

Trinity Valley Amateur Radio Club

Spring 2008



Field Day, 2008

1800 UTC Time 28, 2008 – 2100 UTC June 29, 2008

Trinity Valley ARC decided at the April meeting to join the Rockwall ARC for Field Day. The RARC is happy that the TVARC will be joining them for this event. (See page 4 for directions to the High School which will be the Field Day site.)

We have been invited to attend the May meeting of the RARC. The meeting will be dedicated to Field Day planning. Their meeting is on the third Tuesday of the month; this month it will be at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, May 20th. It will be good for Trinity Valley ARC members to be there, so that we will all be on the same page regarding Field Day. There are things that we can do to help, we can find out more at this meeting. Trinity Valley members who expressed interest in participating in Field Day with the RARC are: Otis, Ed, Mark, Katy, Marianne, Rusty, David, Ruth, George, and Mel.

The meeting is in a bank building at the northeast corner of the square in Rockwall. Come up Highway 205 to the square. Go clockwise halfway around the square to the bank. Carl can't remember the name of the bank, but you will see the mobile antennas.

RARC President is Harry Bell, KD5MLL,
214-448-6745 cell, mycarolynbell@aol.com

RARC event coordinator is Leo Luker, KC5DQB,
972-365-0403 cell, leo_luker@yahoo.com

New Member

Welcome to Randall Pease, KE5NXU, who was voted into the club at the March meeting.

Thanks to Randall for keeping us updated on Arlie's condition after surgery.

Ham Com June 13-14, 2008

Plano Centre
2000 East Spring Creek Parkway
Plano, TX 75074

Don't forget that we could win \$100.00 for the club treasury if we have the most clicks from our site to Ham Com's site!

Go to our web site and click that Ham Com link!

**TRINITY VALLEY AMATEUR
RADIO CLUB
WB5HGI
OFFICERS**

President Carl Sherman, W5SBH
Vice President Katy O'Mary, KE5CGL
Treasurer Marline Ballard, N5VVM
Secretary Linda Sherman, KC5QKN

MONDAY NIGHT NET

Don't forget to check in to the Club Net
at 7:30 on Monday nights!
145.270Mhz, PI 136.5

VE TESTING

Call Rusty Mott (WK5R) (972) 921-6685
or check the club web site.

CLUB WEB PAGE

I still need Ham Shack pictures from
members for the web site!
Email them to me at :
webwitch330@yahoo.com

NEWSLETTER

Thanks to e. l. marsden, inc. for donating
the printing of our newsletter!

MEETING NOTICE

LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
AT Cici's PIZZA
EAT AT 6:00 AND
MEET AT 7:00

**Happy Birthday
Howard!**

On March 29, 2008 Howard celebrated his 90th birthday. Joining in the celebration were Mel and Mildred and Johnny and Marline.



Recent Meetings

January Meeting

Rusty, WK5R, gave a presentation on Echo Link at our January meeting. Since then, several members have tried it out for our Monday night net.

February Meeting

Jim McClellan, N5MIJ was our guest speaker for the February meeting, which was held at e. l. marsden wireless, inc. Jim gave a presentation describing D-Star (Digital Smart Technologies for Amateur Radio technology). D-Star provides digital voice (DV mode) and also digital data transmission (DD mode). It sends data files such as graphics, images, etc. at 128kbps. Jim describes D-Star as the equivalent of having an ISDN line in a vehicle.



Rusty, WK5R



Jim McClellan, N5MIJ, setting up his projector for the presentation



Arlie, KE5DYD

April Meeting

Mel and Rusty went to visit Howard. They told us that Howard's doctors have decided that Howard should not have the knee surgery due to his age. This is disappointing, but Howard is coping with his health issues.

Arlie was back with us for the April meeting, he looks pretty good for a guy who had 5 bypasses last month! Arlie thanked the members for their prayers, cards, phone calls and emails.



7265 COUNTY RD. 131B
TERRELL TX 75160

Directions from Terrell to the Rockwall ARC (RARC) Field Day in Royce City

Proceed north on 205 from Terrell. Turn right at the second light onto 549 and follow it around to I-30 east. Go east on I-30 past Fate to Royce City. Exit at the first Royce city exit at 548. Turn left or north onto 548. Proceed into Royce City and turn right or east onto 66. Go about a mile and turn left onto 1777. You will see a fairly large antenna tower on your right at the school. Turn right into the school property.

Field Day will be in and around the small building on the north side which is used as the girls gym for the "Lady Bulldogs." We will be using this gym building which is supposed to be air conditioned – how about that. Carl has seen the site and it is good with some clear grassy areas outside for antennas. We think the RARC knows how to do it right!

If you travel to Royce City from some other direction, just go about a mile east on 66 from the center of Royce City and follow the above directions to the school.

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