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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**January 8, 2004 - 7 p.m.**

## HAMFEST SCHEDULE

Hammond - January 17th  
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

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Are you ready for another year of fun with amateur radio? Well, to make 2004 even better than the previous year, we are all going to have to get in there and do our part. If you have any ideas on new projects that might motivate more involvement in amateur radio in the Acadiana area, please mention it to our officers. BTW, the nominating committee will present their lineup for officers for 2004 at the January 8th meeting, also nominations will be taken from the floor so do try to be there if you have other persons in mind.

Over the Christmas Holidays, I made a trip to Little Rock to be with my Mother for her 84th birthday on December 22. It was Mom's wish that my two brothers and I could spend Christmas together. For a while it seemed that things would not work out as planned. I developed a head cold a week before, but fortunately my cold cleared up, things worked out alright and we did spend Christmas together which meant a lot to Mom and Me. I made the trip to and from Little Rock without any problems, weather was really nice in both directions. Glad to be back home.

When visiting Little Rock, I bring a 75 meter inverted "V" antenna, my Icom 706MKIIG and tuner with me and stick the antenna in a tree on a 30 foot limb then run each leg to a point about 6 feet above the ground. I was able to check in on the Region 5 Cycle 2 Traffic Net on 7280 kHz at 1530 local time and then on the LTN at 1830 local time on 3910 kHz on occasions. I also checked in on the Gulf States Sideband Net on 7925 kHz and called the net on Wednesday evening. I had very good signal reports at all times. I think eventually I will put up a 30-foot push-up pole with a pulley somewhere in Mom's back yard so I can get away from that having to fight throwing a line in that tree while giving me more open space for the dipole.

I hope everyone had a Very Nice Christmas and Wishing You All a Happy New Year!

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**Happy New Year**  
**January Meeting Change**

**January 8th - 7 pm - Red Cross Building**

## LOUISIANA SECTION NEWS - NOVEMBER 2003

Melinda KC5RJY and Wayne KD5JJP are now serving as the Emergency Coordinators for Richland Parish and Claiborne Parish, respectively. James N5NVP is a new Official Emergency Station.

The following stations have earned net certificates for their regular participation on the LA Traffic Net: KN5GRK, K5IQZ, K5DPG, WB5ZED, WA5CAV, N5KWB, W4DLZ, W5PY, WA5LQZ, N5CBB, K1DW, W5NK, KA5JNL, N5CFL, AC5VQ, AC5VN, WB5LBR, KA5LMZ, KB5SDU, W5CDX, KD5MLD, K5MC, AD5JC, AA5HY, KB5IEJ, KB5GA, WB5JZQ, KA5SUR, NF5B and AE5V. In addition, WA5CAV, K5IQZ, WA5LQZ, W5CDX, W5NK, K1DW, W4DLZ, K5MC, K5KV, and WB5LBR have earned certificates for participating regularly on the LA CW Net.

The Acadiana ARA provided communications for the Cajun Cup 2003 10K Run on November 15. Participating in this public service event were N5AN, K5FNQ, KA5BSE, KB5SMX, WB5GAF, KC5VRN, WD5FDD, K5ARH, N5RLM, N5YCS, KD5JCT, KD5TJZ, and KN5GRK.

The Delta DX Association (DDXA) has asked me to urge all clubs and members in our section to contact their U.S. Senators and Representatives regarding the harmful interference possibilities of Broadband over Power Line (BPL). The DDXA believes an informed Congress will help provide a more rational process and I agree. With the recent comments by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding BPL, we now have a strong ally on this issue. However, we must not assume at this point that the battle is over. In contacting your elected officials you should point out that FEMA's comments to the FCC echo those of the ARRL and other groups representing users of the HF spectrum. Moreover, our officials must understand, as FEMA makes clear in its comments, that there is no alternative to HF in terms of meeting national security and emergency preparedness requirements at the national, state, and local levels.

Although the League's Logbook of the World (LoTW) has been operational since mid September, it was late November before I joined the nearly 5,000 hams worldwide already participating. LoTW allows us to submit QSO data electronically that can be used for awards credit. If you haven't done so already, be sure to check out the details of this excellent program on the ARRL website and in the October issue of *QST*.

Traffic totals: K5MC 197, AE5V 177, AC5VN 101, K5IQZ 93, W4DLZ 87, NF5B 57, W5NK 30, K5DPG 16, W5PY 14, N5KWB 3. Public Service Honor Roll: AC5VN 150, K5ER 118, K5MC 110, K5DPG 101, NF5B 100, K5IQZ 100, W5PY 99, W4DLZ 90, W5NK 70, N5KWB 63, WA5LQZ 60, KB5UHH 33.

Section net reports: sessions/check-ins/messages handled. Louisiana Traffic Net: 30/419/113. Louisiana CW Net: 29/152/101. Louisiana ARES Net: 5/85/1.

Local/district net reports: sessions/check-ins/messages handled. Ouachita Parish ARES Net: 4/92/1. Northeast LA ARES Net: 4/62/0. Union Parish ARES Net: 4/45/1.

