

# WA4IWL NEWSLETTER

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March 9th, 2016

## SECRETARY'S REPORT



Ken Blackshaw W1NQZ

## ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Minutes of the Meeting

February 16, 2016

Dave Trost, W0RVR, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

We had 17 members and one guest present for this meeting.

Secretary's Report – A motion to approve the minutes as published in the last newsletter was made and passed.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report as written in the newsletter was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** No snail mail, but an email from the Commandant of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Post where we hold our meetings was discussed at length. It spelled out many rules associated with our tenancy. A motion was made from the floor that we form an 'ad hoc' committee to look into finding an alternate location, and passed unanimously. The committee will report results at the next meeting.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Sunshine** – We believe that Marcia Fowler is still doing Sunshine and Pam Eggleton, K1UEG, agreed to contact her. It was noted that JR House and family need some Sunshine, also Ron McCloud.

- **RACES** – Pam Eggleton commented that the radio at Ainger is now operational.

- **Publicity** – No Report

- **Testing** – The Tamiami Club has moved there testing location to the Woodmere Library off of Jacaranda.

- **DX** – Ray Magsby, KK4LGF, directed our attention to what was printed in the newsletter.

- **Hamfest/FD** – Vic Emmelkamp commented on our club's participation at the Orlando Hamcation last weekend. Our table had good sales to the amount of \$360 for the club.

- There was no FD discussion

**OLD BUSINESS:** The R-7 antenna has been repaired by Dave Trost, et al, tested, and is now operational.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Matthew Henry let us know that he has a rather large vertical antenna in his garage that is looking for a home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our guest member, Will Wehner, WB8FXJ, volunteered to provide our program, on the Dayton Hamvention at our March meeting. Will's email info is: wilhelm@wehner.com

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. so we could move to the program.

PROGRAM: Mark Mull, KJ4UXQ provided a lively slide show of his recent trip around Australia, from Adelaide, north through 'The Alice' and then east to the Whitsunday Coast, the Daintree, and then back to the red center. It was agreed that he would provide the next segment of the trip for our April program.

Matthew Henry generously provided and ran the computer hookup to show these slides.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Blackshaw  
Secretary

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday March 15th**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Coast Guard Auxiliary Station**

## TREASURER'S REPORT



Treasurer Mike K4MWD

Date	Description	Type	Status	\$Amount	\$Available Balance
Amount included in Available Balance					
02/17/2016	Deposit			390.00	6,458.64
02/08/2016	Check 1016: Venwood Awards			-16.05	6,068.64
02/04/2016	Check 1015: B Silverberg banquet refund			-30.00	6,084.69

Current account:  
income: \$390.00  
expenses: \$46.05  
balance: \$6458.64

Income was from membership dues as well as payment for two replacement badges and Orlando Hamcation sales \$360. Expenses for badges and banquet refund. Pending now are reimbursement for our PO Box and annual insurance premium.

Respectfully submitted  
Mike Daly K4MWD  
Treasurer

## DX



Ray Magsby KK4LGF

<http://www.ng3k.com/misc/adxod.html>

VK0IR--- Heard Island Southwest of Perth, Australia in the Southern Indian Ocean by some 2547 miles is the Australian Territory of Heard Island and McDonald Islands. (HIMI). The last DXpedition to Heard Island was in January 1997, mounted by the international team of VK0IR. That was 19 years and 10 months ago, currently making Heard Island the DXCC entity inactive for the longest time.

The Radio team will be led by Dave, K3EI and there will be an International Tm. The VK0EK team will be using Elecraft K3 rigs and KPA500 amplifiers as well as OM amps. Transmitting into various phased verticals on the low bands and Yagis on the higher bands. They will be logging with NIMM+ and using DXA([www.dxa3.org](http://www.dxa3.org)) so you will be able to see your QSO being logged within moments of the contact. Members of the Diablo DXers will be handling the QSLing chores and the best way, as always, will be to use OQRS, which will be available on the DXA website. The team has two websites, at [www.vk0ek.org](http://www.vk0ek.org) and [www.heardisland.org](http://www.heardisland.org). Both have an abundance of details about the upcoming expedition.

### Juan de Nova and Europa

Juan de Nova, aka Saint-Christophe a tropical island located between Mozambique and Madagascar in the Mozambique channel. They were not on the original post war DXC list. The April 1963 issue of QST

announced the addition to the ARRL Countries list of Juan de Nova, which included Bassas da India, and Europa, which were “French territory under the administration of the Overseas Department of Reunion, Contact with these 3 islands on or after June 25, 1960 Count for FT/J,E ---Juan de Nova, Europa for DXCC credit

FT4JA—Juan de Nova, During the 2015 International DX Convention in California, Seb Poulenard, F5UFX, announced plans for a French team to activate Juan de Nova in the first quarter of 2016. FT/J

The Team plan to sail from Mayotte Island on March 26 (if all goes well) which should take two-3 days. Plans are to activate FT4JA from March 29 to April 11. They will have 6 dedicated HF stations and a 6 meter station. Plans are to be operational on 1.8 – 50 MHz on CW, SSB, and RTTY. They will be using verticals on 160 and 80 meters, four square arrays on 40 and 30 meters, two element vertical on 20 – 10 meters and a six element Yagi on 50MHz.


The FT4JA team has a website at [www.juandenova.com/en](http://www.juandenova.com/en). They are also on Twitter at [twitter.com/JuandeNovaDX](https://twitter.com/JuandeNovaDX).

GOOD DXing

Ray  
KK4LGF

### LOCAL:

Ken Blackshaw W1NQT mentioned at breakfast today that the son of long time member and SK **Ken Anderson W4JQT** has recently been issued Ken's old call sign.

**W4JQT**  USA  
KENNETH M ANDERSON  
204 8TH STREET  
GROTTOES, VA 24441-1180  
USA

## Hamfests

No scheduled local hamfests for listing of all hamfests, go to <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>

## Testing

Please email the contact to confirm dates and times.

Sponsor: SCARE  
Date: Third Monday of each month  
Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
Contact: Gino J. Ferranti  
(941) 629-7933  
Email: ke4tjo@arrl.net  
Location: Edgewater Methodist Church, 19190  
Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL.

Sponsor: Tamiami ARC  
Date: Second Saturday each month  
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
Contact: John R. Sproat  
(941) 475-1929  
Email: w4js@juno.com  
Location: Jacaranda Public Library, 4143  
Woodmere Park Blvd, Venice  
Reservations Appreciated!  
<http://tamiamiarc.org/ve-exam-sessions>  
Venice FL 34285-2416

**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:**  
QCWA Suncoast Chapter 53 meets year round. From October through May, we meet at 11:15 AM the first Wednesday of every month at Denny's, 3701 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota. From June through September, we have informal lunches at the Hibatchi Grill Buffet. FYI, there are no chapter dues, all are welcome, and we have pretty good programs at our Sarasota lunch/meetings.

**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

## LOCAL REPEATERS

Please look on the last page for repeater tables.



## FROM THE EDITOR



Mike K4MWD

If you run into an article you'd like to see included, please email me at [mike@mmdaly.com](mailto:mike@mmdaly.com).

Below is a different listing of nearby repeaters. Please give us a month or two to merge all of our data. How do you like this format?

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

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