



# K5PRK Newsletter

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**Monday Nov 15, 2021 - 7:00 pm**

Bill Engel K5DHY - DX expeditions

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## Future Club Meeting Programs:

Dec 20, 2021	Christmas Party 7pm door prizes, white elephant, fun and friendship in person	Spring Creek BBQ, Richardson on 75 – tentative
Jan 17, 2022	Hybrid in-person/Zoom meeting Program TBD	1 <sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church – Parker Rd / Spring Creek Pkwy

The **PARK Breakfast Group** is meeting at **Poor Richards Cafe** on Park & Ave. K in Plano, Texas. We will meet at 7:00 A.M. each Saturday.

## From the Board...

### President's Messages

- Thank you for the confidence you the membership have shown in selecting me as the next President of PARK. Together we can make the most of the many opportunities for community service, many opportunities for getting on the air, and getting those elusive DX QSO's in our logs. 73, Tim K5TCJ

- Congratulations to our newly elected:

- Treasurer – Michael Tharp KG5TJF
- Public Relations Director - Anthony Burokas KB5DVS
- Activities Director – Richard Seitz KG5HCJ

- And a hearty round of applause for our outgoing

- President - Sean Kelly W5SPK
- Treasurer - Ross Watson AF5QK
- Public Relations Director - Brian Trant KF5VFM
- Activities Director - Tony Campbell W5ADC

Thank you all for the countless hours (actually years) of service you gave to our club. Your contributions to PARK are immeasurable and greatly appreciated

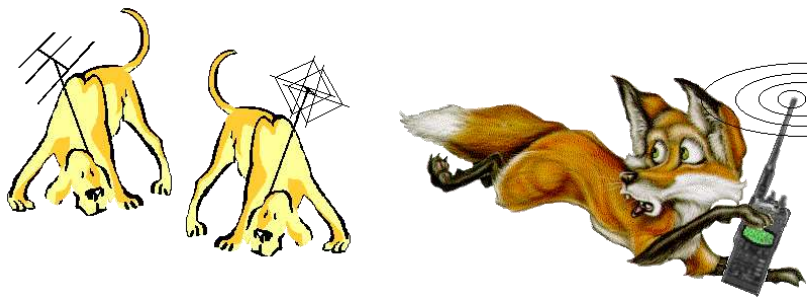
- The **Vice-President position is vacant** with one year remaining on the current term.
  - PARK's Constitution calls for an election as soon as possible to fill that vacancy.
  - The Vice-President's primary task is to fill in, in the absence of the President.
  - PARKS VP is also tasked with arranging interesting and informative programs / presentations for our general meetings.
  - This is much easier than it sounds and takes very little time to accomplish.
- If you are willing to serve, please let any member of the Board of Directors know.  
PARK NEEDS YOU

#### ▪ **Resuming In-Person Meetings**

- PARK will resume in-person meetings beginning with the January 17, 2022 general meeting
- 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church – Parker Rd / Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano.
- The meeting slide deck and audio will be shared via a Zoom meeting, but in this hybrid environment, Zoom participants will be in watch / listen only mode.
- We are informed that the Church has signs posted saying that masks are required, but that they are not going to police that.
- Members are encouraged to attend, and take whatever personal measures (wearing a mask, social distancing) they feel necessary.

#### ▪ **2022 State Fair of Texas Promo/Demo/SES**

- The idea has been floated to have a Ham Radio presence at the 2022 State Fair of Texas.
- The NTX Section is taking a leadership role in EXPLORING this idea.
  - This EXPLORATION effort includes polling NTX Hams as to your willingness to participate followed by possibly forming a committee to discuss the idea with State Fair leadership.
- The scope of this State Fair presence, not to mention our ability to do this is very much TBD and entirely dependent on NTX Hams participation.
- More to Follow.



### Plano area Fox Hunts

Wheatley has a website! - <https://sites.google.com/view/wheatley-website/home>. Be sure to check out Wheatley's new website for up to the minute successful hunter reports, as well as more information on the Fox.

PARK sponsors Wheatley about once a month to be 'lost' in the Plano City limits.

