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HAPPENINGS

November will see one of the ARRL's most popular radio contest, the **November Sweepstakes.** This contest comes in two parts, CW on the weekend of November 2-4, and phone on November 16-18. The contest includes all states, all ARRL sections, and all Canadian provinces. For CW operators, it is a great opportunity to get some solid practice since the exchange is longer than in most SPURIOUS EMISSIONS

NOVEMBER, 2019

CLUB MINUTES

President Dave KUOR began the meeting at 7:32 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge and adjustment of the projector screen, Dave called for visitors and guests and Hylan Boxer KN4ZGI gave us a through introduction then Sherrod Munday KN4BFF and his son John KN4ERS introduced themselves.

The October meeting minutes were published in the October newsletter. A motion was heard to approve the October meeting minutes. A second was heard and the October meeting minutes were approved by acclamation.

The Treasurer's report showed \$847.27 in checking and \$1778.25 in the Equipment Fund. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was heard, a second was heard and the treasurer's report was approved by acclamation.

Technical report: All repeaters are up and running and performing well. Go Kits are about the same. Here at the shack we have good HF radios and VHF radios. It would be better if we had a vertical HF antenna and another high power tuner. Les W9BCH, our Emergency Coordinator, reported updating the clock there in the shack.

Christmas party is December 5th at the Red Lobster and the other clubs have been invited and we will simply order off the menu. Social starts around 6.

New Business: Election of officers. The term lasts two years. Nominees are: For President Viron Payne N4VEP, Vice President Dave Lerrett KUOR, Secretary Ernie Hoffman K1CPO, Treasurer Larry Henderson KK4WDD, Director Dave Slawson K4UZM.

Dave called for motion to approve the nominees, a second was heard and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

Dave called for members making a recent HF contact and Greg Ab4GO made a couple of contacts in Hawaii.

Viron showed us a video that he took on his cell phone of them taking down a hex beam antenna. The winning 50-50 ticket was found to be in the hands of Mark KI40BT.

Following the 50-50 drawing, **Dwaine KM4HCN demonstrates** how he hauls a ton of equipment for a portable 2m FM station that he operates when dispatched to the hurricane shelter. He uses an UPS to power a power supply for when the shore power is available and when the shore power goes out, the UPS produces an audio alarm. When shore power goes out he shuts everything down and connects the radio to a car battery. Dwaine also explained how he has a special charger so he can help others at the shelter charge their cell phones if needed. The antenna that Dwaine uses is a fiberglass antenna mounted on a very sturdy looking tripod. Dwaine uses about 50 feet of RG8 to connect the radio to the antenna.

A motion to adjourn occurred at 8:27PM and was moved and approved.

Respectfully Submitted

Steve N4UTQ

ARRL or any other local or national organization is eligible to apply for membership in ARES. Training may be required or desired to participate fully in ARES. Please inquire at the local level for specific information. Because ARES is an Amateur Radio program, only licensed radio amateurs are eligible for membership. The possession of emergencypowered equipment is desirable, but is not a requirement for mem-

contests. See more details and rules <u>here.</u>

"Antenna EnTRAPment! All about Traps" is the topic of the new (October 10) episode of the <u>ARRL The Doctor is</u> <u>In</u> podcast.

ARES INFORMATION

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES) consists of licensed amateurs who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment, with their local ARES leadership, for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes. Every licensed amateur, regardless of membership in

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bership. How to Get Involved in ARES: Fill out the ARES Registration form and submit it to your local Emergency Coordinator.

ARES Resources

· Download the ARES Manual [PDF]

· ARES Field Resources Manual [PDF]

 ARES Standardized Training Plan Task Book [Fillable PDF]

· ARES Standardized Training Plan Task Book [Word]

ON THE AIR

Centennial Celebration of San Antonio Radio Club Nov 9, 1600Z-2200Z. W5SC/100. San Antonio. TX. San Antonio Radio Club. 14.260. QSL. SARC, PO Box 4263, San Antonio, TX 78265. SASE required. Club members may operate their own stations, signing "own-call/100" during 2019. Club station will operate from San Antonio Museum of Science and Technology (www.samsat.org). www.w5sc.org

Transit of Mercury 2019 Nov 11, 1100Z-1700Z, N4TAO, Rockwood, TN. Tamke-Allen Observatory . 75.250 14.180 3.780. QSL. Tamke Allen Observatory Event %

ARES Plan

ARES Group Registration

 Emergency Communications Training

Here is an interesting YouTube video on building a J-pole antenna.

