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The Dallas Amateur Radio Club welcomes all who are interested in Amateur Radio be they prospective Amateurs or Amateurs of any License Class in becoming members of our organization.

August Business Meeting
Tuesday, September 6th, 2005

7:00 PM—Dinner at 6:00 PM

Talk-in on the 146.88 repeater

Midway Point Restaurant

(S.W. corner LBJ and Midway Rd.)

August Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 14th, 2005

7:00 PM

Spring Creek Barbeque

(Beltway Dr. and Midway, Addison)

Listen to 146.88 for new location.

W5FC Repeaters

146.28/146.88 MHz

223.28/224.88 MHz

447.425/442.425 MHz (110.9)

DARC SUPPORTS THE RED HOT CHILI PEPPER RALLY



The dedicated 5 a.m. Team arrives at the Red Hot Chili Pepper.

I hope everyone is recovering well after a "Red Hot" Chili Pepper Rally. The official high for August 20th was 99 degrees!

I guess I could sum it all up in one word...AWESOME!

What an incredible crew we had! Radio communications went fantastic. Everyone was concise and accurate with their radio traffic. The repeaters and equipment worked great! We finally had a successful APRS event!

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September 2005 Club Meeting
Tuesday, September 5th

Program: Spark Transmitters - By Whit Griffith N5SU

Dallas Amateur Radio Club**Founded 1914****To contact the DARC call (972) 669-8433****or email us at W5FC@arrl.net****2005 Officers****President:** Joe Isabella, N3JI**Vice-President:** Mason Sarles, KD5YHX**Treasurer:** Mont O'Leary, K0YCN**Secretary:** Craig Modrzynski, KD5WJV**Board of Directors:**

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The Dallas Amateur Radio Club meets the first Tuesday of each month. Guests are welcome! **The Dallas Amateur Radio Club welcomes all who are interested in Amateur Radio be they prospective Amateurs or Amateurs of any License Class in becoming members of our organization.** See membership application for details at www.W5FC.org. The Dallas Amateur Radio Club is a non-profit, American Radio Relay League Affiliated Organization. Contributions to *In the DARC* are always welcome and may be submitted to the Public Information Officer by e-mail (K9SQ@arrl.net). Letters to the Editor will be printed as space permits. DARC accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this newsletter. Reproduction is permitted provided that this newsletter and the original source are credited.

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Public Service Event Announcement

PUBLIC SERVICE VOLUNTEERING**MAKING THE MOST OF THE EXPERIENCE***By Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU***October 1, 2005****[AIDS Arms Lifewalk](#)****10 Radio Operators Needed****November 5, 2005****[Walk For Diabetes](#)****9 Radio Operators Needed****November 24, 2005****[Dallas Turkey Trot](#)****7 Radio Operators Needed**

For additional information contact Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU via email at KE6LOU@arrl.net

To participate, go to the following web URL, fill out the form, and press "Submit". It's that easy!

http://www.w5fc.org/pse_info/pse_appl.htm

DONATION NEEDED!

The DARC Van is in need of a mobile 2-Meter Rig for the APRS station. If you have a spare 2-Meter Rig you would like to donate please contact Richard Bartlett.

The Rig does not need to have an operational transmitter but does need to receive 144.390, have an external speaker jack, and if programmable it should be able to retain it's programming.

Of course, your donation is TAX DEDUCTIBLE.



The publication deadline for the
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is September 15, 2005.



The President's Corner

By Joe Isabella, N3JI

Welcome to the September! Once again, the repeater is big news this month. As you have been hearing, the repeater upgrade has been progressing well. As of this writing, all but one piece of equipment has been received. As long as we don't run into any further issues with the site management, the new machine should be up and running very shortly. As Bernie-K5BP has pointed out, the work will probably be done in a two phases – one for the upgraded grounding & lightning protection, then the actual repeater swap. It obviously makes sense to make sure the new machine is well protected, so look for breaking news regarding this project. Also part of this upgrade is adding tone to the 2m and 220 DARC repeaters. This has been discussed for quite a while now, and I think it's time we do it. Although the repeater has been in pretty good shape interference-wise, I hear several times a week various noises and such triggering the repeater's transmitter. It's time to take care of this. Listen for announcements regarding this big change.

