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DATES TO REMEMBER

REGULAR MEETING
October 2, 2003 - 7 p.m.

HAMFEST SCHEDULE

Alexandria - October 18th

Baker - November 7th - 8th

Monroe - November 14th - 15th

Minden - December 6th

Rayne - March 12-14, 2004

Each Wednesday

Lunch Bunch

BJ's Pizza & Deli - Congress Street
Check 146.820 - repeater for info

Each Monday, 7:00 p.m.

AARA 2 meter net 146.820 - 600

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2003 FALL FUN

The months of October and November will be a good time for our members to play an important role in amateur radio by getting in some good training while having a lot of fun too. Try to get involved in some of these events.

On Saturday October 4th, a National Simulated Emergency Test (SET) will take place beginning at 8:00 AM and will last about three hours. A simulated hurricane "Frank" will hit along the South Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi Gulf Coast. ARES groups in these states will be asked to participate in this SET. Check with your local Emergency Coordinator and ARES Group to see how you can help.

The frequency for the ARES Emergency Net will be 7285 kHz. A 2-meter local net will also take place on the 146.820 repeater for Lafayette and surrounding areas. More will be discussed at the October 2nd General Meeting. Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) will be Saturday October 18th from

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CQ Jamboree, CQ Jamboree:

Jamboree-on-the-Air will be Saturday October 18th from 8:00a.m. to 12:00p.m in the parking lot of the Boy Scout office located at 2266 South College Road Ext., in Lafayette; (Next to Nimbo's Restaurant). Come out and operate and show the Scouts what our hobby is all about.

What is Jamboree-on-the-Air? It is an annual Scouting and amateur radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Thousands of amateur radio stations around the world participate.

In the U.S. Cub Scout dens and Boy Scout patrols visit a local amateur's ham shack during JOTA, giving Scouts a chance to exchange greetings with Scouts from other areas, states and countries.

For more information on the event, including frequencies, logging and use of the experimental J-Code see the following websites:

www.scouting.org/international/jota.html

www.home.zonnet.nl/worldscout/Jota/whatis.htm

www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html

Tnx 73 Bob KB5AWT

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each month at 7:00 p.m. at the
American Red Cross Building
101 North Pat Street Scott, LA

John H. Sanders, WB4ANX, SK (Sep 19, 2003) -- AARA has learned that former Delta Division Vice Director and Honorary AARA Life Member, John H. Sanders, WB4ANX, of Kingsport, Tennessee, died July 11. He was 82. Sanders served as Vice Director from 1974 until 1976. He also was a director and later vice president of the ARRL Foundation. An ARRL Life Member, Sanders rose to become president of Eastman Chemical Products in Kingsport and later was appointed assistant general manager, Eastman Chemicals Division and vice president of Eastman Kodak Company--a position he held until his retirement. He was a graduate of Auburn University and a veteran of World War II, in which he served with the US Army artillery and was awarded the Purple Heart. He was a fellow of the East Tennessee Section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and a past national AIChE president. In Kingsport, he was active in Junior Achievement, the American Red Cross and the Kingsport Area Chamber of Commerce. Survivors include his wife Mary

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8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the parking lot of the Boy Scout office (next to Nimbo's Restaurant) located at 2266 South College Road Ext., Lafayette. We are planning to have our AMOS Van on site to demonstrate to the Boy Scouts what amateur radio is all about. This is where Scouts get hands-on experience with radio. Bob Hess KB5AWT will be in charge during this event.

Saturday, November 1st & Sunday, November 2nd will be the AARA's second Special Event Station of the year. It will be the BI-Centennial of the Louisiana Purchase. Again, John and Maureena Martin – KA5BSE & KB5SMX will play host to this event from their QTH on 2032 N. University starting about 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Members participating in this event will be asked to bring a covered dish of some kind. I understand that a Gumbo is in plans. A nice QSL card will be available to those that make contact and send a SASE to Roland Guidry NA5Q (Club QSL Mgr.). We had a lot of fun for the 50th Anniversary ARRL Special Event and we expect even more fun this time. See the November issue of *QST* for more information. Come out and join the fun. The only other state that is doing a Louisiana Purchase Special Event Station so far is Arkansas on October 10th – 14th. <http://www.arkansashams.org>

Saturday, November 15th will be the Annual Cajun Cup Run in Lafayette. I am sure that you are familiar with this event. Mark your calendar. Bud Azar N5AN will be in charge and giving us details at the November meeting.

