



Deep East Texas Amateur Radio Club

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DETARC, Inc. Lufkin, TX

1. DETARC INFORMATION

Club Officers: President- Steve KG5ODZ
kg5odz@arrl.net, Vice President/Repeater Trustee-
Mike WD5EFY, Secretary- RM K5AGE, Treasurer-
Randy N5CRW.

Club Web Page: www.detarc.net

Club Email Reflector: Join the reflector to receive
Club information. To join send an email request to:
detarc-join@detarc.net

Meeting Times/Location: Fourth Thursday of the
month at 7 PM at the old armory on Tulane Drive,
across from Kiwanis Park.

DETARC/ARES Net: 146.940 MHz-600, 141.3
CTCSS. Every Tuesday at 8 PM, alternates
147.360+600 MHz, 141.3 CTCSS, or 146.42
Simplex.

For additional information on DETARC/ARES see
the web site at www.detarc.net

DETARC/ARES News:



Would you like to order a DETARC badge or hat?

We have our own DETARC links at the
SignMan website.

DETARC NAME BADGE
<http://thesignman.com/clubs/detarcbadgecart.html>

DETARC_HAT
<http://thesignman.com/clubs/detarchatcart.html>

CLUB LISTINGS

<http://thesignman.com/clubs/others.html>

DETARC/ARES members have you upgraded, or recently accomplished something special in Ham Radio?

Are you working on a special project? Share it with fellow Club members and let us all know what you are doing.

Steve KG5ODZ has his Baofeng and TNC-X working with RMS software now. He is able to send email over the radio using the Winlink System. Congratulations Steve.

Jerry KC5JWB just got a new VHF TNC and is working on getting it going with RMS software.

Dayton KG5TKF worked his 1st DX contact with Canada. Congratulations Dayton!

Door Prizes: The Club meetings have door prizes thanks to Gary KI5LR's good efforts.

Door Prize Donation: Each attendee receives one free ticket for showing up. For each dollar donated to the prize fund you will receive one additional ticket. See Gary KI5LR for additional details.

The June's door prize was a very nice set of a coax connector crimper tool and a coax stripper tool for installing crimp-on coax connectors. Jerry KC5JWB won it.

The Quarterly door prize at the June meeting was a Kenwood TM-281, 50-watt VHF mobile radio. Hartzel N5HEJ won it. Congratulations guys!

The July door prize will be several hand tools to help you work on your Ham Radio/electronics projects.

DETARC/ARES Projects/Events:

Old Armory Comm Room:

Phase 1 of the Comm Room upgrade is essentially complete. The Comm Room is fully operational now including having a portable air conditioner, refrigerator, microwave, and two coffee pots.

Many thanks to all of the folks who have donated equipment, loaned equipment, or worked at the Comm Room. There has been a great deal of effort and time spent to make this a reality.

The new Comm Room is something to be proud of for our DETARC Club and ARES Groups. Be sure to stop by and check it out.

W5IRP DETARC Field Day, June 24-25th.

The W5IRP DETARC Field Day was a big success with 26 plus people stopping by to operate, log, or just observe. We saw some old Club members we hadn't seen in a while and we had some new non-Hams get on the air and/or log contacts for the operators.



Maddie and Channing (no calls yet) operate and log while Alan KE5KAT assists. K0YY Control Operator. (Photo K0YY)

W5IRP made 285 contacts using SSB, CW, and PSK31 digital modes. Our claimed score to the ARRL was 638 total points including the bonus points we achieved.

We look forward to seeing our Club call listed in QST magazine in a few months.

We are already talking about wanting to do more for next year's Field Day. We may want to have multiple radios on the air. We may want to achieve more of the available bonus points like copying the ARRL Field Day message, sending a message to the ARES Section Emergency Coordinator, or inviting an elected public official to our operation.



Club President Steve KG5ODZ operating and Steve KE5CJE logging at the W5IRP Field Day station. WD5EFY Control Operator. WD5EFY photo.

Notice: Club dues are due this month. Please see our Treasurer Randy N5CRW to pay your yearly dues. Please--



W5IRP QSL Cards.

We now have QSL cards to acknowledge contacts with those stations desiring a confirmation card.

LUFKIN, TEXAS USA

W5IRP

Angelina County
CQ Zone: 4

Grid: EM21
ITU Zone: 7



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08/04/2017 | [South Texas Section Convention \(Austin Summerfest\)](#)

Location: Austin, TX

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Austin ARC & Texas VHF-FM Society

Website: <http://www.austinsummerfest.org>

[Learn More](#)

For further details on Contests/Special Events/Hamfests see:

www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/

www.arrl.org/contest-calendar

www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_annual_contest_calendar/cq_annual_contest_calendar.html

<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/>

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/search/Location.state:TX>

2. Upcoming Ham Radio Contests/Special Events:



SELECT HAM CONTESTS: (There are many more).