And now for some less fun repeater news... Many of you have noticed the DARC's 146.88 machine has been turned off during the late night/early morning hours. Once again, we have been hearing about issues regarding quick keying, slow/no IDs, etc. All I can say is that I am all for having fun on the air. The issue is when things go on that either put the club in a bad light or possibly put the trustee's license at risk. Remember, the trustee is ultimately responsible for the machine and it is his license on the line if things get out of hand over the repeater. This machine is one of the most heavily used machines in the Metroplex and possibly the entire country. A lot of people listen to it for weather, current events, and yes, even entertainment. I highly suggest everyone give the DARC repeater rules another read – they are available on our website under the "Club Business" heading. The link is called "The DARC Repeaters". From there, you can view/download the rules. So again, I'm all for having fun on the repeaters, but let's all try to keep our fun acceptable to everyone. Thanks to all for helping us self-police our bands.

As always, feel free to contact me via email at n3ji@arrl.net with any questions or suggestions. Again, thanks for continuing as members and your help in keeping the DARC one of the best clubs around!

73,
Joe Isabella, N3JI

W5FC Repeater Status

By Bernie Parker K5BP

Here is the current status of the Repeaters:

The 224.88 repeater has been down for a while. New Receiver and Transmit driver boards have been obtained and will be installed. Also full 110.9 Hz tone access will be installed. This should get the repeater operational. The 224.88 will also be interfaced with the new Arcom controller that the club approved. This will benefit 224.88 in three ways. 224.88 can have autopatch. It can be linked to 146.88. It can have all the "bells and whistles" of the current W5FC 146.88 repeater, DVR (voice id's) and announcements. Plus, the knowledge gained interfacing the controller will benefit the 146.88 new repeater setup.

Here's a progress report on the new W5FC 146.88 repeater system. Almost all the equipment has been procured. Highest on the list is insuring that the RACES Skywarn modes will function as well, if not better, than the original 20+ year old system. All tone issues will be resolved. Also on demand 110.9 full tone capability will be installed as approved by the board months ago. So far the target date for the installation looks like September.

The 442.425 repeater is working well and will be upgraded to the new Arcom controller when all the usual installation bugs are worked out on 224.88 and 146.88 install. As before, the knowledge gained from those installs will ultimately benefit the final installations of the 442.425 to the W5FC repeater system.

73, Bernie Parker K5BP

DARC SUPPORTS TO THE RED HOT CHILI PEPPER RALLY

By Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU

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Thanks to Mont/K0YCN and John/K9SQ for all their hard work in preparing for our APRS operations and ensuring it came off without a hitch. Thanks to Tony/W5ADC for filling in on Saturday morning for John (who had a family emergency and had to go out of town). We had 100% APRS equipment usage. After two years of trying, we finally got it right!

Thanks to Net Control Operators Craig/KD5WJV and Jon/KD5NCX for their outstanding job! Net Control is the glue that binds a successful event together. This is their

first major public service event to work net control, and they handled it like old pros. This is a high radio traffic volume event, and they got thrown to the wolves. They handled it like experts. Now the secret is out how good of NCS operators that they are.

Every operator took ownership of their responsibilities and adapted to ever changing needs. I can honestly say we had the crème of the crop of radio operators for this event!

This is as good as it gets! This serves as an example of an effective amateur radio support to public service events!

We transported approximately twenty riders, and the bike trucks assisted numerous riders with mechanical problems. Everybody with vehicles capable of transporting riders pitched in and we located and transported riders in minimal time! The two bike trucks were kept constantly on the move making on-course bike repairs.

We had significant participation from several area radio clubs. Thirty radio operators came from Plano, Dallas, Irving, Ellis County, Garland, Southwest Dallas County, and Tarrant County. It amazes me how we can pull operators together from all over, and it all falls in place so smoothly. It is a credit to the numerous clubs involved and their members.

We had marvelous repeater coverage. This is the first year we split into two nets. BIG THANKS to the Southwest Dallas County ARC for use of the 147.060 repeater and to Jim Haynie/W5JBP for use of his 442.50 repeaters. These repeaters were essential to the success of the event and had great coverage!

