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# *SIGNALS*

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March 2022

### **CARC**

#### **Membership Meeting**

**Tuesday 22 March 2022 5:30 PM**  
**NOTE THE TIME CHANGE**

The March 2022 Meeting will be at **Poor**  
**Richards Café Plano TX**

**Annual Officers Election and**  
**Planning Meeting**

#### **March Meeting Announcement**

The March meeting will be at 5:30 PM in-person at Poor Richard's Café. The meeting will also be streamed via Zoom.

This meeting is the annual meeting and election of officers. A review of the past year will be conducted in place of a technical program.

A discussion of what members would like to see for 2022 will also be held.

All full members are urged to attend.

#### **NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ROSTER POSTINGS**

This is not an April Fool's joke, but, effective April 1, 2022, the "Legacy Roster" file will no longer be maintained on the CARC website. The Roster will be a minimal list of members which includes a link to the full member's profile in Ham Club Online (HCOL).

The minimal roster will be maintained in the Member's Only section of the CARC website. You will need to know the login info to get behind the firewall. Additionally, you will need to create a login to HCOL. To view the Club Roster, you can log directly into HCOL without going through the Club website. The "minimal roster" is handy to see who's a member and verify your dues expiration date.

Questions? Bring them to any Board or membership meeting or contact the Vice-President/Membership Chairman.

#### **Recent Contest Activity**

Dennis Cobb WA8ZBT operated in the ARRL International DX Phone 5-6 March 2022. Dennis had 260 Contacts in 63 countries, running 100 Watts. The higher bands are starting to open up; 54 of those contacts were on 10 meters. The weekend of 12-13 March 2022 Dennis operated in the Oklahoma QSO Party and made 80 contacts in 52 of the 77 Oklahoma counties, all on CW.

#### **JAMES E KEITH, KM5AC (SK)**

It is with sadness that we report the passing of James (Jim) Keith, KM5AC (formerly KB5TGV, of Quitmen, TX).

Jim was a longtime employee of Rockwell Collins. His obituary is available at: <https://www.murrayorvosky.com/obituary/James-Keith>.

We thank John McFadden for making us aware of Jim's passing.

**You've heard of  
the MLB ...  
Now, welcome  
the MBL ...**   
**"Muncha Buncha  
Lunch" – every  
Thursday, 1 p.m. at  
Poor Richard's Cafe**

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Unavailable until further notice

**VE SESSIONS**

**Collins Amateur Radio Club (CARC)** Test sessions take place on fourth Tuesdays, immediately following the regular CARC monthly membership meeting (about 7:30 p.m.). The test sessions are held at **Poor Richards Café Plano TX**. Walk-ins are welcome, but it's best to register with the lead examiner, Kerry Weeks, at [weeks.kerry@gmail.com](mailto:weeks.kerry@gmail.com) or by phone at (214) 478-3230.

**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 week-ends.**

**Garland** testing is held on the fourth Thursday of each month, excluding November, and begins at 1930 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.

**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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**The Prez Sez**

with KR5N



I have been recovering from major eye surgery this month, so my column this month will be relatively limited. I thank all of you for your well wishes and prayers. Eyesight is not something to take for granted.

Our March meeting will be our Annual Meeting with election of officers. We don't have a technical program planned, but will instead provide a look back at 2021 and ask for your thoughts on what our Club should be doing in the new year. The Annual Meeting will be held in person and via Zoom at Poor Richard's Cafe in Plano. I urge you to make every effort to attend.

Our current officers have agreed to continue in their present positions for another year; however we will entertain nominations from the floor. This will give us continuity of leadership for 2022 as we try to figure out how best to provide the programs, activities and services to our members. Make your voices heard!

The Board of Directors has some thoughts on our Club members' involvement in Field Day this year. We had a lot of fun in 2021, but the effort was quite intense before and during the event with relatively few members taking part. We'd like to hear from our members about your thoughts and share the Board's thoughts so we can make a constructive decision.

BTW ... there will be an ARRL VE Test Session conducted immediately after the meeting. If you or someone you know would like to take a test, contact Kerry Weeks by phone or email - his contact info is shown on the Club web site: [n5cxx.us](http://n5cxx.us)

Next month's meeting (April 26th) should be quite good. We have invited Michael Walker VA3MW from Flex Radio to give us a program on the Flex Radio products and some ways to use this state-of-the-art radio in various applications. More details next month.

