



## WEEKLY 2-METER NETS

*All nets listed are 8:00 PM local time*

Monday: W5YM University WeatherNet (147.135+, 110.9)

Wednesday: ARCUA Traffic Net (147.135+, 110.9)

Thursday: ARKAN Talk and Traffic Net (146.955-, 110.9)

*Check in and participate in local nets -- keep amateur radio active on the repeaters*

# ARKAN

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Newsletter of the Amateur Radio Klub of the Arkansas Northwest

Dec. 2005

ARKAN MEETING for December will not be held due to the holidays.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**NEXT MEETING**  
Monday January 23,  
2006 7:00PM

Join the club for our next meeting.  
ARKAN meets at the Arkansas Air Museum at Fayetteville Municipal Field each fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

## No December Club Meeting

ARKAN held our Christmas party on December 10 and considered that our club meeting for this month due to the holidays.

## President's Note

I'm grateful for the chance to serve as club president. John, KD5NFX has set a high-mark for me to follow. One of the things I'd like to focus on this year is 'Ham-Radio 101'....covering some of the basics for those new to the hobby, or those who may have forgotten. This is not set in stone, as I have not had a chance to meet with the other officers. I hope we have a great year.

73,  
Scott KD5KZJ

**ARKAN on the web at: [www.arkan.us](http://www.arkan.us)**

## ARKAN Christmas Party

ARKAN held our 2005 Christmas Party at Western Sizzlin in Springdale this year and had about 25 in attendance. Lots of good food and visitation was had by all.



Mose Howard, KB5BV presented John Robinson, KD5NFX with a certificate of appreciation for being the club Vice President in 2003, and the President for 2004 and 2005.

Everyone at the party swapped stories, and shared good times.



## ARKAN address

The club has a post office box to serve as the official address of the organization:  
ARKAN  
P.O. Box 9701  
Fayetteville, AR 72703

## Upcoming ARKAN Meeting Programs

**January**  
**TBD**

**February**  
**TBD**

**March**  
**TBD**

**April**  
**TBD**

## Public Service Events Calendar

None

Classifieds may be submitted free of charge by ARKAN members. To submit a listing please e-mail John Robinson, KD5NFX at johnr@cavalry.com.

## ARKAN Thursday Night 2 Meter Net Voices

ARKAN Thursday night 2m net has a few new voices starting last month. John Robinson, KD5NFX has been calling the ARKAN net for the past three years and a few people have stepped up to help with Net Control duties. The Net Control Operators are listed below and will rotate from week to week in the order they are listed below. If you are interested in becoming part of our new NetOP team please contact Mose Howard, KB5BV for more information.

Mose - KB5BV  
Paul - KK5II  
Scott - KD5KZJ  
John - KD5NFX  
Charles - KE5DRF

## Contacting Your Club Board Members

President	Vice President	Treasurer	Secretary
Scott Anderson	Paul Dixon	Bruce Carter	Mose Howard
KD5KZJ	KK5II	K2BWC	KB5BV
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Charles Winn, KE5AEA - Elected Board Member ke5aea@arrl.net  
John Robinson, KD5NFX - At Large Board Member johnr@cavalry.com

## ARKAN ARRL Special Services Club (SSC) Appointments

Technical Liaison	Charles Tillotson, W5NX	w5nx@cox.net
Public Information Officer	Joe Dunn, KD5TLH	bjoedunn@hotmail.com
Public Service Liaison	Bill Smith, K1ARK	k1ark@arrl.net

**Upcoming Area Hamfests**

None

If you have articles or ham radio related submissions for the monthly ARKAN newsletter please submit them to John Robinson, KD5NFX.  
johnr@cavalry.com

To change your e-mail or mailing address  
Send To:  
johnr@cavalry.com

**ARKAN Meeting Minutes - November 28, 2005**

Meeting was called to order at 7:20PM by ARKAN President, John Robinson. Minutes of the October meeting are not available.

A motion was made to accept the Treasure's Report by Bruce Carter and seconded by Charles Tillotson.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Nominees for the officers for 2006 are:

President - Scott Anderson, KD5KZJ

Vice-President - Paul Dixon, KK5II

Treasure - Bruce Carter, K2BWC

Secretary - Mose Howard, KB5BV

Elected Board Member - Charley Winn, KE5AEA

No other nominations were made. A motion was made by Bill Smith to accept the nominations by acclamation and was seconded by Charles Aldrich. The motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by John Robinson for the club to sell some of the equipment in storage and use the proceeds to purchase a modern transceiver and other equipment.

The old equipment will be priced at fair market prices. A list will be emailed to club member of the equipment and they will have until Jan 10, 2006 to purchase. Afterwards the equipment will be offered for sale to the public. A second was made by Bruce Carter. After discussion the motion passed.

The drawing was won by Everett Balk. It was a B&K Transistor Checker.

Motion to adjourn by Paul Dixon.