The rally had one on-course accident with serious injury this year. A rider hit a curb, fell, and struck her face on the curb. It was witnessed by the Cockrell Hill Fire Chief, who called for an ambulance on his fire radio. Although he was in an urban area, there was not any cell phone coverage where he was. He radioed the firefighters/medics that were at Rest Stop 1 to notify the event. The Rest Stop 1 firefighters relayed the information to the Rest Stop 1 Radio Operator (James/KD5YBK). James notified Net Control who dispatched Rover 11 (Mont/K0YCN). Mont responded, obtained additional details and transported the rider's bike to the finish line.

For those who were not aware, this emergency took on a special significance. The emergency call came into the rest stop that was staffed by two teen-aged radio operators. The lead operator, KD5YBK, accurately obtained the information, and relayed to Net Control calmly and efficiently. Additionally, there were several SAG transports from Rest Stop 1. We put two of our youngest and newest hams on one of the busiest and most critical rest stops...and they did great! It's a big step forward from the quiet kid whose previous public service experience was following Dad around and listening to his ham radio.

It is also a reminder that amateur radio works when other technologies fail (such as cell phones). The accident occurred in a heavily traveled portion of the City of Dallas, and the Chief's cell phone didn't work. But, our ham radio repeater did!

We had only one minor rider injury which was discovered by an amateur radio course rover and transported by the rover to the finish line medical tent.

Participating were: Lowell Allen, KD5RFD; Richard Bartlett, KE6LOU; Dave Best, KD5RYM; Richard Bird, KD5NFW; Tony Campbell, W5ADC; Dennis Christensen, N5DJC; James Coyle, KD5YBK; Jean Coyle, KE5FRN; Kevin Coyle, K5KJC; Robert Crosby, KD5YHY; Jean-Claude DeMars, KD5WPI; Bill Dyer, KE5BTZ; Joshua Elson, KD5ZBD; Joseph Evans, KD5RFC; Clinton Fitch, K5ASU; Jon Hager, KD5NCX; Butch Harrell, K5BBJ; Gary Hayden, KD5ZCP; Jerry Keltner, KB5OJE; Verlon Love, WB5MEI; Joe Martin, KM5CW; Craig Modrzynski, KD5WJV; Jeff Newman, N5KZT; Mont O'Leary, K0YCN; Janet Reese, KD5IQM; Tom Reese, KD5IPJ; Amelia Shultz, KD5TXQ; Jim Shultz, W5OMG; Doyle Taylor, AD5KE; and Don Ware, KE5DID.

Once again, thanks to everyone for a fantastic event! Once I rest and recuperate from this one, I'll be looking forward to the Red Hot Chili Pepper Rally 2006.

SLANT

By Charlie and Candis Taylor, K5USS and KE5CCI

The Six Listeners Around North Texas net (SLANT) is still going strong and loving life, but is looking for new check ins. For the last 16 months the SLANT net has been meeting each Wednesday night on 52.525 FM at 8:00 PM central time with an average of 12 check ins per net. On the net we have discussed everything from antennas on the roof to the zebras on the range in Africa! You would be amazed at how many things we have covered, and how many questions have been answered during our nets! The net control for the net is generally in the Richardson/Plano area but, a few "out of towners" have ran it with good results. We are ALWAYS on they look out for a new "net control", want to be one? Let us know at K5USS@arrl.net.

The SLANT net was started to ensure that ALL of the 6m spectrum was utilized as it should be, and the weekly check ins show that 6m is alive and well! Several people stated to us that they had NO 6m activity due to only having 6m FM capability, so we changed that! We started a net on 52.525 FM and a LOT of the operators in this area have made MANY out of state contacts since then when the conditions were right! We have had check ins to the net from 14 different grid squares since it started...NOT BAD FOR FM!!!

Amateur radio is alive and WELL on 52.525 FM!!! Give a shout, you may find the 6m contact you were looking for there!

After a station checks into the SLANT net for the 2nd time they are automatically a member of the Six Listeners Around North Texas (SLANT) and they will receive a certificate with a unique member number. It may take a few weeks for the certificate to get there since the SLANT secretary does have a full time job, but they WILL get it!

