



COLLINS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Richardson, Texas

# SIGNALS

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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**February 2026**

**CARC**  
**Membership Meeting**  
**Tuesday 24 February 2026 5:30 PM**  
  
**The Meeting will be at**  
**Woodcreek Church**  
**3400 E. Renner Rd, Richardson TX**  
**(and via Zoom)**  
  
**Show 'n Tell Night**

## OUR GENSETS ARE LOOKING FOR A HOME

CARC owns 2 generators and ancillary equipment which we use for Field Day and other emergency/practice operations. These are Honda EU2200i generators which have been modified for tri-fuel operation. Our current practice is to use only propane.

These generators have been stored at the homes of members since being purchased in 2021 and are in need of a new home. This will involve running the generators periodically and checking oil levels.

If you have some room in your garage and are willing to exercise the generators to keep them in good running order, please contact our Club President, Mike Montgomery, WD5TX, at (972) 890-1149.

# February IS show 'n tell

“Show ‘n Tell” is the theme of the February Collins Amateur Radio Club’s meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 24th, at 5:30pm, at Woodcreek Church, 3400 E. Renner Rd., Richardson.

Following a brief business meeting, several of our members (and guests) will present short overviews of a number of devices, gimmicks and software that can be useful in your ham shack. We welcome “drop in” show-and-tells, so if you have something that you’d like to show to fellow members, just bring it along and we’ll give you time to demonstrate. Ideally, have the website of a site on which to purchase or download info/software about the item you’re showing.

And, as always - bring a friend, licensed or not. All of us love to talk about Ham Radio.

## Calendar of Events

**Tues. Feb. 24 - 5:30pm - Membership Meeting at  
Woodcreek Church**

**Tues. Mar. 3 - 5:30pm - Drive Home Net (441.9875)**

**Tues. Mar. 3 - 7:00pm - 1st Tuesday Elmer Night via  
Zoom**

**Tues. Mar. 10 - 5:30pm - Drive Home Net (441.875)**

**Tues. Mar. 10 - 7:00pm - CARC Board of Directors via  
Zoom**

**Tues. Mar. 17 - 5:30pm - Drive Home Net (441.875)**

**Tues. Mar. 17 - 7:00pm - 3rd Tuesday Elmer Net  
(441.875)**

**Tues. Mar. 24 - 5:30pm - Membership Meeting at  
Woodcreek Church**

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## VE SESSIONS

**The Northeast Metro ARRL License Testing Group** will hold testing sessions on the **first** Monday each month (except holidays) at the Garland Amateur Radio clubhouse in downtown Garland TX, 1027B Austin St., Garland TX 75040 beginning August 2023. Time 6-8pm. All who want to test for an amateur radio license are welcome. You will need **photo ID, FRN from FCC and \$15.00 correct cash**. All forms, etc., will be provided by testing group. You can reserve a seat by calling Kerry Weeks at 214.478.3230 or email at [weeks.kerry@gmail.com](mailto:weeks.kerry@gmail.com) in advance of the test.

**Dallas** tests are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 1000 hrs. 13350 Floyd Rd. (Old Credit Union) Contact Bob West, WA8YCD 972.917.6362

**Irving** tests are held on the third Saturday of each month at 0900. Fifth and Main St. Contact Bill Revis, KF5BL 252-8015

**McKinney** VE test sessions are held at the Heard Museum the first Sunday of the month. The address is 1 Nature Place, McKinney TX. The time of the testing is 1430, ending no later than 1645. **Note: no tests given on holiday weekends.**

**Garland** in-person testing is held on the first Saturday of each month and begins at 1000 sharp. Location is Freeman Heights Baptist Church, 1120 N Garland Ave, Garland (between W Walnut and Buckingham Rd). Enter via the north driveway. A HUGE parking lot is located behind the church. Both the parking lot and the Fellowship Hall are located on

the east side of the church building, with big signs by the entrance door. Contact Janet Crenshaw, WB9ZPH at 972.302.9992. \*\*\* Online video testing via Zoom is, also, offered on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 1900. See <https://sites.google.com/site/wb9zph>. \*\*\*

**Plano** testing is on the third Saturday of each month, 1300 hrs at Williams High School, 1717 17<sup>th</sup> St. East Plano. Check Repeater 147.180+ for announcements.

