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Supporting and Practicing Ham Radio in Englewood

January 2023

MEETING REPORTS AND NOTES

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be: **Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at the COC in Englewood at 19:00, and virtually via Google Meet unless otherwise notified. Check the FB page, and groups.io for last minute updates**

CLUB NEWS



MEETING
MINUTES

January 10, 2023

Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Jon Pellant,

President

Members Present: Jon Pellant W1JP/ President, Robert McAlister KN4RKE Treasurer, Jim Nelson W4AII VP, Jon Blincoe N0COC, Jim Sanford K8ZZU, Doug Vanderlaan K8RFT, John Hodgdon KN4PHQ, Jim Grimes KD8OCW, Doug Frazier KE5ODR, Jim Porter KA8PBA, Bill Reed K7WWR, Ken Blackshaw W1NQT, Steve Bishop KW4SAB, Steve Froggatt KN4NFX, Steve Malone KN4YIU, Shirley Oulie XYL.

Secretary's Report for Dec 2022 - Meeting Minutes Accepted: Motion to accept by Jim Grimes, 2nd by Doug Frasier, accepted as submitted by H. Hoffman Secretary.

Treasurer's Report Accepted - Motion by Ken Blackshaw, 2nd by Bill Dolan. Balance 12/1/2022 \$3,287.77. Income \$75 Cash plus \$108.50 Paypal - \$7.20 Paypal Ext. \$3,464.07 12/31/22, + \$48.00 petty cash. Balance 12/31/2022 \$3,512.07. Has 2022 Annual Treasurer's report. Copies available. 2023 budget copies were distributed. It includes upcoming expenses such as COC dues/PO Box fee, State of FL corporate status, and \$200 liability insurance with the ARRL.

Correspondence: - None

Sunshine— Ken Blackshaw W1NQT, sunshine

for Jim Nelson and Herman Hoffman. Sent card to Dennis Young, KB1ORM now in Maine.

Publicity – Ken Blackshaw has our meetings now automatically listed in the Englewood Review. Working on Winter Field Day promotional service again this year in Sunday Sun News. Mentioned our group FB page.

DX – Steve Bishop, KW4SAB, reported that the Congo is on. Talked about working thru pile-ups.

ARES – Doug Frasier, KE5ODR, SERC (Sarasota Educational Resource Center) CCFLARES Class at EOC in Feb. Also a Tech class.

Ham-Fests – Orlando HamCation – several riding with Steve Bishop to the bus boarding spot provided by TARC.

Old Business – Winter Field Day preparations. Bill Reed, K7WWR, reported on all the work done to get a venue (Ann Devers Park). All operators welcome to participate, including CW operators. If you bring equipment, please make sure it is labeled with your name/call-sign.

Discussed demo-ing WINLINK ops. Jon reported using this program right after Ian and how it was able to provide communications to areas that were otherwise out of touch – Boca Grande. Another example of ham radio working when nothing else does. HF WINLINK allows 'out-of-local' area communications.

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New Business – None

ADJOURNMENT- called by Jon Blincoe, 2nd by Steve Froggatt, at 19:54.

Feb. 14th - 7 Pm Next Meeting at Chamber of Commerce& Meet video conference.

2 Meter Chat Net:

The club conducts a two meter chat net every **Tuesday evening on N4EAR**, 146.865 136.5HZ tone, - 600 transmit.at **7:30 PM**. On Tuesdays that the club holds its meeting, no net. If you are using echo link to check in, **N4EAR** node.



The club is always looking for net control operators. If you would like to participate as a net controller, please let a club officer know!

The current rotation is:

Week 1: KN4NFX

Week 2: Club meeting, net not held

Week 3: KN4RKE

Week 4: W4AII

Week 5 (if needed) : Open

If you can not commit to full rotation, please volunteer for “substitution” rotation.

1/17/2023 **KN4RKE** Net Control

Early Check-in’s

WA9LFQ Herman Good signal into Repeater. Great breakfast!

K8RFT Doug Got FT8 going. Great breakfast

W1NQT Ken In and Out. Enjoyed breakfast

KN4NFX Steve in Rotonda. Good info on DMR

KN4JEN Allen in El Jobean. Good signal into repeater

KO4ETQ Rick North Port Update on **NPARC** status and continued chat net on Monday night

19:30 check in’s

W8JJV Dwayne In and Out. Good signal into repeater

KN4PHQ John in Rotonda Hurricane Ian work progressing. Had a good time at breakfast. Bus ride to HamCation

WB8WNF Walt back to FL from the cold North
KA8PBA Jim in Englewood!