Winners of the \$25 HRO gift certificate:

Lisa Williamson – K5WCL – with her certificate



### Sept 25-26 Hunt hunters

N5MSH
KG5WRY
W5PKK
W5PRW
N5KLW
K5kdw
K5WCL
WA0RPT
KA5JAO

are still on the tree. I hope we'll talk on the radio soon.  
73, Jim

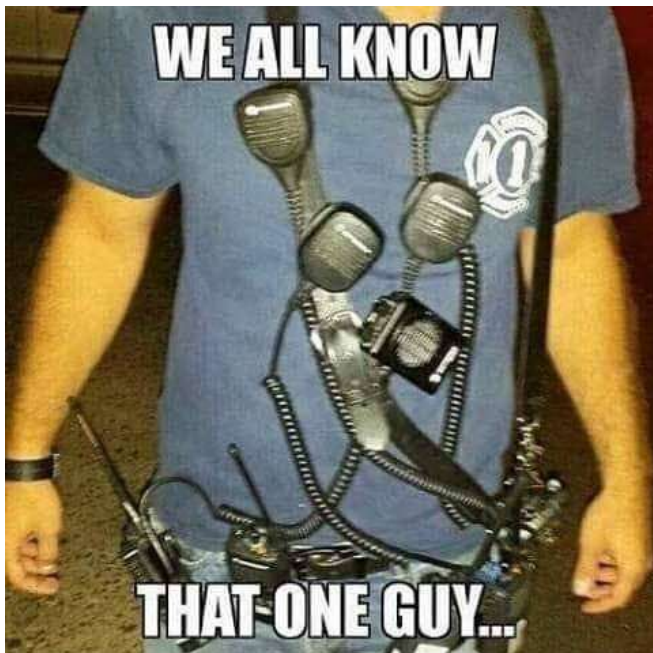
SUCH A HAM

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Stan & Cliff have been working all day  
on installing my clothesline, Mary.

"Let me get this straight:  
You have thousands of  
dollars of ham gear,  
but you still can't  
hear me calling you  
from the kitchen?"





## PARK Repeaters

The Plano Amateur Radio Klub operates five repeaters, which are located in Allen, Texas about 180 feet above ground level. All licensed amateur operators are welcome to join us on the air. All repeaters are open.

**147.180 MHz +  
(PL 107.2)**

K5PRK VHF  
Voice Repeater

**444.250 MHz +  
(PL 79.7)**

K5PRK UHF  
Voice Repeater

**441.575 MHz +**  
DStar UHF  
Digital Voice Port B

**1295.000 MHz – 20.000**  
DStar 23cm  
Digital Voice Port B

**1255.000 MHz**  
DStar 23cm Digital Data

**Broadcastify**

[K5PRK 444.250](#)

[K5PRK 147.18](#)

**Note: If you notice problems with any of the club's repeaters, please contact**

[communications@k5prk.net](mailto:communications@k5prk.net)

via email with a detailed description of what the issue is. If we don't know that a repeater is down, we can't fix it.