TRANSIT OF MERCURY: One of the biggest astronomy events of the year will happen on Monday, Nov 11th. Mercury will pass directly in front the sun, creating a jet black circular

David Fields N4HBO, Roane State Community College, 701 Briar Cliff, Oak Ridge, TN 37830. Working with Roane Co ARC KE4RX and University of TN ARC AA4UT, Tamke Allen Observatory N4TAO. plans a special event station to celebrate the Transit of Mercury a rare event that occurs only about 13 times a century. www.roanestate.edu/ pages/obs/index.htm

Scout Camps on the Air Nov 16, 1400Z-2000Z, W1M, Russell, MA. Western Mass Council Scouting USA. 14.290 14.060 7.190 7.030. QSL. Tom, Barker,

"sunspot" that anyone can safely observe. Find out when and how to look on Spaceweather.com.

The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC) headquarters station, K9TAL, will anchor Veterans Day operations for special event N9V on Monday, November 11. Operation will be from CW OPS also run the CW acad-1800 to 0000 UTC on or about 7.285, 14.285, and 21.285 MHz. Certificates will be available to all sending a QSL card. More information is on the N9V profile page on QRZ.com.

CWops CWops is International in scope, membership and management. Its focus is the use of CW, whether for contesting, DXing

329 Faraway Road, Whitefield, NH 03598.

W2W - Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration Dec 1-Dec 8,

1300Z-2200Z, W2W, Baltimore, MD. Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum (ARCNEM). 14.241 14.041 7.241 7.041. Certificate & QSL. W2W - Pearl Harbor Special Event, PO Box 1693, MS 4015, Baltimore, MD 21203. Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum (ARCNEM) will operate W2W in commemoration of the anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day and the role of elecor ragchewing. Moreover, it supports every form of sending - if it's CW, CWops supports it!. To find CWops friends on the bands, look "on the 8's": CWops Primary Frequencies (MHz): 1.818, 3.528, 7.028, 10.118, 14.028, 18.078, 21.028, 24.908, and 28.028 Check them out here.

emy, a program put on by the CW Operators' Club aimed at increasing the number of competent CW operators on the HF CW subbands. It addresses all levels of enthusiasts: from those aspiring to become licensed operators who want to learn and use Morse code: to veteran operators who are intent on increasing their CW skills, speed and activity.

tronics in WWII. Primary operation will be Dec 6-Dec 8 with additional operation possible during the Dec 1-Dec 5 period, as operator availability permits. Operation on 80M (3.541, 3.841) and digital modes possible during event. Frequencies +/- according to QRM. QSL and Certificate available via SASE; details at ww-2.us.

H40KT H40TT Pigeon Island

H40KT op K1ZW and H40TT op N7QT will be active from Pigeon Island, IOTA OC - 065, Temotu Province, Solomon Islands, 14 -28 November 2019. They will operate on 160 - 10m, CW, SSB,

A Loop Antenna Design by Fred Benson, NC4FB

The following article is an antenna analysis done for Richard Akelewicz, K4END by his friend Fred Benson, NC4FB detailing an 80m loop antenna that Rich wants to build in his new house. It is published with permission from Rich.

A model of your proposed square loop antenna indicates that you can use 300 ohm ladder line. The antenna will work well [80m-6m] at 30' AGL but 40' would be better. No go on 160m.

Since the characteristic impedance of typical 300 ohm ladder line is ~272 ohms, a 4:1 current balun will result in better impedance matches on all bands. I would definitely recommend a choke or coax line isolator at the ATU connection to eliminate any common mode current that may be present on the coax.

The predicted Z magnitude (Zmag) indicates that a tuner that can handle up to 10:1 SWR will tune the antenna [80m-6m].

Assumptions: The antenna exists in a horizontal plane. The antenna feed point is close to the end of a side but not across adjacent sides.

