



AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club,inc

Ham Hum

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The Aksarben amateur radio club annual holiday party saw 27 members and guests in attendance. There was a wide variety of delicious food including: meat tray/cheeses/smoked sausage/meatballs/salads/chips and desserts. The evening began with a short business meeting to elect officers for the upcoming year followed by a raffle that had the usual great variety of prizes. It was great to see everyone enjoying themselves eating/visiting, and talking about some of our plans for the new year.



AARC Members enjoying a meal at the December 2021 Club meeting.



Food being prepared in the kitchen .

AARC December meeting.

A ham sandwich walks into a bar and the bartender yells out, "Hey! We don't serve ham sandwiches here." To which the ham sandwich replies, "That's okay, I just wanted a drink."

Election Results

The Annual Meeting was held on December 10 at the Red Cross chapter-house. At this meeting 2022 club officers and board members were elected - please congratulate the following and thank them for stepping up to lead the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club into 2022.



WØUJO - President
ABØZT - Vice President
KEØOPB - Board of Directors / Secretary
NØREA - Board of Directors

After the election were held, club members in attendance enjoyed a potluck dinner and socializing and of course Door Prizes.

Newsletter Editor Brian, WBØBEP took notes on the door prizes and provided the following information.

- The build your own FM Radio kit: won by - WE0BEP (Brian Pitchanau).
 - The Electronic Components Kit: NE0G (Russ Rosenquist)
 - The Repair Kit: N0POT (Dan Buchholz)
 - The YAESU FT-4V Radio: WB0BIK (James Leedham)
- Mr. Reeh: a 1975 Olds Cutlass Car Radio: Our Vice President. (John Fifer, Jr.)

There were no Minutes for the Ham Hum, as the meeting was to elect the Officers and Board members, as well as having the annual Holiday dinner and prizes



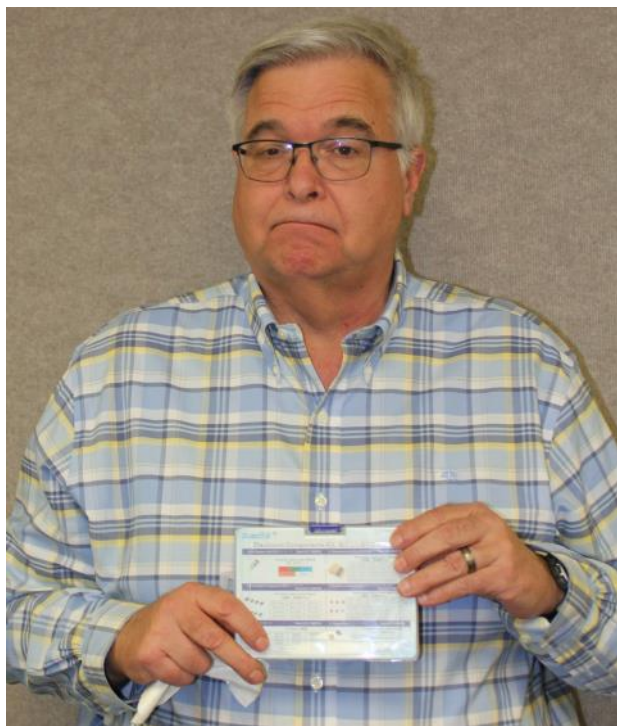
Dan, **N0POT** — Recorded and facilitated the Club Nominations and Votes for the annual elections.



AK-SAR-BEN-ARC President for 2022,
For a second term John Connell,
WOUJO



Elected to the Board of Directors and
Serving as the AK-SAR-BEN-ARC
Secretary is, Terrence Begley,
KEOOPB



Door Prizes during
the December Club
Meeting as Follows

An Electronic Components Kit: **NEOG**
(Russ Rosenquist)



Build Your Own
FM Radio Kit,

WEOBEP,
(Brian E Pitchanau)



A YAESU FT-4V
Hand-Held Radio
Won by **WDOBIK**

(James Leedham)



NOTE: The Mr. Reeh prize was
won by John Fifer, **AB0ZT**,
But was not available for Photo.
Displaying the Radio is President
Pat Connell **W0UTO**.

