

# DELTA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

# SPARKS

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**W4BS**  
**REPEATER**  
**SYSTEM**  
146.82, 147.36,  
224.42, & 443.2

## August 2008 CLUB MEETING

**DATE:** August 12, 2008

**PLACE:** Ellendale Church Of Christ, 7365 Highway 70,  
Memphis, Tn. ( 1.5 miles east of Hwy. 64-Stage Rd. )

**TIME:** 7:00 PM

**PROGRAM:** "Super Tuesday Weather Event" by Ken Johnson KB0ZTX

**VE TESTING:** Don't forget the monthly Volunteer Examiner testing session. Registration begins at 5:30 P.M. and testing begins promptly at 6:00 P.M. Please remember to bring **two forms of identification** and **copies of any existing licenses or CSCE's** you might have. The ARRL VEC exam examination fee is \$14. Please be on time for registration, as you will not be allowed to enter the testing session after 6:00 p.m. This is to allow our volunteer VE team to finish in time to attend the club meeting. For more VE testing information contact...

Tom Fox, KA4LWQ, VEC  
Phone: 901-357-1633  
E-mail: ka4lwq@comcast.net

Please Remember: Deadline for Reports and Articles for the next issue of SPARKS is the last day of the month prior to the meeting. All articles **MUST** be in to me by the deadline in order to be published in the next issue. Please forward all articles and items of interest to:

KI4AJH@bellsouth.net

## Presidents Corner

August is upon us and school is about to start. Who knows what's going on with gas prices? With the advent of fall we will have several events that are opportunities to serve and introduce others to our hobby. On September 13 through 14 there are two events, the MS-150 and the VHF Contest. We will need many people to help with the MS-150. If your calendar is clear that week-end, please volunteer. In October there will be an ARES exercise. The time is October 4 from 7 am until noon. There should be information on the ARES net regarding this in the near future. Some of us will be helping with ScoutBase 2008 in Tunica on October 17 through 19. This is also Jamboree On The Air week-end. If you would get with a Scout unit and get some local Scouts talking with Scouts in other parts of the world, that would be great. This is for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. Some of you YLs may want to introduce the Girl Scouts to this hobby.

HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST BUS. Do not forget that we have the bus going to Huntsville, Alabama for their HamFest. It should be a lot of fun. Bring your checkbook so that you can pay the balance for the trip. This is a large HamFest and the entire fest is indoors and well-attended. There will be forums and an opportunity to put your hands on many items that you see advertised in QST. Joe WA4OVO, Bill KI4TQA, and I have made several of these and can tell you more about it. I would like to thank Joe and the MARA for their work on putting this together.

I hate to see him go, but Henry Leggett WD4Q will no longer be the Delta Division Director when his term ends. I know that I am speaking for many of us in the ham community when I say "Thanks" for a job well-done. I know that you have had to go to Newington, club meetings, ham fests, and other places frequently due to your position. You have represented us well. We do want to wish you all the best.

I hope to see you at the club meeting and look forward to the program that David has in store for us on August 12.

73,  
Hugh WB4SLI

## Net Control Operators Needed

We currently need a permanent NCO for Thursday night. I would also like to get a list of anyone interested in serving as a backup NCO. The net is a big part of our Delta Club activities and also serves as training for NCOs to help out in case of a disaster. Please consider serving in this excellent and enjoyable activity. You may contact me at [n4gmt@comcast.net](mailto:n4gmt@comcast.net)

Lance R Morris  
N4GMT

### **VE Corner:**

The Delta Amateur Radio Club sends congratulations to all of the following who have received a new license call sign or an upgrade.

Hooper, Noelle	KJ4FDA	Tech
Weatherington, Thomas	KJ4CTV	Gen

We are proud of you all. I would like to invite each of you to come to our next meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of Aug. so that we can all congratulate you personally.

Tom Fox KA4LWQ ARRL VE Liaison

### **DARC Board Minutes of July 1, 2008**

WB4SLI-Hugh called the meeting to order at 7 pm. KK4D-Darrell, K4POM-Lisa, KD4NOQ-David, KI4TQA-Bill, WA4OVO-Joe, N2LAZ-Dean, and KI4AJH-Roger attended.