**Richardson** The Richardson Wireless Klub (RWK) VE team hold license testing on the third Thursday of each month at St. Barnabas Presbyterian Church, 1220 West Beltline Rd. Testing begins at 1900 hrs in room 12. Enter through the Northern most door on the east side of the church building. For further information contact Don Klick KG5CK. 972.464.2889 or E-mail [rwkhamtest@gmail.com](mailto:rwkhamtest@gmail.com).

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## President's Message.

As we move further into the new year, I want to thank each of you for your continued enthusiasm, participation, and dedication to amateur radio. Whether you're checking into our weekly net, mentoring a new operator, or experimenting with digital modes, you are what makes this club strong.

Amateur radio continues to prove its value - not only as a fascinating technical hobby, but also as a vital public service resource.

If you've been thinking about leading a project or giving a short presentation, I encourage you to step forward - fresh ideas keep our hobby vibrant.

Thank you for being part of this great club. I look forward to seeing you on the air and at our next meeting.

Mike Montgomery  
WD5TX

## Vice-President's Report

I hope that everyone and their antennas survived the winter storm last month. We had to cancel our January meeting because of the ice.

Our Show 'n Tell program for January has been moved to February. This is always fun and informative.

As mentioned previously, we'll be asking for inputs from members on what programs, projects or themes you'd like

to see us line up for meetings. Come prepared to the February meeting with ideas. Plans are to ask for ideas at each and every meeting, so we're providing programs that interest our members and are timely.

If you know of fellow employees, retirees or friends who are interested in amateur radio, let them know about our One-Day Tech Class coming up on April 11th. See the announcement elsewhere in this newsletter, and bring them along to our February and March meetings.

73, Frank KR1ZAN, VP

## **Secretary's Report**

There is no January 2026 meeting secretary's report since the meeting was cancelled due to the winter storm.

## **Minutes of CARC Board of Directors Meeting**

10 February 2026

The Collins ARC Board of Directors meeting was held on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, with the following officers in attendance:

Mark Dempsky N5MD, Treasurer

Frank Krizan KR1ZAN, Vice President

Mike Montgomery WD5TX, President

Bill Swan K5MWC, Director

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank KR1ZAN was appointed Acting Secretary.

A pre-meeting workshop was held beginning at 7:00pm.

President Mike Montgomery stated that he has been very busy getting ready to move to his new home and work assignment up north. He has been busy training his local replacement. Mike stated that he plans to continue as Club President remotely and will miss the fun and camaraderie of in-person gatherings.

Frank Krizan discussed the Elmer Nights which are held via Zoom on the first and third Tuesdays. Participation averages four people with a maximum of six. Beginning in March, the third Tuesday session will be held on the N5CXX 70cm repeater.

Frank expressed a need to establish a repeater committee for maintenance and improvement of our FM/D-STAR repeater, our PBBS and the AREDN node.

The need for a formal procedure for handling the disposition of un-needed and obsolete Club radios and equipment was discussed. A revised procedure, based on a recommendation by Bill Swan, is to be reviewed by the Board at its March meeting.

To stimulate attendance at meetings, the thought of providing pizza and soft drinks at all or some meetings was discussed. This will be further discussed at the March Board meeting.

There being no further discussion, the workshop was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Since no motions were developed during the workshop, and a poll of the officers indicated no formal business was needed, no formal Board meeting was called to order.

Minutes recorded by:

Frank Krizan KR1ZAN, Acting Secretary

## **CARC Membership Now Open to Raytheon**

The CARC Board of Directors determined at its July meeting that Full memberships will be extended to Raytheon employees and retirees. The CARC Constitution states this implicitly.

We invite all Raytheon employees, contractors, and retirees to join the Collins Amateur Radio Club by submitting a membership application, which can be found on the Club website ([n5cxx.us](http://n5cxx.us)) or directly at: <https://www.n5cxx.us/Club Membership Form.pdf>

All current members who may know Raytheon employees or retirees who are hams or interested in amateur radio should let them know about our Club and encourage them to join. New members get the remainder of 2025 and all of 2026 for one annual fee.

