AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc



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Upcoming Program for November 13, 2020 will be held on Zoom.

A presentation is scheduled by Dr. Bob Heil, an American sound and radio engineer most well known for creating the template for modern rock sound systems.

Heil in Ham Radio: Heil sound is the only high performance microphone manufacture for



amateur radio. Company founder Bob Heil understood very early in his career as a microphone designer that voice articulation is key to ham radio, both for emergency use as well as for the hobbyist.



AKSARBEN ARC Club Meeting – October 9, 2020 The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM Zoom. There were 23 attendees.

Officers and Board members present included: Pat WOOJU Dan, NOPOT; Dave, NOJSB; Brian, KEOGKB: Rea, NOREA; Kevin KAOVNY

Secretary's Report - Brian, KEOGKB - The minutes were posted in the Ham Hum. A motion was made by Mary NOTRK that the minutes be accepted as written with a second by Kevin KAOVNY, the minutes were approved with no corrections.

Treasurer's Report - Dave, NOJSB - - As of September 30 the club accounts had balances of: Main Checking \$4,516.95, Repeater Checking \$332.60 Savings \$6,993.62, CD Life Member one \$6,495.39, CD Life Member two \$6,758.01, and CD Repeater \$1,112.65 This leaves the balance of all the club accounts at \$26,209.22.

In the month of September there were No deposits.

In the month of September there were expenses totaling \$17.70 for the license plated on the equipment trailer.

President's Report - Sean, AD0QG - Sean is unable to attend due to medical issues.

Vice President's Report -- Pat, W00JU Next month we will have a presentation by Bob Heil from Heil Sound. Disaster Preparedness:

SATERN - Mary, NOTRK - Satern is on alert for traffic from Hurricane Delta, The Satern net is Monday nights and 7PM, you do not have to be a Satern member to participate.

ARES - No report

Community Service Committee - Mary, NOTRK- Thank you to everyone who helped with the Market to Market relay.

Education Committee - Rea NOREA- There are no classes scheduled at this time due to Corvid. There is a testing session at the Red Cross in Council Bluffs on October 27, you must have a reservation to test and mask are required. If you would like to make a reservation contact me at NOREA@arrl.net

Membership Committee - Mary, NOTRK two new member were presented to the club, Robert Naumann, KF0BEG. A motion was made by John AB0ZT with a second by Rea NOREA to accept Robert, the application was approved by a unanimous vote.

A second application for Neal Bartels KEOYJD was presented and a motion was made by John ABOZT with a Second by Norm WAOJYD to accept Neal, the application was approved by a unanimous vote.

Publications - No report

Web Services - Mary, NOTRK/Adam, KDOMMG - The website is working fine.

Repeater - John- WB0CMC the repeater is working fine.

Field Day - No report

Nominating committee:

Due to the pandemic the election of officers for the club will need to be modified to comply with the state rules. We will not be able to gather for our meeting so the club bylaws will have to be modified for the 2020 year. After much discussion during the board meeting and in this club meeting the following actions were taken. A motion was made by John AB0ZT with a second by Elmer WB0TTB that we Suspend **Article 3** Section 1C of the ARC bylaws requiring in-person voting and nominations for the 2020 election of 2021 Officers and Board members.

The question was asked if we were changing the bylaws this willingly, but it was decided that during the pandemic this is a necessary action and will only be for the 2021 election of officers. Question was called by John WBOCMC, there was a roll call vote and the motion carried unanimously.

The ARC website defines the bylaw process for holding elections under **Article III**: Section 1 (see below). Due to COVID restrictions on in-person meetings, the ARC board of directors are proposing to temporarily suspend existing election rules and use an alternative one-time election plan in order to protect the safety of ARC members and their families while simultaneously maximizing member participation in the election process. Further, the ARC Board of Directors need to ensure that there is reasonable notice to ARC members on the change in voting processes, and to make sure that only members as defined in **Article I**: Section 4 are casting ballots. Further, as some ARC members do not have access to the internet, we are proposing a mail-in ballot process.