The Mister Reeh prize, A Radio from an 1975 Oldsmobile Cutlass.

The Oldsmobile Cutlass was a range of automobiles produced by General Motors' Oldsmobile division between 1961 and 1999. At its introduction, the Cutlass was Oldsmobile's entry-level model; it began as a unibody compact car, but saw its greatest success as a body-on-frame intermediate. The Cutlass was named after the type of sword, which was common during the Age of Sail.

Club Officers & Board Members

President	Pat Connell	WØOJU	president@aksarbenarc.org
Vice President	John E Fifer, Jr	ABØZT	vicepresident@aksarbenarc.org
2018-21 Secretary	Terrence Begley	KEØOPB	secretary@aksarbenarc.org
2018-21 Treasurer	Dave Rice	NØJSB	treasurer@aksarbenarc.org
2021-2022 Director	Dave Rice	NØJSB	board@aksarbenarc.org
2021-2022 Director	Dan Buchholz	NØPOT	board@aksarbenarc.org
2020-2021 Director	Brian Sohl	KEØGKB	board@aksarbenarc.org
2020-2021 Director	Ray Blackburn	NØREA	board@aksarbenarc.org
Immediate Past President	Sean Edwards	ADØQG	board@aksarbenarc.org

Club Committees

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Repeater Committee

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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.

9:00 PM 145.175 NE DStar Net also on REF002C though internet.

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 ABOVX Honey Creek

444.800 + 97.4 PL ABOVX Honey Creek

444.925 + 136.5 PL KOBVC Mondamin

146.745 - 136.5 PL KOBVC Portsmouth

223.580 (Simplex) 100 PL KOOQL North Omaha

2:00 PM 50.200 6 Meter Net

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

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) in the Nebraska Section is growing. It is currently divided into six districts. As we grow there may be some adjustment in the number and size of districts.

The ARES Nebraska Section has formally established Nebraska ARES Inc. (NeARES Inc) a non-profit, to create a conduit for collecting cash for grants and equipment for distribution to clubs and organizations. NeARES is not aligned with any clubs and acts as a nonpartial entity to support clubs and amateurs with political support, inter/intra club relations, and technical support.

The district I cover is the southeast district, consisting of 20 counties. Basically, south of the Platte River west to Polk, south to Thayer, east to Richardson, and backup the Missouri including Washington and Douglas.

Within some of these counties we need to establish leadership positions. These positions interact directly with the Emergency Managers (EM) of the county on how best we can help them. Not all the counties are defined, and some are in various levels of development. I will be sending out further information on these needs. Such as county Emergency Coordinator (EC), Assistant Emergency Coordinators (AEC's), Public Information Officers (PIO's), Spotters, Communicators, etc. There is some training required.

Our goal in the greater Omaha area is Douglas County. Concurrently and secondarily is Washington, Cass, Otoe, and Saunders.

An ARES member does not have to be a resident of a particular county or member of a club. The leadership positions do have to become an ARRL member.

The monthly commitment, outside of public service operations, is a few hours a month. Some of those public service events can include storm spotting, flood watch, damage assessment, shelter communications, large public event communications, etc.

If you have an interest or questions in ARES call, email, write, or get on the 146.94 DCARES repeater net Sundays at 2100 L to voice your interest and concerns. 73.

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AARC club clothing available:

The club shirt and hat sales are ongoing, and those that have ordered have been quite pleased with the way our clothing looks. Note: I have 2 polo shirts for E.J. that I now have for delivery, but, I have not seen E.J. at our meeting yet, so if you are reading this E.J. your clothing will be at the January meeting for pick up. Also, any member can order clothing from me at the meeting, or you can send an e-mail to me at: jfifer@centurylink.net. Our polo shirts include a pocket, as well as the member's callsign and name, and come in either red or slate gray. Our baseball caps also come in either red or slate gray, and hats are \$18 each and include the member's callsign on the back. Shirt sizes and prices are: small to XL: \$25, 2XL: \$28 3XL: \$30 4xl and 5xl can also be ordered. AARC patches are for sale for: \$3ea., and club decals: \$2 ea.