The June minutes were discussed as was the treasurer's report. Both were unanimously accepted to be printed in SPARKS.

David advised that Pat Lane would be giving the July meeting's presentation.

Darrell advised the board of his meeting at Methodist North concerning the club's repeater.

The board voted in the following new members:

KH2AR-James Pogue  
KJ4DXE-Richard Martin  
KJ4DXJ-Terry Smith  
KJ4DXI-Brad Wilburn  
KJ4EHF-David Gilbert  
WA4HFN-Damen Runion

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
K4POM-Lisa Sheffield  
DARC Secretary

## DARC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2008

DARC President Hugh Wardlow-WB4SLI-called the meeting to order with the introduction of the members and guests present.

The Secretary's report was approved after a correction to Denise-KJ5DG's call was made. The Treasurer's report was also unanimously approved.

Field Day information was given and thank you's went out to several including Lance Morris-N4GMT for cooking, Austin Onek for the Media coverage and all those who participated.

WD4Q-Henry Leggette, ARRL Director of the Delta Division was present and spoke on behalf of the ARRL. He advised of the MOU between the ARRL and Red Cross. He also presented several letters of appreciation and plaques that went along with the letters. Recipients are as follows:

Austin Onek      Joan Thorne      James Butler      Joe Lowenthal

Henry advised that he was not running for the Director position, gave several names of those running and advised that if someone was interested in running to contact ARRL.

KK4D-Darrell gave an update on the 147.36 repeater situation at Methodist North. All is in line there and no problems with the changes that are needed at this time. The mutual cooperation between Methodist North and DARC is intact and the hospital does want us to stay.

Darrell asked on behalf of Al Snyder for blood donations for his upcoming surgery.

Hugh advised that he is continuing to check on the situation with Dixie Fest.

Joe Lowenthal gave information on a bus trip to the Huntsville Hamfest on August 16. A 56-passenger bus has been arranged to take interested persons and he at the time 26 confirmed for the trip. Joe asked that he be notified as quickly as possible and that the checks for the \$40 per person seats be written to MARA.

Darrell reminded the group that the MS150 bike tour was upcoming and that he will be coordinating the hams. He asked that all interested in helping be prepared to sign up at the August meeting.

Richard thank Ray-N4ARH for his assistance on the tower at Richard's new QTH.

Ann Cissel advised that she would not be at upcoming meetings but if anyone needed items she has shown to contact her by phone.

VEC report was given and there was 1 new General and 1 new Tech passing at the monthly testing session.

7:39 the program was turned over to Pat Lane and Tony Brignole who gave a very informative program on Antennas, Transmission Lines, and Time Domain.

The door prized were given out to KJ4DUE-Raymond Ware and KJ4EHF-David Gilbert. (There were 2 prizes due to Henry's donation of and ARRL publication.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
K4POM-Lisa Sheffield--DARC Secretary  
C/O KK4D-Darrell

## HAM LICENSE TRAINING for 2008

By Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO, Director of Training

### CLASS IN PROGRESS

#### *Technician Class 6-08 – July 14-August 18, 2008*

The Delta Club in cooperation with the Collierville Police Department and the Collierville CERT Program are conducting a Technician Class on six Monday nights from 6:15-9:30pm from July 14<sup>th</sup> to August 18<sup>th</sup> at the Collierville Police Department Training Room, 91 Walnut Street, Collierville, TN. Fifteen students are in the class. Of the 15 students, there is a 20 year-old girl and three boys, ages from 11 to 16. Additionally, there are 3 ladies.



Tech Class 6-08 at Collierville Police Department Training Room with Elmers Bill Stevens KI4YQA, Rick Tillman WA4NVM, Terry Smith KJ4DXJ, Mike Albonetti KD4IHT, Randy Wilder WB4LHD, and Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO.

### SCHEDULED CLASSES

#### *General/Basic Electronics/Extra Classes*

We will probably have the next General Class in late August or September. Additionally, we are contemplating a Basic Electronics Class in early Fall with an Extra Class to follow in January 09. If interested send an email to [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) with your name, email address and phone number(s) and class desired so we can have a feel for the class space needed.