**Board Meeting - December 2005**

A board meeting was not held this month.

**Treasurer's Report - December 7, 2005**

	<u>DEBT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Balance 11/20/2005			\$701.16
Deposit 12/07/2005		\$40.00	
Balance 12/07/2005			\$741.16
Cash on hand \$24.25			

### New Tickets and Upgrades

The people below tested with ARKAN at the last meeting. If you see them, or hear them on the air please congratulate each of them.

### Member Classifieds:

#### None This Month

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### ARKAN's First 1836 Awards to be Awarded

#### Bill Smith, K1ARK

Robin Norris, AD5JA, and Randy Baggett, KG5NE, to receive first 1836 Awards ARKAN is proud to issue 1836 Awards #001 and #002 next week to Robin Norris (AD5JA) and Randy Baggett (KG5NE). The 1836 Award was designed as a stepping stone toward the Worked All-Arkansas Award sponsored by the club for persons who have confirmed contacts with all 75 Arkansas counties.

The 1836 Award is based on one of the earliest state maps of Arkansas, when the newly minted state had only 36 total counties. A contact with any modern day county that is a part of the 1836 county counts toward the award. For example, 1836 Washington County was composed of both Benton and Washington counties on modern maps.

Robin and Randy are the first to turn in their worksheets for the honor, but hopefully the first of several.

Norris and Baggett earn first "native" WAA

Along with their 1836 Awards, Robin Norris and Randy Baggett also submitted applications for Worked All-Arkansas, and upon review by the WAA award chair have been issued certificates #004 and #005.

These are significant because they are the first in-state awards issued to persons who began working on the WAA when the program began. The first three awards were issued to persons who had achieved County Hunter Awards or were on their way toward that award.

Robin gets #004, and the additional honor of earning the first in-state WAA thanks to her own efforts in supporting the Worked All-Arkansas Net each Saturday evening following the Razorback Net on 3.9875.

Both the WAA and 1836 Awards will be in the mail after next week's December meeting of ARKAN as outgoing club president John Robinson, KD5NFX, puts his signature on the certificates as one of his final duties.

Additionally, Bill Smith, K1ARK, the WAA awards chair, and Don Banta, K5DB, originator of the WAA net, are working on special recognition for Robin and her work as one of the regular net control operators for the WAA net.

2005 Arkansas QSO Party results are in

Poor conditions led to much lower scores for the 2005 Arkansas QSO Party, but the good news is new logs came in from distant locations and considerable numbers of QSL cards sent in for Arkansas credit show increased interest.

The overall winner for top op was a battle of the Bills. Bill Smith, K1ARK, of Fayetteville, edged past Bill Gentry, KI7GV, of Prairie Grove by less than 2,000 points. Neither threatened the all-time score of 46,559 by Peg Porterfield, K5BKT, racked up in 2004.

Ronald Evans of Jonesboro, K5XT, took the top honors in the CW division while John Laney, K4BAI, of Columbus, Ga., was the top scorer from outside the state of Arkansas.

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The top club honors remain open as we await logs from ARRL clubs for the event. The top in-state club becomes the bonus station for the next year's event. W5YM, the Amateur Radio Club of the University of Arkansas, relinquished its crown last year to Benton Amateur Radio Society.

Generally, the comments were for more Arkansas stations on the air – as usual – but most seemed pleased with the change of weekends off the Texas QSO. The contest chair is searching for a similar date for next year in early September, and is open for suggestions.



**Mose, KB5BV has a new addition to his shack!**

Mose now has a tower and HF beam setup and running. John, KD5NFX (on tower) helped put the finishing touches on the new tower and antenna just before winter set in to NW AR. Listen for Mose on the HF bands, he's a bit easier to hear now.

Amateur Radio Klub of the Arkansas Northwest Membership Application

Personal Information: \_\_\_\_\_ New Application \_\_\_\_\_ Yearly Membership Renewal Application

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Callsign: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL Member: YES NO ARES Member: YES NO

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Callsign: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Other household members holding licenses:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Callsign: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Callsign: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership in other organiza-

tions: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests: VHF/UHF Y/N APRS Y/N Packet Y/N Satellite Y/N ATV Y/N Spe. Events Y/N ARES Y/N SKYWARN Y/N HF Y/N Phone Y/N CW Y/N Digital Modes: RTTY Y/N PSK31 Y/N Contesting Y/N

Other Non-Amateur Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a copy of amateur radio license(s) for all those applying for membership.

Dues are \$20.00 for first club member and \$5.00 for each additional family member.

I acknowledge that I will follow all FCC rules and regulations as well as the by-laws of the Amateur Radio Klub of the Arkansas Northwest. Any infraction will result in immediate termination of membership in the club.

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

Sponsored by (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Board of Directors Approval

License attached: Y/N

Dues Payment Attached: Y/N

Amount of Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIPT FOR ARKAN DUES

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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