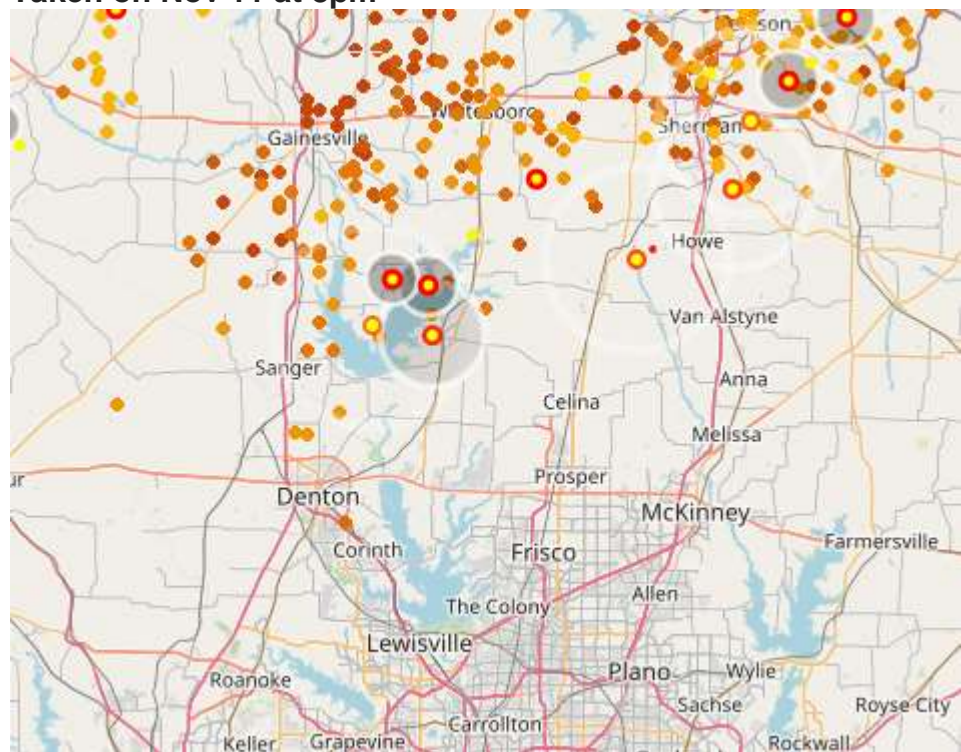
## Short Takes

The VE testing session usually held before the PARK Meeting is temporally suspended because of following social distancing procedures. If you are interested in testing at another site, please contact Daryl Morgeson, AF5QJ at [AF5QJ@arrl.net](mailto:AF5QJ@arrl.net)

The Richardson Wireless Klub is currently offering remote [online] VE testing via Zoom and HamStudy.org. Both upgrades and testing for technicians are being offered. Sessions are generally Tuesday evenings, but can vary. In most cases licenses are posted in 1-2 days. Details and a link to sign up can be found on their website at [www.k5rwk.org/ham-testing/](http://www.k5rwk.org/ham-testing/)

## Cool lightning strike map

Taken on Nov 11 at 8pm



# Meals on Wheels

Greeting All,

The Visiting Nurses has once again asked for our help this coming Holiday season. Thursday Nov 25th (Thanksgiving morning) as in years past.

The lay out is the same from last year so I would like to have 7 or so radio volunteers again this yr. The arrival time will be around 730am at

1414 W Mockingbird Ln Dallas Tx

Just a couple blocks East of I-35E on Mockingbird Ln

Start time is around 8am and we usually finish up around 10:15am or so.

You will need:

safety vest (any color)  
HT simplex (146.58)  
comfortable shoes  
and of course, dress for the weather.

Thanks

Question, contact me at [w7dav@verizon.net](mailto:w7dav@verizon.net)

Thanks

Dave Patrick W7DAV

## Dallas Marathon 2021

Last year's Dallas Marathon was canceled because of COVID. We need about 65 Amateur operators for different positions during the race. December 12 is a Sunday so most people are not working.

There will be a Marathon, Half Marathon and a Ultra Marathon (50 km). It will be in downtown Dallas. Here is a map of the course.

<https://www.rundallas.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-Dallas-Marathon-SUNDAY-Graphical-Map.pdf>

It is a good event to raise money for the Dallas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. Scottish Rite for Children is a world-renowned leader in the treatment of pediatric orthopedic conditions, sports injuries and fractures, as well as certain related arthritic and neurological disorders and learning disorders, such as dyslexia.

All kinds of positions are open. We have operators at each of the water stops along the route. Because of the size of the event, it is recommended you use a mobile radio to get a good signal to the repeater. However there are a few positions where you can get by with a HT. If you are mobile, then it would be good to have an APRS also, I believe I will be one of the Network Control Stations and in charge of APRS for the whole event. The NCS is usually the first ones there and the last ones to leave.

I hope you can sign up. It is a good public service event and a way to give back to the community. Communicator's sign up for the Marathon is now open. Use the below url to get started.

<https://sites.google.com/site/dallasmarathoncomms/volunteering/sign-up?authuser=0>

Kip  
AE5IB

During the September meeting, Katherine Forson KT5KMF was presented the ARRL 2021 Hiram Percy Maxim Award. The klub received the following note from Katherine.

Dear Johnnie,

Thank you so much for setting up the ceremony and reception for the Hiram Percy Maxim Award presentation. It was such an honor to receive that award and I'm so grateful for the effort you put into making the night of the presentation special. This is a memory I will treasure forever. Again, thank you so much for everything you have done for me.

