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The Prez Sez

Well, it's been another busy month around the president's house. Since it is May 5, 2004 and I haven't sent anything to the Ham Hum editor yet, the



hum may be a bit late. Happenings in the past month include a meeting of a few past Presidents to help straighten out some things in the club, the first meeting of the bylaws revision committee and swapping out of the repeater.

One thing that was discussed by the group of past presidents is the Life Membership account. The Life CD hasn't earned any REAL interest in quite some time. This account hasn't been earning the income that it was intended to earn. The recommendation has been to invest this money in a safe way that may earn a better rate than is currently being earned. The goal is to earn enough interest income to both pay the annual dues of the Life Members and allow the account to grow. One of the past Presidents is looking into this.

A big topic of discussion lately has been the repeater move. There are a lot of questions involving the move including funding, maintenance costs, potential interference, why should we move, why doesn't ARES pay for it. I will try to address these items here.

- Funding. The fundraising has begun. The BIG 700 FOOT PRINT CLUB is leading this effort. Pledges are being accepted, there should be a form in this issue of the Hum. I have already received a commitment of a \$2000.00 matching contribution. So for every dollar raised up to the \$2000.00 it would be \$2.00. If we raise \$2000.00, it would be matched making it \$4000.00. Pledges are being accepted to give those members who are willing to donate but are reluctant to do so because of the uncertainty of how the June vote is going to go.
- Maintenance Costs. It has been decided to go with new hardline to reduce the future maintenance costs. This is going to add to the expense, making the fundraising effort that much more important. The antenna that was on WOWT's Crown Point tower went up in 1978 and had to be replaced in 1996. That's 18 years. Where the idea that we will have a tower crew working on our stuff every couple years came from I don't know, that is not what past experience has shown. Commercial towers such as KETV's new tower are inspected every year so we should be able to have our equipment looked at then and any repairs made while the crew is there. Our antenna will be on the same walkway as KETV's news radio antenna so if

something really bad happens at that level, KETV will most likely have a tower crew there to fix their news radio antenna so our labor costs would be minimal.

- Potential Interference. The 700' level is higher than the 300' level raising the antenna above most of the Grand Island ducting. Past experience has shown the higher elevation is less prone to some of the DX we have been receiving lately.
- Why Should We Move. If we can raise the funds to move and replace the hardline, there is really no reason not to move. The higher elevation will make for a BIG FOOTPRINT again. The repeater will see more use due to the coverage increasing. More new Hams will be exposed radio operations encouraging them to upgrade, and more potential Hams will get the radio bug. Please also see QST, May 2004, page 51.
- Why Doesn't ARES Pay For It. ARES doesn't charge it's members dues and has no financial department. What ARES has done is made donations to the club when it has had money. The last one was \$800.00 when the club needed a new antenna for .94. ARES received a tower, antenna and rotor as a donation, sold them, and donated the proceeds to the club. This is the antenna that will be going on KETV's new tower. It was ordered to replace the Celwave that developed a noise problem on WOWT's Crown Point tower. It wasn't installed there but put up on WOWT's downtown tower for less than a year before the antenna came down.

I have also heard rumors about some thing that I have said. At no time have I said that the Life CD should be used to move the repeater. What I did say was to use the money in the CD, all it would take is a bylaws change. At that time I gave it a 60% chance of succeeding. I then said "and that's why we need to revise the bylaws". I apologize for any confusion this may have caused, but my point is we need to revise the bylaws to prevent an uninformed change in the laws of the club.

73 Steve Schmitz NØUP

Thanks ATS!

Thanks to ATS for providing the tower space and home for the 146.94 repeater at the 156th & Maple site!

Veep Speeks

Here's a quick run-down of the programs scheduled for the upcoming months. More to come next month.

73,

Kurt, KC0HMI



May PSK and other HF digital modes (Bill Duffy)

June HF Mobile (Todd LeMense)

July TV DX (Matt Sittel) (http://members.cox.net/mcsittel/dx.htm)

August Contesting (Ed Edwards)

*Programs subject to change. Changes will be published via AksarbenTalk.

Next Meeting Information

May 14th, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Red Cross at 82nd & Spring Streets.

This month's program will be on PSK31, presented by Bill Duffy (KA0VXK) .

C.A.P. Invitation

To all Amateur Radio operators,

I am the Commander of Douglas County Cadet Squadron which is part of Civil Air Patrol, the USAF Auxiliary. We are a volunteer organization that trains for Emergency Services and Aerospace Education. The squadron is currently at about 35 youth members between 12 and 21 years of age and 11 senior members. If you are interested in community service, emergency services (including ELT and missing person searches), aerospace, radio communications, helping the youth, and having a fun time with others of similar interest, please come to a Thursday night meeting and check us out. We meet Thursday nights from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at 93rd and Blondo, All Saints Episcopal Church.