Here's a challenge to all our members—our Club is only as good as the involvement of members makes it. There are lots of jobs which need extra help: Committees - newsletter, equipment, training, activities; recruitment of members, Special Interest Groups, etc. There's also Net Controls for our Drive Home Net - and even NCS for some specialty nets or general nets on different days and times. Consider the options and your background and skills and offer your time and talent to serve the Club and your fellow members.

I look forward to seeing a HUGE turnout for the March meeting. Fellowship is a major part of our great hobby/service ... join us in person or via Zoom, shake some hands or give fist bumps, tell a few tall tales and join in the fun.

73 de Frank KR5N

## **Vice President/Membership Chairman Report**

**Membership Chairman Report** – No new members were added during the last reporting period.

Current Membership - 53

Full Members – 38 (Includes Life and Retiree Members)

Associate Members - 15

The most current roster is posted on the Members Only portion of our Web site. If you need a Member ID and Password for the Members Only portion you can contact Mike Hollingsworth at (C) 972-571-6060.

Updated Membership renewal status - Two renewals are expected but have not yet been received. When those renewals are received the Current Membership will be 55. The Ham Club Online data base has been updated to show those members who have been moved to inactive status. Notices were previously sent out to those members that had an expiration date of 31 December 2021. Each of these members has been contacted to let them know of their change of membership status with a request that they rejoin in the near future.

Your continuing membership is important to the CARC. Through the skills and experiences of all of our members, our club provides fellowship, education and service opportunities.

73s,

Bill K5MWC

## **Secretary's Report**

22 February 2022

President Frank Krizan KR5N called the meeting to order at 1730. The meeting was in-person at our meeting site at Poor Richard's Café in Plano. Zoom access was also provided for those not able to meet in person.

The following were present at the meeting site:

Jim Brown	AF5MA
Bill Fell	KK5PB
Paul Jarvis	KC5MVE
Frank Krizan	KR5N
Clarence Sebesta	K5YO
Jim Skinner	WB0UNI
Steven Lott Smith	KG5VK
Zogail Smith	KB5KBE
Bill Swan	K5MWC
Kerry Weeks	K5WKS
Mark Wells	K9MDI
Milt Withers	AD5XD

The following logged in via Zoom:

Bob Chandler	KI5KRN
Mark Dempsey	N5MD

### **Officer and Committee Reports**

The Vice President's, Secretary's and Activity Manager's reports were published in the February 2022 CARC Newsletter, and no clarifications or updates were offered at the meeting. There was no Treasurer's Report since Treasurer Rohan Thomas KG5RCN was not present at the meeting.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

A revision to the CARC Constitution developed by the Board of Directors and approved for submittal to the general membership at the 8 February Board meeting was presented. A motion to accept the revision as proposed and distributed to the membership prior to the meeting was offered by Secretary Jim Brown AF5MA and seconded by Bill Fell KK5PB. After a brief discussion the revision was approved unanimously by the quorum present.

### **Announcements**

All present introduced themselves and offered personal status updates as they chose.

Frank Krizan announced the following:

The March 2022 meeting will consist of a review of the past year and election of Club officers for the coming year.

The April 26 meeting will include a program on Flex Radio by Michael Walker VA3MW.

The May 24 meeting will cover Field Day planning.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1758, followed by a presentation by our guest of honor Steven Lott Smith KG5VK, Section Manager for the ARRL NTX Section. He provided a brief overview of the Section leadership team and his goals for the Section.

**Activity Manager’s Report**

by Kerry Weeks, K5WKS

*(Editor’s note: There is no update to this report this month)*

We will continue to meet in-person at Poor Richard’s Cafe in Plano. Poor Richard’s is closed at night and delighted to allow us to use part of their space. There will be no food or drink service. Access will begin about 5 pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Ring the doorbell at the main door to gain entrance. We will switch back to the traditional meeting times of 5:30 pm with VE testing starting after the meeting (about 7:30 pm).

I encourage you to try breakfast and/or lunch at Poor Richard’s as a way to say Thanks for use of their facility. The address is: 2442 K Avenue, Plano, 75074 (southeast corner of E Park Blvd and K Avenue). Check out their web site (<http://www.poorrichardscafe.com>) for more info and menu.

