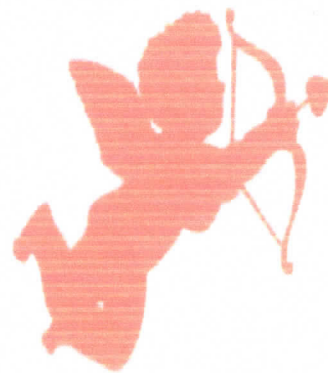




ZAARC

Zephyrhills Area Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 1534, Zephyrhills, FL.33539



"Club Call"

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Repeater Freq. 147.135+

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

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CLUB OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS...

President	Ron Russell	N8VFE
Vice President	Roger Brown	KA1IIP
Secretary	Joan Brown	N1KGQ
Treasurer	Kay Russell	N8WMP
Board Members:	Horace Jones	VE3BWH
	Joe Staples	VE3GSL
	Robert Walstrom	WB0GVM
	Leonard Lizotte	N1XCH
Rep.Trustee/Licensee	Ron Russell	N8VFE
Mailing	Karen Hewitt	N8VWN
	Gerald Hewitt	WB8GKY

All Ham's, YL's XYL's & OM's, are welcome



ZAARC Club Nets

2 Meter net

Monday at 7:00PM. On 147.135+

Net Controls

January 31, GeraldineKF4QOZ

February 7, Roger KA1IIP

February 14, HoraceVE3BWH

February 21, Gerald WB8GKY

February 28, Duane K8NEA

10 Meter Round Table

Wednesday at 8:00PM. On 28.330khz.USB

Let's remember to check in to our nets!



Monthly Meeting

Thursday February 24, 2005. At the Lions Den
 5827 Dean Dairy Rd. Zephyrhills Fl.

Come at 7:00P.M. And Chat

Meeting begins at exactly 7:30P.M.

Editors Note

Please let me know if you have anything for the club newsletter. (News items, Thank you's, Items for sale or Give away or corrections to the paper send them by E-Mail to GKKID@aol.com or WB8GKY@aol.com

Club Dues are Past Due

Membership dues are due by January 1, 2005. If your dues are not paid let, your membership has been put on a delinquent list and you have no voting privileges till your dues are paid and membership restored. Please see Kay Russell today and get your dues paid.

Breakfast Fellowship

Thursday Mornings at 8:00A.M. All welcome, this is a club function.

See you all at B J'S Country Kitchen, on
5327 Gall Blvd. Next to Clock Restaurant
 Most interesting coffee in town. SEE YA!



Ham Class for 2005

February is almost gone. The fellows are all doing great in their studies. At the end of this month we hope to begin some sample testing to see if I am teaching them anything. Code practice is a little rough yet for them, but they are working at it. Final testing will be on March 23. Slim, AB4OG, will be in for that session.

JUMBLE JAMBOREE

- 1 ULCB _____
- 2 NWID _____
- 3 LECL _____
- 4 DOCE _____
- 5 TEPY _____
- 6 FEIL _____
- 7 SIDK _____
- 8 DAUB _____
- 9 SKEY _____
- 10 SUED _____

JANUARY ANSWERS

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| 1 emitgnirps | springtime |
| 2 nusenih | sunshine |
| 3 defeneils | feedlines |
| 4 saladir | radials |
| 5 roamt | amtor |
| 6 yeolsqlabe | eyeballqso |
| 7 rreicra | carrier |
| 8 ndupolgrane | groundplane |
| 9 wtarvoehs | shortwave |
| 10 etihegeparky | telegraph key |

QUIZ CORNER

- 1 D, 2 C, 3 B, 4 A, 5

Quiz Corner

- 1 What is the standard unit of frequency measurement?
 - (A) A megacycle
 - (B) A hertz
 - (C) One thousand cycles per second
 - (D) EMF, electromagnetic force
- 2 What is one meaning of the Q signal "QRS"?
 - (A) "Interference from static"
 - (B) "Send RST report"
 - (C) "Send more slowly"
 - (D) "Radio station location is"
- 3 How does the number of sunspots relate to the amount of ionization in the ionosphere?
 - (A) Unless there are sunspots, the ionization is zero.
 - (B) The more sunspots there are, the less the ionization.
 - (C) The more sunspots there are, the greater the ionization.
 - (D) Sunspots do not affect the ionization.

4 What device might allow the use of an antenna on a band it was not designed for?

- (A) An SWR meter
- (B) An antenna tuner
- (C) A low-pass filter
- (D) A high-pass filter

5 Who can become an amateur licensee in the US?

- (A) Anyone
- (B) Only a citizen of the United States
- (C) Anyone except an employee of the US government
- (D) Anyone except a representative of a foreign government

JANUARY 27, 2005 – ZAARC MEETING

President Ron Russell N8VFE opened the meeting at 7:30 PM with a salute to the Flag and extended a warm welcome to the 33 members and guests who were present at this meeting.

The members and guests stood and introduced themselves. We were all saddened to learn that Leonard Lizotte N1XCH and his wife Jeanette had been called home to Vermont by the death of their son.

Secretary's Report: There was no Secretary's report as the last meeting was the Christmas party.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,991.19 in the checking account. This report was accepted as read. Motion by John VE3EGP and seconded by Dan KE4YHE.

