

# Delta Amateur Radio Club

# SPARKS

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## **W4BS REPEATER SYSTEM**

**146.820-(107.2) 147.360+(107.2)**

**224.420- 443.200+(107.2)**

## **June 2010 CLUB MEETING**

**DATE:** June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**PLACE:** Ellendale Church of Christ  
7365 HWY 70, Bartlett TN

**Program:** Field Day

**VE TESTING:** VE registration begins at 5:30pm with testing starting promptly at 6pm. A copy of your license and CSCE is required. For V. E. Information contact Tom Fox, KA4LWQ at 357-1663.

## President's Corner

Hope everyone is ready for the summer because from the temperature this weekend, it is here. I hope everyone has put a mark on their calendar for field day, I believe the location is going to work out really well and we should have more public presence than last year, after all, that is what field day is about. Hopefully, we can stimulate a little public interest in HAM radio, get a few non-HAMS and maybe even get some people on the air that already have their license and haven't experienced HF. I hope everyone can make an appearance at Freeman Park for the event and make a few contacts. We will have 3 stations + the GOTA - so there should be plenty of opportunity for everyone. Don't forget about the Huntsville HAM fest trip in August, if you haven't signed up for the bus (and paid), try to soon and get the "early bird special" price.

73 and GOTA (if you aren't already).

Alan / KJ4BIX

### DELTA CLUB MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 11, 2010

Rosalinda – KI4ZKW called the meeting to order at 7:05PM and asked for introductions of the attending 53 members and guest. She then asks if there was any old or new business.

Rosalinda – KI4ZKW and John – AJ4AT gave an update on the planning of Field Day activities. Rosalinda informed the club that she had spoken with the City of Bartlett and had locked down Freeman Park for this event. John presented an overview of the plans for the operating stations and food. Additional info will be presented at the next meeting

Tom – KA4LWQ gave the VE Testing report. There were several who tested and 8 passed.

Steve – KI4YOP was asked for minutes to be read of the last meeting. Ham – W4GMM made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in Sparks. The motion was seconded by Hugh – WB4SLI and accepted by the attending membership.

Rick – WA4NVM gave the club treasurers report. Jeff – AJ4GY made a motion to accept and was seconded by Ham – W4GMM. Club attendance accepted.

Joe – WA4OVO gave his training report which was accepted by the Club attendance. In addition, Joe mentioned that the Huntsville Hamfest bus had been reserved and all that were interested in the trip should let him know.

After a short break, Ham – W4GMM provided a review of the Huxtable Crossband Exercise.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

Respectfully Submitted By:

Steve Smith – KI4YOP

**DELTA CLUB BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES FOR May 4, 2010**

Attendee's

Rosalinda – KI4ZKW

Steve – KI4YOP

Joe – WA4OVO

Wayne – KI4TLB

David – KD4NOQ

Jeff – AJ4GY

Rosalinda – KI4ZKW called the meeting to order at 7:05PM and opened by asking if there was any old or new business. She gave an update on the Field Day event as well as the use of Freeman Park in Bartlett. Also, an open discussion regarding Club owned equipment was initiated. It was brought to the attention of the board that we do not have a complete and accurate list of all the equipment. This topic was tabled until after Field Day.

David – KD4NOQ announced that the program for the upcoming DELTA Club meeting will be a continuation of the MFJ plant tour series.

Joe – WA4OVO gave the Training report which was accepted by the board. He also gave an update regarding plans for the Huntsville bus trip.

Jeff – AJ4GY presented a draft copy of “Sparks” news letter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM

Respectfully submitted by Steve – KI4YOP

**Treasury Report**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>as of May 1, 2010</b>	<b>\$14,716.04</b>
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<b>Expenses</b>		
AT&T	(phone line)	\$61.92
U of Memphis	(phone line)	\$22.94
2 new Repeater Controllers		\$652.90

	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$737.76</b>
		SubTotal <b>\$13,978.28</b>

<b>Income</b>		
Deposit for Huntsville		\$405.00
Membership Dues		\$295.00
Donation		\$20.00

	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$720.00</b>
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<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>as of May 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$14,698.28</b>
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Submitted by Rick Tillman WA4NVM

## Tennessee Nets

Net Name	Freq. MHz	Local Time	Day
Tennessee CW Net	3.563	7:00p	Daily
Tennessee Slow CW Net	3.682	7:30p	T-Su
Tennessee Early Morn Phone Net	3.980	5:40a	M-F
Tennessee Morning Phone Net	3.980	6:45a	M-F
Tennessee Evening Phone Net	3.980	6:30p	T-Su
CUSEC (Center for United States Earthquake Consortium)	3.810	As needed	
CUSEC (Center for United States Earthquake Consortium)	7.180	As needed	