All licensed amateur radio operators are encouraged to check in, and they do NOT have to hang around for the entire net, just let us know if you are checking in for the "numbers" and we will be good to go, but mobile stations ALWAYS have FIRST priority! A lot of fun and GOOD information is to be had during the net on 52.525 FM on Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM...

We do hope to hear you next week on the Six Listeners Around North Texas net on 52.525 FM at 8:00 PM central time.

Vy 73,
Charlie and Candis Taylor
K5USS and KE5CCI (em12)

Spectrum Defense

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It's August. It's vacation season. It's sizzling outside, but the bands aren't so hot. Your shack is silent, and your gear's been collecting dust all summer. When it's fall and you're back into the mood, you'll turn on the rig, and--propagation notwithstanding--you know the Amateur Radio bands will still be there. One big reason that's true, says ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, is that the League never quits defending Amateur Radio spectrum from threats such as broadband over power line (BPL) or "Little LEO" satellite schemes. No matter the time of year, spectrum defense is an ongoing ARRL obligation that depends on the generosity of the Amateur Radio community.

"Even though it's summertime, the need to defend our spectrum doesn't go on vacation," Hobart emphasized. "What we enjoy now is because others have stepped up to the plate. It's time for you to step up to the plate!"

Unfortunately, too few have done so during the 2005 Spectrum Defense campaign, which the League hoped to wrap up by the end of July. According to Hobart, this summer only about 1.5 percent of ARRL's

members--some 2270 individuals--are helping to maintain the solid front against threats to amateur spectrum for the rest of the Amateur Radio community.

"I'm sure that the rest of our members care just as much about protecting our spectrum," she said this week. "They just need a little nudge."

This summer, ARRL members have received solicitations in the mail seeking their support in the 2005 Spectrum Defense Fund. Hobart concedes that there's nothing sexy or headline-grabbing about beating the drum for donations, and she knows better than most how many fund-raising letters end up unread and in the trash.

Nonetheless, she says, a donation to the Spectrum Defense Fund helps enable ARRL to serve as Amateur Radio's voice on behalf of members and nonmembers alike. The League, she notes, is the only organization representing Amateur Radio on the national and international levels.

"If we want to be heard on an issue like BPL, we have to have 'face time' with the players in official Washington," she pointed out. "We have to demonstrate that Amateur Radio is a force to be reckoned with." The Spectrum Defense Fund makes that happen.

It takes many dollars, plain and simple. Among other things, the Fund helps maintain a Technical Relations Office in the Washington area. It also ensures an international presence at meetings such as World Radiocommunication Conference 2007--just around the corner. It also makes possible contact with federal regulators and helps earn the respect and support of lawmakers on Capitol Hill.

Some of the money the ARRL devotes to spectrum defense activities comes from the dues that League members pay. These days, however, the lion's share comes from individual donations each year, and some, Hobart notes, give very generously. But she acknowledges that high rollers are the exception, not the rule, and the Spectrum Defense Fund needs and appreciates any and all financial help.

**Next DARC VE Test Session is scheduled for
Saturday, September 10th at 9 a.m.**

**Business Jet Center
8611 Lemon Ave., 2nd Floor Cafeteria
Contact: Larry Herring, WR3J
214-350-9580**

See www.dfwlist.org for information.

"It all comes down to individual radio amateurs asking themselves, 'What can I do to ensure the future of Amateur Radio?'" Hobart says. "After all, without spectrum, there is no Amateur Radio." Hobart allows that some radio amateurs may hold

back from becoming League members or from donating to the Spectrum Defense Fund because they don't agree with ARRL on some issue.

"Given that we're a national association, it's virtually impossible to be all things to all people," she said. "Ham radio is so diverse not everyone can--or ever will--see eye to eye on a particular issue." But, she maintains, "individual radio amateurs need to see the bigger picture."

"If you love Amateur Radio, put differences aside and become part of the solution--the future."

It's easy to donate via the ARRL Development Office secure Web site <<https://www.arrl.org/forms/fdefense/>>. For more information, visit the ARRL Development Office Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/development/top>>.