KW4SAB Steve in SGC! Great breakfast time. Things moving along well DX on 10 mtrs

KN4YIV Steve (and Shirley). Good signal. Ian work progressing

Thanks to all!

Net closed at 19:46 local

1/24/2023 **W4AII** net control

Early check ios at 19:15:

KN4RKE Bob, Englewood

KN4NFX Steve Rotonda. Ft Meyers Hamfest

W1NQT Ken, Englewood WFD Publicity

N3MR Mike Will be at WFD

KN4PHQ John Rotonda Home repair progressing

KN4YIV Steve SGC Will stop by WFD with Shirley

W8JJV Dwayne Murdock In and Out

K7WWR Bill Englewood Answered WFD questions

KN4JEN Alan In and Out

KD8OWC Jim Will be at WFD

KE5ODR Doug Placida In and Out

KE8WBC Robert In and Out



Breakfast at Junior and Rosie’s continues to be a popular event. We meet at 07:30 for good food, good price, and good fellowship, every Tuesday morning. If 07:30 is too late for your busy day, a few meet at 07:00! Come on down for a good Tuesday morning start!

WINTER FIELD DAY

January 25/26 2020



EARS set up a three station operation at Ann Deever Park, off San Casa Rd in Charlotte County to participate in the ARRL Winter Field Day. This year the Club Event was planned and organized by **K7WWR** and **W2CWL**. Valuable support was provided by a whole list of members including **KW4SAB**, **WA9LFQ**, **KN4YIV**, **KN4YIU**, **W1JP**, **N1COC**, **W1NQT**, **W4AII**, **KE5ODR**, **KA8PBA**, **N1COC** and **N3MN**. Thanks to all for bringing equipment, antennas, cook stoves, publicity, food, and help in setting up and tearing down the stations!

A visitor/attendance list included:

Deawick Villane, Dominic Villane, Leon Moyer, Bob Pelland, Birgitta Pellant, Dana Pellant, Kyra Pellant, W1JP, KN4RKE, W4AII, N3MN, W2CWL, N4LJT, W1NQT, KN4NFX, KE5ODR, KW4SAB, KN4YIV, KN4YIU, K8RFT, KD8OWC, KA8PBA, WA9LFQ, N1COC, K8ZZU, K8DO., KE8WBC, N9OZC, K2AQR.

Our WFD activity earned us two new club members, **K8DO** (Doc O'Conner) and **KD8II** (Charles Lane)



Ken (W1NQT) working CW mode

cooperative, and in addition to WFD contacts so DX to Europe, Canada, and Mexico were made..

Just for the record, the local public call made to the Sheriff, was not a UFO or ultra light aircraft in trouble! Our own Jon Pellant (W1JP) was demonstrating his kite, which has been used in field day events to get a long wire antenna into proper transmitting position. The Sheriff deputies did come out to investigate, but luckily no one was hauled "downtown" for questioning.



W1JP Kite Flying



N1COC (Jon Blincoe) took advantage of the great weather to check out his mini solar farm, which powers his mobile "to go" rigs.



Steve (KW4SAB), John (W1JP), Jim (KD8OCW) working contacts



Operators at work!

Three operating positions were set up and 7 antennas were fielded. All bands (80 thru 2mtrs) were covered, and contacts were made in each band. The bands were

WINTER FIELD DAY

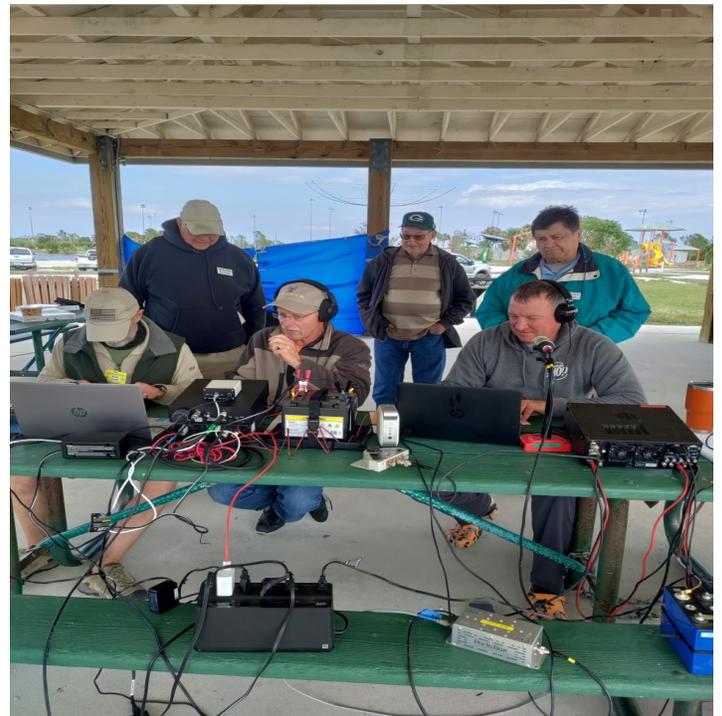
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5 band hex beam on N4LJT truck bumper mount and push up pole



