# **PARC News**

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

# ARRL Features Two New Emergency Communications Training Courses

ARRL has released two new courses to train emergency communications (EMComm) operators for volunteering within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). Both courses are within the ARRL Learning Center.

The Basic EmComm course is designed to get a new volunteer started. It provides basic knowledge and tools for any emergency communication volunteer and contains three modules and 11 topics, including required prerequisites. It's expected to take approximately 10-12 hours to complete.

The Intermediate EmComm course build on the lessons learned in the first course and equips volunteer radio amateurs with the tools needed to thrive in the fast-paced environment of public service communication and to understand the legal rights and responsibilities of working with a served agency, a well as teach them and how ham radio fits into the broader incident command (IC) structure.

The new course replace the previous EC-001 and EC-016 programs, however certificates of completion earned for the previous courses are still valid.

In 2023, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) revised the Guide for National Emergency Preparedness to specifically include amateur radio. ARRL and FEMA entered into a new Memoranda of Understanding in May 2023 that outlined the importance of training radio amateurs within the response ecosystem.

The ARRL Learning Center at learn.arrl.org is a member benefit and features many ways to get the most out of your amateur radio license. The Basic and Intermediate EmComm courses are available to anyone with a free www.arrl.org account. Users mst log in to the ARRL Learning Center with this account, and functionality of the site relies on cookies being enabled.

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### **May Program**

Doug Buhrman, K0DSP, will present EME (Earth-Moon-Earth,) the ultimate DX, on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm.

## > <u>Meeting</u>

## > <u>Gambinos</u>

> <u>1900 E. Military</u>

> Fremont, NE

Eat at 6 p.m. Meeting at At 7 p.m.

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PARC Treasurer's Report		
May. 2024		
Savings	\$ 348.78	
Checking	2,884.13	
Petty Cash	70.00	
TOTAL	\$3,302.91	
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TOTAL INCOME	\$0	
EXPENSES		
TOTALEXPENSES	\$0	
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#### PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR

#### April 25, 2024

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for April 25, 2024, was held at the Dodge County Building at 935 Schneider Street in Fremont. The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Steve Narans, WB0VNF. Eighteen people were present, who introduced themselves.

**PROGRAM:** Becky Kern, Warning Preparedness Meteorologist from the National Weather Service spoke on "Weather Service Operations."

**MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:** Approved as printed in the April *PARC News.* 

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: None.

HOSPITALITY: None

EDUCATION: Nothing.

**FIELD DAY**: Field Day on June 22-23, 2024 will again be held at Izaak Walton Park with Tony Renze, K0OMH as Chairman.

**FLEA MARKET**: The North Bend Flea Market will be held on July 13, 2024 with Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ and Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN as Chairpersons. The Flyers were handed out. Monty Wilson, NR0A from Norfolk will handle license testing. The City Auditorium has all new restrooms. Lance Hoffman, WN0L will check QSL cards. D & L Antenna will be in attendance. WB0VNF needs items for the Silent Auction.

**PICNIC**: Will be held on September 29, 2024, at 5 PM at W0NRW home with Sharon Martens, KB0TVB and Dave Theophilus, W0NRW as Chairpersons.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**: TBD with Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN and Pat Bahl as Chairpersons.

**NET MANAGER**: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW, filling in for K0VLA, said he had upcoming Net Control slots mostly filled.

**ARES**: WB0VNF said be alert for severe weather April 26.

**PUBLICITY**: WONRW reported that the *Fremont Tribune* printed the meeting notice. He is sending them the notice each month.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jarad Chrisman, KD0EFC said he is working on a repeater for Cedar Bluffs. WB0VNF thought it would be nice to start meetings with "The Pledge of Allegiance". Several long-time members related how the backlash against a member who declined to stand on legal religious reasons, and the argument that resulted, almost destroyed the club years ago. When PARC was put back together it was with the idea that it was a radio club and political issues would not be a part of meetings. WB0VNF said the issue could be discussed at a future meeting. (Added Note: Since WB0VNF will not be able to attend the May meeting, he would like this issue to be looked at by the Officers and Board of Directors with a report given to the club in June or July).

**DRAWING:** No drawing.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 815 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:** 7 PM on Thursday, May 23, 2024.