## HAM LICENSE TRAINING for 2008 (cont.)

### FUTURE CLASSES

#### TECHNICIAN CLASS

If you are interested in a Technician License Class, please let me know of your interest by sending me an email at [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) with subject line "Technician Class." Or you can go to the Delta Club webpage [www.deltaclub.org](http://www.deltaclub.org); click on Training Classes; and then click on Technician Class to send me an email, or call at 901-683-2701. You will be notified by email or phone when the class is set.

There is no charge for the class, but registration is required. Advanced study of *The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual* is highly suggested as well as study of the 392 question and answer Technical Class License question pool. Memphis Amateur, 1465 Wells Station Rd, 683-9125 is a local ham radio store that sells the manuals.

Practice tests are highly recommended. The [www.qrz.com](http://www.qrz.com) website is free. To access the sample tests, scroll down and click on Practice Tests on the left side of the QRZ home page. Another site is [www.hamtestsonline.com](http://www.hamtestsonline.com). It costs \$49.95, but it is good for 2 years for the Technician, General and Extra Class tests.

The 35-question FCC exam will be given at the end of class by a Volunteer Examiner (VE) team. There is a \$14.00 ARRL VE Exam fee.

#### GENERAL CLASS

If you are interested in a General License Class, please let me know of your interest by sending me an email at [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) with subject line "General Class." Or you can go to the Delta Club web page [www.deltaclub.org](http://www.deltaclub.org); click on Training Classes; and then click on General Class to send me an email, or call at 901-683-2701. You will be notified by email or phone when the class is set.

#### EXTRA CLASS

Please pre-register by going to the Delta Club web page [www.deltaclub.org](http://www.deltaclub.org); click on Training Classes; and then click on Extra Class to send an email to Joe Lowenthal, WA4OVO, at [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) or call at 901-683-2701. You will be notified by email or phone when the class is set.

### COMPLETED CLASSES IN 2008

To date in 2008, we have had six classes resulting in 16 Techs, 12 Generals, and 10 Extras.

#### ***Technician Class 6-08 – July 14-August 18, 2008***

Even though the class is still in progress, one student really got the motivated during his vacation. Congratulations go to David Perry KJ4FKO for not only passing his Technician and General licenses at the West Memphis test session on July 21<sup>st</sup>, but also his Extra Class license in Hohenwald, TN on July 27<sup>th</sup>. David attributes much of his success to the practice tests at [hamtestsonline.com](http://hamtestsonline.com).

## **HAM LICENSE TRAINING for 2008 (cont.)**

### ***General Class 5-08 – April 5-26, 2008***

A General license class was held for three Saturdays from 8am-5pm, April 5th, 19th, and 26<sup>th</sup> at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department Emergency Services Training Room on Mullins Station Road. Pat Lane W4OQG gave his usual exceptional informational session on antennas and feedlines. Bill Stevens KI4TQA assisted with the classes and as a VE. Thanks to Walt Heald WB4GIJ, Edith Heald KS4OK, and Rick Tillman WA4NVM for the WCARS test session.

Congratulations to the following 8 Techs who upgraded to General during the class:  
Dennis Foster KJ4BDJ, Steve Kellett KF4SJU, Mark McCormick KI4TGQ, Rosalinda Melena KI4ZKW, Tommie Rodgers KE5NBD, Steve Smith KI4YOP, AL Snyder KI4PGK and Larry Finger KI4LLZ.

Congratulations to Denise Ganucheau KJ4CQY (now KJ5DG), who earned her General at the April Delta test session, and then upgraded to Extra at the General Class test session. She went from no ham to Extra in six weeks.

### ***Technician Class 4-08 – March 31-May 5, 2008***

A Technician license class was held for five Monday evenings from 6-9pm between March 31st and May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department Emergency Services Training Room on Mullins Station Road. Fourteen students started with eleven completing the class.

Pat Lane W4OQG gave his exceptional antenna and feedline session. Henry Leggett WD4Q, Delta Division Director, welcomed the students to ham radio and the ARRL.

Win Guin's WCARS VE Team provided the FCC testing. Bill Stevens KI4TQA and Rick Tillman WA4NVM assisted as VEs and were Elmers for the class.