## Memphis Area Nets

Mid-South Barefooted Bullfrog net	146.535	7:30p	Daily
<b>Delta Club Traffic and Information Net</b>	<b>146.820-(107.2)</b>	<b>8:00p</b>	<b>Daily</b>
Secret Service Net	224.780-	8:30p	M
Elmer Net	147.030+(107.2)	9:00p	M
The Short Winded Net	146.850-	8:30p	Tu
MedMERS Net	146.730-(107.2)	12:00p	W
Six Meter Tech Net	53.01-	8:30p	W
Two meter single Sideband Net	144.260 USB	8:30p	Th
ARES Training Net	146.880-(107.2)	9:00p	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Th

## VE CORNER

The Delta Amateur Radio Club sends congratulations to the following who have received their new license call signs or upgrade.

Ost, Daniel Arden	KJ4UZH	Tech
Scheinfeld, Steven C.	KJ4UZJ	Tech
Proffitt, Alan W.	AE5RX	Extra
Smith, Alan R.	KJ4UZJ	Tech
Smith, Richard L.	KJ4UZK	Tech
Smith, Kathryn G.	KJ4UZL	Tech
Smith Jonathan L.	KJ4UZG	Tech
Raines, John E.	WB4LPD	Tech

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

TOM FOX KA4LWQ ARRL VEC Liaison

## BUS TRIP to 2010 HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>

DARC is sponsoring a 50-passenger bus to go to the Huntsville Hamfest on August 21, 2010. There is a graduated scale fare for the bus trip.

The fare is \$45 if paid by June 28, 2010. The fare is \$50 if paid by July 20, 2010. The fare is \$60 if paid after July 20<sup>th</sup>. However, if you pay the \$45 by June 28, 2010 and we exceed income over expenses, then you will

receive a rebate depending on the excess amount. The rebate will be returned to you on the bus. There will be biscuit sandwiches, water, sodas, chips, and fruit on the bus going to Huntsville.

Cash or checks will be accepted for payment. Make checks payable to Delta Amateur Radio Club. You can pay at a meeting or Delta Club's Field Day on June 26-27<sup>th</sup>. You can also send your check to Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO, 6675 Ashbridge Cove, Memphis, TN 38120. Please include your name, callsign, cell phone number, and email address. Reservations will be on a first come first paid basis.

The bus will leave Ellendale Church of Christ, 7365 Highway 70, Bartlett, TN at 6:00am on August 21<sup>st</sup>. A second pickup point will be at Germantown Baptist Church, 9450 Poplar Avenue at Johnson Road, Germantown, TN at approximately 6:40am. The bus will leave Huntsville immediately after the 4pm door prize drawing and return to Germantown Baptist Church approximately 7:30pm and Ellendale Church of Christ at approximately 8:15pm.

Ellendale Church of Christ has asked us to park in the larger parking lot on the west side of the building to leave the east side open for church activity parking.

The pickup point at Germantown Baptist Church will be by the northwest bus portico on the back side of the church. If there is inclement weather, the bus will pull in under the portico.

Submitted by Joe WA4OVO

Payment for this can be made to Rick, WA4NVM, while Joe is out of town.

### **Beware Of Disaster Scams During Tennessee Flooding Recovery**

Residents in the disaster-designated counties affected by recent storms and flooding are urged to be careful of scams during recovery efforts.

"Unfortunately, some people prey on others, taking advantage of their misfortunes," said Gracia B. Szczech, Federal Emergency Management Agency Federal Coordinating Officer in charge of the recovery efforts. "We urge disaster survivors to be especially careful."

In a typical scheme, someone pretends to be employed by FEMA or other government agencies, such as the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). A FEMA or SBA shirt, jacket or hat is not proof of someone's affiliation with these agencies. Authorized personnel wear a laminated photo identification card at all times.

Imposters may ask for some form of payment or a bribe. FEMA-contracted housing inspectors assess damage but do not determine cost estimates. They do not hire or endorse specific contractors to fix homes or recommend repairs.

Consumers should know that a Social Security or bank account number will only be requested on the first phone call the applicant makes to 800-621-FEMA (3362). Online registration at [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) is also secure. On any follow-up calls, a FEMA representative may ask for only the last four digits of a Social Security number.

