

WA4IWL NEWSLETTER

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Marcia Fowler KA1GCV

Secretary's Report

EARS meeting November 15, 2012

Steve N9USZ called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 20 members, including Ray D. Magsby, our newest member, and 1 visitor, Virginia Nilsen.

The Secretary's report by Marcia KA1GCV was accepted as read.

The Treasurer's report by Vic K4VHX is now in Wells Fargo Bank and is listed as "Deposits/Credits" and "Withdrawals/Debits". The current posted balance as of 11/14/12 is \$5342.07. This was accepted as read.

Correspondence: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sunshine: George Shreve KA4JKY had knee surgery on 10/31/12; I sent a get well card. I also sent Keith Kelly KC5AS a get well/encouragement card on 11/15/12. He started chemo.

RACES: Mel W9BSM reports that Skywarn net and RACES drill is at 9:30am on 146.865 on the last Thursday of every month. Give your call, name, and ID when you call in. Charlie K1QNF reports that the digital net will try to do 2 per month starting around the 15th.

No Publicity

December 2012

PRESIDENT



Steve Churchill N9USZ

Editor's note: Steve recently spent several days with the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall and is preparing an article about it. We'll have that next issue.



Testing: Dates remain at second Saturday in Venice; and third Saturday in Port Charlotte. See times at end of newsletter.

DX: Tom WA3PRC gave a short report verbally; please see his written report in November's newsletter.

Hamfests: Orlando HamCation will be at the central Florida Fairgrounds on February 8, 9,+10 of 2013. Tampa Bay at Manatee on December 1+2, 2012; and Okeechobee on November24, Saturday only.

Other: Steve N9USZ demonstrated setting up a field day in Port Charlotte for a group interested in preparedness.

Old Business: none

New Business: The group began the process of nominations for 2013 officers. Steve N9USZ was asked if he would remain as President; Marcia KA1GCV was asked to remain as Secretary, Pam KIUEG was asked to consider the Vice President position; Vic K4VHX was asked to remain as Treasurer. There will be a second call for nominations at our next meeting; and the third call will be at our New Year's party, followed by voting. All members are asked to think about who would be a good choice for each position.

A motion was proposed to have the Club give a \$500 scholarship in 2013 to a Lemon Bay High School deserving student, interested in electronics, preferably radio. This was discussed and voted on....the Ayes have it; 2 members opposed (Tom WA3PRC and Mel W9BSM).

We should have more information on our New Year's party in January at our next meeting on December 20, 2012.

Adjournment: The motion to adjourn was made and accepted by the group. We adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Fowler KA1GCV
Secretary

Next meeting 12/20/12

7:30 PM

Englewood United Methodist
Church

Save this date

Annual EARS Holiday Party

SUNDAY

January 27th, 2013

Rotunda Golf & Country Club
100 Rotunda Circle

Social Hour 6:00PM Dinner 7:00PM
\$20 per person



Tom Hawes WA3PRC

DX REPORT

Not a lot to report for the past month.. I just checked for what I was interested in and didn't pay much attention to the others. I assume that all the world was out there enjoying the bands. What I was looking for is as follows

PJ4X, Netherlands Antilles on 17m, K7NRA, The special event station for the National Rifle Assn. on 20m. PT0S, Peter Paul Rocks, on 10M. HC2UM, Ecuador on 10m RTTY, ZL9HR, Auckland/Campbell Island on 12m CW, 17 and 17m, 20m and 15m. than the last 5T0SP, Mauritania on 15m and 20m.

All of these contacts were with 100w. a few times I was tempted to fire up the amp but finally made it with 100w which makes me feel good.

I did see the V63 posted once but no copy here.

Now one should watch for these entities,, E51E, South Cook Island, H40FN, Temotu Island,, These stations will be on till Jan.7th.

Try DX, ITS FUN

73s Tom WA3PRC

LOCAL:

New Member

John Esposito KK4HQK lives at 2 South DeLas Palmas St in Englewood with his wife Suzanne. John's involvement with amateur radio started last year when he decided to install an HF rig in his trawler. Phone: 981-264-7489 email: gioacchin@aol.com



NEW YEAR PARTY

This year's holiday season party is being held at the Rotunda Golf and Country Club. John W4JAC was our representative. The country club somehow felt that with John's passing the party had been canceled. When I (Mike K4MWD) stepped in we learned that our Saturday booking was rescheduled with another group and we accepted their offer for Sunday January 27th. Not an ideal situation, but hey, a party is a party.

Menu choices include prime rib, chicken oscar and shrimp scampi. Cost is \$20 per person. Please mail checks to Vic K4VHX at 1181 Manor Rd, Englewood 34223 indicating entree preference.

Hope to see all of you there.

HAMFESTS/CONVENTIONS

[01/12/2013 | ARC at UCF Tailgate](#)

Location: Orlando, FL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: ARC at UCF

Website: <http://www2.mmae.ucf.edu/wiki/Tailgate>

[01/12/2013 | Naples Ham Radio & Electronics Fest](#)

Location: Naples, FL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Amateur Radio Association of Southwest Florida

Website: <http://www.araswf.org>

[01/12/2013 | TARCfest XXIX](#)

Location: Tampa, FL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Tampa Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.hamclub.org>

[01/19/2013 | Southern Florida Section Convention](#)

Location: Fort Myers, FL

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://fmarc.net>

[01/26/2013 | DeSoto County Hamfest](#)

Location: Arcadia, FL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: DeSoto Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://desotoarc.org/>

[02/08/2013 | Southeastern Division Convention \(Orlando HamCation®\)](#)

Location: Orlando, FL

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Orlando Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.hamcation.com>

VE Exam Sessions:

7:00 p.m. on the Third Wednesday of the month at the Century Link Building at the corner of Harbor and S Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL.

Bring 2 forms of ID, your current license if upgrading and \$15

Contact Gino at 941-629-7933 for more info.

Click here for the next scheduled session.

http://www.arrl.org/exam_sessions/port-charlotte-fl-33952-9999-18

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

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 14.317 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 444.100 – Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

TARC 146.805 - Thursday 7:30 p.m.

TARC 146.805 – Wednesday 8:00 p.m. DX net

TARC's website is at: <http://tamiamiarc.org/>

PRRA 146.255 - Sunday 8:00 p.m.

NICE 146.430 - Daily 8:30 p.m.

Letters to the editor should be emailed to:

K4MWD@arrl.net Put Editor in the subject line.



At this time of year and especially with the sadness that surrounds the Newtown tragedy, take the time to hug those around you. Tell your children, grandchildren, spouse, parents and friends that you love them; hope and work for peace in the new year. Merry Christmas

73,

Mike Daly K4MWD
Editor