Congratulations to the 11 students for achieving their Technician license:  
Denver Dawson KJ4EHH, O'Neal Ellis KJ4DXD, Joe Gillispie KJ4DXC, Richard Martin KJ4DXF, Tom Raggett KJ4DXG, Randy Smith KJ4DXH, Terry Smith KJ4DXJ, Jim Vines KJ4DXA, Laura Vines KJ4DXB, Brad Wilburn KJ4DXI, and Allen Wilkerson KJ4DXE.

Congratulations again to Randy Smith KJ4DXH who continued to study and upgraded to General at the May 13<sup>th</sup> Delta Club ARRL VE test session.

### ***Technician Class 3-08 – March 11-12, 2008***

An Amateur Radio Technician License class in conjunction with Baptist Hospital was conducted Tuesday and Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at Baptist Hospital Collierville. The 2-day 8am to 5pm class had 5 students. Two of the students were from Baptist Lauderdale in Ripley, TN. Of the five students, 4 tested and are now hams. Congratulations to Jon Vandiveer KJ4CQW, Don Dover KJ4CQX, Denise Ganucheau KJ4CQY, and James Karr KJ4CQZ.

## **HAM LICENSE TRAINING for 2008 (cont.)**

### ***Technician Class 2-08 – January 22 – February 12, 2008***

The second Technician License Class at the VA Medical Center in conjunction with FedEx Retirees Club ended February 12th. One student eventually got his license in Tech Class 3-08. Another veteran, Allen Whitman N4CPX, upgraded to General.

### ***Amateur Extra 1-08 – January 19 – March 1, 2008***

An Amateur Extra class was held on six Saturdays from 9am to 1pm with 11 students at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department training room on Mullins Station Road. The class also toured the Shelby County 911 operations center.

Congratulation to the following 8 students who earned their Extra Class license: Gilbert Cronin KI4VCN, Ken Johnson KB0ZTX, Tim Jones N5PYQ, Jeff Krause KI4OTE now AJ4GY, Steve Rutledge N4JQQ, Keith Shook KI4OTB now AJ4FZ, Bill Stevens KI4TQA, and Carl Todd KJ4AJE, now AJ4FQ

## **COMPLETED CLASSES IN 2007**

During 2007 we had 7 classes (one at the VA-Memphis Hospital) with 68 new hams and 18 Generals.



## **Power Supply Recall**

*Information provided by Bob Weible KE5MFV*

Per the ARRL Home Page:

US Government Recalls RadioShack Power Supplies (Jul 3, 2008) -- On July 2, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), in cooperation with RadioShack, announced a voluntary recall of 13.8 V dc power supplies. The CPSC said that consumers should stop using these power supplies immediately, as the "power supplies are wired incorrectly, posing electrocution and fire hazards." No injuries have been reported in conjunction with the power supplies that were sold in RadioShack stores nationwide from October 2004-January 2008 for between \$50 and \$85. Manufactured in China, the CPSC said that the recall involves RadioShack 13.8 V DC Power Supplies, catalog numbers 22-507 and 22-508 with date codes from 08A04 through 01A08. Date code format is MMYY where MM is the month and YY is the year. The catalog number and date code are located on the back of the power supply. Power supplies with a green dot on the product and the product's packaging have already been repaired and are not included in the recall. The CPSC recommends for consumers to unplug the recalled power supply immediately and take it to any RadioShack store for a free repair. Registered owners of the recalled power supplies will be mailed a notice. For additional information, contact RadioShack at 800-843-7422 anytime, or visit their Web site. Link to this item

## **Memphis Radio History**

*Provided by Tom McKee, K4ZAD*

Some of the readers of the Sparks newsletter might be interested in a bit of Memphis radio history at:

