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## THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

By Wayne Williams

WT5J



Hi Everyone,

Well we got through 9/11 without any major event happening and we all need to be thankful of that. Being as I was on vacation last week, I had time to watch some of the happenings of 9/11/01 on TV during the day on Wednesday. There were so many families that were affected by it, that it's hard for me to comprehend. And of course our economy is still trying to recover from it. As I was putting my new American Flag on the car, I was reminded of just how lucky we are to live in a free nation. This includes us hams being able to use our radio equipment to talk around the world without much limitation, which is not the case in many other countries.

Last month's meeting was kind of unusual as we had three speakers who each did a great job. Thanks to John Galvin N5TIM for updating us on the restructuring of the Garland RACES organization, Bill Reynolds K8DNE for an APRS speech, and Don Duncan KC5GLM, for a speech on terrorism and just how real the on going threat is to all of us.

Please come to the Sept. meeting as we plan to have Larry Melbe, who is an ARRL Section leader. Then don't forget that coming up in Oct. is our annual GARC Auction. So gather up all of your radio and computer equipment that you no longer use and bring them to the auction. This will be a fun time for all and who knows, you may find that item that you've been wanting at a very reasonable price. A portion of the sale will go to the GARC general fund to help with the expenses of the club.

That's it for now, and I hope to see each of you at the GARC meeting.

73, De WT5J  
Wayne G. Williams

Next GARC Meeting will be Sept 23, 2002 @ 7:30 PM  
Eyeball starts at 7:00 PM

# Youth@HamRadio.Fun: Jamboree On the Air 2002

By Brian Mileschosky, N5ZGT  
Contributing Editor (ARRL)

*Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Venture Scouts soon will take to the airwaves in an effort to communicate with each other via Amateur Radio. It's the annual event we call JOTA--Jamboree On The Air. But you don't have to be a scout to enjoy JOTA, which this year takes place Saturday October 19 through Sunday October 20 (local time and always the third weekend of October).*

As many as 400,000 Scouts, scouters and other youth have participated in Jamboree On the Air in the past. It is the largest scouting event in the world!

JOTA is *not* a contest. The idea behind JOTA is to expose youth to Amateur Radio by showing them a great time as well as helping them to meet new friends, share stories of past scout experiences, and, ultimately, to light the spark that inspires them to pursue their own Amateur Radio licenses.

Stations participating should call "CQ Jamboree" or "CQ JOTA" and/or seek and answer other stations doing the same. Any frequency for which the control operator at hand has privileges may be used for JOTA, and several HF *calling* frequencies have been established to help in getting JOTA stations together. **Remember:** Once you establish a contact on one of these frequencies, QSY to another clear frequency to hold your actual QSO. Please be courteous and lead by example.

## JOTA Scout Frequencies (in MHz)

Band	SSB (phone)	CW (Morse)
80	3.740 <sup>1</sup> and 3.940	3.590
40	7.090 <sup>1</sup> and 7.270 <sup>2</sup>	7.030
20	14.290	14.070 <sup>3</sup>
17	18.140	18.080
15	21.360	21.140
12	24.960	24.910
10	28.390 <sup>4</sup>	28.190

### Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Not authorized for SSB in the United States (Region 2); however, you may listen or work split-frequency if the DX station indicates it is listening in the US phone band.

<sup>2</sup>While 7.290 MHz has been the "official" JOTA calling frequency in the past, US JOTA participants are advised to use 7.270 MHz to avoid AM activity on 7.290 MHz.

<sup>3</sup>14.070 MHz has become the unofficial gathering place for PSK31 activity on 20 meters; JOTA operators may want to shift 5 kHz down to avoid causing QRM.

<sup>4</sup>This frequency allows US Novice ops to participate in JOTA on phone.

### *JOTA Needs Youth Participants, Club and Individual Involvement*

You can get involved with JOTA in your area by first calling either your Scout council office (or equivalent) or nearby ham radio club and asking if they plan to host a JOTA event in your area. (Of course, you also might want to suggest JOTA to your own club, if it's not already on the program.)

If your local club is not planning to be active during JOTA, tell them about it and ask if members might be willing to put together a program for you and any other scout unit or youth you know. On the other hand, if your local club is planning for JOTA, let the club know you'll be there with all of your friends for a great time.