73, Mickey Cox K5MC

LA Section Website: [www.laarrl.org](http://www.laarrl.org)

## January Birthdays

0101	JON	N1TFP
0103	BARBARA	N5AUO
0116	ROY	WD5DBV
0130	RON	KC5EAJ
0110	DAVE	N5EEH
0114	JAMES	KB5EKC
0107	STU	WD5FDD
0117	ADAM	KC5FRP
0124	DAVE	KE5FZ
0105	ERICK	AB5GI
0105	JEFF	KJ5GY
0114	CHRIS	N5KQQ
0120	BUTCH	KC5KVD
0121	TERRY	KC5LCY
0131	GRAHAM	K5MPB
0114	JOYCE	KA5NVH
0107	RALPH	KA5OLE
0101	NICK	K5QXJ
0109	PETE	WB5RPT
0126	LURENT	KD5TGY
0126	JAMES	KB5TTR
0121	NANCY	N5TVR
0115	ANN	KB5WPU
0127	JOHN	KC6MNO

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### TID BYTES

The Annual Field Day was a success. Check out the results on Page 3 of this newsletter.

Remember the Link'en Stick'en party at the January 8th meeting.

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

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## FIELD DAY RESULTS 2003

Call	Score	Category	QSOs	Power	Mult	GOTA	Call	Section	Participants	Club
W5EA	6,426	3A	1,837	2				LA 35		Twin City Ham Club
K5BMO	5,992	2A	1,644	2				LA 24		Bossier Marshal Office
W5GIX	5,552	3A	1,412	2			K5LSU	LA 52		Baton Rouge ARC
K5MS	4,264	2A	1,124	2			KC5WWU	LA 50		Central Louisiana ARC
N5YE	3,660	2A	1,045	2				LA 12		Springhill ARC
WA5MC	2,880	3F	572	2				LA 7		Atchafalaya Amateur DX Assn
W5YL	2,764	2A	826	2				LA 10		Thibodaux ARC
W5DDL	2,686	2A	721	2			N5OA	LA 31		Acadiana ARA
W5BII	2,296	2A	598	2				LA 45		Southwest LA Amateur Repeater Club
N5RD	1,738	2A	413	2				LA 40		Minden ARA
K5DR	1,255	1D	858	1				LA 4		Lafayette ARRC
W5ABD	1,050	2A	252	2				LA 20		Westside (LA) ARC
K5RCR	770	1B1	323	2				LA 1		
N5ASA	706	1D	353	2				LA 1		
AA5HY	162	1E	81	2				LA 1		

### LeJunquè

FOR SALE Hygain TH3MK4 Tribander (good condition, all parts, manual and box) \$200  
 Cushcraft 11 Element 2 meter beam (older but good condition, no manual) \$50  
 Rohn 25AG2 Top Section (great condition, original galvanizing, with AS25G Rotor Plate) \$70  
 Rohn 25AG TV Top Section (repainted liquid galvanize, with homemade Rotor Plate) \$40  
 18' Heavywall (1/4 inch) 2" Aluminum Mast \$50  
 Also I have a good starter section to put in the ground, free to the person that buys a top section...  
 I can be contacted by email or telephone 337-232-0633, email will be the easiest way to reach me.

Landen KC5QDZ email will be the easiest way to reach me  
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### UPCOMING HAMFEST LIST

Baton Rouge Hamfest 30 Apr/1 May 04  
 Baton Rouge ARC Baker LA  
<http://www.lsu.edu/brarc/Hamfest.htm>

**AARA Rayne Hamfest**  
**12-14 Mar 2004 Rayne LA**  
<http://www.w5ddl.org/hamfest/>



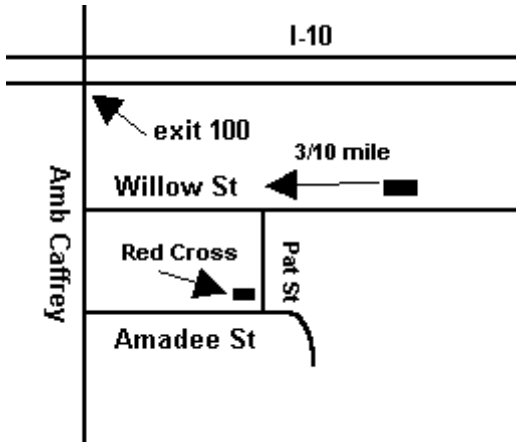
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***From The Kitchen Of  
Carolyn Oubre KA5IJU***

**QUI CK CABBAGE SUPPER**

1 medium cabbage, shredded 1 onion, chopped  
1 pound cocktail sausages 1/4 cup water  
salt to taste

Combine cabbage and onion in a large skillet or Dutch oven. Add sausage, water and seasoning. Simmer for 20 to 25 minutes, stirring occasionally

Serves 5

**Amazing Coconut Pie**

2 cups milk 1/4 sugar  
1/2 cup biscuit mix 4 eggs  
1/2 stick butter 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract  
1/3 cups Angel Flake coconut

Combine milk, sugar, biscuit mix, eggs, butter and vanilla in electric blender container. Cover and blend on low for 3 minutes. Pour into greased 9-inch pie pan. Let stand for 5 minutes. Sprinkle with coconut. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes.

***FCC LICENSE INFO  
SERVICE***

The FCC toll-free (WATS) number for Amateur Radio license inquiries -- including inquiries about vanity and new call signs. The number, 888-225-5322, will connect callers to the FCC National Call Center, handled by the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau. Amateurs having ULS problems or questions should contact the FCC's ULS Technical Support staff at 202-414-1250 or [ulscmm@fcc.gov](mailto:ulscmm@fcc.gov).

Web site:

<<http://wireless.fcc.gov/usl/>>

New callsign information can also be obtained from the ARRL/VEC at 860-594-3000.

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

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