



TARC Groundwire Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Well, this is the last time I write to you as your club president. My term expired at the end of May and our new president (Mark Taylor) takes over the first of June. It has been a lot of fun for me personally and a great learning experience. You know, it actually was a pretty easy job. And you know why? Because I had a great group of officers and board members who made me look good. Thank you, Mark. Thank you Art, Thank you Alan. Thank you Don. Thank you Ed. Thanks to all the members of the Tyler Amateur Radio Club. I appreciate your efforts, your loyalty and your friendship.

As many of you know, I am also a member of the Tyler Civil Air Patrol. One of my last acts as an officer of the Tyler Amateur Club was to teach a Technician level amateur radio class at the Tyler Civil Air Patrol hanger. It was sort of a joint venture between our club and the Civil Air Patrol. CAP places a high value on communications skills and having many CAP members who are also amateur radio operators makes the CAP better prepared to meet its mission. The class was comprised of 13 students ... there were 7 cadets (youngsters) and 6 senior members (old foggies like me). Our objective was to get as many people through the class (and to pass the test) and do it with only **one day of class work**. I am proud to say that we had 12 of the 13 pass the Technician test and are now newly licensed ham operators. They are:

Dick Gilmore
Cindy Renea
Dwight Bremer

Caleb Winn
James Fitzgerald
Brian Bremer

David Dulin
Sarah Fitzgerald
Joshua Hughes

Kimberly Dulin
Robert Smith
Josh Jenkins

If you hear them on the repeater or see them at a TARC club meeting or at Field Day, give them a rousing welcome. And if this sounds like a proud papa showing off you are probably right.

My job is done and, at least for now, I say so long and thanks for the memories.

This is K5PFP going QRT
73's



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NEW MEMBERS / LICENSE UPGRADES

Current TARC paid membership roster now stands at 63. 2009 goal is 100!!!!

The following Civil Air Patrol members passed their Technician exam held at the CAP Hanger on 31May09.

Dick Gilmore
Cindy Renea
Dwight Bremer

Caleb Winn
James Fitzgerald
Brian Bremer

David Dulin
Sarah Fitzgerald
Joshua Hughes

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Robert Smith
Josh Jenkins

Congratulations to all!!



TARC MONTHLY MEETING INFO / UPCOMING EVENTS

The Tyler Amateur Radio Club meets every third Thursday of every month at the Shiloh Road Church Of Christ at Shiloh and Paluxy - Tyler, TX at 7:00 p.m. Club meetings are open to all interested persons, ham and non-ham alike, regardless of club membership.

A FREE DRAWING is held each meeting for a Ham related item. You must be present to win.

Field Day will be 27 and 28 of June 2009 at the Blackjack camping area in Tyler State Park

For more information about Field Day see the following web site:

<http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/fd/>



HAMFEST INFO June 12-13 2009

West Gulf Division Convention (Ham-Com 2009)

Ham-Com, Inc., North Texas Microwave Society, McKinney ARC, et al

<http://www.hamcom.org/>

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VE TESTING INFO

VE testing is conducted on the second Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM at the American Red Cross building on Rieck Road in Tyler, Texas unless otherwise changed for special reasons, such as holidays. Listen to the TARC net each week @ 8:00 PM Monday, on the 147.000 repeater for any necessary changes. Mac McGraw, AE5FH is the Contact VE contact. His e-mail is bnmcgraw@suddenlink.net His phone Number is 903-839-7916.

ITEMS FOR SALE

The TARC Webmaster, KD5KIZ, Gaylen Gage has provided a "For Sale" link on the website. Please visit www.tylerarc.org/forsale.htm

TARC WEEKLY NET

The Tyler Amateur Radio Club also conducts a weekly net on Mondays at 8:00 p.m. on the club's 147.00 MHz repeater, - offset and 88.5 tone. The net is open to all licensed hams regardless of club membership.

Good repeater info for new Techs: www.hamuniverse.com/repeater.html

CURRENT TARC OFFICERS – 2009/2010

President	Mark Taylor	W5MCT
Vice President	Art Sharp	K5LXK
Secretary/Treasurer	Alan Luce	KE5RFR
Goundwire Editor		
Board Member/Net Control Chairman	Don Simonton	K5LOW
Board Member	Clif Sherrod	KD5UCY

TARC WEBSITE LINK

www.Tylerarc.org

ARRL WEBSITE LINK

www.arrl.org

LICENSE PRACTICE TEST WEBSITE

www.qrz.com/p/testing.pl

CONTEST WEBSITE LINK

www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/



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FROM THE EDITOR – ALAN LUCE - KE5RFR



Hey guys!

I just returned home from assisting the Tyler VE Team in giving the Tech exams to the 13 Civil Air Patrol members. 12 CAP members passed their Tech exam. As soon as their call signs are processed by the FCC they will be invited to the TARC monthly meetings as well as the 09 Field Day which is rapidly approaching.

The TARC 2009-10 election of officers took place last month. As you can see on page 3 there were a few changes from last year. I look forward to serving TARC as the club Secretary/Treasurer. Thanks!

Paul Paulson.....guy..... we are going to miss you. As I have previously stated, great job Paul!!

TARC has reserved 10 spaces for both Friday and Saturday nights in the Blackjack RV camping area at Tyler State Park. Let me know if you want to drag a trailer and spend the weekend with us. You need to have the RV there by Friday afternoon. The cost?How about FREE!!!

Everyone try their best to attend the June TARC meeting on 18 June 09. We have a lot of Field Day information to discuss. I have been appointed the 09 Field Day Coordinator and I need as many folks as possible to participate. This is only my second Field Day to attend. Really a greenhorn here. Bob Jackson, AG5X is heading up the PR work for Field Day. He will be in contact with numerous media outlets and our media coverage at Field Day this year should be awesome.

Misty Stevenson KE5RIT is in charge of the Field Day grub. Nothing to worry about here, she is a real pro.

Don't forget to check out the new photos on the TARC web site. Thanks KD5KIZ Gaylen for doing a super job with the web site.

Until next month.....

73 yall'
from the Luce Connection Ranch
Troup, Texas