Sincerely,

Katherine KT5KMF

**FREE WINTER PREPAREDNESS EVENT** - Saturday, November 13th, 2021 | 12pm-2pm

There is a Winter Preparedness Event in the parking lot of **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**, located at [2700 Roundrock Trail](#) in Plano. Visit booths to see displays, demos and try samples. Learn more about Generators, 72 Hour Kits, Alternative indoor heating sources, Alternative cooking methods, Essential tools for shutting of Gas and Water, All about fuels, First Aid. The city will be there with a booth to help everyone sign up for city alerts (such as weather warnings, clean water distribution locations and heating stations, etc...). There will be a communications booth for HAM radio and CBs. Be prepared this winter! Everyone is WELCOME! When power is out and water is off, stay SAFE, WARM, WELL FED, CONNECTED and INFORMED. Win preparedness gear in giveaways. Outdoor event | Masks encouraged but not required | Hand sanitizer at every booth Free refreshments individually packaged.

## ARRL News

### ARRL magazines

QST - ARRL's Monthly Membership Journal - [www.arrl.org/qst](http://www.arrl.org/qst)

On the Air - NEW! Beginner to intermediate level help and advice - [www.arrl.org/On-the-Air-Magazine](http://www.arrl.org/On-the-Air-Magazine)

QEX - The Forum for Communications Experimenters - [www.arrl.org/QEX](http://www.arrl.org/QEX)

NCJ - National Contest Journal - [www.arrl.org/NCJ](http://www.arrl.org/NCJ)

Listen to [ARRL Audio News](#), available every Friday.

## ARRL Podcasts Schedule

The latest episode of the On the Air podcast (Episode 22) features a discussion with Chris Plumblee, W4WF, about contesting and what this activity has to offer new amateurs.



The latest edition of Eclectic Tech (Episode 45) features a discussion about the current status of amateur television with Jim Andrews, KH6HTV, as well as a brief description of an unusual "sound dampening screw."

The *On the Air* and *Eclectic Tech* podcasts are sponsored by Icom. Both podcasts are available on iTunes (iOS) and Stitcher (Android) as well as on Blubrry -- [On the Air](#) | [Eclectic Tech](#).



Visit the [ARRL Learning Network](#) (a members-only benefit) to register, check on upcoming webinars, and to view previously recorded sessions.

### [2020-2021 ARRL Contest Dates PDF](#)

## ARRL Foundation Scholarship Program to Accept Applications Starting on November 1

The ARRL Foundation Scholarship application period for the academic year 2022-2023 opens on November 1st and ends on December 31, 2021. I am asking you as a Section Manager to notify your Section membership of this opportunity. The Foundation issued \$550,000 in scholarships for 2021-2022 and for the academic year 2022-2023 there has been a significant increase in the number of large dollar scholarships available thanks to a generous contribution from Amateur Radio Digital Communications, Inc. (ARDC).

For the academic year 2022-2023, 130 scholarships will be offered totaling \$900,000! There are twenty \$25,000 scholarships, four \$15,000, seventeen \$10,000 scholarships, nine \$5,000 scholarships as well as dozens of \$1,000 and \$500 scholarships. The descriptions of the many scholarships available are on line. <http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-descriptions>

It is also very easy to apply as the scholarship application is on line.

<http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-application>



## Local and Some HF Area Nets

### MARC Nets

**Sunday 8:00 PM – General Information Net** – we ask participants about their week in ham radio and their thoughts on a question of interest to the ham community.

W5MRC Repeater, (146,740 MHz, offset -0.600 MHz, tone 110.9)

**Monday 8:30 PM – Simplex net** – see how far your VHF radio can go without a repeater

Along with general discussion. 146.540 MHz Since this is simplex, no offset or tone are required.

**1st and 3rd Mondays 8:00 PM - The MARC Ladies Net** – All radio amateurs are welcome.

W5MRC repeater (146.740 MHz, offset -0.600 MHz, tone 110.9)

### Collin County ARES Nets

Collin County Amateur Radio Emergency Service conducts two training nets each month. You do not need to be an ARES member to participate, all radio amateurs are welcome.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 9:00 PM - Collin County ARES -**

K5PRK repeater, 1(47.180 MHz, offset +0.600 MHz, tone 107.2 Hz)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 9:00 PM – Collin County ARES -**

W5MRC repeater, (146.740 MHz, offset -0.600 MHz, tone 110.9 Hz)

**SARA (Sachse Amateur Radio Association) Nets Wednesdays 8:00 PM** – Ham Radio in Sachse – Weekly “On-The-Air” Information Net called “Ham Radio in Sachse”.