Anyone who notices suspicious activity in his neighborhood or who suspects that someone is trying to commit fraud by going door-to-door or by making contact by phone or mail should immediately call the local police at 9-1-1.

Tennesseans who suspect anyone of committing disaster fraud, whether as a contractor, inspector, or even a disaster survivor offering to do work-for-hire, or who suspect someone is posing as any of these, either in person or on the phone or on the Internet, should call the Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs toll-free at 800-342-8385.

## Weather Radio



A weather radio may give you the information you need to react in the event of dangerous weather conditions. The National Weather Service broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Follow this link for more information from the NWS <[http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103441534011&s=268&e=001Kfa4KUxFyL7VPlg4F105PAP5k0m11I61NIwDHVUyGJFKTwGSv\\_8vSVjnuISke8uF0h\\_dJCsxwgOfbOTkakuz-hmo35xGBMFuLHggYhmLk2HwV-PITUa4YTdbqEJOJmNf8f-U9k\\_8vTw=>](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103441534011&s=268&e=001Kfa4KUxFyL7VPlg4F105PAP5k0m11I61NIwDHVUyGJFKTwGSv_8vSVjnuISke8uF0h_dJCsxwgOfbOTkakuz-hmo35xGBMFuLHggYhmLk2HwV-PITUa4YTdbqEJOJmNf8f-U9k_8vTw=>)> and the effective use of weather radios.

Submitted by Rosalinda, KI4ZKW

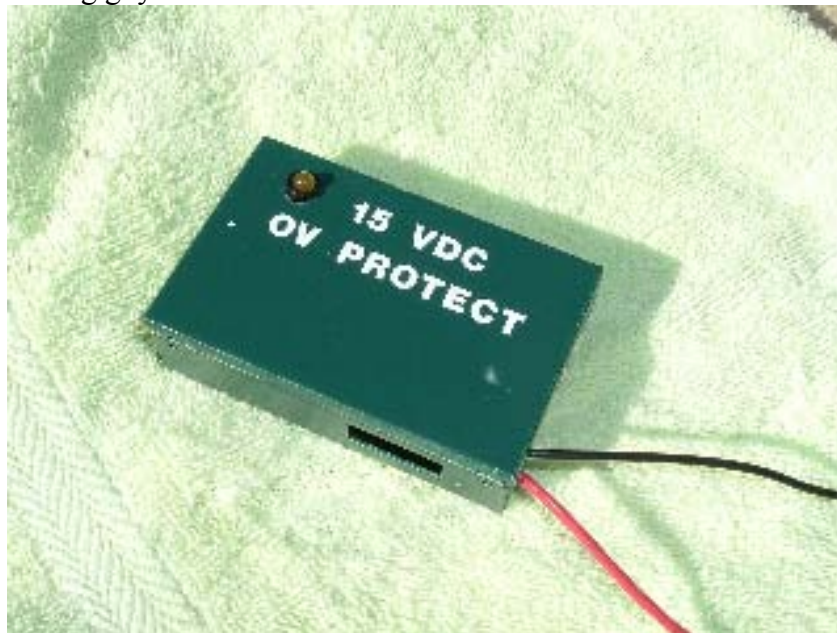
### PACKET UPDATE .....

One thing we all have to worry with is getting antenna feed lines and control wires from outside where the antenna is to the radio room inside. I was lucky enough to mount PVC pipe through the wall when I built my house. If the house is already built this is not an option. Making wiring look neat and weatherproof where it enters the house is hard. MFJ Enterprises over the last few years has come out with a whole line of manufactured feed through panels for coax and control lines. They continue to add to this product line. They have window feed through panels for windows. They offer these in different configurations depending on how many coax feeds you need. They also offer a line to bring cables and line into the house using plates that mount on the eave of your house sized to replace the existing air vent plate. They even have a line of wall plates to make through the wall installations weatherproof and neat. If you need to run coax and control lines and need a nice looking weatherproof installation check out this line from MFJ.