## **CARC Community Service Activities**

**Siren Testing** Dennis Cobb WA8ZBT and Jim Skinner WB0UNI participate in the Richardson outdoor warning siren testing. The February 2026 test was cancelled due to cloudy weather. The sirens are monitored by amateur radio operators and reports made using the Richardson Wireless Klub (RWK) repeater at 147.120 MHz. Siren testing occasionally uses the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) repeater at 145.430 MHz, as backup. Frank Krizan, KR1ZAN, helped with the Garland Siren Test on Wednesday January 7th. Garland Siren Tests are conducted on the Garland ARC 146.66 MHz repeater. The Garland siren test was also cancelled.

**Crime Watch Patrol** Jim Skinner WB0UNI participates in Richardson Duck Creek Crime Watch Patrol (CWP). CWP members, after successful completion of Richardson Police Department training, patrol their neighborhoods and report all suspicious activities to the police department.

**Need another Badge or Coffee Mug?**



Order from The Sign Man of Baton Rouge at:  
<https://www.thesignman.com/clubs/collinsarcart.html>

# Elmer Night

For our members working on Club projects and for all members who may seek a place to ask questions or share interesting info related to amateur radio, we created a new online meeting called "Elmer Night."

Elmer Nights have been taking place via Zoom for the past several months using the standard Zoom login that is available on the n5cxx.us website via a link just below the meeting announcement. Elmer Nights are the first and third Tuesdays of each month, starting at 7pm. Sessions tend to run from one hour to about an hour-and-a-half.

## CHANGES ARE A-COMIN'

Beginning with March, we are changing the delivery method of Elmer Night. The first Tuesday Elmer Night will continue to be held at 7pm via Zoom. The focus of this session will be further discussion of the topic or theme of the program/presentation conducted at the previous month's general membership meeting. We'll continue to discuss Club construction projects, answer questions posed by members and guests and offer ham-related info and findings that can benefit everyone on the call.

The third Tuesday Elmer Night will become "Elmer Net" and will be held on the CARC 70cm FM repeater, 441.875 MHz, +5 MHz offset, PL=131.8 Hz. This will be a Club Net running later in the evening than our afternoon Drive Home Net. We hope many more of our members will join in. The Elmer Net is a good place for newcomers to ham radio to test out their gear and antennas, ask questions and share experiences.

Elmer Net will help us exercise the repeater and allow D-STAR users to test settings and capabilities. We hope to get more activity on the N5CXX PBBS on 2 meters, so this Net will offer coordination of signals and messaging using Packet Radio.

A goal for this year is to get our repeater on AllStar for analog FM and on D-STAR for digital comms. The net will offer a testing ground for those getting their apps and equipment in order.

We hope you'll consider joining us even if you're not currently working on a Club project or endeavoring to try out D-STAR or Packet. You may be the person with a solution to someone's question or problem.

**ARRL Student Membership**

**Free Student Membership**  
 (aged 21 years or younger\*)  
**FREE**

**Join Now**

[www.arrl.org/join](https://www.arrl.org/join)

\*Additional restrictions apply.



**Join Us On Tuesdays  
 for the Collins ARC  
 Drive Home Net  
 5:30pm 441.875 MHz  
 +5MHz, PL=131.8Hz  
 (No Nets on Meeting Nights)**

Logs now available on n5cxx.us website



**FREE  
 STORM  
 SPOTTER  
 TRAINING**

**LEARN TO  
 IDENTIFY  
 SEVERE  
 WEATHER**

**POSTPONED**  
*Watch for updates*

7117 COUNTY ROAD 166  
 MCKINNEY, TX 75071

**REGISTER!**

Registration not required,  
 but encouraged.  
<https://tinyurl.com/CollinSKYWARN-Reg-2026>

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## **ONE DAY TECH CLASS**

**Always wanted to get your Ham license?  
This class is for you!**

**When: Saturday, April 11th, 2026, 8:30am to 5pm**

**Where: Woodcreek Church  
3400 E. Renner Rd., Richardson**

**Cost: Free; however, the Technician Exam fee is \$15 (exams given at 5pm at the Church)**

**Students must download (free) course book or purchase printed copy. ARRL Technician Licensing Manual is useful reference but not needed for course.**

**Pre-class homework is required to aid in greater chances of passing the VE exam. Students must register for FRN prior to class. We won't let you flounder once you get your license. You'll receive lots of support after the class.**