## *MINUTES OF June Meeting GARLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC. August 26, 2002*

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by president Wayne Williams (W5TJ). Pledge of allegiance was lead by Don Duncan (KC5GLM) and then introduction of members and visitors took place.

### **Old Business:**

- Wayne reminded the membership that we still need GARC Info Net control operators for January and February 2003 and that there will be a cash drawing of \$100.00 for those who participated the past year in March 2003.
- Correction to the minutes as published in the ArcLite; The spelling of Darrell Toups name. Minutes approved with correction.

### **New Business:**

- Clay Orchard (KC5MXN) read a letter of appreciation and presented the club with a \$1,500.00 honorary donation check from the City of Garland to the GARC for support efforts provided during the Star Spangled 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.
- John Galvin (N5TIM) read a list of upcoming events where operators are needed. Go to his website at [www.qsl.net/n5tim](http://www.qsl.net/n5tim) for a current list of these events.
- New and renewed club members included Floyd Rogers (KC5QBC), Joe Tolleson (KD5QKT), Matthew Jennings (KD5GUN), and Kathy Jennings (KD5GUO).

### **Staff Reports:**

- Vice President (KC5EOR) – Next meeting's speaker will be Larry Melbe, ARRL Section Leader, October Meeting will be the GARC Auction.
- Education Officer (KC5COF) – Not present, but it was reported that there are no new training classes at this time.
- ArcLite Editor (NG5Y) – Not present, but there are extra copies of the ArcLite at the front for those who did not receive one.
- Secretary (K5AYE) – Any corrections to addresses or e-mails please submit via e-mail. New member packets unavailable but will be sent to you via mail.
- Communication Officer (AC5NA) – Will be replacing rotor and other adjustments at the ECC on September 7<sup>th</sup> at 8am and needs help.
- Treasurer (KC5GGZ) – Current balance with City of Garland check is \$3,900.57. All bills paid at this time.
- President (W5TJ) – No additional business to report

### **Misc. Items:**

- Don Duncan (KC5GLM) asked membership to respect everyone's e-mail address and not send unnecessary info that could result in spamming. Randy Dunning (KC5QHH) added comments regarding mass emails and spamming.

### **Program:**

- **John Galvin (N5TIM)** spoke on the Garland RACES restructure, **Don Duncan (KC5GLM)** spoke on Terrorism, and **Bill Reynolds (K8DNE)** spoke on APRS.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 9:30pm

Submitted By: Kaye Duncan, Secretary

# Upcoming Events

All public service events are open to any licensed amateur with a desire to participate!

No event experience? Lets us know and we can team you with an experienced amateur to show you the ropes

**September 20-22, 2002 - Plano Balloon Festival** - Looks like this event is a go! Plano voted to fund it so, KK5PB is looking for communications help. Bill will keep us posted on the latest information. To join the communications team and enjoy the balloons, contact Bill Fell, KK5PB to join the communications team.

**September 28, 2001 - JDRF Walk** - JDRF walk at White Rock Lake, Dallas, Texas. This event supports the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. We need a little over 30 communicators to support this event. Contact Bob Jones, W5BJ to sign-up for this event.

Easy Sign-up Form

**October 5 - 2002, AIDS Arms LifeWalk 5K Walk & Run** - City Hall Plaza, Downtown Dallas. 7:30 AM Registration Opens, Walk & Run begins 9:00 AM. Talk-in on 146.880, event on 147.525 simplex. Contact Karl Meyer, N5UOI - n5uoi@arrl.net. Event Info:

Easy Sign-up Form

**October 19, 2002 - Komen Dallas Race for the Cure** - Women's 5K Race & Family Co-Ed 5K Fun Run/Walk at NorthPark Center Dallas, TX. Registration: 7:15 am, 1 Mile Family Fun Run/Walk: 7:45 am, All Women's 5K (timed): 8:00 am, Competitive Wheelchair: 7:55 am, Co-ed Family 5K: 8:15 am. Talk-in on 146.880, event on 146.880 and 147.525 simplex. Contact Karl Meyer, N5UOI - n5uoi@arrl.net. Event Info:

Easy Sign-up Form

**November 02, 2002 - DALLAS WHITE ROCK 1/2 MARATHON AND WALK** - 13.1 miles at White Rock YMCA. Times: 6:30 a.m. - Race day Packet Pickup - There will be no race day registration, 8:30 a.m. - Start of the Half, the Half Walk, 9:00 a.m. - Post Race Celebration. There will be six aid stations located approximately every two miles. A representative of the Dallas Amateur Radio Club will be stationed at each aid station to report any serious problems in regard to the runners' health. Talk-in on 146.880, event on 146.880 and 147.525 simplex. Contact Karl Meyer, N5UOI - n5uoi@arrl.net. Event Info:

Easy Sign-up Form

**November 28 - 2002, Dallas YMCA Turkey Trot at Dallas City Hall** - 9:00 AM starting at City Hall Plaza for 8 Mile Race and 3 Mile Fun Run/Walk. Talk-in on 146.880 repeater and event is on 146.96. Contact Karl Meyer, N5UOI - n5uoi@arrl.net. Event Info:

Easy Sign-up Form

**December 15, 2002 - White Rock Marathon** - Dallas' annual premier running event. This 27 mile run is a qualifying event for the New York Marathon. Comments from operators are encouraged. Contact Bob Jones, W5BJ, bobj1@airmail.net or John Galvin, N5TIM, n5tim@arrl.net to join the communications team. Marathon Race Information.



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# October 2002

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## Same Net Time, Same Net Frequency

The Following nets occur on a regular basis throughout the month.

Every Monday night at 7:30 PM. local time except for meeting nights the GARC conducts a good news/info net on 146.66 MHZ

RACES holds nets on Every Thursday Night at 9:00 pm local time on either the 146.66 or the 147.24 repeater. In addition to these nets there are also additional RACES nets held at 8:00 pm local time on the first and third Sunday of the month. These Sunday night nets are held on the 146.88

repeater. Only those stations who are authorized by the FCC or the regional Races authority may transmit on a Races frequency during Races nets unless there is a threat to life or property.

145.31 8:00PM Tuesdays Ham Association Of Mesquite holds a good news/info net

146.94 8:00PM Wednesdays FT Worth holds a info/swap net.

147.18 8:00PM Thursdays Plano ARK holds a good news/info net

## Garland Siren Test

The Garland early warning sirens are tested by the city the first Wednesday of each month at noon, weather permitting. Tests are generally conducted on the GARC repeater at 146.660Mhz with 600Khz negative offset.

Amateur radio operators wishing to help with these siren tests should contact Jacob Schroeder, AC5NA if interested in helping out.

## GARC General Information

### Repeaters:

The GARC operates two open repeaters for its members and for all local or visiting Amateur Radio Operators: Two meters: **146.66 (-)** and 70 Cmeters: **442.70 (+)**

### Voice Mail:

For late-breaking news or to leave the club a message, call our 24-hour voice-mail line at **(972) 272-4499**.

### Information Net:

GARC Information Net: held every Monday at 7:30PM on 146.66 (except for meeting nights and holidays). The net features current events, "swap shop", and a technical information exchange. All area hams are encouraged to check in. All members are encouraged to volunteer to be net control for this net. Contact the GARC communications officer, Mark Durbin ([kc5gng@qsl.net](mailto:kc5gng@qsl.net)), if you are interested.

### Internet:

Information on the GARC can also be found on the world wide web address below:

<http://www.qsl.net/garc/>

The web site includes a map to the monthly meetings, classes, links to local public service events, and other items of interest to the hams in the Garland area.

### Newsletter:

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The deadline for Arclite materials is the 2nd Monday of each month. If you have any informative or educational articles that you would like to see included in this newsletter, or if you have items to be included in the GARC calendar, please send it to the Arclite editor.

Arclite Editor, 1027-B West Austin St.,  
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or emailed to the Arclite Editor at [ng5y@arrl.net](mailto:ng5y@arrl.net)

### Membership:

Membership forms are available at the GARC monthly meetings and on the GARC web site. Once the membership form and dues are submitted, new members are voted in at the next GARC monthly meeting.

The GARC membership roster is distributed to GARC members only and is included twice a year in the Arclite. It is not to be used for any commercial purposes.

To submit changes to the GARC roster (such as change of address, updated phone numbers, license upgrade, etc), send them to the GARC secretary, Kaye Duncan (K5AYE) at [kaye.duncan@attbi.com](mailto:kaye.duncan@attbi.com).



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*Please Rush!!!*

Reminder

**We need your articles, ideas and suggestions for inclusion in the Arclite...**