ARRL and IARU Headquarters Stations to be Active during IARU HF Championship.

The IARU HF Championship is the weekend of July 8-9. International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) member society headquarters (HQ) stations count as multipliers for the event. –ARRL

North American QSO Party, SSB

1800Z, Aug 19 to 0559Z, Aug 20

SELECT HAM SPECIAL EVENTS:

International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend Registrations Top 200 and Rising.

Registrations for the 2017 International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (ILLW) have topped the 200 mark for the August 19-20 event. –ARRL

UPCOMING HAMFESTS: --from ARRL Web Site.

3. AMATEUR RADIO

EMERGENCY SERVICE® (ARES)

Mike WD5EFY, South Texas Section, District 2
Emergency Coordinator (DEC) (Angelina & Surrounding Counties).



Hurricane season is upon us and is predicted to be rather active! If you haven't already, think about these preparation tips...

Is that HT programmed with all the standard ARES frequencies? How about your mobile rig and spare rig (you do have a spare, right)?

Do you keep at least a half tank of gas in your vehicle all the time?

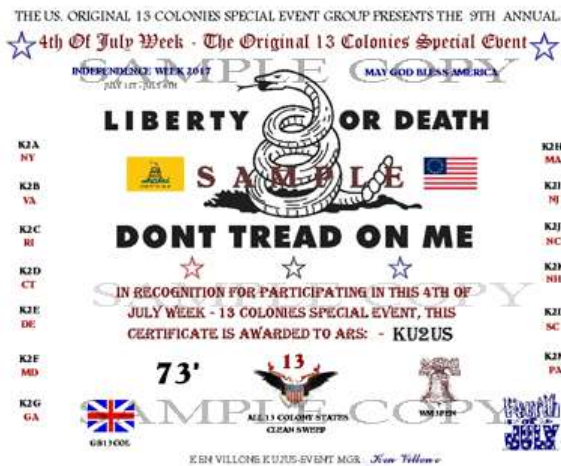
Go Bags checked, refreshed? Dates good on perishables and food items? Be sure and check out the DETARC, Inc. web page for more ideas! See <http://detarc.net/index.php/ares-forms-and-lists> for lots of great ideas for preparedness.

To join our ARES email reflector, send an email request to ares-join@detarc.net.

4. OPERATING:



13 Colonies Special Event July 1st thru 6th, 2017. <http://www.13colonies.net/index.html>



This special event was a lot of fun with the 13 colonies and two bonus stations on the air. There were SSB, CW, and digital stations available to work. A very nice award was available for a “clean sweep”, (working all original 13 colonies). Kris K5KRK, Gary, KI5LR, and Roger K0YY all worked this special event and made “clean sweeps” of all 13 original colony states.

US Islands On The Air Program (USIOTA)

See here for more information-- <http://usislands.org/>

USIOTA is an amateur radio award program centered around chasing and activating river, lake

and ocean shore islands within the 50 United States and its Territories and Protectorates.

[Numerous achievement awards](#) are available for both island activators and island chasers.

USI activations go on throughout the year but there is a once a year special [QSO Party](#). This year on-- 1200z 26 August – 0300z 27 August, 2016.

5. REPEATER NOTES:



All the repeaters are in good shape, the generator still has about 85 gallons of diesel and continues to be on the ready.

I have been asked to do some full time linking to the Alto 98 repeater. There are some folks in the northern regions that can't always hit the Lufkin 94 but can hit the Alto repeater so as a test, we'll tie them together for a while to see how things work out. I don't think there is enough traffic on the 98 to interfere with normal operations on the 94 and it will provide a tie for some that want to work the 94 but can't hit it from the Cherokee county area.

We also held the [ARES monthly Wide-Area Net](#) on June 19th and had 26 check-ins and the net lasted 46 minutes. Check-ins were from the counties of Jasper, Tyler, Polk, Trinity, and Angelina. A great net with great participation and comments! Thanks to all the check-ins! [Remember it is held monthly on the third Monday night on the 94 and other participating repeaters at 2030 hours local time.](#)

73, --Mike, WD5EFY, Repeater System Trustee and maintenance technician.

Info Note: Are you familiar with the Amateur Radio Newsline?