For those who are uncomfortable with in-person meetings, we will offer the meeting audio and video via Zoom. The Zoom credentials are emailed to members the Monday prior to the meeting and are available in the Members Only Section of the Club website ([n5cxx.us](http://n5cxx.us)).

The February meeting is on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd and is our ARRL Night with Steven Lott Smith, KG5VK, the ARRL North Texas Section Manager. Be sure to attend. Steve always brings some nice door prizes. There is more info in the Meeting Announcement on Page 1.

Upcoming meeting programs:

March 22 - Revised Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

Apr 26 - Flex Radio Program with Michael Walker, VA3MW

May 24 - Field Day Planning

Jun 28 - Post FD / TBD

Jul 26 - Ice Cream Social

Aug 30 - Grounding and Bonding - Tim Duffy, K3LR (Note meeting date change to accommodate Tim)

Sep 27 - TBD

Oct 25 - TBD

Nov 15 - Annual Meeting / Election of Officers

If you’d like to do a program in 2022 or have a suggestion for a program (either a topic or the name of a speaker), let me know. How about Operating Events - which ones do you think the Club should take part in? And don’t be shy about stepping up to organize our Club’s involvement in a contest or Special Event. Send your ideas to [weeks.kerry@gmail.com](mailto:weeks.kerry@gmail.com)

**Minutes of CARC Board of Directors Meeting**

15 March2022

President Frank Krizan KR5N called the meeting to order on-line via Zoom at 1904.

The following logged into the meeting:

Jim Brown	AF5MA
Bob Chandler	KI5KRN (Non-Voting Participant)
Bill Fell	KK5PB (Non-Voting Participant)
Frank Krizan	KR5N
Bill Swan	K5MWC
Kerry Weeks	K5WKS

**Pre-Meeting Workshop**

Directors and other members present participated in a pre-meeting workshop beginning at 1904 to discuss a range of topics and develop motions as needed for action by the Board at the formal meeting summarized below.

Topics covered in the workshop included the following:

- Approach to Club participation in the upcoming ARRL Field Day in June. A joint effort with the Garland ARC was proposed and discussed, but no decisions were reached.
- Topics for presentation at the 22 March Annual Meeting were reviewed.
- The upcoming Club election was discussed, and it was noted that the immediate past president has not yet agreed to serve on the Board of Directors as authorized by the newly-approved Club Constitution. A motion to address this was drafted for action as noted below.

**Board Actions**

Bill Swan K5MWC moved to accept the agenda as presented; Kerry Weeks K5WKS seconded. There were no objections.

It was moved by Jim Brown AF5MA and seconded by Bill Swan that Kerry Weeks be nominated as a CARC Board Director as discussed in the pre-meeting workshop. The text of the motion was as follows:

“Moved that Kerry Weeks K5WKS be nominated to serve as the fifth director of the CARC Board for the coming year in the event that the immediate past CARC president declines the nomination.”

The motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Moved at 1957 by Kerry Weeks and seconded by Bill Swan.

**Drive Home Net Report - March 2022**

The Collins ARC Drive Home Net continues on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:00 pm on the N5CXX Repeater 441.875 MHz, +5 MHz, PL=131.8 Hz. The Net is not held on the Tuesdays of the monthly membership meeting or on Tues-days of social events and holidays.



All stations are invited to check in, whether a member of CARC or not. The Net is informal, operating as a Roundtable.

**THIS MONTH’S LOG:**

**FEB 22 - NO NET GENERAL MEETING**

**MAR 1** - [9] KR5N Frank NCS; K5MWC Bill; N5WSV/p George; K5WKS Kerry; WB0UNI Jim; KI5AON/m Rob; KI5KRN Bob; AC5BC/m Bill; KC5MVE Paul.

**MAR 8** - [7] KR5N Frank NCS; K5MWC Bill; KI5KRN Bob; N5JJC/m Mark; WB0UNI Jim; K5WKS Kerry; K5YO Clarence

**MAR 15** - [8] KR5N Frank NCS; WB0UNI Jim; K5WKS Kerry; KI5KRN Bob; K5MWC Bill; W5BJ Bob; KC5MVE Paul; K5YO Clarence.

Average participation for this period: 8

Average participation for the previous period: 7

Net record for check-ins: 9

The Drive Home Net is intended for comments on amateur radio topics, listing items for buy/trade/sell, asking questions or contacting others on frequency. We hope you’ll give it a try soon. We’ve had some great conversations of late.