FCC PROPOSES DROPPING MORSE CODE REQUIREMENT

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The FCC has proposed dropping the 5 WPM Morse code element as a requirement to obtain an Amateur Radio license of any class. The Commission included the provision in a July 19 Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order (NPRM&O) in WT Docket 05-235, but it declined to go along with any other proposed changes to Amateur Service licensing rules or operating privileges. Dropping the Morse code requirement or any other changes to Part 97 would not become final until the Commission gathers additional public comments, formally adopts any new rules and concludes the proceeding with a Report and Order specifying the changes and an effective date. That's not likely to happen for several months.

"Based upon the petitions and comments, we propose to amend our amateur service rules to eliminate the requirement that individuals pass a telegraphy examination in order to qualify for any amateur radio operator license," the FCC said. The NPRM&O consolidated 18 petitions for rule making from the amateur community. Several petitioners simply asked the FCC to drop the Morse requirement, but some--including the ARRL--also proposed a wide range of additional changes to the amateur rules. The FCC said the various petitions had attracted 6200 comments from the amateur community, which soon will have the opportunity to comment again--this time on what the FCC calls "our tentative conclusions" in its NPRM&O.

The Commission said it believes dropping the 5 WPM Morse examination would encourage more people to become Amateur Radio operators and would eliminate a requirement that's "now unnecessary" and may discourage current licensees from advancing their skills. It also said the change would "promote more efficient use" of amateur spectrum.

To support dropping the code requirement, the FCC cited changes in Article

25 of the international Radio Regulations adopted at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003. WRC-03 deleted the Morse testing requirement for amateur applicants seeking HF privileges and left it up to individual countries to determine whether or not they want to mandate Morse testing. Several countries already have dropped their Morse requirements for HF access.

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said he was not surprised to see the FCC propose scrapping the code altogether, although the League and others had called for retaining the 5 WPM requirement for Amateur Extra class applicants. Sumner also expressed dismay that the FCC turned away proposals from the League and other petitioners to create a new entry-level Amateur Radio license class.

"We're disappointed that the Commission prefers to deny an opportunity to give Amateur Radio the restructuring it needs for the 21st century," he said. "It appears that the Commission is taking the easy road, but the easy road is seldom the right road."

Sumner said ARRL officials and the Board of Directors will closely study the 30-page NPRM&O and comment further once they've had an opportunity to consider the Commission's stated rationales for its proposals.

In 2004, the League called on the FCC to create a new entry-level license, reduce the number of actual license classes to three and drop the Morse code testing requirement for all classes except for Amateur Extra. Among other recommendations, the League asked the FCC to automatically upgrade Technician licensees to General and Advanced licensees to Amateur Extra. In this week's NPRM&O, the FCC said it was not persuaded such automatic upgrades were in the public interest.

The FCC said it did not believe a new entry-level license class was warranted because current Novice and Tech Plus licensees will easily be able to upgrade to General once the code requirement goes away. The Commission also said it already addressed some other issues petitioners raised in its "Phone Band Expansion" (or "Omnibus") NPRM in WT Docket 04-140.

The NPRM&O is on the FCC Web site <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-05-143A1.pdf> A 60-day period for the public to comment on the NPRM&O in WT 05-235 will begin once the notice appears in the Federal Register. Reply comments will be due within 75 days.

ARRL BOARD ADOPTS MODIFIED REGULATION-BY-BANDWIDTH PROPOSAL

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Following considerable discussion and debate, the ARRL Board of Directors has approved a modified set of recommendations to regulate the use of amateur spectrum by emission bandwidth rather than by emission mode. Last April, the ARRL Executive Committee reached consensus on a set of regulation-by-bandwidth proposals <<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2005/04/13/1/>> to serve as the basis of an FCC Petition for Rule Making. Following additional fine tuning based on hundreds of comments from the amateur community, the Board formally adopted a further-modified plan at its July 15-16 meeting. The revised plan stipulates that the League "will promptly undertake a procedure to establish a band plan to be utilized with the proposed subband allocation petition."

Until that happens, existing band plans will remain. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, remarked after Board's 12-3 vote that improved band planning is critical to the success of the League's regulation-by-bandwidth proposals and will require the support of the amateur community at large.