This is another source of Ham Radio related information—

<https://www.arnesline.org/>

6. ARRL NEWS:



Boy Scouts' Jamboree on the Air Announces Theme for 60th Annual Event

--ARRL web site 06/29/2017

"60 Years Connecting Scouts" is the theme for the Boy Scouts' 2017 Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), set for October 20-22. JOTA Coordinator Jim Wilson, K5ND, said the theme "recognizes the start of the event in 1957 and commemorates its growth in participation and in the expanding communication channels that are activated on the third weekend in October." The official JOTA patch will be available by July 19. The JOTA-JOTI (Jamboree on the Internet) patch is available now.

Wilson said JOTA's "communication channels" now include Amateur Radio on the air and via Internet-based channels, as well as many other Internet-based options including social media, ScoutLink and IRC chat services, Skype, and more.

"It also recognizes the goal of the event — connecting Scouts so that they can engage in conversations with other Scouts across town and around the world," Wilson said. "This allows them to discover geographic and cultural differences and similarities. Plus, they are exposed to the technology that makes all this happen."

The World JOTA-JOTI Team said it would announce "a number of weekend activities supporting the 2017 theme."

7. FOR SALE/WANTED:



Do you have something to sell or are you looking for a Ham related item? Place a free ad by sending ads to k0yy@arrl.net. (Kilo Zero Yankee Yankee).

Ad Rules:

1. Ham related only
2. DETARC/ARES Members receive priority.
3. Include asking price, name, call, and email address or phone number—**this is required for all ads**. You give your permission to publish your email address and/or phone number by submitting an ad.
4. Be specific, short & concise. Use brand and model numbers if available. State condition if appropriate- poor/fair/good/excellent, or as is.
5. Newsletter Editor determines what is/isn't appropriate and may edit ads to fit or limit the number of ads.
6. Be aware that the Newsletter is shared among many of the regions Hams.
7. This is on a trial basis to see how it works.
8. **Disclaimer:** DETARC and the Newsletter Editor are not a party to or responsible for transactions between individuals. Strongly recommend buyers thoroughly check purchases prior to completing any transaction. Buyers may want to check prices for similar items on www.eham.com or www.ebay.com.
9. The cutoff date to receive ads is the 15th of the month prior to the monthly meetings. The next month's Newsletter is published immediately after the DETARC/ARES monthly meeting the 4th Thursday of the month. For example: to place an ad in the May Newsletter, your ad must arrive by April 15th.

Ham Radio Ads:

FOR SALE: 2 each 50' 12ga extension cords for sale \$20.00 ea. These are \$65.00 at Lowes. Randy N5CRW scuba2@banditt.com

WANTED: Rohn 25 tower sections, 10 foot sections, 4 each in good to excellent condition. Contact Roger K0YY, k0yy@arrl.net.

8. EXTRA TIDBITS:

DETARC is an ARRL Affiliated Club.



We added this logo to our W5IRP QSL cards.

Why Morse Code?



Several of our members are studying Morse Code. It is a fun mode that can get through in poor conditions when voice is hard to copy. Simple on and off tones are easier to interpret compared to a complex voice signal when there is bad static (QRN) or interference (QRM).

Spotlight on Ham Radio Groups.

Ole Miss Society

The Old Man International Sideband Society is a group dedicated to assisting members make contacts to gain awards such as worked All States (WAS).

<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/>

Information Brochure—

<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/PDF/OMISS-Brochure.pdf>

County Hunters

The United States of America Counties (USA-CA) Award, sponsored by CQ magazine, is issued for confirmed two-way radio contacts with specified numbers of U.S. counties under rules and conditions of CQ Magazine. See the rules here—

http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_awards/cq_usa_ca_awards/cq_usa_ca_awards.html

County Hunter Web Support Site--

<http://countyhunterweb.org/>

The SSB and CW Nets are active in varying degrees every day of the year. The 20 meter SSB Net on 14.336 MHz or the 20 meter CW Net on 14056.5 are the mainstays of daily activity, but operation may move to 40 meters around 7.188 MHz for closer in contacts and difficult conditions. 75 meters is used on winter evenings, particularly in the low part of the sun spot cycle. The Nets are directed by a Net Control station to assist the mobile stations giving out the counties, and to give everyone, both mobile and fixed stations, a fair chance at working each county. A verified exchange of signal reports, and written confirmation of the contacts, are required for the award.

More info-- http://countyhunterweb.org/ch_info.htm

<http://www.countyhunter.com/whatis.htm>

Editor's Notes: If you have an idea for the Newsletter or a question about Ham Radio of general interest to the members, drop a line to the editor at k0yy@arrl.net. We'll try to include the topic or answer the question in a future Newsletter.

--Roger Krautkremer K0YY, Editor