**March CARC VE Test Session Report**

ARRL VE Test Sessions are held immediately following the monthly CARC Meeting at Poor Richard’s Cafe, 2442 K Avenue, Plano TX 75074.



All levels of exams are being offered, BUT YOU MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE IN ORDER TO BE ASSURED A SEAT. We also need to know who’s coming in case we have to cancel due to Covid-19 declarations.

Contact Kerry Weeks, K5WKS, at 214-478-3230 or via email: weeks.kerry@gmail.com to register. Kerry will discuss the exam fees, what you need to do prior to the exam and what to bring to the test session. More info is available at: <http://www.arrl.org/what-to-bring-to-an-exam-session>

No test session was held in December due to our Christmas party and no regular meeting. No candidates presented for testing at the January 2022 meeting.

If you are an ARRL VE and would like to volunteer for future test sessions, contact Kerry at the email/phone shown above. If you are accredited through another VEC, Kerry can give you info on how to get accredited with the ARRL VEC.

**CARC Community Service Activities**

**Siren Testing** Dennis Cobb WA8ZBT and Jim Skinner WB0UNI participate in the Richardson emergency siren testing. The March test was conducted on 2 March. Most of the sirens were fully functional. 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, which is designated as the backup 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.

**What is ARRL and why should you care?**

**by Brent Boydston, KF5THB**

The ARRL or Amateur Radio Relay League is the leading national organization for amateur radio in the United States. “Ok, what does that mean?” you may ask. The league is a member supported and more importantly, member governed organization whose mission statement is to advance the art, science, and enjoyment of Amateur Radio. Also, to get this said way up front, the league acts to protect and expand the hobby for the enjoyment of hobby enthusiasts, like yourself!

The League has leadership in at least two important levels: Nationwide and “Area” wide. Hopefully nationwide is rather self-explanatory. As for area wide, that will take a moment to explain. The United States is broken down for league



purposes into a small number of Divisions (15 to be exact) and these 15 Divisions are further broken down into 71 Sections.

If you are local to me then you are probably in the North Texas Section and your Section Manager is Steve Lott KG5VK and Steve lives well outside but in the area of Paris Texas. Steve has a staff of assistants who focus their attention of particular problems, challenges or issues which arise regularly in the everyday radio operating lives of ARRL members in the section. (Other sections are organized pretty similar in this fashion.)

This is where the work of the ARRL is done on a daily basis. Our Nationwide leadership insures that our spectrum (radio frequencies) are concerns) while our section wide leadership teams helps get information, assistance, and training to the individual ham radio operator.

“How do we (at the Section level) do this, you may ask.” First is to listen. We attend whenever asked and possible individual club meetings and are present and participating in numerous ham festivals, conventions and events across the span of the 68 counties comprising the North Texas section. We listen and offer advice and assistance. Check-out our upcoming “Mentorfest” this April 2, 2022. More info on Mentor Fest may be found at.....

<https://arrlntx.org/WP/blog/2022/02/20/mentorfest-spring-2022/>.

There you will be able to attend discussions about setting up your first radio station and proper grounding both in the station and out. Of course, there will be numerous opportunities to speak with Section personnel and other seasoned operators.

Section Staffers assist in a variety of other areas. In addition to Steve Lott, there are a number of Assistant Section Managers: Army Curtis, AE5P; Johnnie Young, KG5CQO; Mark S. Pritchard, K4GVN; Bill C. Caldwell, AC5BC; Ken E. Mitchell, KD2KW; Michael J. Reitz, W5EVT; Dale E. Finely, KB5NFT; and Joseph David Martin, K5YFO. All these help keep the boat moving in the same direction. John E. Hamilton, KD5INM, is Technical Coordinator for the Section; Katherine Forson, KT5KMF, is Youth Coordinator for the Section; Ken Hansen, N2VIP is the Section’s Affiliated Club Coordinator; Aaron M. Hulett, K8AMH is the Section’s Traffic Manager; Greg E. Evans, K5GTX is the Emergency Coordinator/Assistant Section Manager; Perry A. Schrag, N0PAS is the State Government Liaison for the Section and I, Brent Boydston, KF5THB, am Public Information Coordinator for the Section. Together we provide “hands on” assistance to our ARRL Affiliated Clubs and Members in the resolution of problems or challenges which interfere with the everyday use and enjoyment of the ham radio hobby.

