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Membership Form 2013

AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

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This form may be used for any of the following purposes (check all that apply):

- Pay Dues (New Renew)
- Change of Mailing Address
- Update personal information (new callsign, upgrade, etc.)

Personal Information

Call Sign _____ License Class _____ Name _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes No

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Ham Hum Delivery: Mail Email

Spouse Information (complete only for spouse applying at same time)

Call Sign _____ License Class _____ Name _____

Email Address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes No

Minor Dependent (complete only for minors applying at the same time)

Call Sign _____	License Class _____	Name _____	ARRL Member?
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

New Member Application Signature

I agree to conduct my activities in accord with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Signature _____

Date _____

Annual Dues (January thru December)		
For Club Use Only – DO NOT WRITE IN THIS AREA		
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Member	\$20.00 year	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Accompanying Spouse	\$ 4.00 year	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Accompanying Minor Dependent	\$ 4.00 year times number of minors renewing	Amount: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (full time student)	\$ 8.00 year	Amount: _____
		Total Paid: _____

Make sure your information is correct and return this form to the Club with your dues. Dues are payable at any time and are considered in arrears if not received by Feb 28. Club members renewing within two years of their last year of paid membership must still pay the the full years dues. After two years, members must reapply for membership.

AARC and JOTA



Jamboree-on-the-Air is an annual event taking place in the third week of October that introduces Boy and Girl Scouts to ham radio. With licensed hams on site to operate the radio stations, it allows Scouts to talk to similar groups from around the world. This year, members of the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club provided stations and expertise at Camp Cedars (near Fremont, NE), while representatives of the Plattsmouth Amateur Radio Club assisted at nearby Camp Eagle.

At Camp Cedars, AARC members Pat KØCTU, Russ NØMNW, Mary NØTRK, Bill WA9ASD, and Mitch WBØGBI were on hand to operate the stations and answer questions. Dave WØNRW from the Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont also stopped by to help out, snap pictures, and gather information for their club newsletter (see <http://www.k0jfn.com/>).

(JOTA continued on page 5.)

BOARD MEETING NOTICE

The next AARC Board of Directors meeting will take place this month on Monday, November 26th, instead of the usual last Tuesday of the month. Time and location are unchanged: 6:30 PM at Village Inn, 78th and Dodge. Future meeting dates to be determined.

Time to Nominate AARC Officers
SEE PAGE 10 FOR DETAILS.

November Meeting: USS Hazard Radio Room

For this month's meeting, Peter Dalieri, KE7RDM will talk about the the planned restoration of the radio room on board the USS Hazard at Freedom Park. Be sure to attend.

Friday, November 9th, 7:00 PM, Red Cross Building, 81st & Spring Streets, Omaha, NE.

HAM HUM is the official newsletter of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc. in Omaha, Nebraska. It is printed monthly and is distributed to members of the club, local disaster officials, local electronics outlets, and editors of other ham radio newsletters.

Articles about activities of members are solicited. The subject matter must be of general interest to radio amateurs and be understandable to a significant portion of the membership. No payment will be made to contributors and submissions will be subject to the usual editorial review. Articles containing statements that could be construed as libel or slander will not be accepted. No guarantee can be made that an accepted article will be published by a certain date. Send your contributions to Ham Hum, P.O. Box 24551, Omaha, NE 68124-0551 or email hamhum@aksarbenarc.org. Please contact the editor for permission to reprint anything appearing in the Ham Hum.

Club Officers & Board Members

President	Mary Joseph	NØTRK	402-492-9156	n0trk@arrl.net
Vice President	Scott Avery	KA4ZZQ	402-880-9246	scott@averysgk.com
2011-2012 Secretary	Bill True	WA9ASD	402-426-2813	williamtrue@aol.com
2011-2012 Treasurer	Marvin Taylor	AEØEG	402-556-3668	AEØEG@arrl.net
2012 Director	Adam Kavan	KDØMMG	402-598-1521	akavan@gmail.com
2012 Director	Dave Rice	NØJSB	402-571-8915	davegr@netzero.net
Immediate Past President	John Gebuhr	WBØCMC	402-932-3443	wb0cmc@cox.net

Club Committees

Courtesy Committee	Bill McCollum	KEØXQ		
Education	Mary Joseph	NØTRK	402-492-9156	n0trk@arrl.net
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Repeater Committee

Chairman	John Gebuhr	WBØCMC	402-932-3443	wb0cmc@cox.net
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Control Operator	Mary Joseph	NØTRK	402-492-9156	n0trk@arrl.net
Club Callsign Trustee	Corby Krick	KØSKW	402-540-5483	k0skw@k0skw.net

Other Contacts

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Official Observer Coordinator	Bill McCollum	KEØXQ		

Address Change?