**W5SRA Repeater (440.350MHz, PL Tone 110.9, Offset +5MHz)**

You can see more about our club repeater here: <https://www.sachseradio.org/repeater>

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 9:00 PM - Sachse Public Service Net –**

ARES, RACES & Other Public Service Emergency Responders (like local CERT groups) Training.

**W5SRA Repeater Repeater (440.350MHz, PL Tone 110.9, Offset +5MHz)**

### LARC Nets

**Tuesday 8:00 PM – Open Net** - The Lucas Amateur Radio Club holds an informal net open to all Amateur Radio operators.

K5LFD Repeater (442.2125 MHz, offset +5.0 MHz, tone 91.5)

**Wednesday 8:00 PM – Simplex Net** – An informal repeaterless net on 146.54 MHz to gauge the effectiveness of our VHF capabilities.

### GARC Nets

**Thursday 8:00 PM – Info net** – The Garland Amateur Radio Club holds an informal net open to all amateur radio operators. The net begins with check in and general announcements, followed by general discussion.

K5QHD Repeater (146.66 MHz, PL Tone 110.9 Hz, Offset -0.600 MHz)

### North Texas Hospital Net

North Texas Hospital radio club weekly nets check in with area hospitals. Friday mornings (time TBD 8:30 am or 9 am). Jimmy Dominguez is NCS. 442.400/146.700. Regular splits PL tones 110.9/110.9. All are welcome to check in from your QTH as individual.

Attention; The North Central Texas Healthcare ARC net begins at 0830 Friday and moves to 146.700, the past Fridays the 146.700 repeater has been down, with uncertainty when the 146.700 repeater will be back online, the North Texas Central Healthcare ARC will only have the 442.400 portion of the net.

## HF Nets

[Search for 100s of nets.](#)

[On-Air Net Scraper](#)

**Daily Net 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM** – The Maritime Mobile Service Network – Any licensed ham (General Class or higher) can check in. This net is focused on assisting those who are maritime mobile and over the years, several distress calls have been handled by this net.14.300

**Sunday 2:00 PM – Amateur Radio Satellite Net** - Open net for licensed amateur satellite discussion and updates 14.282

**Daily Net – OMISS** – Focused on awards, particularly Worked All State (1:30 PM frequency 14.290) (8:00 PM frequency 7.185)

Many more nets are listed here <http://ac6v.com.htm>

### Overland Bound

Weekly Net Every Friday night at 7:30 PM Central Time – A net for people who like to explore and take part in overland camping – hosted on the USA Grits-N-Gravy Conference Server (USA-GNG) Echolink Node: 591550 <http://www.usagritsngravy.net>

### Daily 60 Meter Net 12:30 PM –

Test your 60 Meter capability on Channel 1 5332.0 MHz (5330.5 MHz window freq).

If you want to list your favorite net please send as much information as you can to [newsletter@k5prk.net](mailto:newsletter@k5prk.net)

## What is Amateur Radio (Ham Radio?) from ARRL

(Thanks Johnnie Young)

Amateur radio is a multifaceted hobby that includes people around the world. There are about 740,000 ham radio operators in the US. The FCC has allocated [30 different frequency bands](#) from 135 KHz to greater than 275 GHz to amateur radio operators. These frequency bands are used for many different aspects of the hobby.

Some videos describing Amateur Radio:

<https://youtu.be/ysOq6ywTSzU>

<https://youtu.be/rs0i0h4OyMo>

[https://youtu.be/5Z9136\\_Nhh4](https://youtu.be/5Z9136_Nhh4) - Classic Walter Cronkite video

### **Licensing:**

There are [3 levels of ham radio licensing](#) in the US, Technician, General and Extra. Each level requires passing a multiple choice exam. The questions used for these exams are all [published on the web](#).

