

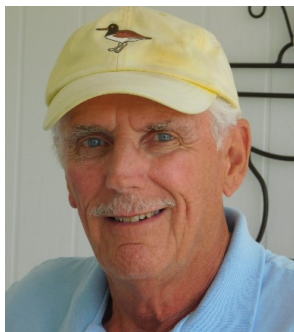
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SECRETARY'S REPORT



Ken Blackshaw W1NQT

EARS Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2017

The Englewood Amateur Radio Society meeting was called to order by Pam Eggleton K1UEG, on May 16, 2017 at 7:09 PM at the Englewood Area Chamber of Commerce building. We delayed the start a few minutes to allow everyone time to come in from their cars through the pouring rain. We began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Eight members and two guests, Tom Filieo and Doug Phillips, attended.

Secretary's Report.

The Secretary's Report was unanimously accepted as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted as published in the newsletter.

Correspondence.

Only one junk mail item arrived in the PO Box.

Sunshine.

Fred was at the minute and announced that he will get a new hip July 31 and his second him 90 days later.

ARES/RACES.

A meeting was held with an assistant principal of Lemon Bay High School to discuss raising the antenna at the campus chiller room by about eight feet (members questioned why not even higher). It sounded like the high school was happy with the chiller room location rather than relocating equipment closer to the office area.

Pam said everything worked fine at Ainger Middle School at practice this past month. A possible lack of summer coverage was discussed.

Doug Frazier is filling in at Englewood Community Hospital while Fred is out. ECH is taking down the antenna tower on top of the roof and keeping only the antenna array on the side of the building at roof level so a digipeater is required for digital communications from the hospital. Hams share room space with the dietitian/food service person for the hospital.

Publicity.

Jim Nelson reported that he is looking into possibly demonstrating ham radio to Englewood Area Chamber of Commerce members, possibly at some community events, but will wait until September to pick the issue up again.

DX.

Ray's radio is in the shop. Tom says nothing is out there, with up and down bands. Tom says Earth has been in an exceptional magnetic field for about six months.

Hamfests.

Dayton Hamfest is being held at a new location this year.

Old Business.

Field Day is at the same location as last year with the same restrictions (no alcoholic beverages) at the South Gulf Cove pavilion. Tom bought a new cooler that Matthew took home to store with the generator and extension power cables; Tom says he'll wait until our Treasurer returns to turn in his receipt for reimbursement. The rest of the equipment is presumed to be stored in Howard Kuhlman's shed. It was suggested that Steve should have access to the shed, if Howard isn't available. Ray says the pole for the vertical antenna is at Ray's house. It was suggested that we could use a 2M station for GOTA (Get On The Air) since such a station would give more points and not count as a competition station. The plan is to pick up the equipment Friday and set it up on Saturday, June 24 at 9:00 AM.

The increase to membership dues that was brought as an issue and voted on by membership at the April meeting was discussed. There had not been prior notice that a change to the EARS bylaws was to be made before the issued was called to a vote, so members not at the meeting were not aware of the proposed change as well. There was very little discussion on the issue and the need for the increase was not clear. The matter could need more attention when meetings resume in the Fall.

Lighthouse Weekend is the third full weekend in August – August 19 & 20. Ray, Pam, and Mary went out to Boca Grande to investigate. The person they spoke with at the lighthouse was unsure, and referred them to the state park ranger. Ranger Chad wants an event application and an application fee of \$107 that should cover both days. There is also a \$6 bridge toll for each vehicle each of the two days to get onto the island. It is possible that work will be in progress on the lighthouse during the event, so we are permitted to use the ranger building instead, if that is the case. The idea of making a brochure for the club and Lighthouse Weekend event was also kicked around. It was decided we did not have a quorum present to

vote on a motion to use the \$50 previously approved for donation to the Gasparilla Barrier Island Historical Society toward the newly required state park application fee and then have the officers use discretionary authority to authorize payment of the \$57 difference, as there will be no regular meeting before the event. It was suggested an email vote from membership on the issue might help us get approval.

New Business.

See the Lighthouse Weekend issue above in Old Business as it leads us into New Business.

Announcements.

George and Gerta Shreve are expected to be in town Friday for their son, George Jr's 60th birthday.

Doug Phillips brought a DVD which addresses how hams raised money for a tower in his community. He will bring the video back to share at a better attended meeting in the Fall.

Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Program.

RACES in Sarasota County has a slightly different organization. It has an Auxiliary Communications System (ACS), LLC composed of ARES/RACES members and a president who interfaces with the Sarasota County EOC. They also have a hardened Internet connection (IXP) for their digipeater system.