If you've changed your mailing address, or would prefer to receive the Ham Hum via email, please contact Mary NØTRK (Membership) or Bill KCØSVZ (Publications) with your new information.

AARC on the Web

Club Web Site: <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/aksarbenarc>

Yahoo! Groups: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AKSARBENTalk/>

Club Calendar

Nov 9	7:00 PM AARC Club Meeting. Red Cross Building, 81 st & Spring St, Omaha, NE.
Nov 10	11:00 AM HBQRP, Bredeaux Pizza, 1425 Silver St., Ashland, NE.
Nov 10	1:00 PM BARC VE Session. Alegent Hospital, 11111 S. 84th St., Papillion, NE.
Nov 14	7:30 PM Lincoln Amateur Radio Club Meeting. 4647 Superior St, Lincoln, NE.
Nov 15	7:30 PM BARC Meeting. Masonic Hall, 1908 Franklin St, Bellevue, NE
Nov 17	6:00 PM AARC Coffee. Perkins Restaurant, 108 th & L Streets, Omaha, NE.
Nov 21	7:00 PM Heartland Hams, 403 Railroad Ave., Glenwood, IA.
Nov 22	7:30 PM Southwest Iowa ARC Meeting. 705 N 16 th , Council Bluffs, IA.
Nov 23	7:30 PM PARC Meeting. 1900 E. Military Ave, Fremont, NE.
Nov 26	6:30 PM AARC Board Meeting. Village Inn, 7837 Dodge St., Omaha, NE.
Nov 27	6:30 PM AARC VE Session, Red Cross Building, 81st & Spring St, Omaha NE.
Dec 8	11:00 AM HBQRP, Bredeaux Pizza, 1425 Silver St., Ashland, NE.
Dec 14	7:00 PM AARC Club Meeting. Red Cross Building, 81 st & Spring St, Omaha, NE.
Dec 15	6:00 PM AARC Coffee. Perkins Restaurant, 108 th & L Streets, Omaha, NE.
Dec 19	7:00 PM Heartland Hams, 403 Railroad Ave., Glenwood, IA.
Dec 20	7:30 PM BARC Meeting. Masonic Hall, 1908 Franklin St, Bellevue, NE
Dec 27	7:30 PM Southwest Iowa ARC Meeting. 705 N 16 th , Council Bluffs, IA.
Dec 28	7:30 PM PARC Meeting. 1900 E. Military Ave, Fremont, NE.

For more details and the latest updates, see the *Calendar* section of the AARC web site (<http://www.aksarbenarc.org/>).

You may be a ham radio operator if...you look at a barbecue grill and it creates ideas about ground plane antennas.

Area Nets

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<u>7:00 PM</u> 145.290 South-West Iowa ARES Glenwood, IA.	<u>7:00 PM</u> 147.360 QCWA Hams who have been hams for at least 25 years.	<u>7:00 PM</u> 146.670 Dodge Co. ARES Dodge Co, NE.
<u>8:00 PM</u> 144.250 NE Missouri SWOT.	<u>8:00 PM</u> 50.200 6m SSB Net.	<u>8:00 PM</u> 145.310 Saunders Co. ARES Saunders Co, NE.
<u>9:00 PM</u> 146.940 AARC Social Net. Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Omaha, NE.	<u>9:00 PM</u> 145.310 Washington Co. ARES Washington Co, NE.	<u>9:00 PM</u> 146.820 Pottawattamie County ARES Council Bluffs, IA.
Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
<u>8:00 PM</u> 144.250 2-Meter SSB Net.	<u>12:00 PM</u> 146.82 Swap Net Council Bluffs, IA.	<u>8:00 AM</u> 3.902.500 Swap Net.
<u>8:00 PM</u> 146.360 Heartland DX Association.	<u>8:30 PM</u> 3.921.000 QCWA Chapter 20.	<u>8:30 AM</u> 3.896.000 3900 Club.
		<u>8:30 PM</u> 443.925+ (103.5 tone) IRLP Net.
		<u>9:00 PM</u> 146.940- Douglas Co. ARES net, KØUSA repeater.

