to all of you who will no doubt moan about the code being eliminated, I say this: IF it was such an earthshaking issue, why did less than 1% of you even file comments during the decision making process?? WHY is it important NOW but it wasn't important THEN? **HOW can it be a "filter", when the worst enforcement problems we have all passed a 13 or 20 WPM code test?**

Thank you again for all the incredible support you give our enforcement program. The self-regulating aspect of your service never ceases to amaze me! I can't imagine a BETTER group of licensees to work with. I have always had interesting jobs with the Commission and I am one of the few people on earth who like their job. I have always liked working at FCC, but you folks are the BEST and I am so thankful that I have gotten to work FOR you and WITH you and I sincerely thank you for that opportunity, and I sincerely admire you and respect you for all your passion and dedication

End Quote

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## Special News - Rail Spotting & Hams

By Valli Hoski

*Saturday, June 8 saw a great coming together of minds, and rail and radio enthusiasts!* Valli Hoski, N8QVT (VP Publications, North Texas Chapter, NRHS) and Skip Waters (VP Events, North Texas Chapter, NRHS) gave a collaborative and complimentary rail enthusiast and ham radio program at the 2007 North Texas amateur radio meet, HamCom, at the Plano Centre. The program was well-attended, especially for a 9 am, Sat. session! Both presenters and attendees proclaimed the program a grand success!

See the Ham Operators / Rail Enthusiasts program at  
[http://www.ntxnrhs.org/hamcom07\\_files/](http://www.ntxnrhs.org/hamcom07_files/)

see the North Texas Chapter's group photo and site at [www.ntxnrhs.org](http://www.ntxnrhs.org)  
(Valli's in the middle front with her RACES red rain slicker.)

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**Deadline for articles for July Newsletter is June 30**

## IARC Officers and Board Members

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