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The President's Pen

By Bob Jones, W5BJ



Howdy GARCers,

Don't forget that this month is the annual GARC auction. Not only will it be lots of fun, but it's a chance to thrill someone with good stuff from your garage. So, get busy and clean out your cabinets, drawers, etc. and bring it all to the club meeting Monday night, October 24th. Garland Newman will be our auctioneer, so you know it's going to be exciting. Don't forget to bring money.

If you didn't make the open house this last Saturday, you missed a great time. We combined our ECC open house with JOTA (Jamboree on the Air), an annual event that combines scouting with amateur radio. We had about 20 scouts (boy scouts, cub scouts, girl scouts, and cub scout webelos) plus their leaders visit the ECC. Every scout got to talk on the radio. Club members had fun visiting with the scouts and their families.

I would like to call to your attention an article in the November 2005 issue of QST, page 51, titled "Holiday Toy Drive: Let's Do It Again". The article describes an ARRL project started last year to provide toys to children left homeless by four hurricanes hitting Florida. This year the same type program is needed to provide toys for children left homeless by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. I believe that the GARC can and should make a significant contribution to this program because this time the affected children are closer to us. All it takes is a small contribution from each of you. Let me know at the meeting or via email (w5bj@arrl.net) if you will participate. We will collect the toys at the ECC and bulk-ship them to Memphis per ARRL instructions. Please give this your serious consideration.

Mark December 12th on your calendar for the GARC Christmas Party – place yet to be determined. This year the club will furnish the main course and drinks with sides and deserts provided by club members. Because we are a non-profit organization, a donation will be requested with half of the proceeds going to the club and the other half going to the hosting facility.

See you at the auction!

73, Bob, W5BJ

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M e e t i n g M i n u t e s

By Laura Richards,

GARC BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2005

Board members present were Bob Jones president, John Galvin vice president, Allen Yoder treasurer, Ralph Brown communications officer, Garland Newman education officer, Laura Richards secretary.

Starting Tuesday November 22nd a new Tech class will begin at the ECC for 5 weeks. Classes finishing on December 20th just in time to attend the K8DNE VE Session on Thursday December 22nd.

Bill Richards has received the TNC for the digital station donated by Gerry Crenshaw. APRS will be installed on a separate drive using Linux. This will not affect any of the windows Microsoft programs already on the computer.

Publishing contact information for Auto Patch Codes.

On Monday December 12th 7:00 – 9:00 pm will be the annual GARC Christmas party. Allen Yoder will look into the possibility of using Free Height Baptist Church again this year. The club will provide the main meat. Asking club members to sign up for side & deserts. There will also be a request for donations which half will be given to the place that donates space for our Christmas Party.

Upcoming programs: Winlink in November. Christmas party in December & hopefully another presentation by Jim Haynie in January.

GARC Minute Meetings were not available at Press Time

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**DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL GARC CLUB  
AUCTION AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON  
OCTOBER 24TH!**

| September |       | GARC Checking          |         |   | 10/15/05          |
|-----------|-------|------------------------|---------|---|-------------------|
| Date      | Num   | Transaction            | Payment | C | Deposit Balance   |
| 9/13/05   | DEP   | Interest               |         | c | 0.26 1,074.11     |
|           | cat:  | Interest Earned        |         |   |                   |
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|           | cat:  | Bank Charges           |         |   |                   |
| 9/13/05   | 1700  | Verizon Southwest      |         |   | 84.04 c 979.07    |
|           | cat:  | Telephone              |         |   |                   |
| 9/13/05   | 1701  | Void                   |         | c | 979.07            |
| /15/05    | DEP   | City Of Garland        |         |   | 1,500.00 2,479.07 |
|           | cat:  | Gift Received          |         |   |                   |
|           | memo: | Star Spangled 4th      |         |   |                   |
| 9/26/05   | 1702  | Kaye Duncan Newsletter |         |   | 200.00 2,279.07   |

**Treasure's  
Report**  
By  
**Allen Yoder, NG5Y**

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Saturday November 5, 2005  
**Walk for Diabetes**  
The American Diabetes Association walk to fight Diabetes. This walk will be held at the Annette Strauss Artists Square in Dallas TX. For more information contact Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU, ke6lou@arrl.net or go to <http://www.w5fc.org/psevents.htm>.

Saturday November 5, 2005  
**Rowlett Bike Ride**  
People are needed from about 6:30am till 1-2pm. If you would like to sign up or would like further information contact Janet Crenshaw, WP9ZPH at [wb9zph@gmail.com](mailto:wb9zph@gmail.com) for more information

Thursday November 24,2005  
**Dallas YMCA Turkey Trot**  
8 mile run, 3 mile run/walk, 1 mile walk benefiting the Downtown Dallas YMCA. Further information available at available at [www.w5fc.org](http://www.w5fc.org) . To sign up, contact Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU ke6lou+ont.com, 972-741-8485, or use the Public Service Event Sign Up Form [http://www.w5fc.org/pse\\_info/pse\\_appl.htm](http://www.w5fc.org/pse_info/pse_appl.htm)

Saturday, December 11, 2005  
**Run The Rock White Rock Marathon**  
No Details are currently available for this event but if you would like to sign up you can fill out the web form at: [www.qsl.net/n5tim/uplist.html](http://www.qsl.net/n5tim/uplist.html) or contact John Galvin, N5TIM at n5tim@comcast.net.