### **Study Aids:**

Students can study for their license exam(s) in several different ways.

- Take a class
- Study training books. These are two of the most popular
  - [ARRL Technician Study Guide](#)
  - [Gordon West 2018 to 2022 Technician Class](#)
- View video classes
  - [https://youtu.be/RGluTpM7\\_K8](https://youtu.be/RGluTpM7_K8)
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N6aFXH\\_SQUo&list=PL07A7D1C9D7BF7F48](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N6aFXH_SQUo&list=PL07A7D1C9D7BF7F48)
- Take practice Exams
  - <https://www.eham.net/exams>

### **Taking the Exam:**

Exams are offered by many clubs [around the metroplex](#). The Sachse club gives exams 9:00 [each 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday at the Wylie Masonic Lodge](#).

### **Other Ham Radio Related Links:**

Sachse Radio Club: <http://www.sachseradio.org/>

Largest/Oldest Ham Radio Org: <http://www.arrl.org/home>

Local Ham Radio Outlet Store <https://www.hamradio.com/locations.cfm?storeid=20>

Finding a nearby Club: <http://www.arrl.org/find-a-club>

Ham Radio Mesh Network: <https://www.arednmesh.org/aredn-advantage>

Amateur Radio Satellites: <https://www.amsat.org/>

Ham Radio Repeaters: <https://www.repeaterbook.com/>

### **Other videos:**

HAM Radios: Quick and Easy Way to Get Into HAM Radio Hobby: <https://youtu.be/t0sMDRLGB3Q>

HAM Radio Basics- HAM 101: <https://youtu.be/Ow1hxClR5J8>

Numerous Dave Casler Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaBtYooQdmNzq63eID8RaLQ>

SPACE STATION CREW USES HAM RADIO TO CALL EARTH <HTTPS://YOUTU.BE/H73EYCYSZF8>

Listen to episodes of ARRL Audio News on your iOS or Android podcast app, or online at <https://blubrby.com/arrlaudionews/>

### **Various Ham Radio Activities:**

- Local/Regional communications
- World wide communications using Digital network linked repeaters
- World wide radio to radio communications
- [Contests](#) – Making as many contacts as possible
- Fox hunts – Finding a hidden transmitter
- Amateur Radio Satellite
- Supporting local events
- Races (marathons, bike races, etc.)
- Plano balloon festival
- Parades
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July events
- Extending RC aircraft video and telemetry
- Amateur Radio Emergency Data network (Network when the grid goes down.)
- Winlink – Email via ham radio
- Skywarn – Storm spotters (Most storm spotters report via ham radio.)
- Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES)
- Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES)
- Antenna design/building
- CW (Morse code) communications
- DXpeditions – Location in a remote area (usually islands) for a short period of time and making as many contacts as possible.
- Summit On the Air – Transmitting from mountain summits
- JOTA - Jamboree-on-the-Air – Boy Scouts
- RF experimentation. Many [Maker groups](#)
- [High altitude balloon experiment.](#)



**PLANO AMATEUR RADIO KLUB  
Application for Membership**

Klub year is from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

Annual KLUB Membership (Individual) ..... \$30.00/Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Annual KLUB Family Membership ..... \$40.00/Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Membership (18 and Under) ..... \$ 5.00/Year \_\_\_\_\_

Half year is from July 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

Klub Membership (Individual ..... \$15.00/half Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Klub Family Membership ..... \$20.00/half Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Membership (18 and Under) ..... \$ 2.50/half Year \_\_\_\_\_

**For The Treasurer Only**

Total Amount Paid (Circle One: Cash or Check # \_\_\_\_\_ ) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

**The PARK Roster is given to KLUB Members Only. Please circle any information that you do not want published.**

License Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous Call(s): \_\_\_\_\_ First Licensed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Call Sign(s) of Other Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
ARRL Member? \_\_\_\_\_ ARES Member? \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Hobbies and Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) You wish to join PARK: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Plano Amateur Radio Klub (PARK) is an organization which thrives on the support and participation of ALL KLUB Members. Volunteers are needed regularly for the support of KLUB activities, manning technical projects, staffing organizational or social committees and providing communications for public service events.**

Are you willing to stand for election to a PARK Office and/or Director Position? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_  
Will you agree to support PARK, to keep it strong and thriving? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARK Secretary Only:**

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

P.A.R.K.  
P.O. Box 860435  
Plano, TX 75086-0435 or send via email to [secretary@kSprk.net](mailto:secretary@kSprk.net)

## Plano Amateur Radio Klub General Meeting Minutes October 18, 2021

Start time: 7:00 pm  
Location: Via Zoom  
Facilitator: Sean Kelly – W5SPK -- President

Members 24  
Guest 5

Pledge led by Sean Kelly – W5SPK

President Sean Kelly -- W5SPK

General Membership Meeting will be Virtual only due to Covid 19 spike.