Thank you,
Capt. James Croson
Civil Air Patrol - USAF Aux.
Commander - Douglas County Cadet Squadron
NCR NE-092

Do you want the 146.940 K0USA repeater to move to KETV's Crown Point tower site?

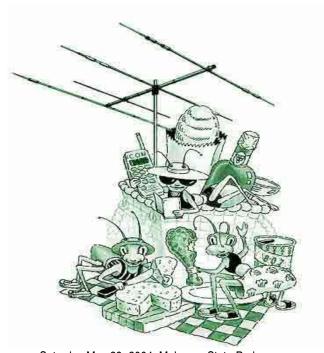
Aksarben Amateur Radio Club may have the opportunity to locate our antenna about 650' in the air on KETV's new tower. It is anticipated that this move could give handheld radios access throughout the local area, and would greatly extend access to more powerful radios.

According to the March '04general meeting minutes, this move is expected to cost \$1,700 to 2,000.

This question will discussed and voted on at the June 2004 general membership meeting.

It' stime for the 3rd Annual

Ants Aren' the Only Critters With Antennae (AATOCWA) Picnic.



Saturday May 29, 2004, Mahoney State Park.
Setup at 9:00 a.m., Serving at 11:00 a.m.
Cost is \$4.00 per person, plus an additional food item
(ex: salad, dessert)

Join the BIG 700 FOOTPRINT Club

I want to join the BIG 700 FOOTPRINT Club. To show my support for the move of the KØUSA 146.940 repeater, in the event that the AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club votes to move the KØUSA repeater to the 700 foot level on the KETV broadcast tower, I pledge to donate

\$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 \$_____ other amount

to be paid to the club treasury by Friday August 13, 2004 (August club meeting). This donation is to fund any expense incurred in the move of the repeater to the site and in the event that the donations exceed the required amount, the donation will be used for improvements and future projects and maintenance of the repeater system.

Name: _______ Callsign: ______

Address: ______ State: _____ Zip: ______

Phone: ______ Email: ______

Publish my name but not the amount I pledged
Publish the amount I pledged but not my name
Publish both the amount I pledged and my name
I will match club received donation up to \$______

I am an AARC member
I am an ARES member

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The AK-SAR-BEN Amateur Radio Club inc. is a 501(c)3 organization, donations may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor.

DoNets

_ I am not a member but support the move to KETV's tower

Tue 08:00	146.82-	Main St. Cafe, C.B., IA
Fri 20:00	146.39+	Wendys, Galvin Rd.
Sat 08:00	146.82-	HyVee, 16th St., C.B., IA
Sat 08:00	146.94-	HyVee, 132 nd & Dodge
1st & 3rd Tue	146.52smplx	Brandeis Food Court

DoNets are unofficial, casual gatherings of Hams that occur between meetings. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, food and camaraderie each week at any of the location listed above.

Give a call on the talk-in frequency before the scheduled rendezvous time and have ' en save you a seat! Please send any changes to kc0mxv@arrl.net.

Upcoming Events

May 14 – 16 – Dayton Hamvention www.hamvention.org

May 15 – ARES/OMMRS Drill and Radio Check. Contact KA0KCV for more detail.

May 22-23 – Nebraska State Track Meet. Ham radio operators needed to support this large event. Contact K0CTU for volunteer or for more details.

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In addition to being President this year, I also get to be Field Day chair. This has caused me to be a bit behind in my duties. We have our picnic shelter this year at Standing Bear Lake and plans are coming along nicely. I am now in need of volunteers. Here is the list from last year, I have heard that some might want to switch bands/modes so I am opening it all up this year. Early in the year, I offered all of 20 Meters to the HDXA, I haven't heard back from them yet, but it's theirs if they want it.