Hope to see each and every one of you at the October 2nd General Meeting. There are quite a few items to be discussed at the meeting. If you have some door prizes, please bring them. We had some really nice ones last month.

73's

John KA5BSE & Herman KN5GRK

October Birthdays

1001	RAY	N5LRZ
1004	GREG	K5LFT
1005	BRENT	KB5WKU
1006	GLEN	KA5RMJ
1010	HERMAN	KN5GRK
1010	JONATHAN	KC5JPC
1012	JOHN	WA5TWL
1012	LEE	KX5J
1012	MARIA	KB5YYD
1012	JAMIE	KC5GUK
1013	TAD	N5NRK
1015	CAROLYN	KA5IJU
1015	ROBERT	KC5TSI
1015	ALLEN	KC5JWO
1019	JEAN	N5FMX
1019	CHRIS	KB5RYB
1021	GERALD	W5VUY
1021	ROBERT	WD5DBZ
1025	DAVID	KC5UKQ
1026	JIMMIE	KC5JUW
1028	CAL	WA5AWM

TID BYTES

ARRL's *Logbook of the World* (LoTW) system is a repository of log records submitted by users from around the world. When both participants in a QSO submit matching QSO records to LoTW, the result is a QSL that can be used for ARRL award credit.

<http://www.arrl.org/lotw/>

At the VE testing session on September 4th, Gerald Murphy KD5VPC passed the code text and is now a General.

We will be conducting an ARRL VE testing sessions the September meeting. If you need to test at another time, let us know. We can schedule a session to accommodate everyone.

73

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2003 SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST

Please remember the upcoming Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on October 4. There's still time for Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) members to contact their local Emergency Coordinator to find out how they can participate with their local ARES group in this annual exercise of emergency preparedness.

The 2003 Simulated Emergency Test will start at 8 am on Saturday, October 4, and will last approximately three hours. We are planning to do things a little differently this year by conducting a joint SET with our neighbors in the MS and STX Sections.

Malcolm W5XX (MS Section Emergency Coordinator/Section Manager) has developed SET plans that provide a "big picture" scenario for the three sections that will unfold on 7285 kHz starting at 8 am on October 4. ARES leaders at the local and district levels (ECs/DECs) have been strongly encouraged to develop detailed local plans in conjunction with their served agencies that incorporate the big picture disaster scenario as scripted by Malcolm.

Test tactical/emergency traffic on HF will primarily be handled on the ARES Emergency Net on 7285, but at the same time Leon WB5ZED (RN5 Manager/Cycles 1 and 2) will activate RN5 on 7280 kHz to handle health and welfare (H/W) traffic generated during the SET. RN5 liaison stations will also be available to receive any H/W traffic brought to the HF ARES Net by representatives from local or district (VHF/UHF) ARES nets.

Let's suppose Ron AC5VN is the Northeast LA District rep with formal traffic to pass on the HF ARES Emergency Net. After receiving permission from the net control station (NCS), Ron might list his check-in information as follows:

AC5VN Northeast Louisiana representative with 1 TEST Priority message for Jackson National Weather Service and 1 TEST Welfare message for Mississippi.

The NCS will probably quickly have AC5VN directly send his TEST Priority message to the Jackson NWS rep on the net. After clearing this traffic, AC5VN and the RN5 liaison station will probably be sent off the net frequency by the NCS to pass the TEST Welfare message for MS.