No In-person Meeting!

Agenda:

Officers Reports

President Sean Kelly -- W5SPK  
Vice-President Tim Johnson -- K5TCJ  
Secretary Johnnie Young – KG5CQO  
Treasurer Ross Watson -- AF5QK  
Communications Director Kip Moravc -- AE5IB  
Newsletter Editor Neil Gould -- NE5IL  
Webmaster John Hatch -- KF5BSS  
Public Relations Brian Trant -- KF5VFM  
Activities Director Tony Campbell -- W5ADC  
Field Day Coordinator Mike Tharp -- KG5TJF

Officer Reports

Old Business

From the floor

New Business

Elections

Christmas Party

Winter Field Day

Tonight's Presentation

Mobile Antenna Installations with Robert Evans, WW9W

Q & A Session

Close

President's Report Sean Kelly – W5SPK – (Last Official Act)

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the members of the Plano Amateur Radio Klub these past seven years as Vice-President and President. I have many friends who have improved my technical knowledge and leadership skills. There are many projects the Klub is involved right now and just needs a favorable month of time without being impacted by the pandemic to complete. The Klub's finances are in good shape with new and improved controls. I remand my position to those members who are running for office this evening.

I have no intentions of becoming a phantom as has been the case with other past Presidents. In fact, I will continue to advocate and provide resources for more of the emergency management training I have shared with you over these past few years.

Finally, select individuals are encouraging me to become involved with the ARRL. Given my current employer and my public service record, maybe there is more that I can do. I will explore these opportunities with your support and ideas.

Vice-President's Report Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

Programs

October 18, 2021

Mobile Antenna Installations

Robert Evans, WW9W

November 15, 2021

County Judge Chris Hill (tentative)

December 20, 2021

Christmas Party

Secretary's Report Johnnie Young – KG5CQO

[secretary@K5prk.net](mailto:secretary@K5prk.net)

General Meeting Minutes for September are in the newsletter and have been uploaded to PARK IO groups and are on the web site.

Any questions about the minutes?

None

Treasurer's Report Ross Watson – AF5QK

Not in attendance

Report given by Johnnie Young, KG5CQO

Balance with expenditures and deposits review.

Any questions? None

PARK Recurring Activities

PARK Breakfast Group – Saturdays @ 0700

Poor Richard's Café – Plano, Texas

November 2021 Meeting Schedule

November 1, 2021 – Board Meeting

November 15, 2021 – General Membership Meeting

December 2021 Meeting Schedule

December 6, 2021 – Board Meeting

December 20, 2021 – Christmas Party

January 2021 Meeting Schedule

January 3, 2022 – Board Meeting

January 17, 2022 – General Membership Meeting

January 29/30, 2022 – Winter Field Day

Communications Director Kip Moravc -- AE5IB

During Skywarn Net there was some static

May need a remote antenna that is not on the water tower

Waiting on Presby – cables still are not in

Newsletter Editor Neil Gould – NE5IL

The newsletter went out – hope all received it

The newsletter is available through the web page. Be sure to register for an account

Michael Payne – K5MFP – has an article about the history of our club  
more to come

Need more contributions for the newsletter

Newsletter is good, due to the content members send in

Send items to [newsletter@K5prk.net](mailto:newsletter@K5prk.net)

Anything you have to share, please send

Webmaster John Hatch – KF5BSS

Web site is [www.K5prk.net](http://www.K5prk.net)

If need a log-in send an e-mail to [webmaster@K5prk.net](mailto:webmaster@K5prk.net)

Sign up for the website, newsletter and groups io which has forums and discussions about the high-altitude balloon launch