We’re ham radio, how can we help?

Brent Boydston  
KF5THB

ARRLNTX Public Information Coordinator  
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## Ukrainian Hams keep Radio Silence

Radio amateurs in Ukraine are diligently maintaining radio silence as the state of emergency, declared just prior to the unprovoked Russian military attack, remains in effect. A February 24 decree from President Volodymyr Zelensky included “a ban on the operation of amateur radio transmitters for personal and collective use.” Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL/LRU) HQ expressed thanks to the worldwide amateur radio community for their many messages of encouragement and support.



“The LRU informed international amateur radio organizations about Russia’s military invasion of Ukraine,” said the message from UARL Vice President Anatoly Kirilenko, UT3UY. “To date, there have been many reports from radio amateurs around the world in support of Ukraine.”

In a Facebook post, Poland’s IARU member-society PZK has offered available Winlink nodes in Poland for any licensed refugees. If you are a licensed amateur radio operator, you can send information by email to your relatives in Poland or Emergency Services via the Winlink system. Polish Winlink nodes are active on 160, 80, and 20 meters: SR5WLK, 3.5955 MHz USB; SR3WLK, 14.111 MHz USB, and SP3IEW, 1.865 MHz USB.

W9IMS, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club — known for its special events commemorating major races at the Speedway — has posted a statement on its QRZ.com profile expressing its concern for well-known QSL maker Gennady V. Treus, UX5UO. The statement reads in part, “His last email to us said: ‘This moment we are safe, but we hear strong explosions near Kyiv. Do not know what will happen in nearest hours/days.’ We have not heard from him for days now. We are greatly concerned for Gennady and his family along with all the other citizens of Ukraine.” –

*(Thanks to The Daily DX, PZK, ARRL and to Brian D. Smith, W9IND.)*

**New Collins Building Access Restrictions**

Per Security, all "non-essential" access to Collins Aerospace facilities (including employee recreation activities) is shut-down until the Covid-19 pandemic is resolved. Anyone needing access to the Club Station must submit an email request to Security with an explanation of who, when and why access is needed, and the Security team will review, and if approved, the person will only be allowed access via the North Gate. For contact information, send an email to [kr5n@arrl.net](mailto:kr5n@arrl.net) asking for Security contact information.

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 FYI—Until further notice, masks are now required inside all Collins buildings. Also, a temperature check is required before entering the property. During busy hours there is a manned tent near the north gate where the temperature check is performed. During off hours, there is a place at the north gate for a self-check.

**Upcoming Events**

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

**APRIL**

**10 Rookie Roundup—Phone** Mission: To encourage newly-licensed operators ("Rookies") to operate on the HF bands and experience competitive Amateur Radio operating.

Objective: Rookies exchange information with as many other stations as possible on the 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meter HF bands. Rookie entrants are encouraged to read "[HF Contesting – Good Practices, Interpretations and Suggestions.](#)"

The event runs from 1800 UTC through 2359 UTC. Details at <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>.

**JUNE**

**4-5 International DX Contest—** Amateurs worldwide contact and exchange QSO information with other amateurs using any digital mode (excluding RTTY) that supports the 4-digit Grid Square exchange — attended operation only -- on the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meter bands (Technicians are limited per FCC Rules to the 10 and 6 meter bands). Any station may work any other station. Stations may only be worked once per band, regardless of mode. Automated operation is not permitted -- each claimed contact must include contemporaneous direct initiation by the operator on both sides of the contact. Begins 1800 UTC Saturday, ends 2359 UTC Sunday. Details at <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-digital-contest>.