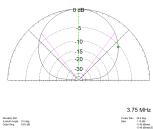
Predicted Impedance Characteristics by Band

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Richard's 68 X 68 square loop antenna										
Band	F MHz	Rs	Xs	SWR	Zmag					
160	1.800	1.24	-41.80	68.70	41.82					
	1.900	1.32	-35.95	57.34	35.98					
	2.000	1.42	-30.52	48.29	30.56					
80	3.500	172.80	42.77	3.69	178.01					
	3.750	33.38	-43.95	2.99	55.19					
	4.000	14.53	-8.26	3.54	16.71					
40	7.000	6.77	-9.54	7.66	11.70					
	7.175	9.75	2.91	5.14	10.18					
	7.300	15.64	14.87	3.51	21.58					
20	14.000	17.33	26.66	3.79	31.79					
	14.175	24.90	36.95	3.30	44.55					
	14.350	40.14	45.52	2.71	60.69					
17	18.068	37.50	-20.52	1.73	42.75					
	18.110	40.01	-18.81	1.60	44.21					
	18.168	44.01	-17.24	1.47	47.27					
15	21.000	63.26	65.22	3.08	90.86					
	21.225	122.43	31.80	2.64	126.49					
	21.450	91.49	-35.33	2.19	98.07					
12	24.800	13.62	5.90	3.73	14.84					
	24.930	16.22	10.23	3.23	19.18					
	24.990	17.87	12.08	2.98	21.57					
10	28.000	191.89	-34.00	3.97	194.87					
	28.850	36.13	-7.17	1.44	36.83					
	29.700	84.85	-50.94	2.50	98.97					
6	50.000	144.52	-49.55	3.27	152.77					
	50.400	66.28	-49.55	2.40	82.75					
	51.000	68.94	-7.68	1.41	69.36					
	52.000	29.40	-52.48	3.91	60.15					
	53.000	14.12	-10.63	3.71	17.67					
	54.000	36.86	14.18	1.56	39.49					

Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 3.75 MHz. Not too bad considering the WL vs. AGL. Given the predicted elevation radiation pattern, the antenna should perform adequately on 80 meters but more as a regional antenna as opposed to a DX antenna. EZNEC Pro/4

Total Field





Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 7.175 MHz.

EZNEC Pro/4 Total Field 7.175 MHz

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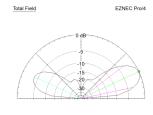
 Sobeba Gain
 4.50 dBi

 Sobeba Gain
 4.30 dBi

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 A 10 dBi

Predicated elevation radiation pattern at 14.175 MHz.

Cursar Elev 45.5 deg. Gain 4.55 dB E.0 dDmax E.0 dDmax.



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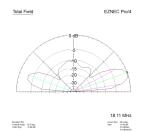
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 25.3 deg. -388 g) 12.2, 37.5 deg.

 Sidebbe Gain
 5.7 dbi g) Dev Angle = 15.0 deg.

 FreebSidebbe
 3.65 dbi

Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 18.11 MHz.

Devation Plot Azimuth Angle 55.0 deg. Outer Ring 9.45 dDi



Elevation Plat Azimuth Angle 45.5 deg. Outer Ring 12.38 dbi 20 than 12 39 db Sias Neo Gain 12 39 db Deanwidth 12 39 db Sodewidth 19 2 deg, 5d8 <u>db</u> 52, 28 4 deg Sodewidth 53 d db <u>db</u> Elev Ange + 160 5 deg Frantfoldes 201 db

Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 21.225 MHz.

Total Field EZNEC Pro/4



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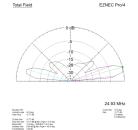
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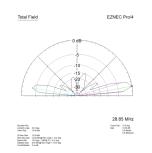
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 14.4 dB

Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 24.93 MHz.

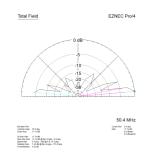




Predicted elevation radiation pattern at 28.85 MHz.



Predicted elevation pattern at 50.4 MHz.



Good luck with the move and the new antenna. Let me know how it performs for you when you get it up.

Feel free to contact me if you have questions regarding the predictions.