James Butler  
KB4LJV

## AMATEUR HARDWARE UPDATE .....

Many times when we run QRP we use small 12 VDC power supplies. When you get the smaller cheaper supplies they do not have a lot of protection built in. One problem is a high voltage output if the regulating circuit goes bad. This high voltage can cause damage to the rig. On supplies that cost more money they usually have a special circuit that can prevent this problem. The circuit called a “crowbar“ circuit monitors the voltage output of the power supply and if it rises above a preset safe level it shorts down the output and blows the fuse. As it turns out you can buy just this circuit preassembled or in kit form. By looking on the internet you can find “crowbar” circuits you can build up yourself. I found the circuit with an adjustment potentiometer and set it for about 14.5 volts DC. I built up the unit in a small case with leads I can just hook to the positive and negative connections of my power supply. I also mounted an LED to show I have voltage output and the unit has not blown the fuse. Now when I run my QRP rigs I get over voltage protection just like the big guys.



James Butler  
KB4LJV

### **2010 Public Service Events**

If you have any events you would like to add, please e-mail them to [aj4gy@arrl.net](mailto:aj4gy@arrl.net)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
<b>June</b> 6 <sup>th</sup>	Navy Race	KJ5DG Denise
<b>September</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	MS 150 Bike Ride	Darrell KK4D
<b>October</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> (1st Saturday)	Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk	Kathleen KC0HZU
<b>December</b> 4 <sup>th</sup>	St. Jude Marathon	Roger KI4AJH

4th Bartlett Christmas Parade Dennis KJ4BDU

TBA Boy Scout Merit Badge Hugh WB4SLI

# HAM LICENSE TRAINING for 2010

By Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO, Director of Training

**There is no charge for classes, but the student is responsible for the purchase of the license manual and the \$15 ARRL FCC examination fee.**

## *Licenses Earned in 2010 from Delta Classes*

49 Technician

5 General

3 Extra

### SCHEDULED CLASSES

#### ***Technician Class 5-10 – July 1–August 16, 2010***

Technician Class 5-10 will be held from July 12<sup>th</sup> to August 16<sup>th</sup> on 6 Monday nights from 6:15-9:30pm at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department East Campus across from the Penal Farm. **Caution:** The Technician question pool changes July 1, 2010. Be sure to purchase the correct license manual, *The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, Second Edition*-product #0830.

Advanced registration is required with email to Joe Lowenthal at [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com), or call 901-683-2701 with name, email address, and contact phone number, preferably a cell phone number. See Future Classes below for more information.

#### ***Basic Electronics***

A Basics Electronics class is under review for start in late September.

### CLASSES IN PROGRESS

None

### FUTURE CLASSES

#### TECHNICIAN CLASS

If you are interested in the first amateur license class, Technician, please let us know of by sending an email to [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) with subject line "Technician Class" and give name, email address, and a contact phone number (preferably a cell number). Or you can go to the Delta Club webpage [www.deltaclub.org](http://www.deltaclub.org) click on Training Classes; then click on Technician Class to send an email, or call at 901-683-2701. We usually publish class schedules a month or two in advance. 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, product #0830* (red manual with 2 pictures on front cover versus 3 pictures on older version) is strongly suggested as well as study of the 396 question and answer Technical Class License question pool. Barnes & Noble Booksellers may have this 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition manual. You can purchase it online from [www.arrl.org/catalog](http://www.arrl.org/catalog) or on [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com). The list price is \$24.95.

The new Technician License question pool, which was approved by the NCVEC on February 1, 2010, can be seen at <http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=356>. Testing for the new question pool starts July 1, 2010.

Practice tests are highly recommended. The [www.qrz.com](http://www.qrz.com) website is free. To access the sample tests, click on Main Menu to the right of the Search button on the QRZ Home Page. Scroll down and click on Practice Amateur Radio Exams. Click on Start Test to enter QRZ Practice Test Center. Click on Technician 35 Questions. Click on Wait For Correct. (This feature gives you the ability to answer again to get the correct answer if you miss the first time. On each answer it will either show Wrong Answer or Correct.) Click on Begin Test. Statistics are given at the top of the screen with the number of Completed questions, the Accuracy percentage, and the Overall percentage of questions completed on the test. Be sure to study multiple QRZ tests. The first test is only the first question from each of the 35 subgroups of the question pool. The second test is only the second question from each of the 35 subgroups, and so on. It is recommended to take at least 15 of the sample tests to be able to see all 392-question pool questions.

Another very good site is [www.hamtestonline.com](http://www.hamtestonline.com). It costs \$74.95, but it is good for 2 years for the Technician, General and Extra Class tests. There are a number of other free sample-test sites. Just Google *ham radio practice exams*.

The 35-question FCC exam will be given at the end of class by a Volunteer Examiner (VE) team. There is a \$15.00 ARRL VEC FCC exam fee.

