

WA4IWL NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The holiday season is fast approaching! Already, our little Sarah is over 5 months old. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

I would like to thank all of those who helped out with the Boca Bop Triathlon. The following HAMS offered their communication services on the morning of Nov. 7, 2010: Martin Horowitz, Matthew Henry, Nicole Henry, Tom Hawes, Mike Stopak, Steve Churchill, John Combs, Mike Daley, Vic Emmelkamp, and John Cerniglia. The event went off without any incidents. However, due to high winds and rough seas, the swimming portion was cancelled, making it a run-bike-run. We used the repeater for a short time and finished the event with simplex. We

enjoyed a nice breakfast together afterward at the The Outlet at the Innlet on Boca Grande. This may be the last Boca Bop run by the Optimist Club.

At the last meeting, we opened nominations for club officers and trustees. Please submit your nominations before or during the next meeting.

The club voted to make the annual banquet at the end of January free to EARS members and \$22 for guests. The Tampa Hamfest was announced for December 4th and 5th and Vic has tickets for sale. A scholarship committee has been selected under the assumption that a scholarship will be included in next year's budget. Martin Horowitz, Vic Emmelkamp, and Gene Reilly make up the committee, with Gene as the chairperson. Also at the last meeting, Roger Weatherly addressed the club concerning the activities of ARES/RACES and solicited greater participation and membership. Roger also described the digital communications being used at the area hospitals.

Thank you to Vic for demonstrating the propagation program he uses and sharing many great pictures including the Boca Bop, the Sweetbay Club table, and the Fly Wheel Weekend.

73,
Matthew Henry, KE4VEM

SECRETARY'S REPORT



EARS NOVEMBER RADIO CLUB MINUTES

MATTHEW HENRY OPENED THE MEETING AT 732PM, NOVEMBER 18 2010

WE STOOD AND RECITED THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

TWENTY TWO MEMBERS AND ONE GUEST THE WAS ROGER WETHERLY, W3IGM

OCTOBERS SECRETARY MINUTES ACCEPTED AS REPORTED IN THE NEWS LETTER

OCTOBERS TREASURY REPORT ACCEPTED AS REPORTED IN THE NEWS LETTER

CORRESPONDANCE.. LETTER FROM LEMON BAY HIGH SCHOOL ABOUT SCHOLARSHIP

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE.. NO CARDS SENT OUT AND NO INFORMATION ON THE CONDITION OF BILL STEVENS.. JOE RECCIO IS IN THE WINCHESTER NURSING HOME UNDER OBSERVATION TO SEE IF HE WILL STAY THERE OR GO HOME

RACES REPORT,, W3IGM, ROGER WETHERLY, CHORLOTTE COUNTY RACES CO-ORDINAOR GAVE AN INTERSTING AN UP TO DATE REPORT ON THE RACES IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY,, MOSTLY ON THE INTER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE FOUR AREA HOSPITALS DURING AN EMERGENCY,, HE ALSO BROUGHT UP THE POSSIBILITY OF A 70CM SIMPLEX NET,, IF ANY ONE WANTS MORE INFO PLEASE CALL ROGER AT 941-575-7169

PUBICITY,, THE COMMUNITY EVENT AT SWEET BAY GRCERY STORE WENT QUTE WELL,, LOTS OF INTERESTIN THE CLUB AND OUR ACTIVITES,, THE CLUB DID HAVE A DRAWING AND GAVE A AWAY A FRUIT BASKET, AND VIC'S WIFE LIZ WON A FLORAL ARRANGEMENT FROM ANOTHER DRWING

TESTING, NONE

DX.. AS I SAID THERE WAS NOTHING OUT THERE BUT THE NORMAL COUNTIRES, FRANK W4VV DID COMMENT ON WORKING THE ANARTIC ON 40M,, BUT SINCE FRIDAY KERMADEC ISLAND,ZL8X HAS BEEN ON THE AIR,, SO FAR I HAVE WORKED THEM ON 4 BANDS AND WAITING TO WORK THEM ON 20M,, OTHER DX OF INTEREST WOULD BE 4U1ITU,Z22JE,XF1,HZ AND A 5NALSO MANY MORE OUT THERE SO BLOW THE COB WEBS FROM YOUR RIG AND SEE WHAT YOU CAN WORK

HAMFESTS:

**.. NOVEMBER 27TH OKEECHOBE:
DECEMBER 4/5 TAMPA**

VIC HAS ADVANCED TICKETS FOR THE TAMPA HAMFEST. IF YOU NEED ONE GIVE HIM A CALL

NEW BUSINESS: NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

STEVE CHURCHILL	VP
JOHN C	TREASURER
MATTHEW HENRY	PRES

TRUSTEES: MARTY H; TOM H; VIC E; PAM E

THE VP MADE A COMMENT ABOUT EACH MEMBER ROTATING AS PRESIDENT FOR TWO MONTHS.. NO DISCUSSION ON THAT.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

SEEING THE DECLINE OF THE CHRISTMASS PARTY ATTENDANCE IT HAS BEEN MOVED TO JANUARY, 29TH ALSO VIC MADE A MOTION THAT THE DINNER BE FREE TO MEMBERS AND \$22.00 FOR A GUEST. THIS WAS PASSED WITH FLYING COLORS.