Stations having formal TEST H/W traffic may also take their traffic directly to RN5 on 7280 if they so choose. However, this approach will probably be used primarily by stations having experience in dealing with National Traffic System (NTS) nets. Below is a sample TEST Priority message that might be sent during the upcoming SET. (Many of these test messages should be originated in advance by ARES officials or served agency officials as a result of their local disaster scenarios.)

NUMER 43 TEST PRIORITY KA5JNL 18 FARMERVILLE LA OCT 4
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
JACKSON MISSISSIPPI

BT
TEST MESSAGE SIMULATED TORNADO SPOTTED TWO MILES
EAST OF
FARMERVILLE AT 0940 CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME NO REPORTED
DAMAGE

BT
MACK REDMOND KA5JNL
UNION PARISH EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

In sending this message by voice, you should slowly say the words
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FOR SALE:

MFJ1278 (NIB) Multi Mode Data Controller(TNC)\$35.00(no manual) Each as priced or the lot for \$750.00. Chuck Lanza - K5PR (337) 365-3971

FOR SALE: by Glynn Langston WA5TAQ: YAESU 5100 Dual Band (2 meter and 440) for \$200.00 Like new condition. (Does not have speech synthesizer readout module). Contact John Martin KA5BSE for information. ka5bse@w5ddl.org

Do you have something for sale or are you looking for something to buy? Submit your information to the editor at k5dpg@w5ddl.org by the last Thursday of the month to have it listed here.

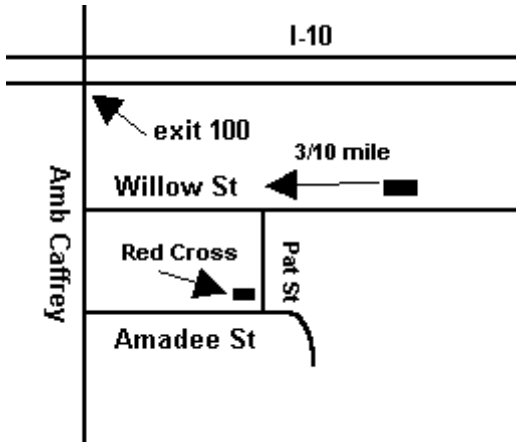
VE TESTING AT THE OCTOBER MEETING

Louisiana Purchase Special Event

The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association Inc. will operate KE5LP from 1300Z Nov 1 to 2400Z Nov 2 Commemorating the Bi-Centennial of the Louisiana Purchase. Look for KE5LP on 28.465 21.365 14.265 7.240. QSL to Roland Guidry, NA5Q, 118 W Betty Street Rayne, LA 70578. www.

Carolyn Oubre, KA5IJU
3011 Sugar Mill Road
New Iberia LA 70563-8624

<http://www.w5ddl.org>



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exactly as written above with two simple additions: say the word "Break" right after the word "Mississippi" and say the word "Break" right after the word "Damage" so that the receiving operator will be able to distinguish between the address, text, and signature of the message. At the end of the signature, you should say "end of message." The receiving operator can then ask you for fills if he missed any part of the message.

A sample H/W message is shown below.

NR 24 TEST WELFARE AC5VN ARL 6 WEST MONROE LA OCT 4

JIM LEIST KB5W

2632 VALLEY WOOD DRIVE

GAUTIER MISSISSIPPI 39553

601 555 1234

BT

TEST MESSAGE ARL FOUR ARL SIX

BT

MICKEY COX K5MC

Please note that ALL messages relating to the SET should have the word "TEST" inserted before the precedence in the preamble and the words "TEST MESSAGE" in the text of the message if the message deals with an unreal situation. This is of extreme importance for all test messages having a precedence higher than routine.

In addition to learning more about our strengths and weaknesses in providing emergency communications on behalf of the public, our SET this year should be a load of fun. I hope all of you with an interest in public service will be able to participate to some degree.

73, Mickey Cox K5MC

LA Section Manager Email: k5mc@arrl.org LA Section Website: www.cox-internet.com/k5dpg
