
BOSQUE BEACON

*Newsletter of the Bosque Amateur Radio
Club of New Mexico*
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President's Corner - Brian Listvan KJ5CNC

Greetings everyone!

First of all, thank you for your confidence in me to lead our club. I have a few ideas to present and hope you will help me accomplish them. There are many areas that we can make a difference in as a club. I don't like to be long winded so please, if you have any suggestions or comments, I will be happy to discuss them. My Phone is 505 377-5197.

See you all at my 1st meeting on Saturday, May 4th!

Best 73

Brian KJ5CNC

Editors Note:

Many thanks to Brian for stepping up to accept the presidency of our club! Brian is fairly new to ham radio and I hope everyone will support him. He volunteered for the job because he did not want to see the club without a president. I am sure, with everyone's help and support, that he will do a fine job. Thank you again Brian!!

Bosque Amateur Radio Club



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Club Net

The Bosque ARC hosts a **Club Net** *Every Saturday Morning at 10:00 am local time except for the first Saturday of the month when we meet in person for our club meeting.*

146.900 (- 600 kHz) pl 67.0

442.450 (+ 5000 kHz) pl 67

449.550 (- 5000 kHz) pl 71.9

Club Meetings

- * 1st Saturday of the Month, 10 AM
- * Always a program that deals with Ham Radio
- * APD NW Area Command on Ellison, across from Cibola HS

Activities

- * School Visitations to Promote S.T.E.M.
- * Field Day Activations
- * Gatherings for Breakfast,
 - * Thursday mornings at 7 AM,
 - * Flying Star, 10700 Corrales Rd

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Whether you are a new ham, a seasoned old timer, or just thinking about becoming a ham, I would like to invite you to our meetings to take in our presentations, join us for breakfast on Thursday mornings, or participate in any of our activities. If you like what you see and hear, we would love to have you join our club. If you have any questions regarding ham radio, we can answer them.

Hope to see you at our meetings!
73.

Jerry Aceto K6LIE
President, Bosque ARC

VE TESTING

If you would like to upgrade your license, or take your first amateur radio test, Mathias Gibbens, K0WBG, holds licensing exams after our regular club meeting on the first Saturday of the month. Testing starts around 12:30. If you would like to test or know anyone else that would like to test, contact Mathias at AbqRRVET@gmail.com to sign up.

CLUB MEETING ADDRESS

APD NW Command Center, 10401
Cibola Loop NW, Albuquerque,
NM 87114 (across the street from
Cibola High school)

CLUB ADDRESS

Bosque ARC
2524 Baldy Loop NE
Rio Rancho, NM 87144

CLUB REPEATER — 444.200 (+) 67 Hz PL

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New Mexico QSO Party

Event Sponsor:
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The 2024 New Mexico QSO Party is now history and the final leg of Bosque ARC's sponsorship begins! We hope that BARC members had a good showing on the air and had fun making contacts.

Electronic logs are already rolling into the NMQP address, which Brian Mileschosky, N5ZGT maintains and inventories. Paper logs will begin arriving soon.

Brian, vice president Sean O'Mara and Jerry Aceto have picked Saturday, May 25 to get together to go through the logs. We are thinking 9 am. The place is to be determined.

The purpose of this gathering is to go through all paper logs received and spot-check information contained in the logs, recompute scores if errors are found and push the electronic logs through automated Cabrillo evaluation software that NMQP uses. Brian will provide the laptop with this software on it and rank all the participants.

This will be an informal gathering, so we can do it where the club meets or at someone's home QTH.

We will need to have 4 or 5 people from BARC present. So we would ask some of our newest members to participate. You new hams can learn how contests are administered. All you need to bring is a pen and calculator. No particular knowledge or experience is required, just an interest in helping with this final activity for NMQP. This gathering will be separate from a club meeting, hence the May 25 date. Estimated time involved will be 60-90 minutes. If we use the police station, we will have to reserve the room for a couple of hours. If any of you can suggest a location, please let Brian, Sean or Jerry know.

As sponsor this year, the club will receive a nice plaque for our work on this years New Mexico QSO Party!



EXPLORA ADULT NIGHT

The next Explora Adult Night will be on **Friday, May 17, 6pm-9pm**. The evening's theme will be Piratetology. Bosque ARC will have a station on the air from the museum, as usual, to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the public and also to inform folks of our club. Adult Night is a fun evening devoted to adults having one evening to explore the Science Museum without the kids. Come on down. Explore the wonders of Science and talk up ham radio to the public.

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD—A SAD DAY FOR AMATEUR RADIO

Dear Fellow Hams and Friends,

It is with a sad heart as I write this letter.

As many of you have heard by now, MFJ is ceasing its on-site production in Starkville, Mississippi on May 17, 2024. This is also the same for our sister companies' Ameritron, Hygain, Cushcraft and Vetronics.

Times have changed since I started this business 52 years ago. Our product line grew and grew and prospered. Covid changed everything in businesses including ours. It was the hardest hit that we have ever had and we never fully recovered.

I turned 80 this year. I had never really considered retirement but life is so short and my time with my family is so precious.

I want to thank all of our employees who have helped build this company with me over the years. We have many employees who have made MFJ their career for 10, 20, 30, 40 and more years.