Please let us know of any updates or corrections to the above.

AARC Officer Nominations

We have once again reached the time of year for Club Officer nominations. This includes President, Vice-President, and Directors. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions.

President: _____

Vice-President: _____

Director: _____

Director: _____

Director: _____

Director: _____

Assess your dedication, position, and ability to accept a floor nomination. Help continue to keep AARC an ongoing strong organization. Realistically, it takes only a couple hours each month. If you are interested or willing to take a position please contact one of the current Club officers to discuss the details. Please consider helping.

AK-SAR-BEN ARC PROXY

This form is used to have your vote represented by a member attending the annual business meeting in the event you are unable to attend. If you cannot attend, decide on whom or what you wish to vote and instruct the recipient of your proxy to do so.

Known by all men by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints _____ as attorney and proxy to appear and cast the votes which the undersigned, as a member of the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club, Inc., is entitled to cast at the annual meeting of said corporation, to be held at the Heartland Chapter House of the American Red Cross, 2912 South 80th Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska on December 14th, 2012, and at any adjournment thereof. The undersigned hereby instructs said attorney to vote:

1. For the election of new directors and officers of the corporation, and
2. Upon any other business which may properly be brought before the meeting of any adjournments thereof.

Member Signature: _____

Date: _____, 2012

Club Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2012

Bill WA9ASD, Secretary AARC

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by saying the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 28 attendees. Introductions by name and call.

Officers and Board members present included: Mary, NØTRK; Bill, WA9ASD; Marv, AEØEG; Dave, NØJSB and John, WBØCMC.

Secretary's Report - A motion was made by Wayne, WH6BUL, seconded by Norm, WBØJYD, to accept the September club meeting minutes as published in Ham Hum. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Marv reported that there were deposits of \$2,931.83 and payments of \$1,549.84 during the month bringing the balance in all of the accounts to \$22,796.83.

President's Report - Mary, NØTRK - Mary reported that she will not continue as president next year; 2 years in any position is long enough. She does not feel anyone on the board should continue in their current position. She urged members to say yes when the nominating committee calls.

Program Committee - We are looking for program ideas for November and January.

Public Service – ARES/SATERN/Community Events

- Community Events - Pat, KØCTU - The Crop Walk will be on Sunday, October 14. It will start at First Christian Church at 70th and Dodge.
- The Market to Market Run will be on tomorrow, October 13. We will be using the 145.235 repeater.
- SATERN - no report
- ARES - no report

Education Committee - Mary, NØTRK - We are planning on a class in January.

Membership Committee - Mary, NØTRK - Pay your dues.

Publications/Web Services

- *Ham Hum* - Bill, KCØSVZ - It's out.
- Web Services - it's there

Repeater Committee - John, WBØCMC - It's working. Use the repeater.

Field Day - It's still over.

QSL Committee/Technical Committee - no report

Courtesy Committee - Nothing new.

Trailer Committee - We are considering if we should have another work day.

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(Meeting Minutes continued from page 3.)

Equipment Committee -

- The new HTs are available for loan.
- The Club also has a Kenwood TS-570 available for loan.
- This committee needs to meet.

Public Awareness - Jamboree On The Air is Saturday, October 20. We will be setting up at Camp Cedars south of Fremont. Come out and help us contact other Boy Scouts in the largest scouting event in the world with over 600,000 scouts participating.

Flea Market - Pat, KØCTU - We made money and we will be working on getting the numbers together.

Old Business - Mary has talked with John of the Red Cross concerning work on their tower. There will be a formal proposal letter to him shortly.

New Business - none

Announcements

- Hamboree 2012 will be held tomorrow, October 13 at Sioux City.
- Steve, NØUP and his son will be selling popcorn after the meeting.

Door Prize Committee - Rollie, ABØNN - Rollie announced the prizes to be drawn for after the break.