CW Operator W1NQT working the bands



KW4SAB and W1JP piling up contacts!



KN4YIV and KN4YIU working WFD contacts!

Thanks to all who submitted pictures!

Member DIRECTORY

If you are *not* on this list, I don't have you marked for 2023. Please contact me if I've made an error. Thanks, Bob KN4RKE, Treasurer lobanker@hotmail.com

Paid Dues Query Expires Date	F Name	L Name	Call Sign
12/31/2050	Freeman	Crosby	W1NPR
12/31/2029	Luis	Napoles	KN4ITK
12/31/2023	Matthew	Henry	KE4VEM
12/31/2023	Ken	Blackshaw	W1NQT
12/31/2023	Jon	Pellant	W1JP
12/31/2023	Jonathan	Blincoe	N1COC
12/31/2023	John	Hodgdon	KN4PHQ
12/31/2023	Robert	McAlister	KN4RKE
12/31/2023	Doug	Frazier	KE5ODR
12/31/2023	Herman	Hoffman	WA9LFQ
12/31/2023	Jim	Grimes	KD8OCW
12/31/2023	Mark	Thurston	KB8WXI
12/31/2023	Jim	Porter	KA8PBA
12/31/2023	Jim	Sanford	K8ZZU
12/31/2023	Doug	Vanderlaan	K8RFT
12/31/2023	Bernnie	Silverberg	K4KUO
12/31/2023	Steve	Froggatt	KN4NFX
12/31/2023	Bill	Dolan	W2CWL
12/31/2023	Brendon	Bertancourt	KB3FUH
12/31/2023	Shirley	Duke	KN4YIU
12/31/2023	Steve	Malone	KN4YIV
12/31/2023	Steve	Bishop	KW4SAB
			KW4SAB
12/31/2023	Leonard	Trudeau	N4LJT
12/31/2023	Bill	Reed	K7WWR
12/31/2023	George	Krickovich	W2YJ
12/31/2023	Michael	Reid	N3MR
12/31/2023	Jim	Nelson	W4AII
12/31/2023	Jay	Wilson	KB1HNE
12/31/2023	Michael	Henry	KF4KDI
12/31/2023	Cliff	Evans	KC3F
12/31/2023	Douglas and Jayne	Young	KM4LKC
12/31/2023	Walt	Kline	WB8WNF
12/31/2023	Charles	Lane	KD8KII
12/31/2023	Karl	Kaukis	K0CIE

[Groups.io Website](#)

If you are not getting the EARS groups.io emails, please contact one of the club officers. Groups.io is used to send emails concerning club activities and other supportive functions. If you don't get the messages you are missing out on club information! Get more information at main@ears.groups.io/Home or main+subscribe@ears.groups.io

[It's time to renew your EARS Membership dues for 2023!](#)

At the end of this newsletter is a dues renewal form, which you can use (bring to meeting or mail to PO Box) to renew for 2023. Or you can download a "fillable pdf form off the webpage! Additionally, you can now use a **credit card** or **Paypal** by going to the club webpage www.earsradioclub.org and clicking on the "buy now" button on the membership page. Please take a few moments to **renew for 2023**.

Options

Single Membership one year \$15.00 USD

Buy Now



Use the BUY button above to purchase a membership on line with Paypal

Orlando HamCation : Feb 10-12

One of the best ham fests going! You can order your tickets on line at www.hamcation.com Also, check with W2XYZ (Frank Wroblewski) to see if there are any seats remaining on the chartered bus from Venice to Orlando and back for the 11th!





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Please check Activity Interests:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> VE Testing | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |

Yearly Membership Dues \$15

Family Membership Dues \$18.50

Bring form and Check to Meeting, or mail form and check to:

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