Respectfully submitted,
Matthew Henry KE4VEM,
Acting Secretary



Interested in becoming an EARS member?

An application is located on the last page.



TREASURER'S REPORT



Treasurer Mike K4MWD

| Date ↓ | Description | Type ▾ | Status ▾ | Amount | Available Balance |
|---|--|--------|----------|---------|-------------------|
| Amount included in Available Balance | | | | | |
| ▶ 06/13/2017 | Check 1052 | | C | -107.00 | 5,443.64 |
| Statement as of 06/01/2017 (view statements) » | | | | | |
| ▶ 05/24/2017 | Bill Pay Check 5003: Englewood chamber of commerce | | C | -127.00 | 5,550.64 |

Activity

Checks: \$107 Lighthouse rental, \$127 Annual CofC dues

Balance: \$ 5443.64

Respectfully submitted
Mike Daly K4MWD
Treasurer

DX



Tom Hawes WA3PRC



Jack Sproat W4JS

No reports

LOCAL:

Hamfests

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

08/19/2017 | [TARCFest](#)

Location: Tampa, FL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Tampa Amateur Radio Club

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

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:

Suncoast Chapter 53 meets October through May at the Oriental Buffet, 4458 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota at 11:15 AM on the first Monday of the month. Cost is \$11/person. Dues are \$5/year for members.

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.

PA/Florida Connection Net: Net is twice daily at 8:00 -9:00A.M. on 14.340 MHz and at 6:30-7:00 P.M. on 7.233 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 +5MHZ PL 100 Tuesday 7:30 pm.

TARC 146.805 – PL 100 Thursday 7:30 pm.

PRRA 146.255 - Sunday 8:00 p.m.

NI4CE 145.430 - Daily 8:30 p.m WCF ARRL Traffic net

Food and Fellowship

Punta Gorda ELKS lodge, Shore Drive in Punta Gorda, 11:00 AM Every Friday.

Denny's Restaurant, corner of RT 41 and RT 776 in Murdock, 7:30 AM Every Saturday

IHOP Punta Gorda, diagonally across RT 41 from the Police and Fire Station and directly across Grace St. from the Golden Corral. 1145 Am Wednesday.

Denny's – Englewood, SR 776 and Placida Rd (next to Bay Harbor Ford) : 7:00 AM every Tuesday

FROM THE EDITOR



Hi All: Hope you have a great time at the Field Day.

Enjoy Summer!

Mike K4MWD

If you run into an article you'd like to see included, please email me at mike@mmdaly.com.

New repeaters for the list...

WENG Radio 145.250 T100

K0DGF 146.775 T77

K0DGF 444.625 T77

Thanks Pam and George, now I have to figure out how to edit the lists.

New tone for EARS repeater K8ONV effective now the tone will change from that listed below to 136.5.

LOCAL REPEATERS

27 repeaters found within 50 MILES of 34223 26.9779941, -82.3560389.

● = On-Air ● = Off-Air ● = Testing ○ = Unknown

Click on the frequency for additional details.
Click on a header to sort.