**This course conducted by the Collins Amateur Radio Club of Richardson.**

**For information or to register, send an email to: [activities@n5cxx.us](mailto:activities@n5cxx.us) and include your name, email address and phone number.**

**Deadline for registering: March 21, 2026**

## Upcoming Events

Daily	DFW Early Traffic Net (NTS) at 6:30pm 146.88 – PL 110.9Hz
Daily	DFW Late Traffic Net (NTS) at 10:30pm 146.72 – PL 110.9Hz
Daily	Texas CW Traffic Net at 7:00pm on 7106 KHz and at 10pm on 3541 KHz <a href="http://www.k6jt.com">www.k6jt.com</a>
Tuesdays	Collins ARC Drive Home Net. 441.875 (+5) MHz, PL=131.8 Hz (N5CXX repeater), 5:30-6:00pm (no net 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday.)
1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	Richardson Emergency Siren Test. At noon using the Richardson Wireless Klub (RWK) repeater at 147.120 MHz.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday	ARES North Texas HF Net Every month—3860 KHz at 8:30 pm—9:30pm

### FEBRUARY

21-22	<b>International DX—CW</b> Work as many DX stations as possible on the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meter bands. DX stations: Work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible. The event runs 48 hours, from 0000 UTC Saturday through 2359 UTC. Details at <a href="http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx">http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx</a>
28-1 Mar	<b>CQ 160M SSB.</b> Amateurs around the world contact other amateurs in as many U.S. states, Canadian provinces, and countries as possible utilizing SSB on the 160 meter band. Due to conflict with the ARRL DX CW Contest, the 2026 CQ 160M Contest SSB will be held Feb 28 to Mar 1.

### MARCH

7-8	<b>International DX—Phone</b> Work as many DX stations in as many DXCC entities as possible on the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meter bands. The event runs 48 hours, from 0000 UTC Saturday through 2359 UTC Sunday. Details at <a href="http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx">http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx</a>
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28-29	<b>CQ WPX SSB.</b> The WPX Contest is based on an award offered by CQ Magazine for working all prefixes. Held on the last weekend of March, the contest draws thousands of entries from around the world. Starts: 0000 UTC Saturday, Ends: 2359 UTC Sunday. Details at <a href="https://www.cqwpx.com/">https://www.cqwpx.com/</a> ,
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### APRIL

9-10	<b>CQMM DX.</b> We have an ambitious goal to achieve (set in 2010 to be achieved by 2025), which is to try to receive 2,500 LOGs. Starts: 0000 UTC Saturday, Ends: 2359 UTC Sunday. Details at <a href="https://www.cqmmdx.com/">https://www.cqmmdx.com/</a> .
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### The Amateur's Code

by Paul M. Segal, W9EEA (1928)

The Radio Amateur is:

**CONSIDERATE** - never knowingly operating in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

**LOYAL** - offering loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs and the American Radio Relay League, through which Amateur Radio in the United States is represented nationally and internationally.

**PROGRESSIVE** - with knowledge abreast of science, well built and efficient station, and operation beyond reproach.

**FRIENDLY** - with slow and patient operation when requested, friendly advice and counsel to the beginner, kindly assistance, co-operation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the hallmarks of the amateur spirit.

**BALANCED** - Radio is an avocation, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

**PATRIOTIC** - with station and skill always ready for service to country and community

## 2026 Irving Hamfest! March 7, 2026

Mark your calendars — the Irving Amateur Radio Club is hosting the Friendliest Hamfest in North Texas!

⌚ Saturday, March 7, 2026

⌚ 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

📍 Betcha Bingo — 2420 W Irving Blvd, Irving, TX

Come enjoy:

🌟 70+ vendor & flea market tables

🍔 Full-service snack bar

📝 Hourly door prizes (must be present to win most!)

💻 Testing table — “Test before you buy”

🎉 1:00 PM GRAND PRIZE — Icom IC-7300MK2 HF/50/70 MHz transceiver!

📝 Admission: \$5 (Adults) | Children 12 & under FREE

🌟 Baker's Dozen Deal: 1 admission + 12 raffle tickets = 13 chances for prizes for just \$20!

👉 Vendors can begin setup as early as 2:00 AM, with general doors opening at 8:00 AM.