KC3OTG, Abbi Smith from Danville, Pennsylvania, at age 11 was the youngest to be a licensed Ham Radio Operator 24 SEP 2021, and Upgraded to General Class on 7 MAR 2021.

Some Ham Radio Operators you may have heard of:

1. Actor Marlon Brando, **KE6PZH/FO5GJ**, SK

One of the best-known names in cinematic as well as Amateur Radio circles, actor Marlon Brando, died in Los Angeles on July 1st 2004 at 22:20 UTC at age 80. Known to hams worldwide as KE6PZH and FO5GJ, Brando is listed on the FCC database as Martin Brandaux. He was on the air occasionally through the years with his FO5 call sign from his private island in French Polynesia.

In an interview with Larry King on CNN in 1994, Brando confirmed his continued interest in Amateur Radio. In response to a caller's question, he said ham radio provided him with the opportunity to just be himself.

The iconoclastic actor was best known for his roles as Stanley Kowalski in "A Streetcar Named Desire," a dockworker in "On the Waterfront," and Vito Corleone in "The Godfather." He was nominated for eight Academy Awards and won twice.

Five More Famous Radio Operators

1. Yuri Gagarin (**UA1LO**) Yuri Gagarin became the first human to travel into space in 1961. This historic flight brought him immediate worldwide recognition.
2. Les Hamilton (**GM3ITN**) Les Hamilton was a Scottish ham radio operator who first alerted the British government that the Falkland Islands had been invaded by Argentina.
3. John Sculley (**K2HEP**) John Sculley, the former president of PepsiCo (1977–1983), became the CEO of Apple Inc. in 1983 and he is also a licensed radio amateur.
4. Qaboos bin Said al Said (**A41AA**) Qaboos bin Said al Said is the Sultan of Oman. And not just that. The country's leader is a radio amateur as well!
5. Juan Carlos (**EA0JC**) From one country leader to another. Well almost. Juan Carlos resigned as the King of Spain from 1975 to 2014.

ARRL Club Competition:

I have heard from a number of you that you use the different contest to test out new antennas, radios, software and/or sharpen your operating skills. There are nine ARRL-sponsored contests that are designated as Affiliated Club Competitions (ACC) for ARRL and RAC affiliated clubs:

- 1 January VHF Contest
- 2 RTTY Roundup
- 3 International DX Contest
- 4 June VHF Contest
- 5 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest
- 6 September VHF Contest
- 7 November Sweepstakes
- 8 160-Meter Contest
- 9 10-Meter Contest

We are curious as to how many of you are interested in also submitting your logs towards an AARC score? Please drop me an email if you are interested. at phconnell@cox.net Pat W0OJU.

Upcoming January Meeting: Hands on demonstration on how to run/fish cable through your wall and install cable access wall plates in your wall. Vice-President John Fifer will be doing this informative training.

Bellevue ARC Spring Clean-Up Hamfest 2022

On Saturday, April 9th, 2022 at the Reed Community Center (1200 Lord Blvd in Bellevue)

Grand Door Prize: [RigExpert AA-650 Antenna Analyzer](#)
VE Testing will be available, watch the [Bellevue ARC web site](#) for details.

Breakfast and lunch provided by Athena Assembly 24, International order of Rainbow for Girls, Bellevue Nebraska.

Table Rental: \$15 (includes 1 admission per table)
(setup 7am-9am)

Mail table reservations to: BARC Spring Cleanup, 8519 S. 47th Ave, Bellevue NE 68157-2639 Please make checks payable to: Bellevue Amateur Radio Club.

Contact [Dennis Mitchell](#) or call 402-690-2587 for table availability.