**Upcoming Meetings:**  
November Program on Winlink  
December Annual Christmas Party  
January Jim Haynie, President of the ARRL

## What Would You Like To See?

If you have a topic or training that you would like to see provided at a future GARC meeting, please email John Galvin at n5tim@arrl.net. This topic could include emergency procedures, new radio operator topics, license upgrade topics, public service training or new operating modes. Also, if you have a program or topic that you would like to present, please let John know as well.

## Chuckles From: The Good Natured Texan WA5GNT

Hmmm... Is it OK to use the AM radio after noon?

Hmmm...Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

Hmmm... If I were born with nothing, why do I still have most of it left?

Hmmm... "Money can't buy you happiness, but it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery."

Hmmm... Be nice to your kids. They'll choose your nursing home.

Hmmm... If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

# November Calendar of Events

| Sunday                                                 |                                               | Monday             | Tuesday            |                    | Wednesday                                                                                       | Thursday                                         | Friday                                | Saturday                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <a href="#">30</a>                                     | <a href="#">Oct</a>                           | <a href="#">31</a> | <a href="#">1</a>  | Nov                | <a href="#">2</a>                                                                               | <a href="#">3</a>                                | <a href="#">4</a>                     | <a href="#">5</a>                 |
|                                                        |                                               |                    |                    |                    | 12:00p <a href="#">Garland siren test</a><br><br>1:00p <a href="#">Rowlett siren test</a>       | 9:00p <a href="#">Garland RACES training net</a> |                                       | <a href="#">Walk for Diabetes</a> |
| <a href="#">6</a>                                      | <a href="#">7</a>                             | <a href="#">8</a>  | <a href="#">9</a>  | <a href="#">10</a> | <a href="#">11</a>                                                                              | <a href="#">12</a>                               |                                       |                                   |
|                                                        |                                               |                    | Election Day       |                    | 9:00p <a href="#">Garland RACES training net</a>                                                |                                                  |                                       |                                   |
| <a href="#">13</a>                                     | <a href="#">14</a>                            | <a href="#">15</a> | <a href="#">16</a> | <a href="#">17</a> | <a href="#">18</a>                                                                              | <a href="#">19</a>                               |                                       |                                   |
|                                                        | 7:00p <a href="#">GARC Board meeting</a>      |                    |                    |                    | 9:00p <a href="#">Garland RACES training net</a>                                                |                                                  | 9:00a 3rd Saturday at the ECC, 9-noon |                                   |
| <a href="#">20</a>                                     | <a href="#">21</a>                            | <a href="#">22</a> | <a href="#">23</a> | <a href="#">24</a> | <a href="#">25</a>                                                                              | <a href="#">26</a>                               |                                       |                                   |
| 8:00p -9:00p <a href="#">Dallas RACES training net</a> |                                               |                    |                    |                    | 9:00p <a href="#">Garland RACES training net</a><br><br><a href="#">Dallas YMCA Turkey Trot</a> |                                                  |                                       |                                   |
| <a href="#">27</a>                                     | <a href="#">28</a>                            | <a href="#">29</a> | <a href="#">30</a> | <a href="#">1</a>  | <a href="#">Dec</a>                                                                             | <a href="#">2</a>                                | <a href="#">3</a>                     |                                   |
|                                                        | 7:30p<br><a href="#">GARC Monthly Meeting</a> |                    |                    |                    | 9:00p <a href="#">Garland RACES training net</a>                                                |                                                  |                                       |                                   |

## 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**.

### 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:

The Arclite is published monthly for the members of the Garland Amateur Radio Club. The contents of this newsletter are copyrighted the date of publication, but may be reprinted without permission in any Amateur Radio Publication provided proper credit is given and the motive is the advancement of amateur radio and not for profit.

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 email it to the Arclite editor at **kaye.duncan@verizon.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.

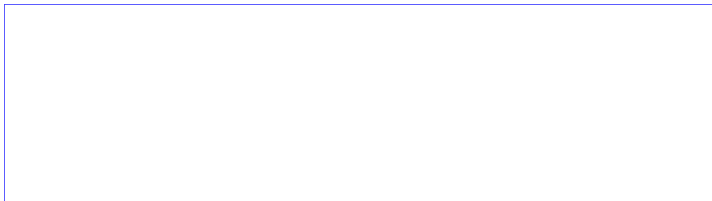
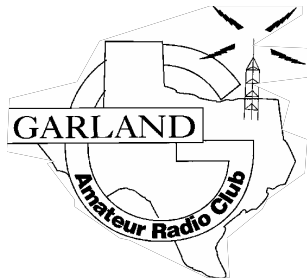
To submit changes to the GARC roster (such as change of address, updated phone numbers, license upgrade, etc), send them to the GARC secretary, Laura Richards at [lmhrichards@gmail.com](mailto:lmhrichards@gmail.com)

### Early Warning Siren Tests:

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 Bill Richards, KM5VZ if interested in helping out.

Garland Amateur Radio Club  
Emergency Communications Center (ECC)  
1027 B West Austin Street  
Garland, TX 75040



*Please Rush!!!*

Reminder

3rd Saturday @ The ECC - April 16th, 2005 - 9 am to 12 noon