**11-13 June VHF** For amateurs in the US and Canada (and their possessions) to work as many amateur stations in as many different 2 degrees x 1 degree Maidenhead grid squares as possible using authorized frequencies above 50 MHz. Stations outside the US & Canada (and their possessions) may only work stations in the US (and its possessions) and Canada. All legal modes are permitted. Details at <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf>

TEXAS  FIXINS

**POOR**  
*Richard's*  
**CAFE**

**We encourage you to dine at Poor Richard's Cafe, and, thank them for allowing us to hold our meetings in their facility.**

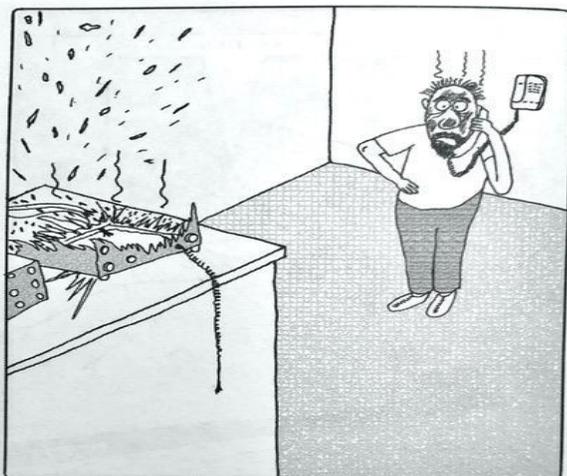
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**2442 K Avenue, Plano 75074**  
<https://poorrichardscafe.com>

**Need another Badge or Coffee Mug?**



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



"Well the only thing I can figure out is that somehow the pressure regulator on the speech compressor must have stuck closed!"  
 "NØUJR and His Friends" Cartoons used by Permission from Greg Trook, NØUJR

*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.

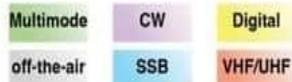
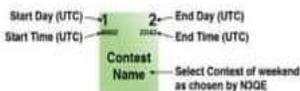
**PROGRESSIVE** - with knowledge abreast of science, a well built and efficient station, and operation beyond reproach.

**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

**PERIODIC TABLE OF SELECT AMATEUR RADIO CONTESTS 2022**



Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1 0000Z Straight Key Night	15 2355Z NA Sprint CW	6 0300Z ARRL DX SSB	2 1500Z SP Polish DX	7 1200Z 7OP/IN/DE/NE New England QSO Parties	8 1200Z Tisza Cup CW	5 1100Z Marconi Memorial HF	3 1400Z NAQP CW	6 0000Z CWops CW Open	3 1900Z California QSO Party	2 0300Z ARRL SS CW	4 1600Z ARRL 160
8 1800Z ARRL RTTY Roundup	9 2400Z CQ WPX RTTY	12 0000Z NA Sprint RTTY	13 2400Z JIDX CW	14 0400Z CQ-M DX	15 1130Z ARRL June VHF	11 1800Z IARU HF	13 0900Z WAE CW	10 2350Z WAE SSB	11 0000Z Oceania CW	8 0800Z WAE RTTY	12 2300Z ARRL 10
15 1600Z NAQP CW	16 0550Z ARRL DX CW	19 0000Z Russian DX	20 1200Z CQMM DX	16 0900Z Contest University Dayton Hamvention	17 2300Z All Asian CW	19 1100Z CQ WW VHF	18 1700Z NAQP SSB	21 0000Z WA/NJ/NH/TX QSO Parties	15 1300Z Worked All Germany	16 1430Z ARRL SS SSB	19 0300Z RAC Winter
22 1800Z NAQP SSB	23 0550Z CQ 160 SSB	25 2300Z CQ WPX SSB	27 0000Z SP DX RTTY	24 1200Z CQ WPX CW	28 0000Z ARRL Field Day	25 1800Z WV Digi	26 1200Z CQ WW RTTY	23 0000Z CQ WW CW	24 1200Z Happy Holidays	26 0000Z CQ WW CW	27 2400Z Happy Holidays
28 2200Z CQ 160 CW	30 2150Z CQ 160 CW		30 1600Z Florida QSO Party	1 2150Z Florida QSO Party		30 1200Z RSGB IOTA	31 1200Z RSGB IOTA		29 0000Z CQ WW SSB	30 2400Z CQ WW SSB	



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**Membership Meeting**  
 Tuesday 22 March 2022 **5:30 PM**  
**NOTE THE TIME CHANGE**  
 THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE AT  
**Poor Richards Café Plano TX**

**NEXT SIGNALS INPUTS DEADLINE:**  
**→→→ 15 April 2022 ←←←**