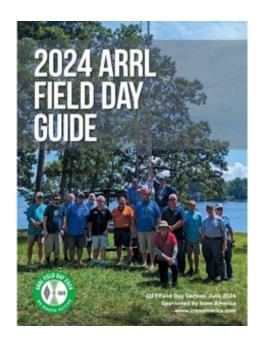
Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, WONRW

# Guide Has Field Day Tips

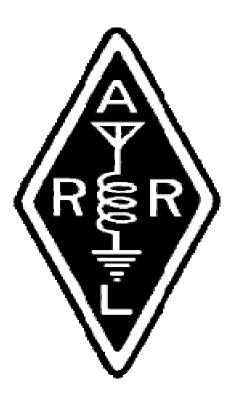
The June issue of *QST* features the 2024 ARRL Field Day Guide. The multi-page section feature articles, tips, and checklists to help make your clubs activation a success.

Readers can learn more about the Get On The Air (GOTA) Station and get tips on band planning from propagation experts. The June 2024 Digital Edition of *QST* is available now at www.arrl.org/magazines or in the ARRL Magazines app. Find complete resources and rules for 2024 ARRL Field Day at www.arrl.org/field-day.

Field Day is the last weekend in June. Our club meets at the Izaak Walton Camp in west Fremont.



# American Radio Relay League Cyberattack Takes Logbook Of The World Offline



ARRL warns it suffered a cyber attack on systems and online operations included email and the Logbook of the World.

On Thursday the ARRL announced that it suffered a cyberattack that disrupted its network and systems including various online services hosted by the organization.

"We are in the process of responding to a serious incident involving access to our network and headquarters-based systems. Several services, such as Logbook of The World and the ARRL Learning Center are affected," explained ARRL in a press release.

Www.arrl.org/news/arrl-systems-service-disruption

Logbook of The World (LoTW) is an online database that allows amateur radio enthusiasts to submit electronic logs of successful contacts (QSO) and confirmations (QSL) between other users worldwide. Enthusiasts can use these logs of successful communication on LoTW towards operator awards.

In a Friday update, the ARRL took steps to alert members concerns about the security of their data confirming that they do not store credit card information or collect social security numbers.

#### PARC Officers & Chairpeople

President, Steve Narans, WBOVNF V. President, Matt Jones, ALOR Secretary, Dave Theophilus, WØNRW Treasurer, Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

BDARD OF DIRECTORS: Phil Bahl KAOUNB Darlene Hoffman NOLOP Wes Christmas, KDOPGV & 2 Officers Club Trustee: Lance Hoffman, WNOL

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

Hospitality: Sharon Martens, KBØTVB Field Day: Tony Renze, KODMH Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey, KBØARZ Picnic: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW & Sharon Martens, KBØTVB Christmas Party: Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN Pat Bahl Publicity : Dave Theophilus, WØNRW ARES: Steve Narans, WBOVNF Education: Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN Net Manager: Mel Cunningham, KØVLA

#### Joining Our Organization MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Yearly: \$10. per member

Family Yearly: \$10 first member, \$3 each additional member

Paid between Jan. 1—March 1

After March I, dues are prorated at \$1 per month for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10. whenever paid.

#### Life Membership: \$200.

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# We're on the web: KOSW.org & Facebook

# Hamfests 2024

6-22/23-24—Field Day, PARC will be at Izaak Walton Park in Fremont.

7-13-24—PARC Flea Market in North Bend, NE

9-7-24—SARA Hamfest in Sioux City, IA

11-16-24-EVARC Hamfest in Norfolk, NE

For a complete list of Hamfests see arrl.org/ hamfests-and-conventions-calendar



## PARC Members Turnout At State Convention

PARC was well represented at the State Convention in Lincoln recently.

Those attending were Rich KB0ARZ, Jane KB0ZUN, Don, K0OM, Tony K0OMH, Dan W7UP, Ed NE0EA, Frank K0AJA, Mel K0VLA, Ray N5SEZ, Arnie KA0NCR, Matt, AL0R, Tim, AB0S, Lance WN0L, Jarad, KD0EFC, Gary, KB0QM, Mike KE0KAZ,, Phil, KA0UNB

### Zack's New Call Sign

Zack Young formerly KF0NQD is now N0RUS.

Dave T., W0NRW