Committee Reports: John Shields VE3EGP obtained net control operators for the month of February and encouraged more to check into the Monday and Wednesday night nets.

Duane K8NEA reported that he has five students; one of those is studying for the Extra exam. Testing will be the 23rd of March at the High School.

Lloyd K8AYC thanked the club for the plaque which was presented to him at the Christmas meeting.

No Old Business: There was no old business.

New Business: Jerry WB8GKY announced that the ballots for the Ham of the Year award need to be turned in to him by February 6th.

Jim KF4VKO said that he needed help with parking for a New York event on the 7th of February and on the 26th for Maine Day. Kay N8GMP pointed out that the money earned is donated back to the Lions Club for allowing us to use their quarters for our meetings.

Jerri KF4QOZ asked those who would be helping with the Founder's Day parade to meet with her after the meeting.

There was discussion about dissatisfaction with the restaurant where the members are gathering for breakfast on Thursday mornings. Another place was suggested but nothing definite was decided.

Justine Phinney KA4DJV asked if the club would be interested in keeping and maintaining the plaque that her husband had initiated to honor the names of Silent Keys. President Ron called the Board Members together to discuss this and it was their unanimous decision that the club carry on Phinney's tradition.

Good of the Order: John Duarte spoke about his activities with ARES during the hurricanes of the past summer. He stressed the great need that Ham operators fill handling communications in those disasters and said much more help is needed. He asked everyone to think about this serious problem and consider helping. Jerry Hewitt WB8GKY expressed his appreciation for help with articles for the newsletter. The 50/50 drawing was won by Marge Martin who received \$15 with like amount going to the club.

Close: Motion by Dan KE4YHE, seconded by Roger KA1IIP. So moved.

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Items of general interest

Hillsborough County ARES/RACES/Skywarn will be offering the National Weather Service (NWS) Basic and Advanced Skywarn Spotter training classes to members of the amateur radio community and to the general public on Saturday February 26, 2005 at the Hillsborough County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) located at 2711 East Hanna Avenue Tampa, FL 33610.

The Basic Skywarn Spotter training class will be from 9:00 AM until 10:30 AM and the Advanced Skywarn Spotter training class will be from 11:00 AM until 12:00 PM. The Skywarn Spotter training classes are open to all adults, 18 years of age and older. You need not be an amateur radio operator to take these classes. There are no prerequisites for the Basic Skywarn Spotter training class. You must first take and pass the Basic Skywarn Spotter training course before taking the Advanced Skywarn Spotter training course. If you take the Basic Skywarn Spotter training class and pass the exam, you may take the Advanced Skywarn Spotter training class that same day.

These courses are offered free of charge. All materials will be furnished at the training session. Students successfully completing these courses and passing the final exam will receive National Weather Service Skywarn certification and an ID card.

Please e-mail races@hillsboroughcounty.org call the Hillsborough County ARES/RACES/Skywarn office at (813) 224-8544 to register for these classes.

Gary Sessums
RACES Officer / ARES Emergency Coordinator
Hillsborough County Florida

Attend your local amateur radio club meetings, ARES/RACES Training Meetings and check into local amateur radio nets for future ARES/RACES/Skywarn training activities, exercises, and public service events.

Pasco ARES/RACES Net

Every Wednesday

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Event Location: 146.670 WA4GDN Repeater

Pasco Skywarn Net

Every Wednesday

8:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Event Location 146.640 Repeater

Here are some scanner freq. you might like to know about if you do not already know about.

<http://www.trunktracker.com> and much more

Pasco County (Ericsson EDACS)

Frequencies:

1-855.8125 2-856.8375 3-857.8375 4-858.8375 5-859.8375
6-860.8375 7-855.2250 8-856.2250
Operations

04-043 Pasco County Sheriff Dispatch 1
04-044 Pasco County Sheriff Dispatch 2
04-045 Pasco County Sheriff Information
04-122 Pasco County Sheriff (Jail?)
05-004 Pasco County Sheriff Talk 1
05-044 Pasco County Sheriff Talk (Unknown)
05-121 Pasco County Sheriff Talk (Unknown)
08-042 Dade City Police Department Information
08-052 Dade City Police Department Talk 1
08-081 Dade City Police Department Dispatch
08-082 Dade City Fire/EMS Channel 1
09-001 New Port Richey Police Department Channel 1
09-002 New Port Richey Police Department Channel 2
12-041 Pasco County Fire/EMS Dispatch 1
12-042 Pasco County Fire/EMS Dispatch 2
12-043 Pasco County Dade City Fire/EMS
12-044 Pasco County Fire/EMS (Unknown)
12-045 Pasco County Fire/EMS (Unknown)

<http://www.bearcat1.com/fleetfl.htm>

<http://www.geocities.com/cyfy325/scanner.html>

Joint Task Force(ASTRO
System Digital Channels)

<http://www.geocities.com/cyfy325/trunk.html> Disney

Ares/Races meeting

Monday March 7, 2005

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

This event repeats on the first Monday of every month.

Event Location: Safety Town

Notes:

Safety Town is located about 1/4 mile west of the Suncoast expressway on SR52