At 7:33 PM a motion was made by Steve, NØUP, seconded by John, WBØCMC to end the meeting. Passed by unanimous vote.

Bill WA9ASD, Secretary AARC



Robert A. Rennolet, WØAEX, Silent Key

Long-time AARC member Bob Rennolet, WØAEX, passed on October 15, 2012 at age 89. An Air Force veteran of World War II, Bob held degrees in physics and aeronautical engineering and once owned and operated Adolf's Parts and Dynamo Electric in Omaha. He was well liked by the amateur community.

Contest Calendar

November 2012

ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Nov 6
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 9
 WAE DX Contest, RTTY 0000Z, Nov 10 to 2359Z, Nov 11
 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, Digital 0001Z, Nov 10 to 2359Z, Nov 11
 JIDX Phone Contest 0700Z, Nov 10 to 1300Z, Nov 11
 OK/OM DX Contest, CW 1200Z, Nov 10 to 1200Z, Nov 11
 Kentucky QSO Party 1400Z, Nov 10 to 0200Z, Nov 11
 CQ-WE Contest 1900Z, Nov 10 to 0500Z, Nov 12
 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 0000Z-2359Z, Nov 11
 NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint 1800Z-2000Z, Nov 12
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z & 1900Z-2000Z, Nov 14 and
 0300Z-0400Z, Nov 15

RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB 2000Z-2100Z, Nov 14
 NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Nov 15
 NCCC Sprint 0215Z-0300Z, Nov 16
 YO International PSK31 Contest 1600Z-2200Z, Nov 16
 CQ SA SSB Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Nov 17
 SARL Field Day Contest 1000Z, Nov 17 to 1000Z, Nov 18
 LZ DX Contest 1200Z, Nov 17 to 1200Z, Nov 18
 Feld Hell Sprint 1600Z-1800Z, Nov 17
 All Austrian 160-Meter Contest 1600Z, Nov 17 to 0700Z, Nov 18
 ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB 2100Z, Nov 17 to 0300Z, Nov 19
 NA Collegiate ARC Championship, SSB 2100Z, Nov 17 to 0300Z, Nov 19
 RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest, CW 2100Z, Nov 17 to 0100Z, Nov 18
 EPC PSK63 QSO Party 0000Z-2400Z, Nov 18
 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0200Z-0400Z, Nov 19
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 23
 CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Nov 24 to 2400Z, Nov 25
 SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Nov 28
 CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z & 1900Z-2000Z, Nov 28 and
 0300Z-0400Z, Nov 29

QRP ARCI Topband Sprint 0000Z-0600Z, Nov 29
 RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW 2000Z-2100Z, Nov 29
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Nov 30
 ARRL 160-Meter Contest 2200Z, Nov 30 to 1600Z, Dec 2

December 2012

TARA RTTY Melee 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 1
 ARRL EME Contest 0000Z, Dec 1 to 2359Z, Dec 2
 Wake-Up! QRP Sprint 0600Z-0629Z, 0630Z-0659Z, 0700Z-0729Z, and
 730Z-0800Z, Dec 1

TOPS Activity Contest 1600Z, Dec 1 to 1559Z, Dec 2
 SARL Digital Contest 1300Z-1600Z, Dec 2
 ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 4
 NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 7
 ARRL 10-Meter Contest 0000Z, Dec 8 to 2359Z, Dec 9
 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 0000Z-2359Z, Dec 9

Sources: <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> & <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/>

CORRECTION: On the top of page 9 of the October 2012 issue of the *Ham Hum*, the author of ~~FLEA-ESTA THANKS~~ should be shown as Pat KØCTU, not Pat KCØCTU.

Saturday Night Coffee

I arrived at six and nobody was there, so I commandeered a table and sat there drinking glasses of iced tea on the rocks (shaken, not stirred) and periodically assuring the waitress that more people were on their way. She knew our group and we all tip well, so everything was okay.

By 6:30 Dick KBØKJV showed up with his XYL Estella and harmonic Rita. We ate and talked, but mostly about non-amateur-related subjects.

Around 7 PM, Pat KØCTU and Mary NØTRK came in. They're usually among the first to arrive at these events, but they were busy with JOTA at Camp Cedars. That's covered elsewhere in this issue, but the upshot is that JOTA was a success. Kids got interested and contacts were made as far away as Germany and Borneo.