#### GENERAL CLASS

If you are interested in a General License Class, please let us know by sending an email to [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; then click on General Class to send me an email with name, email address and contact phone, preferably cell number, or call at 901-683-2701. The textbook is *The ARRL General Class License Manual*. Lately, we have been running a combined Technician-General class. You will be notified by email or phone when the class is set.

#### BASIC ELECTRONICS CLASS

The Basic Electronics Class is designed to bridge the electronics-learning gap between the General and the Extra Class licenses. The class textbook is ARRL's *Understanding Basic Electronics*. The suggested calculator is the Casio fx-260 solar calculator, which can be purchased at Walmart for under \$10. There is no exam for this class. The class has been held in the September-November time frame.

If you are interested in the Basic Electronics Class, please let us know by sending an email with name, email address and contact phone, preferably cell number to [wa4ovo@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4ovo@yahoo.com) with subject line "Basic Electronics Class" or call at 901-683-2701. You will be notified by email or phone when the class is set.

#### EXTRA CLASS

If you are interested in an Extra Class, please pre-register by going to the Delta Club web page [www.deltaclub.org](http://www.deltaclub.org); click on Training Classes; then click on Extra Class to send an email with name, email address and contact phone, preferably cell number 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. Classes have been held for 6 or 7 weeks in January and February.

## COMPLETED CLASSES IN 2010

### Technician Class 1-07 Continued

Congratulations to Linda Wardlaw KJ4UZW for eight hours of studies on the way to Dayton Hamvention where she earned her Technician license. This is a follow-up from Tech Class 1-07. In addition to the new license, she is applying for her father-in-laws expired call WB4SLJ.

### ***Technician Class 4-10 – March 20-21, 2010***

Tech Class 4-10 was held on Saturday and Sunday, March 20-21 at the Shelby County Sheriff's Training Center in cooperation with Delta Company, 51<sup>st</sup> Forward Support Battalion of the Tennessee State Guard. Danny Banks KJ4FXZ arranged the class to give the non-paid volunteer members of the Tennessee Guard another communications tool.

Congratulations go to the 21 students for earning their Technician license. Congratulations again to Paul Kossik for also earning his General license.

Pictured below is Tech Class 4-10 Left to right-1<sup>st</sup> table Mike Tarkington KJ4THN, Charlie Smith KJ4THK, Jim Covington KJ4THV; 2<sup>nd</sup> table Doris Banks KJ4THA, Jane Gaschen KJ4THE, Larry Gashen KJ4THD, Sam Huggins KJ4THQ, Paul Kossik KJ4THU; 3<sup>rd</sup> table Phil Hagood KJ4THG, Kerry Beers KJ4THO, Drew Perkins KJ4THF(hidden), Lane Edmondson KJ4THT, James Coop KJ4THS, Neil Solomon KJ4THP; 4<sup>th</sup> table Tommy Porter KJ4THI, Danny Banks KJ4FXZ, Kimberlee Norwood KJ4THC, Robert Pepper KJ4THM; 5<sup>th</sup> table Jim Wilson KJ4THB; Not pictured Joseph Ruff KJ4THL, Larry Anthony KJ4THH, and Richard Threlkeld KJ4THJ



Photo: Tech Class 4-10 students filling out Form 605 before the Technician exam

Thanks to the WCARS VE Team of Win Guin W2GLJ, Bill Stevens KI4TQA, David Gilbert AJ4LV, Jeff Krause AJ4GY, and Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO for being the VEs for the exam session.

### ***Technician Class 3-10 – February 15 –March 15, 2010***

Twenty-one students attended the first session for Technician Class 3-10, which was held on 5 Monday nights at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department East Campus. Sixteen completed the course with all earning their Technician licenses.

Congratulations to Scott Agent KJ4TCL, Lisa Alex KJ4TCX, Danny Bishop KJ4TCH, Justin Bryan KJ4TCD, Scott Chapman KJ4SJR, Joe Ibarra KJ4TCJ, Brian Jenkins KJ4TCI, John Moriarty KJ4TCG, Howard Nelson KJ4TCC, Bruce Oliasani KJ4TCK, Calvin Oliphant KJ4SJS, Zach Pennington KJ4TCM, Stan Peppenhorst KJ4TDA, James Sterling KJ4TCE, Ray Turner KJ4TCY, and Karen Wilson KJ4TCF. Additional congratulations go to Danny Bishop, Scott Chapman, Calvin Oliphant, and Ray Turner who have also upgraded to General.