FD ChairSteve-NOUP
FD Co-Chair(?)
Public Relations(?)
100 bonus points for publicity
Press/Tour GuideARES EC-KONSA(?)
Public Info Booth(?)
Another 100 bonus points!
Official site visitation(?)
100 bonus pts
FD Shirts/PINs(?)
Night-time Security(?)
Logging/computers(?)
We NEED several Laptops!!
Generator Transport AARC Gen(?)
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Demonstration Modes (3 allowed)
ATV(?) 100 bonus points! APRS(?) NSAs?
100 bonus points! SSTVNOTRK & NOUR
100 bonus points! SHACKS
First Aid shack(?) Cook ShackKCØHLE Potty ShacksNØUE 20 meter CW Rig/PC:(?)
Offered to HDXA Ant:Vertical in antenna trailer Shelter(?)
20 meter SSB Rig:(?)
Offered to HDXA Ant:AARC antenna trailer Shelter:(?)
15 meter SSB/CW Rig:(?)OPEN Combine with GOTA?
Ant:AARC antenna trailer Shelter:(?)
40 meter SSB/CW Rig/Shelter/PC:(?) Ant:(?)
10/80/160 SSB/CW Rig:(?) OPEN
Combine with GOTA? Ants:
VHF/UHF Shack Rigs/Shelter/PC:(?) Ant:.AARC antenna trailer has all
GOTA Shack Rig:(Club's Rig) Ant:(?) Club's 15 yagi if combined w/15 shack
Shelter:(?)
If you are interested in any of the shacks or would like more info, please contact me
Thanks Steve, n0up@arrl.net

Official Record Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting

Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club, Inc. April ' 04

The Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Board of Trustees met on April 6, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Red Cross Emergency Services building, 80th Avenue and Spring Streets, in Omaha, Nebraska. No business was transacted due to lack of a quorum.

An informal meeting was held with President Steve Schmitz, NOUP; Secretary Ken Noel, AJOA; and Board Members Kevin Hill, KAOVNY; Geri Norris, N5RIG; and Bill McCollum, KE0XQ in attendance.

Warren Behrens (KOWMB) Chief Engineer for KETV (Ch. 7) was

Warren Behrens (K0WMB), Chief Engineer for KETV (Ch. 7), was present to visit with Club Officers and Board Members about the proposed move of the K0USA 146.34/94 repeater to KETV. Thanks Warren for taking the time out of your busy schedule.

The Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Board of Trustees held a short meeting just before the start of the General Membership Meeting on April 9, 2004 at the Red Cross. President Steve Schmitz, NOUP, called the Board meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Roll Call of Officers and Board Members

President Steve Schmitz, NoUP; Secretary Ken Noel, AJOA; Treasurer Mary Joseph, NoTRK; and Board Members Kevin Hill, KAOVNY; Geri Norris, N5RIG; Marvin Taylor, AE0EG; and immediate Past President Jim Westcott, KA0KCV. Unable to attend: Kurt Kettelson, KC0HMI; Steven Wisnieski, KC0LOD; Bill McCollum, KE0XQ; and Sam Bellami, KC0NWL.

Secretary' sReport

Minutes of the March 2004 Board Meeting were presented. Jim, KA0KCV moved to accept the minutes as printed and Kevin, KA0VNY seconded.

Discussion: Steve NOUP noted that under Standing Committee Reports, a discussion on the 146.34/94 KOUSA repeater should be have read as follows:

Repeater 146.940 KOUSA: The Board revisited the tone requirement for accessing the Maple Street (main) site. No tone is currently required and interference has been minimal. However, it was noted that a high RF and power line noise floor at this site is assumed that a noise or repeater problem makes the repeater essentially deaf to all but the strongest of stations. Also contributing to the deafness, the repeater is connected via a line splitter to a spare (public safety) antenna that is tuned well outside the 2M band. This The current operational status of the repeater is a definite (safety) concern

especially as we enter the severe weather season, not to a mention a reliability factor for various operating events and emergency preparedness exercises and drills that use the repeater. Eventually this will the backup site when the main repeater moves to its new home at the 650' level at KETV Crown Point later this year.

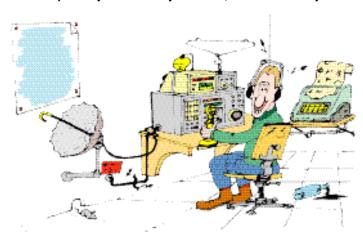
Jim, KA0KCV moved to accept the minutes as corrected and Kevin, KA0VNY seconded. Motion carried with one abstention.

No further business was conducted.

Adjourn

Marvin, AE0EG moved to adjourn and Geri N5RIG seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Ken Noel, AJ0A - Secretary



Official Record Minutes of the Business Meeting

Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club, Inc. April ' 4

The Ak-Sar-Ben ARC met on April 9, 2004 at the Red Cross Emergency Services building, 80th Avenue and Spring Streets, in Omaha, Nebraska. President Steve Schmitz NOUP, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance, standard announcements were read, and self-introductions were made. There were 41 members and guests present.

Steve NOUP recessed the business meeting at 7:35 p.m. for the program that will be presented by Gerry Gross WA6POZ on his DXpedition to Jordan a few years ago. Secty note: I recall Gerry making this presentation to the Club about ten years ago, and it was as interesting now as it was then. Thanks Gerry!

