

HAM-GRAM



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P.O. Box 552 Broken Arrow, OK 74013

March 2018

MARCH MEETING

Summits on the Air

Gary, W5ODS

April 2, 2018, 7:00PM

Community Center

1500 South Main Street

Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Pearls of Wisdom from the Prez

Well, another month has come and gone, sure seems fast these days. Inside this edition of the "HamGram", you will find the summary of March Executive Committee meeting.

Personally I think this is working well for the club, however, your input and views are welcome.

Kevin/AF5SW continues to work on programs for upcoming meetings, despite his recent knee surgery, he is doing a good job for the members.

Steve/W5VBA is doing a great job of keeping the net going...I'm sure he could use the help if you feel like you want to give it a try.

Your new Membership Chair **Kent/K5WTS** is continuing to recruit Elmers and plans to be at each meeting early for questions and demonstrations. Feel free to contact him or any of the officers if you have questions. New operators, feel free to contact us if you need help or have questions.

We (mouse in my pocket) are already discussing **Field Day 2018**, all efforts will be made to make this a good club event again this year. I am looking for a Chairperson to organize the event, I have a couple of people already signed up to help out. We will also have the New Tower Trailer, good antennas, and equipment for the event. Let me know if you want to be the **2018 FD Chair**.

Green Country Hamfest, by the time you read this, will be only days away. The officers will be available at the club table. We hope to see a considerable turn out of club members. For the ten bucks, it is a great place to meet fellow amateurs, look at (and purchase) gear. Ask questions, get answers and really find out how diverse Amateur Radio is. Hope to see you there.
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ELMER PROGRAM

Kent- K5WTS, along with other "ELMERS" will be on hand for any Elmer Questions, radio procedures, station set up, antennas, etc. and he plans on making this a regular event prior to each meeting and is also looking for other Elmers to help out with new member questions.



What is on the horizon for DX!

1. **Bouvet**-The Rebel DX Group is headed to Bouvet sometime in 2018.
2. **31T Kanton**- May 2018- 10 Ops leaving Samoa in May
3. **Crozet and Glorioso Islands**- Number 5 on the DX Most Wanted List. This will be active starting June 2018.
4. **Z6oK- Kosovo**- We have a new DXCC entity. The IARU recently added Kosovo to the country list. Kosovo is currently active on all HF bands.
5. **KH1 Baker Island**- The Dateline DX Association (most recently the K4M team) is very pleased to announce that it has been selected by the Pacific Islands Refuges & Monuments Office of the US Fish and Wildlife Service to pursue an Amateur Radio expedition to Baker Island National Wildlife Refuge (KH1).



CONTEST CORNER

Here is a list of the upcoming contest in April

Do you want to achieve WAS or DXCC? Contests are an easy way to reach your goals.

RSGB RoLo SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 1
IQRP Quarterly Marathon	0800Z, Apr 2 to 2000Z, Apr 8
RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 2
ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Apr 3
Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 4
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 4 and 1900Z-2000Z, Apr 4 and 0300Z-0400Z, Apr 4
UKEICC 80m Contest	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 4
NRAU 10m Activity Contest	1700Z-1800Z, Apr 5 (CW) and 1800Z-1900Z, Apr 5 (SSB) and 1900Z-2000Z, Apr 5 (FM) and 2000Z-2100Z, Apr 5 (Dig)
SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 5

NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 6
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 6
LZ Open 40m Sprint Contest	0400Z-0800Z, Apr 7
SARL VHF/UHF Digital Contest	1000Z, Apr 7 to 1000Z, Apr 8
PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest	1000Z, Apr 7 to 0400Z, Apr 8
SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Apr 7 to 2400Z, Apr 8
Florida State Parks on the Air	1400Z-2200Z, Apr 7 and 1400Z-2200Z, Apr 8
Texas State Parks on the Air	1400Z, Apr 7 to 0200Z, Apr 8 and 1400Z-2000Z, Apr 8
Mississippi QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 7 to 0200Z, Apr 8
Missouri QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 7 to 0400Z, Apr 8 and 1400Z-2000Z, Apr 8
SP DX Contest	1500Z, Apr 7 to 1500Z, Apr 8
EA RTTY Contest	1600Z, Apr 7 to 1600Z, Apr 8
North American SSB Sprint Contest	0000Z-0400Z, Apr 8
4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Apr 9
144 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 9
NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Apr 11
Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 11
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 11 and 1900Z-2000Z, Apr 11 and 0300Z-0400Z, Apr 12
RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 11
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 13
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 13
QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party	0000Z-2359Z, Apr 14
JIDX CW Contest	0700Z, Apr 14 to 1300Z, Apr 15
OK/OM DX Contest, SSB	1200Z, Apr 14 to 1200Z, Apr 15
F9AA Cup, PSK	1200Z, Apr 14 to 1200Z, Apr 15
New Mexico QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 14 to 0200Z, Apr 15
North Dakota QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 15 to 1800Z, Apr 16
Georgia QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 14 to 0359Z, Apr 15 and 1400Z-2359Z, Apr 15

Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 14 to 2100Z, Apr 15
WAB 3.5/7/14 MHz Data Modes	1200Z-1400Z, Apr 15 (RTTY) and 1400Z-1600Z, Apr 15 (PSK) and 1800Z-2000Z, Apr 15 (RTTY) and 2000Z-2200Z, Apr 15 (PSK)
International Vintage Contest HF	1200Z-1800Z, Apr 15
Hungarian Straight Key Contest	1500Z-1700Z, Apr 15
ARRL Rookie Roundup, SSB	1800Z-2359Z, Apr 15
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Apr 16
222 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 17
Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 18
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 18 and 1900Z-2000Z, Apr 18 and 0300Z-0400Z, Apr 19
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 20
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 20
Holyland DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 20 to 2100Z, Apr 21
ES Open HF Championship	0500Z-0559Z, Apr 21 and 0600Z-0659Z, Apr 21 and 0700Z-0759Z, Apr 21 and 0800Z-0859Z, Apr 21
Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest	0600Z, Apr 21 to 0559Z, Apr 22
QRP to the Field	0800-1800 local, Apr 21
YU DX Contest	1200Z, Apr 21 to 1159Z, Apr 22
CQMM DX Contest	1200Z, Apr 21 to 2359Z, Apr 22
Nebraska QSO Party	1300Z, Apr 21 to 0200Z, Apr 22 and 1300Z-2200Z, Apr 22
Michigan QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 21 to 0400Z, Apr 22
EA-QRP CW Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 21 (10-20m) and 2000Z-2300Z, Apr 21 (40-80m) and 0700Z-0900Z, Apr 22 (40m) and 0900Z-1200Z, Apr 22 (20-10m)
Ontario QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 21 to 0500Z, Apr 22 and 1200Z-1800Z, Apr 22
Feld Hell Sprint	1800Z-2159Z, Apr 21
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Apr 25
Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 25

CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 25 and 1900Z-2000Z, Apr 25 and 0300Z-0400Z, Apr 26
UKEICC 80m Contest	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 25
432 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 25
RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 26
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 27
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 27
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital	0001Z, Apr 28 to 2359Z, Apr 29
SP DX RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 28 to 1200Z, Apr 29
Helvetia Contest	1300Z, Apr 28 to 1259Z, Apr 29
Florida QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 28 to 0159Z, Apr 29 and 1200Z-2159Z, Apr 29
BARTG Sprint 75	1700Z-2059Z, Apr 29

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DUES ARE DUE

If you haven't paid your dues for 2018, they are now due!

Single Membership \$20.00 per year

Family Membership \$30.00 per year.

Pay them at the meeting, or send them to the Club's P.O. Box

Club Net

Net every Monday Night

@ 8:00PM

On 146.91

(Except club meeting nights)

VE Test Session-9:30AM

Every odd Month

Broken Arrow Pubic Safety Complex

1101 N. 6th Street

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BAARC Repeaters

146.91/31 88.5 PL Tone

145.45/05 88.5 PL Tone

444 No Tone

443.6 88.5 PL Tone

442.5 No Tone

These are open repeaters, but we encourage users to help us maintain them by joining the BAARC!



WORKSHOP CHRONICLES

Antennas- The most common Amateur Antenna is the trusty dipole. Here is a center insulator, the **BUDWIG**, that is relatively inexpensive, waterproof and light. Pick these up at your local hamfest and simply your dipole installations. This also works well if you have a beam that requires two wires to the driven element.



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Speaking of antennas, are you keeping the water out and your electrons in? **Scotch makes a Self-fusing tape** that keeps water out and can be removed without swear words (unlike coax seal). I first discovered this when the guy who put in our well pump, used it to spice the 220-volt wire together that went down into the well. You can find this at Lowes or Home Depot.