Fred

Fred Benson NC4FB https://nc4fb.org 919-469-0410

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145.130	130 VB	-600	107.2	AB4AZ	VERO BEACH, INDIAN RIVER	AB4AZ	
145.350	350 SC	-600		K4OSC	St. CLOUD, OSCEOLA	K1XC	Radio Science Club, Fl Club
145.370	370 CO	-600		W2SDB	COCOA-BROADCAST CT.	IRARC	Yaesu Repeater replaced with Bridgecom
145.470	470 ME	-600		K4HRS	MELBOURNE- RIALTO PL.	HIRAC	Taesu Repeater replaced with bindgecom
145.490	490 TI	-600		WN3DHI	TITUSVILLE SR405 & Fox lk rd.	WN3DHI	
145.490	610 ME		None/107.2		MELBOURNE- HOLMES HOSP	PCARS	Tone Downlink only
146.625	625 MM	-600		KE4NUZ	NW of MIMS NEAR HARRISON RD.	KE4NUZ	Limited coverage
146.775	775 MM	-600		K4KSC	NW of MIMS Hog Valley , W of 195	K4KSC	
146.850	850 ME		None/107.2		PALM BAY- Port Malabar Rd.	PCARS	Tone Downlink Only
146.880	880 RO	-600		W4NLX	ROCKLEDGE- WUESTHOFF HOSP.	IRARC	FUSION Repeater replaced with Bridgeco
146.895	895 PB		107.2/107.2		PALM BAY- DeGroot Library	EOC	TSQL as of 5/2018
146.910	910 TI	-600		K4KSC	TITUSVILLE Water Tower on south st.	TARC	
146.940	940 RO		None	K4GCC	ROCKLEDGE Carver Rd.WLRQ Tower	LISATS	
146.970	970 TI	-600	107.2	K4KSC	TITUSVILLE-T'VILLE TOWERS	TARC	
147.075	075 SC	+600	107.2/107.2	K4EOC	SCOTTSMOOR Near US1-Aurantia Rd	EOC	TSQL as of 5/2018 Relocated 4/2019
147.135	135 RO	+600	107.2/107.2	K4EOC	ROCKLEDGE-EOC	EOC	TSql as of 5/2018
147.240	240 DE	+600	123.0	KV4EOC	DELAND	VARES	
147.255	255 PB	+600		K4DCS	Near Babcock & Palm City S City limi		
147.330	330 TI	+600		K4NBR	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	
147.360	360 TI	+600		N4TDX	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	DSTAR Gateway in work
442.850	850TI4		107.2/107/2		TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	TSql;FUSION/WBFM/WIRES-X
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444.425	425ME4	+5000		W4MLB	MELBOURNE- RIALTO PL.	PCARS	
444.525	525RO4		103.5/103.5		ROCKLEDGE-EOC	EOC	TSql; VOICE/NBEMS
444.650	CNMBRE	+5000		W4NLX	COCOA-FHP SR520	IRARC	"SARNet Cocoa Repeater"
444.750	750TI4	+5000	156.7/156.7		TITUSVILLE- TGO WATERTOER 230 ft.	NBARC	TSql
444.875	875MI4	+5000	107.2	KC2UFO	MERRITT IS. COURTNEY SPRS.	K4UZM	
444.925	925KS4	+5000	131.8/131.8	N1KSC	KENNEDY SP. CTRVAB	KSCARC	FM Tsql ; P25 capable
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444.150	150TI4	+5000	CC1	К2ЈО	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	KC2CWT	DMR FL
444.575	575CO4	+5000		K4DJN	COCOA BROADCAST CT.	AA4CD	DMR Brandmeister
444.675	675TI4	+5000		K4DJN		AA4CD	
444.075	0/5114	+5000	LL3	K4DJN	TITUSVILLE-T'VILLE TOWERS	AA4CD	DMR Brandmeister
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145.090	WL2KPB	WINLINK		W2PH-10	PALM BAY-W2PH QTH	PBARC	WINLINK GATEWAY
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145.770	770 PB	SEDAN		K4EOC-7	PALM BAY	N2DB	http://www.fla-sedan.com
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146.580	MLBX	SIMPLEX		N/A	MELBOURNE REGION	PCARS	MELBOURNE REGION NET SIMPLEX BACKU
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146.595		SIMPLEX					
147.540	EOCROX	SIIVIPLEX		N/A	RACES Bay	EOC	EOC VOICE/NBEMS
SIMPLEX							
146.520	CALL52	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		VHF national simplex calling freq
146.490	TAC A	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
146.560	NBRX	SIMPLEX		N/A	NBARC -Club/Parrish Hosptial Activity	ties	
146.580	TAC B	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.420	TAC C	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.420	IRARCX	SIMPLEX		N/A	IRARC 'FUN NET" and CLUB ACTIVIES		
147.450	TAC D	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.570	TACE	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
446.000	CALL46	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere	ĺ	UHF national simplex calling freq
446.500	TAC A4	SIMPLEX		N/A N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
446.600	TAC B4	SIMPLEX		N/A	Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
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