<http://www.imradioha.org/WJG.htm>

**AMATEUR PACKET UPDATE .....**

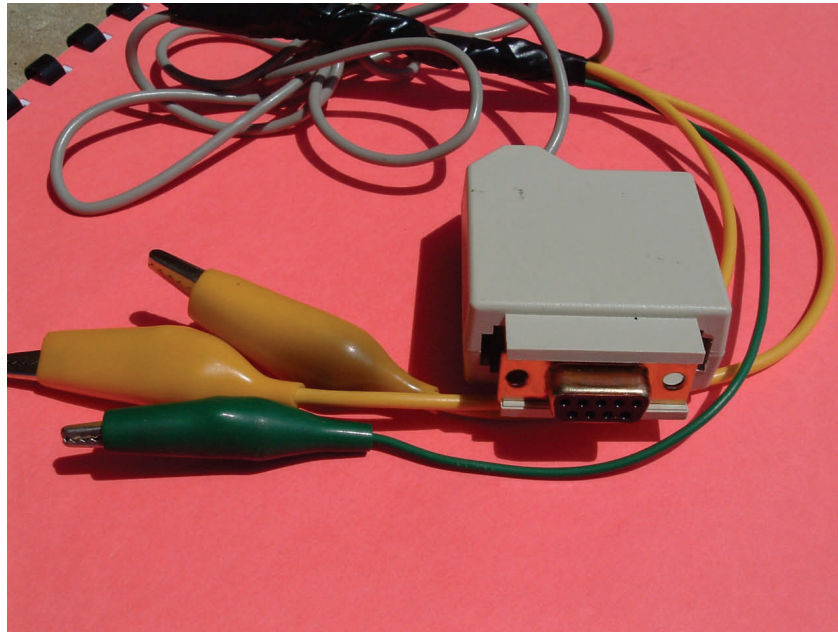
Hendricks QRP kits has several radio kits on the market. One of their newest is the portable field radio. This kit is designed by Steve Weber who has come out with a lot of QRP kits in the past. The kit has all surface mount components pre-mounted. It includes all the parts , P.C. board , case and knobs to build the radio. It is a VFO controlled 3 band unit that covers 40, 30, and 20 meters at about 3 to 5 watts output. The mode is CW only. The unit is very small and portable and has a place for internal batteries. The unit also has a memory keyer built in and a digital readout of frequency. This radio also has another plus in that it is the cheapest kit of this kind around. The unit cost is \$200.00 for the kit. The power use is also very low on this kit at about 50 MA. The unit will also work at low voltages like 9 vdc. They sell an optional small paddle kit for the unit for \$40.00. The unit has pushbutton tuning with scan and lots of other features for the price. You can see pictures of the unit and even download the assembly manual to see if this kit is for you. The Hendricks web address to see this kit is <http://www.qrpkits.com/>

James Butler  
KB4LJV

**AMATEUR HARDWARE UPDATE .....**

Many amateurs use computers as part of their station setups. Currently there is a lot of software out written for the amateur community. We have programs for logging, testing, and digital modes. Sometimes these are written by other amateurs who offer them free on the internet. One unique program I found was written in France. It is called Ehocw. This program will allow you to send and receive morse code. This is nothing new as other have had this capability. This program will decode morse code on the computer screen if you want to. The best feature of this program is the memory keyer built in. You can actually hook up your paddles to the computer via the joystick or the serial port of the computer. It also has a bunch of memory slots you click on to send a message you have stored. The paddles hooked up to the computer means you do not need an electronic keyer circuit in hardware. It also allows you to practice sending with your computer and a set of paddles. I hooked mine to the serial port of the computer. A female 9 pin D shell connector and hooking up three wires for common, dit, and dah was all that was required. The program lets you adjust your code speed and listen on your computer speaker system. You can also hook up a line to key your transmitter to send the code over the air. The web address for the free download is <http://www.f8eho.net/eng/>

James Butler  
KB4LJV



# The W4BS Elmer Shack

Please feel free to contact any of our ELMERS to help you enhance your amateur skills. Anyone wishing to be added to the Elmer list please contact Ned at ka4bll@arrl.net or 363-9607.

## Codes:

1. Antennas
2. APRS
3. Contesting
4. CW Operating
5. Direction Finding (fox hunting)
6. DXing
7. Experimenting/Circuits/etc.
8. HF Phone
9. Packet
10. Repeater Operation
11. QRP
12. Satellite
13. RTTY
14. VHF
15. PSK31
16. Computer logging

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RACES, net control, traffic handling,  
emergency service)