Photo: Win Guin W2GLJ giving exam instructions to Tech Class 3-10.

Thanks to the WCARS VE Team of Win Guin W2GLJ, Bill Stevens KI4TQA, Rick Tillman WA4NVM, and Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO for providing the FCC test session.

## **Extra Class 1-10 – January 16 – February 27, 2010**

Five students completed the 6 weeks for Extra Class 1-10 on Saturday mornings from 9am-1pm at the Memphis-Shelby County Health Department East Campus. The instructors were Tom Fox KA4LWQ, Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO, Dean Honadle N2LAZ, and Pat Lane W4OQG. The text used was *The ARRL Extra Class License Manual*.



Photo: Pat Lane W4OQG (lower right) giving the Antenna and Feedline presentation for the Extra Class 1-10. Students pictured from left to right: Mac Tidwell KJ4EHE, Jay Tomasello KJ4RCR, Danny Banks KJ4FXZ, (Ken Lasester KI4AOH on camera), and Jim Walton K4ZFQ.

Congratulations to Sonny Mounicou KF5CLC and Jim Walton K4ZZFQ for upgrading to Extra on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Jay Tomasello KJ4RCR upgraded on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Due to conflicts the other two students said they would test later at the Delta Club test sessions. The ARRL VEs were Tom Fox KA4LWQ, Bill Stevens KI4TQA, Jeff Krause AJ4GY, and Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO.

## **Technician Class 2-10 – February 3-4, 2010**

Technician Class 2-10 was held for two days at Memphis International Airport for 11 students from the Transportation Security Agency (TSA). The students earned their Technician license so they can operate the TSA Memphis MARS agency station. An additional congratulation goes to Ray Phetteplace who also earned his General license. Thanks to Tom Fox KA4LWQ, Bill Stevens KI4TQA, Rick Tillman WA4NVM, and Joe Lowenthal for being the ARRL VE testing team.



Tech Class 2-10 Photo left to right: 1<sup>st</sup> row Tracy Farrah, Mac McKee, Ray Phetteplace, DARC Director of Training Joe Lowenthal WA4OVO; 2<sup>nd</sup> row-Carl Gentry, Amy Leroux; 3<sup>rd</sup> row-Mark Cole, Debra Laudermilk, 4<sup>th</sup> row-David Boston, Gerald Adcock, Cleo Peete; Not shown-George Czech.

### **COMPLETED CLASSES IN 2009**

The Delta Amateur Radio Club had a wonderful year in 2009 with 83 students receiving licenses or upgrades in the five license classes held. Eight of the 46 Technicians were young hams who can keep our great hobby going for many years to come. One of those young hams also earned his General license. Thanks go to all of the volunteers that helped to make 2009 a great year. A special thanks goes to Bill Stevens KI4TQA, Rick Tillman WA4NVM, David Gilbert AJ4LV, Pat Lane W4OQG, Dean Honadle N2LAZ, Tom Fox KA4LWQ, Win Guin W2GLJ, and Dennis Foster KJ4BDU for their help with the classes.

## 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. CT except the second Tuesday of the month on the 146.82 W4BS repeater and may require 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?

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

Is there an NTS Liaison station on frequency?

Is there any station wishing to list formal written traffic?

Does any station have announcements for the net?

(If anyone asks to make an announcement after you finish handling the ones taken here ask them to hold until after the monolog. Eliminate the following sentence unless there are announcements.)

Does any station have any questions or need any fills?

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

We will now take check-ins phonetically by suffix only if your suffix begins INDIA through KEEBECK please come now and remember to spread them out.

We will now take check-ins 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 Steve KI4YOP at 493-8663. For training information contact Joe WA4OVO at 683-2701..

Are there any additional announcements?

We will now take late check-ins from anywhere in the alphabet ALPHA through ZULU please come now and spread them out.

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 CLUB'S 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

## June 2010 Important Dates

Delta Club Meeting – Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup>  
MARA Club meeting – Thursday, the 17<sup>th</sup>  
ARES Meeting – Tuesday, the 24<sup>th</sup>  
Field Day – Saturday, the 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday  
the 27<sup>th</sup>

## Area Hamfests

6-12-10  
ARRL Tennessee State Convention  
<http://www.w4bbb.org>  
Knoxville, TN

7-24-2010  
Cullman Amateur Radio Club  
<http://www.qsl.net/cullmanarc>  
Cullman, AL

## Delta Amateur Radio Club's 2010 Board Members

President:

Alan Anderson – KJ4BIX  
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