TOM HAWES, ACTING SECRETARY

Treasurer's Report



Nov. 18th, 2010

Our last bank statement shows \$3099.67 in our checking account, CD of 2,798.41, total \$5898.08

Deposits this month \$159.00

Hamfest sales 139.00 Dues of \$20 D.Senkpiel, minus 8.80 for stamps for John C

Payments made this month total \$70.00

Barrier Island Parks Soc. 50.00

Mike Stopak – refund 20.00

Submitted 11/18/2010

Mike Daly K4MWD

Treasurer

OPERATOR PROFILE



Steve Churchill – N9USZ

Obtained first license in Illinois, Dupage County – 1993

Equipment: Kenwood TS 690, Wouxun 2M HT; Yaesu 290R plus several Motorola radios.

Family and friends got him interested in amateur radio. His brother Tom – WD9DAU is a ham also.

First contact was on 6 M with an Icom 706 to N9IMH.

Most interesting contact: Ducie Island in 2008-VP6DX on 17M, and a 17M mobile contact with the Isle of Man.

Steve operates SSB FM; PSK, mobile HF and has worked some satellites.

He has 272 grids and 44 states confirmed on 6M. Holds VUCC#793 for 6M.

He likes to experiment with antennas when not QSOing.

Hobbies in addition to Ham Radio include: motorcycles, and target shooting.

Local Happenings:

VE Exam Sessions: The exams are given at 10:00 A.M. the 2nd Saturday of each month in the conference room of the Venice public library, 300 South Nokomis Avenue, Venice, FL. The exam cost is \$15.00. Contact Jack Sproat-W4JS, w4js@juno.com, 475-1929.

RACES: Communications Training Nets are held on the last Wednesday and Thursday of each month. The Wednesday night Emergency Communications Information Net begins at 8 PM on 146.745(-)MHZ with a PL of 136.5

On Thursday the Englewood EOC will conduct their Tactical Net beginning at 9:30 a.m. on 146.865(-) MHZ. The countywide tactical net begins at 10:00AM on 146.745(-) PL 136.5

QCWA Chapter 53 Meeting: 11:30 A.M., 1st Wednesday of each month at Denny's on Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, October through May, and the Panda Pavilion in Venice June through September.

Snowbird Net: Net is twice daily; first on 14.293 MHz at 10:00AM and on 7.233+- MHz at 7:00 P.M.

Connecticut Connection Net: Net is twice daily at 8:00 A.M. on 14.343+- MHz and at 6:40 P.M. on 7.184+- MHz.

Two Meter Nets

EARS	146.550	-	Wednesday	7:30 p.m.
NPARC	147.120		Tuesday	8:00 p.m.
CARS	146.745	-	Daily	8:30 a.m.

TARC	146.580	-	Tuesday	7:30 p.m.
TARC	146.805	-	Thursday	7:30 p.m.
PRRA	146.255	-	Sunday	8:00 p.m.
NICE	146.430	-	Daily	8:30 p.m.

RADIOS FOR SALE:

YAESU FT-2000D \$2200.00

FOR MORE INFO CONTACTOM – WA3PRC
AT 941-627-4644

ICOM 27H MOBILE - \$75.00 obo

KENWOOD R2000 RECEIVER - \$300.00 obo

ALPHA 87A AMPLIFIER - \$ 3500.00 obo

Call: VIC EMMELKAMP FOR DETAILS.
473-5560

Listen to:

the Astronauts

THEY WILL BE ON THE NI4CE REPEATER WHEN EVER THERE IS A LAUNCH SCHEDULED. TUNE: 146.430 PL100

and CB..???

For those with HF in the car, I just realized I could monitor CB Ch-19 by tuning to 127.185 am. I75 was loaded up when we left Englewood yesterday and hearing the comments helped us navigate past the accident. Who knows, maybe I'm the last person in the world to realize this, but I'll share it anyway. Mike K4MWD

Check out these sites on the Internet:

<http://www.dxinfocentre.com/>

<http://www.imo.net/radio>

LOCAL AREA HAMFESTS

12/04/2010 | [West Central Florida Section Convention \(Tampa Bay Hamfest\)](#)

Location: Palmetto, FL
Type: ARRL Convention
Sponsor: Florida Gulf Coast Amateur Radio Council
Website:
<http://www.tampabayhamfest.org>

- **01/15/2011 | [Southern Florida Section Convention](#)**

Location: Fort Myers, FL
Type: ARRL Convention
Sponsor: Fort Myers ARC
Website: <http://fmarc.net>

- **01/22/2011 | [TARCFest XXIV.V](#)**

Location: Tampa, FL
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Tampa Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.hamclub.org>

- **01/29/2011 | [Hamfest in Arcadia](#)**

Location: Arcadia , FL
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: DeSoto Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.desotoarc.org>



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If you are not yet an ARRL member add your support and join **now.**



Be sure to see our photo gallery on the next page.

You can go to the ARRL web site below for details regarding all hamfests.

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html#listing>

Our December Photo Gallery

Now Sweetbay – 'Taste of the Holidays'

First the Boca Bop