We are going to continue to sell MFJ products past May 17, 2024. We have a lot of stock on hand. We will continue to offer repair service work for out-of-warranty and in-warranty units for the foreseeable future.

Finally, a special thanks to all of our customers and our dealers who have made MFJ a worldwide name and a profitable business for so many years. You all are so much appreciated.

Sincerely Yours, 73s

Martin F. Jue, K5FLU



CQ Magazine Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, SK

From ARRL Website

05/01/2024

Longtime amateur radio publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, has become a Silent Key. He passed away on April 27, 2024.

In 1960, Ross started working for Cowan Publishing Company and quickly became Associate Editor for CQ. In 1964, he was promoted to Editor of CQ, when Cowan Publishing moved its offices to Long Island, New York. As Ross became more involved with the business side of the magazine, he was elevated to Vice President/General Manager of the company in 1976. In this role, he was responsible for all fiscal matters and publishing operations for five publications.

His colleagues respected him greatly. “Dick was a friend as well as my boss and we saw eye-to-eye on most things regarding amateur radio. Dick was a leader in the ham radio industry for decades and an innovator in ham radio publishing. He also built the CQ brand into worldwide leadership in many aspects of the radio hobby, particularly contesting and DXing,” said CQ Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU.

Ross had been Publisher of CQ magazine since 1979. As President of CQ Communications, Inc., he was also publisher of multiple magazine titles, including *Popular Communications*, *CQ VHF*, *CQ Contest*, *WorldRadio*, *Communications Quarterly*, *CB Radio Magazine*, *Electronic Servicing & Technology*, *Modern Electronics*, *MicroComputer Journal*, and *Music and Computer Educator*. In addition, Ross oversaw the production and publication of CQ Communications books and calendars, the CQ Video Library, and more.

Ross was given the Dayton Hamvention® 2010 Special Achievement Award for his work on CQ: <https://www.arrl.org/news/dayton-hamvention-announces-2010-award-winners>.

CLUBS DUES

Our club dues are due by the end of April. Several folks have not paid their dues yet. If you need to pay your dues, simply go to bosquearc.com, select the Membership and Dues Tab, then select Join Club/Pay Dues. This is where you will find the form for joining or paying your dues. You can use PayPal to pay on our site. If you would rather use a check, you can pay at our meeting on May 4th, or send a check to Jerry Aceto, K6LIE at 1023 Purple Aster, Bernalillo, 87004. Our treasurer, Bob Witter and I live in the same community and I will see to it that Bob gets your dues check. Or, if you prefer, bring cash to the meeting. If Bob is not at the meeting, I will see to it that he gets the cash.

The dues are only \$20 per year. Such a deal, especially when you can get a free donut, coffee and a program! That comes out to \$1.67 a month, which is far less than what we pay for the coffee and donuts!!

FOR SALE

Club owned Kenwood TS-2000 transceiver. Runs 100 watts 160 thru 2 meters and 50 watts on 440 Mhz. All mode with dual receivers. Can also be used for satellite work. Rig has some scratches on the case. Front panel is in very good condition. Works as it should. Radio supplied with hand mic. No power supply included. Asking \$650. Contact Jerry K6LIE at 505 263-5858



Radio Communications Cabinet

I have a communications cabinet that is about 6 feet tall and about 24 inches wide. It has 3 shelves and accommodates standard 19 inch racks. There are no front door included. This cabinet housed my 220 repeater for many years. The power meter at the top and the 2 cavities and duplexer are not included. Great price....it is **FREE**. Bring your truck and come haul it away. If there are no takers, it is going to be sold for scrap.

BTW...that black box at the lower left of the cabinet is the club repeater, which is looking for a new repeater site. If we can't come up with a better coverage site, it may as will be taken off the air since no one is using it. Please help me find a better site!!



CLUB NET

Our club net has been doing very well and I want to thank all of you that participate each week. Gerry Jurrens, N2GJ has been net control for most of the time. I have been asking him because he runs several nets in the area and is quite good at it. But we really should give others the opportunity to be net control. So anyone interested, please contact Gerry. His contact info can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Remember, club net every Saturday morning at 10 am (except the 1st Saturday for our meeting) on the Upper Rio Repeater system.



CLUB SHIRTS

These beautiful club shirts come in ladies and men's styles and sizes. We proudly wear our shirts whenever we are doing an activity that involves the public. It is a great way of promoting the club, not to mention that they look great! They are available in polo and button down long sleeve.

Contact Turbo Threads at 505 999-1234 or on line at <https://turbothreads.com> .

BTW...That snazzy club logo on the shirt and on our club banner was designed by Art Nichols, KI5GOL, one of our founding members.



If you wish to use PayPal to pay club dues, simply go to bosquearc.com and click on the Membership and Dues tab. You will find all the info needed. When you fill out the form on line, hit Submit at the bottom of the page. This will take you to a prorated table. Since our dues are paid by the year starting in April, you will only pay a partial amount based on the month you join. Club dues are only \$20 per year.

Here are email addresses of our officers should you need to contact any of them:

President - Brian Listvan KJ5CNC - zzwooffee1949@yahoo.com

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Treasurer - Bob Witter W5IV - rwitter@hotmail.com