VOIP Legend: A=AllStar; E=EchoLink; I=IRLP; W=WIRES

| Frequency | Offset | Tone | Call | Location | ST/PR | Use | VOIP | Mi | Dir | ^(*) |
|-----------|----------|-------|--------|---|-------|--------|------|------|-----|----------------|
| 145.1700 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | KG4VDS | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 145.2100 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4HEM | Lake Placid, Lake Placid | FL | OPEN | | 64.8 | E | ● |
| 145.3300 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4HEM | Avon Park, National Guard Armory | FL | OPEN | | 66.8 | NE | ● |
| 145.3900 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | K4QCW | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 145.4300 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | NI4CE | Varna, Cox radio tower | FL | OPEN | | 28.8 | N | ● |
| 145.4700 | -0.6 MHz | 97.4 | WA4PAM | LaBelle, EOC | FL | OPEN | | 55.5 | SE | ● |
| 146.6250 | -0.6 MHz | 127.3 | N4EMH | Wauchula | FL | OPEN | | 51.6 | NE | ● |
| 146.6850 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | KF4QWC | Punta Gorda | FL | OPEN | | 19.4 | ESE | ● |
| 146.7300 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | N4SER | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 27.0 | NNW | ● |
| 146.7450 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | WX4E | Punta Gorda | FL | OPEN | | 19.4 | ESE | ● |
| 146.7600 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | W4KR | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 146.7750 | -0.6 MHz | | K0DGF | Englewood, Florida | FL | OPEN | | 1.1 | S | ● |
| 146.8200 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | K4GG | Bradenton | FL | OPEN | | 38.4 | NNW | ● |
| 146.8650 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | K8ONV | Port Charlotte, Charlotte County Sports Complex | FL | OPEN | | 16.3 | ESE | ● |
| 146.8800 | -0.6 MHz | 136.5 | KI4PTZ | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 146.9100 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4IE | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 27.0 | NNW | ● |
| 146.9550 | -0.6 MHz | 100.0 | K4BRC | Bradenton | FL | OPEN | | 38.4 | NNW | ● |
| 147.0750 | +0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4MIN | Arcadia | FL | OPEN | | 34.7 | E | ● |
| 147.1200 | +0.6 MHz | 136.5 | K4NPT | North Port | FL | OPEN | | 8.7 | E | ● |
| 147.1800 | +0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4MIN | Arcadia | FL | OPEN E | | 34.7 | E | ● |
| 147.1950 | +0.6 MHz | 103.5 | KF4MBN | Bradenton | FL | OPEN | | 38.3 | NNW | ● |
| 147.2700 | +0.6 MHz | 100.0 | W4HEM | Sebring, Highlands County EOC | FL | OPEN | | 65.6 | E | ● |
| 147.2850 | +0.6 MHz | 136.5 | W1RP | Lehigh Acres, Lehigh Medical Center | FL | OPEN | | 50.2 | SE | ● |
| 147.3000 | +0.6 MHz | 141.3 | KD4MZM | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 27.8 | NNW | ● |
| 147.3450 | +0.6 MHz | 136.5 | WG4K | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 147.3750 | +0.6 MHz | 123.0 | N2FSU | Lehigh Acres | FL | OPEN E | | 51.3 | SE | ● |
| 147.3900 | +0.6 MHz | 100.0 | N4SER | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 25.4 | NNW | ● |

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|--------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
| 442.3500 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | W4HCA | Avon Park | FL | OPEN | | 67.4 | NE | ● |
| 442.9500 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | NI4CE | Verna | FL | OPEN | | 30.6 | NNW | ● |
| 444.1000 | +5 MHz | CC1 100.0 | W4AC | Englewood | FL | OPEN | | 1.1 | S | ● |
| 443.9500 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | NI4CE | Lake Placid, Happiness Tower | FL | OPEN | | 64.8 | E | ● |
| 444.4500 | +5 MHz | 77.0 | WB4FOW | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 442.4500 | +5 MHz | 136.5 | WB2FAU | Fort Myers | FL | OPEN | | 37.9 | SE | ● |
| 444.9750 | +5 MHz | 136.5 | WX4E | Punta Gorda | FL | OPEN | | 19.4 | ESE | ● |
| 443.2750 | +5 MHz | | AC4FL | Naples, Wiggins State Park | FL | OPEN | | 58.1 | SE | ● |
| 444.5500 | +5 MHz | 141.3 | KD4MZM | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 27.0 | NNW | ● |
| 444.9250 | +5 MHz | CSQ | W4IE | Sarasota | FL | OPEN | | 27.0 | NNW | ● |
| 444.8000 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | N1DP | Hancock | FL | OPEN | | 35.2 | SE | ● |
| 444.2000 | +5 MHz | | W4MIN | Arcadia | FL | OPEN | | 34.7 | E | ● |
| 444.8250 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | W4HEM | Avon Park, Bombing Range | FL | OPEN | | 77.6 | NE | ● |
| 443.8750 | +5 MHz | 100.0 | NI4MX | Lakewood Ranch | FL | OPEN | | 30.3 | N | ● |
| 444.8750 | +5 MHz | | K4TAP | Bradenton, Mixons Fruit Farm | FL | OPEN | | 38.4 | NNW | ● |
| 442.1500 | +5 MHz | 94.8 | KA2LAL | North Port | FL | OPEN | | 8.7 | E | ● |
| 444.7000 | +5 MHz | CC1 | N4SER | Laurel | FL | OPEN | | 12.1 | NNW | ● |

Englewood Amateur Radio Society
Membership Application

Name: _____ CallSign _____ Class _____

Local Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Local Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Secondary Address: _____ City/State : _____ Zip Code: _____

Spouse's Name: _____ ARRL Member: Yes/No _____

Please check activity interests: Field Day ___ Contesting: ___ RFI/TVI ___ VE Testing: ___

Training: ___ Technical: ___ Computers: ___ Packet ___ Publicity: ___ Special Events: ___

Single Membership: \$ 20.00 per year ___ Family Membership: \$ 25.00 per year

Give to Treasurer or Mail to: E.A.R.S. PO Box 572 Englewood, FL 34295