Coffee and donuts followed. Thanks go out to Emily KC0MNT for bringing the refreshments, members and guests who contributed to

the refreshment kitty, and the kitchen crew for cleaning up afterwards.

Business meeting reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

Secretary' sReport

Jim KA0KCV moved to approve the minutes of the March 2004 Club meeting as printed in the Ham Hum. Leo W9ZEC seconds. No discussion. Motion carried.

President' sReport

The AARC Board met in special session (a quorum was present) just before the start of tonight's business meeting to address a comment that was printed in the March 2004 Board Minutes that could be viewed as a complaint about the current site for the 146.34/94 KOUSA repeater. That was not its intent. That section of the minutes should have read:

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Vice President's Report

Kurt KC0HMI was unable to attend this evening. He's a new daddy! Nathaniel Kurt Kettelson was born at 7:40 PM on April 2, 2004 weighing in at 7lbs 8oz and measuring 20 ¾ inches long. Congratulations mom and dad.

Treasurer's Report

Mary N0TRK presented the March 2004 financial report. Liquid cash assets of \$6,438.27 breaks down as follows: checking account \$1,591.64; repeater account \$252.41; and savings account \$4,594.22. The balance in the Life Membership account was \$13,827.97. Total cash assets \$20,266.24. Income and expenses for the month were \$564.91 and \$209.28 respectively for a net income of \$355.63. Donations to the repeater fund tonight totaled \$341 bringing the repeater account balance to \$648.41.

Standing Committee Reports

Repeater Committee (this was part of the President's report): Steve

NOUP visited with Kevin Faris (KI0PY) of ATS. ATS manages the site at 156th and Maple which is home to the 146.34/94 KOUSA repeater. The Club is considered a welcome guest at this site. Even with the planned move to KETV Crown Point, the Club still desires to maintain the ATS site as a backup, with their permission of course.

Boilerplate language on the Club's web site still refers to WOWT as home to the repeater. This needs to be changed to properly acknowledge ATS. Mary, N0TRK, will take care of this. ATS will also be acknowledged in the Ham Hum, and will be offered free add space. Doug KA0O and Jim KA0KCV, please make sure the Midlands and Douglas County ARES net scripts properly acknowledge ATS.

The Club owned 146.34/94 KOUSA repeater is currently installed at the ATS site. The repeater on display here tonight is the (Douglas) county owned 146.34/94 repeater and Club owned duplexer. An independent evaluation of the repeater and duplexer was conducted by Shaffer Communications of Lincoln, Nebraska. Both were found to be in good working order.

Secty Note: Over the last several years, Douglas County EMA has entrusted the Club with two 94 repeaters; a Spec-Com (retired and returned to DCEMA) and an Icom which replaced it. The club owned repeater (also an Icom) is a relatively new acquisition. Both Icoms were pressed into service as primary and backup systems.

Kevin Faris (KIOPY) of ATS Engineering directed one of his technicians to conduct an independent evaluation of the site for RF and power line noise levels as well as an evaluation of the Club's repeater and duplexer. It was determined that site noise was not a problem and the duplexers appeared to be at spec; however, the receiver was out of spec. The county owned repeater will be returned to service, and the Club owned repeater would be serviced.

To help raise funds to move the K0USA 146.34/94 repeater to KETV, it may be necessary to sell the Club's (not the county) repeater. In doing so there would be no hot backup to 94. May also consider selling several hundred feet of 7/8" air dielectric hard-line and dehydrator that were used at the old 94 site (WOWT Crown Point). The old hard line is 20+ years old. Estimated cost to move and install the repeater at KETV was estimated at \$1,700 to \$2,000 using the old hard-line and up to \$5,000 with new 7/8" foam dielectric hard-line and hardware. Given the age of the old hard-line, it should be replaced with new.

Warren Behrens (KOWMB), Chief Engineer for KETV (Ch. 7), was an invited guest at the last Board Meeting (04/06/04). Warren visited with those present about the proposed move of the KOUSA 146.34/94 repeater to their new (to be built) tower at Crown Point. KETV is planning to donate tower and facility space to the Club (501c3), and while a commercial tower crew is on site, will absorb the cost of raising the antenna(s) and feedline as well. The tower is being configured for load considerations, etc. NOW so it's imperative

that we provide Warren with antenna, mount and feedline specs as soon as possible and have the antennas, feedline and hardware on hand and ready to go. Antenna height above ground is expected to be at the 650' (tower leg) or 700' (platform) level. At this level, 94 would gain about 300' over the present site. The repeater would be located in the building and access to the site (except tower) should not be a problem. Warren commented that KETV recognized the Club as a community resource and looked forward to working with us on this project.