Claudia K1AUD and Christina NØRIS showed up shortly after Pat and Mary's arrival and the discussion branched to other areas, such as dog racing, football, pets, and exotic foods such as *crêpes avec du poivre*. In all, it was a highly entertaining evening.

The AARC Coffee event is held at Perkins restaurant at the corner of 108th and L Streets in Omaha on the third Saturday of the month, starting at 6 PM. Everyone is invited.

Bill KCØSVZ

October Door Prizes

At the September meeting, Dispenser-of-Door-Prizes Rollie ABØNN had five unique prizes (including one by Anton Reeh, UNIQUE¹) to give out. These were—in no particular order—a four-piece set of Big Top Ratcheting Tie-Downs, the Brown Bag Prize, a canvas tool bag, an eight-function Chicago Electric Oscillating Power Tool, and the Mr. Reeh Door Prize. Andrew NØCALL volunteered to draw the tickets.

The first ticket he selected was for the ratchet tie-downs, which went to Wayne WH6BUL. Next, Tom KCØRFJ's ticket was drawn for the canvas tool bag. This was followed by Steve NØUP, who was awarded the Brown Bag Prize, a power strip. Dave NØJSB won the power tool. Then, as Club members watched with expressions of unease on their faces, Andrew drew the ticket for the Mr. Reeh Door Prize. Expressions changed to that of relief when Mitch WBØGBI's name was called. Unwrapping it revealed a food carryout box containing plasticware and a vintage Eico 680 Transistor & Circuit Tester. (There's probably a story in that, somewhere.)

Note that the proceeds for each month's tickets go for buying next month's prizes. Each month's tickets are kept and included in the Grand Prize(s) drawing in December. The more tickets you buy each month, the better your chances of winning at the end of the year.

Bill KCØSVZ

1 Incidentally, last September marked the first anniversary of the introduction of the Mr. Reeh Door Prize. See page 3 of the October, 2011 *Ham Hum*.

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About 75 Scouts showed up at Camp Cedars: Two immediately started working on their radio merit badges and about 30 decided to talk on the radio. Contacts included North and South Carolina, California, Germany, and Borneo.



The event was a success and—to paraphrase a report posted on the AARC Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/aksarbenarc>)—the Scouts and the hams who came to help them had a great time.

(Pictures of the event on pages 6 and 7. Information for this article provided by KØCTU, NØTRK, WØNRW, and WA9ASD)

Bill KCØSVZ

Want Ads

Free Magazines I have 2009 & 2010 CQ and QST magazines free for picking them up. I rarely go to club meetings. Call me at 402-690-7965 or 402-734-3316. Bill KEØXQ

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Miscellaneous

(From the AARC web site at <http://www.aksarbenarc.org/> and elsewhere on the Internet.)

World DX Club to Close Down: Due to health reasons, Arthur and Olive Ward have had to step down from their club duties and will print a final issue of Contact magazine in December. For details, see <http://www.worlddxclub.org.uk/>

TALARC Special Event for Veterans Day : The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC) will run a Special Event Station commemorating Veterans Day on Sunday, November 11 from its downtown Indianapolis station, K9TAL. Details are at <http://www.legion.org/hamradio/clubupdates/212718/talarc-operate-special-event-station-veterans-day> (alternately: <http://tinyurl.com/beuxg42>).

ARRL Requests Hams Do Not Self-Deploy to Areas Affected by Hurricane Sandy : Amateur Radio operators who want to assist those Sections affected by Hurricane Sandy should not self-deploy to those areas. “There are many ARRL Sections involved in the impact area, and each has different requirements on how they locate, credential and deploy volunteers,” explained ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, K1IU. “If a need for manpower is identified that cannot be met locally or in the Section, Section leadership may contact other Sections for assistance. If the need is still not met, Section leadership may then contact ARRL HQ for assistance.” See <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-requests-hams-do-not-self-deploy-to-areas-affected-by-hurricane-sandy> (alternately: <http://tinyurl.com/curhu9g>).



JAMBOREE ON THE AIR



CAMP CEDAR NEBRASKA