Proposed Process

September 2020

• A nominating committee was formed as defined in **Article III**: Section 1A.

October 2020

• At the October ARC Zoom meeting brief members on the proposed alternative election process. Hold discussion on proposed steps. Additionally, ask for any early floor nominations. On the ZOOM call, due to federal/state mandated state of emergency, suspend **Article 3** Section 1C of the ARC bylaws, and adopted the below mail-in ballot process. Publish this year's process in November's HamHum. • Before November meeting the Nominating committee meets and forms a proposed slate of officers.

November 2020

• At the November ARC Zoom meeting, the Nominating committee report their recommendations and the President again puts out a call to members for any floor nominations.

> Nominating committee prepares a printed ballot. The ballot will include the slate of candidates, spaces for write-ins, and a line for printed name, signature, and call sign. The ballot is mailed to each member by November 20. To facilitate the voting process, ARC will include in the mailing, a self-address stamped envelope for returning completed ballots.

December 2020

1. To be an eligible ballot for counting, the ballot must be signed by the eligible member with their legible signature and call sign and be postmarked by December 2.

2. Ballots received by December 9 will be counted by an ad hoc committee appointed by the ARC board of directors.

Election results will be announced at ARC December 11 Zoom meeting.

A motion was made by Mary NOTRK with a second by Kevin KAOVNY that we Adopt the proposed mail -in ballot process as defined Above for the 2020 election of 2021 Officers and Board members.

Question was called by Rea NOREA, the vote carried Unanimously.

Courtesy Committee - Bill Snyder KDOFJR - A card was delivered to the family of Robert Snyder, a card was sent to the family of Marvin Suhr WA0ESF, and a card was sent to the family of Chuck Sudds KOTVD

Flea-Esta - No report

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No new Business

There being no more business before the club the meeting was adjourned at 8:07.

Cancelled Ham Fest

The Northeast Nebraska Hamfest scheduled for November 21 in Norfolk has been Cancelled.

Based on the new DHM limiting the occupancy to 50% of indoor capacity, the need for social distancing, etc.

Area Nets

Monday

7:00 PM 145.290 South-West Iowa ARES Glenwood, IA.

8:00 PM 144.250 NE Missouri SWOT.

9:00 PM 146.940 AARC Chat Net. Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Omaha, NE.

Tuesday

9:00 PM 145.310 Washington Co. ARES Washington Co, NE.

Wednesday

7:00 PM 146.670 Dodge Co. ARES Dodge Co, NE.

7:30 PM 7.122 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

8:00 PM 3.564 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

8:00 PM 145.310 Saunders Co. ARES Saunders Co, NE.

8:30 PM 7.122 CW Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

9:00 PM 3.580.5 PSK Four State QRP Comfortable Net.

9:00 PM 146.820 Pottawattamie County ARES Council Bluffs, IA.

Thursday

8:30 AM 7.122 CW Four State QRP 40M Morning Net. 7:30 PM 145.310- Lincoln/Omaha SATERN Net. Ashland, NE. 8:00 PM 28.350 SSB 10-Meter Net. 8:00 PM 144.250 2-Meter SSB Net. 8:00 PM 147.360 Heartland DX Association.

Friday

10:00 PM 224.760- Tone 146.2 Promote the Band Net

Saturday

12:00 PM 146.82 Swap Net Council Bluffs, IA.

8:30 PM 3.921.000 QCWA Chapter 20.

Sunday

8:00 AM 3.902.500 Swap Net.

8:30 AM 3.897.500 3900 Club.

8:30 PM Locally IRLP and the Nebraska IRLP net is heard on:

145.410 - 97.4 PL
444.800 + 97.4 PL
444.925 + 136.5 PL
146.745 - 136.5 PL
223.580 (Simplex) 100 PL

ABOVX Honey Creek ABOVX Honey Creek KOBVC Mondamin KOBVC Portsmouth KOOQL North Omaha

2:00 PM 50.200 6 Meter Net

9:00 PM 146.940- Douglas Co. ARES net, KØUSA repeater.

Club Officers & Board Members

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