"I think it's fair to say that the Board recognizes that regulation by bandwidth is not going to work without a spirit of cooperation among amateurs pursuing different interests," he said, "any more than current regulations would be adequate without a spirit of cooperation." As one example, Sumner pointed out that under the current rules, RTTY and data enthusiasts may, by rule, operate in the low end of the CW subbands. "They don't, because to do so would disrupt amateur CW," he said.

Sumner said that if the FCC ultimately implements the modified ARRL recommendations, there's no reason to believe that amateurs will operate right up to the absolute limit of what the FCC says they may, any more than they do now.

The regulation-by-bandwidth issue dominated the Board's second meeting of the year in Windsor, Connecticut. After a great deal of give and take among its members, the Board ultimately okayed raising the maximum bandwidth the EC had proposed for frequencies below 29 MHz from 3.0 kHz to 3.5 kHz. A provision permitting the continued use of double-sideband AM with bandwidth of up to 9 kHz was retained.

Significantly, the Board also agreed that maximum permitted bandwidth should be defined in terms of necessary rather than occupied bandwidth. In addition, the modified proposal removes the exception for independent sideband (ISB) emissions--apparently not used in the Amateur Service--and drops certain mode restrictions on Novice and Technician class operators.

The ARRL proposal would leave two important FCC rules unchanged. §97.307(a) says: "No amateur station transmission shall occupy more bandwidth than necessary for the information rate and emission type being transmitted, in accordance with good amateur practice." §97.101(a) reads: "In all respects not specifically covered by FCC Rules each amateur station must be operated in accordance with good engineering and good amateur practice."

Per the Board's motion, the ARRL Executive Committee will review the final rule making petition, which will be filed with the FCC at the Committee's discretion. The Board began work on the bandwidth concept in 2002.

In other action, the ARRL Board adopted a resolution to establish an ARRL VHF/UHF Advisory Committee (VUAC) to address contesting issues over a period of no more than three years. The new panel, to be comprised of "exceptionally qualified and recognized members of the VHF/UHF community," will seek input from VHF/UHF contesting "public," identify important issues and "seek the sense of the 'public'" on those issues.

The Board also adopted five strategies to include in the League's 2006 Operational Plan. These address improvements in the ARRL advocacy program and members-only features of the Web site, and review and analysis of ARRL programs.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, chaired this month's Board meeting. Radio Amateurs of Canada President Earle Smith, VE6NM, was a guest of the

NEW ARRL GOES TO WASHINGTON VIDEO

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The ARRL is making available a 10-minute video, The ARRL Goes to Washington, that documents the League's activities on behalf of Amateur Radio on Capitol Hill and at the FCC. Produced by Dave Bell, W6AQ, Alan Kaul, W6RCL, and Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, The ARRL Goes to Washington now is available for downloading from the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/pio/VTS-Video.mpg>>.

Because it typically occurs behind the scenes, ARRL's advocacy in "official Washington" in support of Amateur Radio receives little fanfare compared to its importance and significance. This video offers an opportunity to call attention to this critical ARRL function in an entertaining and informative way. ARRL members often say that legislative and regulatory advocacy is very important to them. Now clubs, public information officers and others will be able to witness the League's leadership in action in the nation's capital for themselves.

Featuring ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, and narrated by former CBS News anchor Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, the presentation's debut at Dayton Hamvention was resoundingly positive. Now you can download this video and save it on your computer or on a CD. It makes a great centerpiece for an Amateur Radio club program or meeting too.

This video is not intended, nor available, for telecasting or broadcasting in any manner. It may be shown to groups or at hamfests, forums and clubs.

The file is 95 MB, so a high-speed connection is necessary. The video runs 10:42. A higher-resolution DVD is expected to become available in a few weeks.

Upcoming Events!

27 August 2005

Gainesville Hamfest 2005

Gainesville Civic Center
Gainesville, TX

1 October 2005

AIDS Arms Lifewalk

10 Radio Operators Needed

1 October 2005

Ham Expo

Belton, TX
I35 Exit 292
<http://www.tarc.org/hamexpo/oct2002early.html>

8 October 2005

Paris Texas Hamfest

Lamar County Fair Ground
Paris, TX
<http://www.dfwtrafficnet.com/parishamfest.htm>

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