NOTE: Mike Hogan, KA0MLH, passed the hat to help fund the move and installation of the KOUSA 146.34/94 repeater at KETV. \$341 was collected tonight. THANKS MIKE for taking the initiative and to all members and guests that consider this to be a worthwhile project and benefit to the community. Your support is sincerely appreciated.

Motion: Bill K0NSA moved to turn off the voting units when the Club owned 146.34/94 K0USA repeater is swapped out for service and the county owned repeater is placed back in service. Mary N0TRK seconds.

Discussion: The voters have not worked that well with audio level differences and dropouts the most noticeable problem. Doug KA0O stated the Bellevue voter located at his house works fine but without it access to 94 from that area would be a problem.

Amendment: Bill K0NSA amended the original motion to include <u>this</u> <u>would be a controlled test to determine if the voters are needed.</u>
Mary N0TRK seconds the amendment.

Discussion: Gerry WA6POZ points out this could be done without a motion and recommends that Bill K0NSA withdraws the motion. Bill K0NSA withdraws the original motion and amendment.

The voters were donated to the Club by the City of Sioux City with the stipulation they cannot be sold.

Disaster Preparedness: Bill K0NSA reported that USCG Boater Safety Training will be held tomorrow April 10 in preparation for the Lewis & Clark re-enactment this summer. Midlands ARES Skywarn Net Training is April 18. The Club will have a booth at the Safety Expo at Westroads Mall on April 24. The Eppley/OMMRS exercise is May 15 (see Jim KA0KCV if you can help). Pat K0CTU report that the MS walk is April 25. Jim KA0KCV reported the "Ants are not the only ones with antennas" picnic at Mahoney State Park is May 29.

Education: Kevin Hill, KA0VNY will be teaching Technician classes starting April 15th at 6:00p.m. Class will be done around 8:00 p.m. each week, and continue for eight consecutive Thursday evenings (except for the 3rd week, which will be on a Wednesday). These classes will be at Interstate Electric Supply Co. in Omaha. There is no cost for the class. The book is only \$19.95. Please signup soon so Kevin can order more books if needed. The book being used is the ARRL Now Your Talking. Contact Kevin at ka0vny@arrl.net or 510-5014 with questions or to register.

Public Relations: Mary N0TRK reported the Younkers sales event netted the Club \$167.91. There was also an additional \$70 from ticket sales. Mary would like to see these funds moved into the repeater account.

Bill KONSA moved to have these funds moved into the repeater account. Leo W9ZEC seconds. No discussion. Motion carries.

END OF STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Members

Steve NOUP presented new membership applications for Shane Craig (no call); Eric Lapham KG8Z; Angie Miller, Matthew Miller, Shaun Miller (family of Mitch KC0MXV); Heather Morrison (no call); and Tom Paskach KC0RFJ.

Bill K0NSA moved to accept the new members and vote on them collectively. Denny K0OMA seconds. Motion carries. WELCOME TO THE AK-SAR-BEN ARC!

Old Club Business

None.

New Club Business

None.

Adjourn

John WB0CMC moved to adjourn. Bill K0NSA seconds. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Noel, AJ0A Secretary

WANTED:

Part of the fun of any hobby and being a part of an organization is participation. There is always something that someone can do, no matter how busy that someone is. Take the time to get involved in the club by helping out with one of the following jobs.

Door Prize Wrangler: Involves procuring amateur radio related door prizes for monthly meetings, including the December meeting.

Don't wait for someone else to do it! Get involved and make a difference! Contact Steve NØUP at n0up@arrl.net or call him at 402-597 – 8666.

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The Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Affiliated with the American Radio Relay League since its founding in 1945, the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club of Omaha, Nebraska is a general interest amateur radio club with over 300 "radio-active" members.

Our members are involved in virtually every aspect of amateur radio from electronic circuit design to worldwide communication via voice and Morse code, satellite and space station communications, meteor scatter, computer assisted digital modes, amateur television, and even severe storm spotting for the National Weather Service.

We make a special effort to provide public service communications support for events such as parades, charity fund raisers, emergency preparedness drills, and disas-ter relief operations.

The club offers amateur radio classes to the public for those who wish to obtain an amateur radio li-cense or upgrade their license privi-leges. For more information contact us via email at k0usa@qsl.net. If you have a scanner you can listen to the clubs main wide area repeater at 146.940 Megahertz.

We're on the web at http://www.aksarbenarc.org