Whether you're swapping gear, hunting bargains, meeting fellow hams, or just curious about amateur radio — this is the place to be! See you there! 🚀

<https://irvingarc.org/hamfest-2026>

## Calendar of Select Amateur Radio Contests for 2026

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
3 4 ARRL RTTY Roundup	1 1 NA Sprint SSB	7 8 ARRL INT'L DX SSB	4 5 SP Polish DX CW & SSB	2 3 ARI INT'L DX	6 7 IARU Region 1 Field Day CW	1 1 RAC Canada Day CW & PH	1 2 10-10 INT'L Summer SSB	5 5 CW OPS OPEN	10 11 OCEANIA DX CW	1 1 NA Sprint SSB	4 6 ARRL 160m CW
10 11 NAQP CW	7 8 10-10 INT'L Winter Phone	14 14 YB DX RTTY	11 12 JIDX CW	9 10 VOLTA VHF RTTY	1800Z - 1200Z ARRL INT'L DIGITAL (No RTTY)	1400Z - 1400Z Marconi Memorial Contest HF CW	1800Z - 1200Z NAQP CW	12 13 DARC WAE SSB	10 10 10-10 INT'L Sprint	7 9 ARRL SS CW	5 6 FT Challenge
17 18 NAQP SSB	8 8 NA Sprint CW	14 15 Stew Perry Top Band CW Challenge	11 12 IG-RY VHF RTTY	9 10 CQ-M INT'L DX Contest CW & SSB	13 15 ARRL June VHF	4 5 CQ WW VHF CW & PH	8 9 DARC WAE CW	12 14 ARRL September VHF	17 18 JARTS VHF RTTY	14 15 DARC WAE RTTY	12 13 ARRL 10M CW & PH
17 19 ARRL January VHF	14 15 CQ WW WPX RTTY	14 15 South America 10m CW & PH	18 19 CQMM DX CW	14 14 Contest University Dayton	20 21 ALL ASIAN DX CW	11 12 IARU HF World CW & PH	15 16 SARTG VHF RTTY	13 13 NA Sprint CW	17 18 Worked All Germany CW & PH	14 16 CQ WE (Western Electric)	19 19 OK DX RTTY
23 25 CQ 160m CW	21 22 ARRL INT'L DX CW	15 15 NA Sprint RTTY	25 26 10-10 INT'L Spring Digital	16 16 NZART Gangster Shield CW	20 20 Stew Perry Top Band CW Challenge	18 19 NAQP RTTY	15 16 NAQP SSB	20 20 NA Sprint RTTY	17 18 Stew Perry Top Band CW Challenge	10 11 JIDX Phone	20 20 ARRL Rookie Roundup CW
24 25 BARTG RTTY Sprint	27 MAR 1 CQ 160m SSB	21 23 BARTG HF RTTY	25 26 SP DX RTTY	16 17 EU PSK63 DX	20 20 ARRL Kids Day SSB	18 19 CQ WW VHF Digital	16 16 BARTG PSK63 Sprint	20 20 ARRL School Club Roundup	19 23 ARRL SS Phone	21 23 ARRL Field Day	19 19 RAC Winter CW & PH
24 25 Winter Field Day	28 MAR 1 NAQP RTTY	28 29 CQ WW WPX SSB	26 26 BARTG Sprint RTTY (75 Baud)	30 31 CQ WW WPX CW	27 28 ARRL Field Day	25 26 RSGB IOTA CW & SSB	29 30 World Wide Digi DX	26 27 CQ WW DX RTTY	24 25 CQ WW SSB	28 29 CQ WW CW	26 27 Stew Perry Top Band CW Challenge

CW Phone CW & PH RTTY FT4 / FT8 Digital All Modes VHF/UHF

Some Contests allow AM and FM with SSB as operating modes for Phone. All Modes does include CW, Phone and some digital modes but not all. All Modes does include CW, Phone and some digital modes but not all. Links to Contest Rules may be found at WATBNM's Contest Calendar website: [www.contestcalendar.com](http://www.contestcalendar.com)

Start Date 27 28  
Start Time 0000Z - 0000Z  
End Date 0000Z - 0000Z  
End Time 0000Z - 0000Z  
All Modes ARRL Field Day Contest Name