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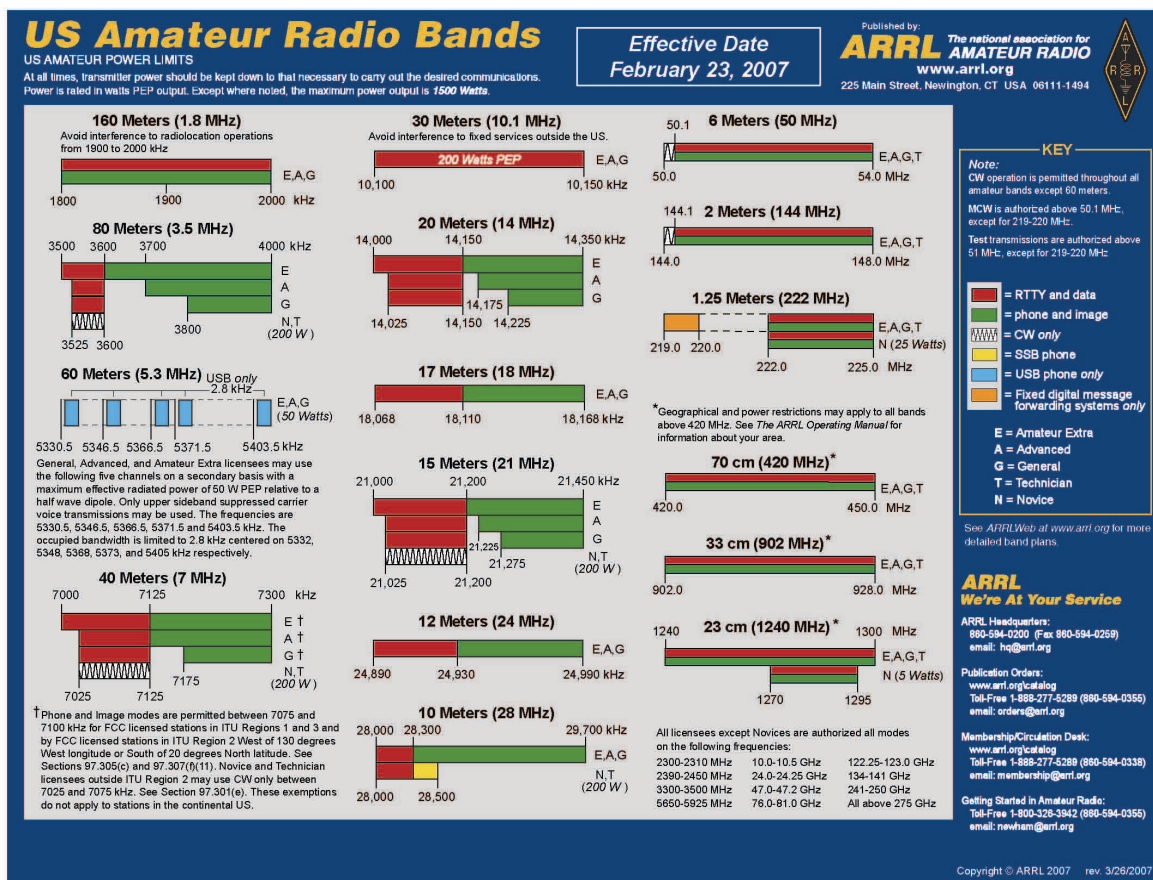
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hamh@bellsouth.net (All categories)



## Frequency Changes as of February 23, 2007

Here is the link for the frequency chart effective 2/23/07 in color:  
[http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/Hambands\\_color.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/Hambands_color.pdf)

Here it is for the black and white version:  
[http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/Hambands\\_bw.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/Hambands_bw.pdf)



Information on News, Contests, Special Events, and Hamfests Can All Be Found At:

<http://www.arrrl.org/search/bigindex.html>

# DELTA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

# August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Dana WI3B	2
3	4	5	6	7 MARA Club Meeting (1st Thursday Aaron KI40TH	8 Heidi KC4ZOU	9
10	11	12 Delta Club Meeting 7:00 PM (2nd Tuesday)	13 Bill KC4SXT	14	15	16 Norman KA4AEF
17 Art K4SHJ	18	19	20	21 David KC5GGE	22	23 Suresh N9GSA Ben KU4AW
24 Scott K5SJ	25	26 ARES Meeting 6:45 PM (4th Tuesday)	27	28	29	30 David KD4NOQ Paulette KE5MFW
31 Rex KB2WGP						