Any problems send an e-mail through [K5prk.groups.io/g/main](http://K5prk.groups.io/g/main)

There is a you tube video of the award presentation to Katherine Forson – [www.Youtube.com/watch?v=cWeZZhYd7V4](http://www.Youtube.com/watch?v=cWeZZhYd7V4)

Activities Director Tony Campbell—W5ADC

A reminder that I am happy to help get the new Activities Director started

Public Relations – Brian Trant – KF5VFM

Not in attendance

Nothing to report

Field Day Coordinator Mike Tharp, KG5TJF

Will be looking for Sites for the January Field Day Event

Maybe a pavilion

Old Business

none

New Business

Elections

Christmas

Field Day

Sean Kelly – W5SPK

Elections

We will go name by name and asked for other nominations and then vote on that position. Any questions? None

2021 Election

President – Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

Are there any other nominations? None

Hearing none, all those in favor of Tim Johnson – K5TCJ as

President, please say 'I' – lots of 'I's'

All those opposed say 'Nay' – silence

Tim Johnson – K5TCJ is our new President

Treasurer – Mike Tharp – KG5TJF

Are there any other nominations? None

Hearing none, all those in favor of Mike Tharp – KG5TJF as

Treasurer, please say 'I' – lots of 'I's'

All those opposed say 'Nay' – silence

Mike Tharp – KG5TJF is our new Treasurer

Newsletter Editor – Neil Gould – NE5IL

Are there any other nominations? None

Hearing none, all those in favor of Neil Gould – NE5IL as

Newsletter Editor, please say 'I' – lots of 'I's'



All those opposed say 'Nay' – silence  
Neil Gould – NE5IL gets to continue as the Newsletter Editor

PIO –Anthony Bourkas – KB3DVS  
Are there any other nominations? None  
Hearing none, all those in favor of Anthony Bourkas –  
KB3DVS as PIO, please say 'I' – lots of 'I's'  
All those opposed say 'Nay' – silence  
Anthony Bourkas – KB3DVS is our new PIO

Activities Director – Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ  
Are there any other nominations? None  
Hearing none, all those in favor of Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ  
as Activities Director, please say 'I' – lots of 'I's'  
All those opposed say 'Nay' – silence  
Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ is our new Activities Director

Congratulations to the new board members, we are happy to have you join us.

President – Tim Johnson – K5TCJ  
Treasurer – Mike Tharp – KG5TJF  
Newsletter Editor – Neil Gould – NE5IL  
PIO – Anthony bourkas – KB3DVS  
Activities – Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ

#### Tonight's Presentation

Robert Evans – WW9W  
not in attendance  
his presentation is cancelled

Tim Johnson – K5TCJ  
Digital Mode – FT8

Digital Mode is cool and fun. It is only for making contacts, not for rag chewing. These exchanges are short, 15 seconds. You need a USB capable transceiver and antenna and a PC with a sound card. Tim went over the process of how it works and the different parts of the visual on the computer. He also shared some tricks.

Thank you, Tim for stepping in and sharing info about the digital mode.

Daryl Morgeson – AF5QJ  
Test after the Tech Class

Daryl was having audio issues so Johnnie Young – KG5CQO reported  
15 students in the class received their Tech License and one student also took his General and passed. One of the new Techs was a very young boy.

Sean Kelly – W5SPK  
New members  
Two brand new hams  
Andy Ulrich – KI5ROD  
Jason Tyra – KI5RKU

Plus, two additional members  
Thomas Yenny – K5LOL  
Kim Walter – KK1WWW  
New member as of tonight

Albert Dube – KF5NEE  
Sean asked the membership  
All in favor of accepting these new members.  
All responded 'I'  
Welcome to our new members. We are happy to have you join us.

Fox Hunt – Katherine Forson – KT5KMF  
not in attendance  
Names from Wheatley's last outing are on the wheel –  
Johnnie Young – KG5CQO  
And the winner is 'Lisa Williamson – K5WCL  
She wins a \$25 gift certificate to HRO  
Congratulations to Lisa

Motion to adjourn;  
Tim Johnson – K5TCJ  
2<sup>nd</sup> of the motion  
Neil Gould – NE5IL  
Adjourned – 8:38 PM

Thank you for attending  
Stay healthy! Stay safe!