

BOSQUE BEACON

*Newsletter of the Bosque Amateur Radio
Club of New Mexico*
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FROM THE EDITOR

Jerry Aceto K6LIE

Greetings!

March Program - Gerry Jurrens, N2GJ, will give some additional information on the CERT Training he attended in Rio Rancho on January 18. He will share additional comments about the training and encourage members to stay tuned for further info.

Gerry also attended the February 22nd, 11th annual Techfest, sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Hams, via a Zoom Webinar. There were six presentations and Gerry will spend a few minutes describing what those topics were and suggest a possible club project for the future, drawn from one of those talks.

Also, Gerry will discuss another possible project for the club, which he participated in when a member (he still is a member) of the David Sarnoff Radio Club (N2RE). Logging contacts is important, especially for special events like the upcoming Pi Day on March 14 (3.14) or the upcoming NM QSO Party. Gerry will share some ideas regarding practice using a computer for logging programs by playing a "logging game." If you have a laptop with any logging software application installed, bring it. Gerry will explain the game at the meeting.

This will be an interesting set of talks! See you at the meeting.

73...Jerry K6LIE

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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.

Brian Listvan KJ5CNC
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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CLUB NET

Our club net has been doing very well and we want to thank all of you that participate each week. Anyone wishing to be net control, simply let a club officer know and you will be set up with the script and instruction page on linking the repeaters on the Upper Rio repeater system. This affords a good learning experience on conducting a net and engaging in conversation.

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

CLUB REPEATER 444.200 Mhz (+) 67 Hz PL

A reminder to all that our club repeater is up and running from the west area of Rio Rancho at an elevation of about 700 feet above the valley, affording very good coverage of the greater Albuquerque area.

The repeater has been very quiet since getting it on the air several months ago. We would like to see it used by our members and also the entire community. It is open to all. You all are welcome to meet on our system. You can chat all you want and meet with your friends and club members. Please give it a try and you can chat all day long, if you wish!!

Coverage is approximately Los Lunas to the Santa Fe area. The majority of the Rio Grande valley is well covered. The north end of Rio Rancho and Bernalillo near highway 550 have some rough spots but is still usable.

Much work has gone into providing the club with a repeater. Please take a little time to use it with other members.

CLUB NEWSLETTER....HELP !!!

Folks, I am making an appeal to all our 75 or so members to help me out with the newsletter. I desperately need folks to contribute articles. I can not believe that none of our members have personal stories to tell about your involvement in ham radio. Maybe you experienced the excitement of working that rare DX contact. Or helped out with an emergency operation. Maybe you purchased that new, super-duper rig that you have been saving up for. Something from the members to make this newsletter a personal endeavor. I could fill it up with news from any number of sources. But that gets to be very impersonal. I have always strived to write articles that are based in club activities, personal experiences, etc that make this publication all about our club and you, the membership.

Please, please help me out by submitting an article.....ANY ARTICLE, that you think would be of interest to the membership.

We also need some folks to come up with activities to put in the newsletter. At this point, our club is a social ham club, which the membership indicated they wanted. Well, how about coming up with some social events for everyone to enjoy and to write about for the newsletter? Brian...Sean...are you listening? Club membership...are you listening?

You don't have to be an accomplished author to write for the newsletter. God knows that I am not even close. But I try my best, and between writing newsletters for the other club and this one for 14 years, I need new topics, ideas, activities, that I and the membership can write about. So, if you value this publication...PLEASE HELP ME WRITE IT!!

Thanks and 73....Jerry K6LIE

CLUB MEMBERS ACTIVATE POTA SITE

Club members Dominic Tanner, KI5WTR and Andy Connor, KI5VJJ, activated the El Malpais National Conservation Area for their Parks On The Air activity this past weekend (February 22 & 23). And boy, do they know how to make a site very comfortable. Dominic set up his small camping trailer, along with a very nice tent assembly for the actual operating of their event. Looks very comfortable!! Their equipment consisted of a IC 7300 and an IC 705. Power was supplied by a 150 AH battery, as well as backup solar and generator, if needed. Also, Dominic always travels with his Starlink system for communications anywhere he might be. All in all, a very impressive setup.

Dominic and Andy will talk about their outing and the possibility of having a club activation at our upcoming meeting.



Dominic KI5WTR



Andy KI5VJJ



Operations Tent



150 AH Battery



Solar System & Backup Genera-

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:

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