**TENNESSEE NETS**

<b>Net Name</b>	<b>Freq.</b>	<b>UTC</b>	<b>Day</b>
Tennessee CW Net	3663	0100	Su-Sa
Tennessee Slow CW Net	3682	0130	T-Su
Tennessee Early Morn Phone Net	3980	1145	M-F
Tennessee Morning Phone Net	3980	1245	M-F
Tennessee Morning Phone Net	3980	1400	Sa-Su
Tennessee Evening Phone Net	3980	0030	T-Su
CUSEC (Center for United States Earthquake Consortium)	3810	As needed	
CUSEC (Center for United States Earthquake Consortium)	7180	As needed	

**MedMERS moves East  
(submitted by Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO)**

The MedMERS net has changed primary frequency to the 146.73 repeater which gives better handheld coverage. The net is on Wednesdays at 12 noon CT.

The repeater is at St. Francis Hospital on Park Avenue. The secondary frequency is the 145.130, -600kHz, 107.2 tone on Methodist North.

**Delta Amateur Radio Club  
July 2008 Treasurers Report**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>as of July 1, 2008</b>	<b>\$8,435.13</b>
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**Expenses**

University of Memphis	Phone	\$22.94
Postmaster (replaces #1086)	PO Box rent (12/1/07 to 11/30/08)	\$114.00
Memphis Amateur Electronics	6 door prizes	\$107.73

**\$244.67**

**\$8,190.46**

**Income**

**\$0.00**

<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>as of Aug 1, 2008</b>	<b>\$8,190.46</b>
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Submitted by Bill Stevens  
KI4TQA

## Delta Club 146.82 Net Preamble

GOOD EVENING: This is \_\_\_\_\_ calling this session of the DELTA CLUB'S TRAFFIC AND INFORMATION NET. This net is affiliated with the ARRL and the NTS and is organized to pass traffic in and out of the mid - south area, in addition to providing information about club events and amateur related topics. This net meets nightly at 8:00 p.m. CST except the second Tuesday of the month on the 146.82 W4BS repeater and requires a pl. tone of 107.2 Hz. All stations will refrain from transmitting without being acknowledged by net control. All licensed amateurs are encouraged to participate. Before we begin is there any station with emergency or priority traffic? (Take immediately)

During this net should any station have emergency or priority traffic please use a double break followed by your call sign.

Is there a NTS Liaison station on frequency?

Is there any station wishing to list formal written traffic?

Does any station have announcements for the net?

Does any station have any questions or need any fills?

We will now take checkins. Are there any stations that are mobile, on battery power, or needing to leave early, if so please come now phonetically with your suffix only and please remember to spread them out?

We will now take checkins phonetically by suffix only if your suffix begins ALPHA through HOTEL please come now and remember to spread them out.

We now will take checkins phonetically by suffix only if your suffix begins INDIA through KEE-BECK please come now and remember to spread them out?

We will now take checkins phonetically by suffix only if your suffix begins ROMEO through ZULU please come now and remember to spread them out.

The DELTA CLUB meets the second Tuesday of each month at the ELLENDALE CHURCH OF CHRIST 7365 HWY 70 in Bartlett at 7:00 P.M. V. E. Registration begins at 5:30 with testing starting promptly at 6:00. A copy of your license and CSCE is required. For V. E. Information contact Tom, KA4LWQ at 357-1663. For membership information contact Lisa K4POM at 872-3367.

We will now take late checkins from anywhere in the alphabet ALPHA through ZULU please come now and spread them out by waiting for the courtesy tone.

Is there anything that this station or the net can do for anyone before we close?

This is \_\_\_\_\_ now closing this session of the DELTA AMATEUR RADIO CLUBS Traffic and information net and would like to thank all \_\_\_\_\_ stations for checking in tonight. And would like to ask that everyone to check in tomorrow night at the same time. GOODNIGHT AND 73 THE NET IS NOW CLOSED. \_\_\_\_\_ CLEAR

**AREA HAMFESTS OF INTEREST**

Southeastern Division Convention/  
Hamfest

Aug 17-18, 2008  
Huntsville, AL

Short Mountain Repeater Club

Aug 23, 2008  
Gladeville, TN

Arkansas State Convention

Sep 5-6, 2008  
Mena, AR

All-Arkansas Hamfest

Sep 20, 2008  
Jacksonville, AR

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