## Calendar of Select Amateur Radio State &amp; Area QSO Parties for 2026

JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOV	DEC
7 8 Vermont QSO Party	1 2 North Carolina QSO Party	4 5 Louisiana QSO Party	18 19 Michigan QSO Party	2 3 1st Call Area QSO Party	6 7 Kentucky QSO Party	25 26 Alabama QSO Party	8 9 Maryland DC QSO Party	6 7 Tennessee QSO Party	19 20 New Hampshire QSO Party	3 4 California QSO Party	17 18 New York QSO Party
7 7 Minnesota QSO Party	14 15 Oklahoma QSO Party	4 5 Mississippi QSO Party	25 26 Florida QSO Party	2 3 Indiana QSO Party	20 21 West Virginia QSO Party	22 23 Hawaii QSO Party	12 13 Colorado QSO Party	19 20 Washington State Amateur QSO Party	10 11 Nevada QSO Party	19 20 Illinois QSO Party	
28 MAR 2 South Carolina QSO Party	14 15 Idaho QSO Party	11 12 Missouri QSO Party	11 12 North Dakota QSO Party	2 3 Delaware QSO Party		22 23 Ohio QSO Party	19 20 Iowa QSO Party	19 20 Maine QSO Party	10 11 Arizona QSO Party		
	15 16 Wisconsin QSO Party	11 12 New Mexico QSO Party	17 18 Nebraska QSO Party	2 3 New England QSO Party		29 30 Kansas QSO Party	19 20 Texas QSO Party		10 11 Pennsylvania QSO Party		
	21 22 Virginia QSO Party	11 12 Georgia QSO Party		16 17 Arkansas QSO Party			19 20 New Jersey QSO Party	19 20 South Dakota QSO Party			
7 8 British Columbia QSO Party	1 1 Nova Scotia QSO Party (80m Only)	18 19 Ontario QSO Party		5 10 Canadian Prairie QSO Party (EL-100-10)	6 7 Atlantic Canada QSO Party						
		19 19 Quebec QSO Party									

CW & PH All Modes

Some States allow AM and FM with SSB as operating modes for Phone. All Modes does include CW, Phone and some digital modes but not all. Check individual QSO Party Rules. \*\*\* Dates and times in Red Background are estimated and not official. \*\*\* Links to QSO Party Rules may be found at WATBNM's Contest Calendar website: [www.contestcalendar.com](http://www.contestcalendar.com)

Start Date 30 31  
Start Time 0000Z - 0000Z  
End Date 0000Z - 0000Z  
End Time 0000Z - 0000Z  
All Modes Kansas QSO Party Contest Name

Calendars contributed by Brad Wick, W0CO, the author of the Contest Calendar and the State QSO Party Calendar.



Richardson, Texas  
[www.N5CXX.us](http://www.N5CXX.us)

**3200 E Renner Rd  
Mail Station 461-290  
Richardson, TX 75082**

**TO:**

**N5CXX D-STAR SETTINGS:**

441.875 MHz, PLUS OFFSET (5 MHz) -- DR mode  
Set for Local Mode -- CQCQCQ  
Set RPT1 as N5CXX..B (replace periods with spaces)  
RPT2 is NOT USED; some radios or software require  
something in this field, so use N5CXX..B or N5CXX..G  
(again, replace the periods with spaces)

The N5CXX D-STAR repeater operates only in local mode  
at this time. There is no Gateway. We hope to have a connection  
to the D-STAR network in early 2025.

The N5CXX Repeater is Mixed Mode. The incoming Mode  
determines if FM Analog or D-STAR.

**CLUB STATION PHONE**

TBD

**N5CXX REPEATER**

441.875 MHz +5 MHz Input  
131.8 Hz PL - RX and TX

**N5CXX-1 PACKET BBS COL Node**

145.05 MHz

**N5CXX-N1, N5CXX-N2 & N5CXX-N3 HSMM-MESHNET Nodes 2.4 GHz**

**Membership Meeting**

**Tuesday 24 February 2026 5:30 PM**

**THE MEETING WILL BE AT**

**Woodcreek Church Richardson TX**

**NEXT SIGNALS INPUTS DEADLINE:**

**→→→ 13 March 2026 <←←**