

# Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

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**date**

2023-10-21

**convened**

09:37

**adjourned**

10:26

## Officers

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- **President:** David Bailey (K5DKB) *present*
- **Vice President:** Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ) *present*
- **Secretary:** Matthew Barry (KG5LYE) *present*
- **Treasurer:** Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ) *present*

## Attendees (20)

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*Quorum attained!*

- Becky Darien (K5BEC)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Robert O'Connell (KC5DWB)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)
- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Brad Snyder (KG5SDE)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Thomas Sanborn (KG7GGP)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Alan Lightfoot (KI5KMQ)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
- Kerry Miller (WD5ABC)
- John Walker (W1JCW)
- Patti Weir (KJ5BED)

- Dottie Mears
- Kathleen Sausen-Fields

# Officer Reports

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## President

*David Bailey (K5DKB)*

- Thanks for being here
- Looking ahead to next month's meeting
  - present candidates for officer positions
  - looking for presentation: anyone have any experience with computer logging software?
    - W1JCW: familiar with N1MM
      - Also work for Stepper antennas
    - N5ZKF: using N3FJP
    - KG5LYE: NetLogger, HAMRS

## Vice-President

*Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)*

- Bought "power rings" and other snacky foodstuffs from HEB this time
  - cheaper than what's at the donut shop
  - any objections?
- Nothing to report

## Secretary

*Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)*

## Approval of Minutes

- Hearing no corrections, minutes stand approved as sent out
- Minutes from this meeting will be sent out later today

## Treasurer

*Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)*

## Last Month's Statement

- Starting balance: \$8,655.06
- Income: \$95

- \$50 from membership
- \$45 from VE fees
- Disbursements: \$345
  - \$45 for VE fees to ARRL
  - \$300 for risk insurance
- Ending balance: \$8,405.06

## Club Merchandise

- Winter Field Day 2023 stickers: \$2
- Club logo pins (limited): \$3
- Club logo stickers: \$2
- Club logo window clings: \$2
- Club logo patches: \$5
- Club logo keychains: \$2

## Membership Renewals

Membership can be renewed in any of the following ways:

- online at [Ham Club Online](#)
- request PayPal invoice via email
- mail in cash or check (PO Box 4442, Bryan, TX 77805-4442)
- bring cash or check in-person at a meeting

## Other Business

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### CQ Worldwide

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- CQ World-wide is coming up
- Lots of rare DX opportunities
- looking forward to good band conditions
- Good on QRZ

### Winter Field Day

- 2024-01-27/28 (last weekend in January)
- Will be here at American Legion Post 159
  - Whole building
- Presentations
  - Janelle Johnson: Emergency Management Coordinator

- Dr. Don Conlee: Meteorologist from A&M going to Antarctic
- Joanne Keith: 7290 Traffic Net
- Workbench skills session (ongoing through Saturday afternoon)
- Food: Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast
- Swap tables
- If you're interested in helping out, join committee meetings on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 18:30
  - Contact me for Zoom info

## **ARES Update**

*Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)*

- CEOC visit each Friday 09:30
  - Keeping good relationships with cities, university, and county personnel
- Vet School Response Team
  - FEMA changed rules for evacuation: pets are now part of evacuation
  - Activated by TDEM, and will help look after evacuated pets
  - Also do equine and large animal
  - As ARES / ham radio folks, we helped them set up and learn to use their communications equipment (handheld and mobile)
    - Invited to Winter Field Day
    - One of vet techs there went to school with Samuel Morse's great-great-grandson

## **RACES Update**

*Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)*

- DPS Radios are doing fine
- RELLIS is on standby for

## **Robertson County ARES**

*Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)*

- Nets Thursday evenings 19:00
- W5KVN Repeater may be having trouble
- Planning to help Patti with antenna

## **Other Radio Schedules**

*Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)*

- We've had DMR and D-STAR (KI5MMC) rag chews in the past
- 10 m is hopping lately. Rag chew on 10 m after BARC net?
- Texas Statewide DMR net on N1WP repeater Wed 07:30
- Interested? Ideas? [officers@w5bcs.radio](mailto:officers@w5bcs.radio) or [paul@conspiracy.net](mailto:paul@conspiracy.net)
- W5AC has their nets Monday and Wednesday evenings 20:00
- Brenham has their nets on Sunday, and their repeaters are linked

## 2024 Officer Nominations

*Phil Gates (N5ZKF)*

- Club elections are in December
- We're supposed to present candidates in November so everyone knows who will be on the ballot
- 4 positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer
  - Duties described in [Constitution and By-Laws](#)
  - Occasional extra meetings (committee/planning, officer meeting, club meeting)
  - Takes some time, but not overwhelming
- Accepting nominations: [n5zkgf@arrl.net](mailto:n5zkgf@arrl.net)

## Great Shake-out: “Did you Feel It?”

*Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)*

- <https://www.shakeout.org/>
- USGS Group
- Earthquake awareness
- Imagine a Level-5 Earthquake occurred 2023-10-19 at 10:19
  - Want ham radio operators to get on Winlink and send in a “seismic activity” report
  - Be sure you indicate that “this is an exercise”

## Health and Welfare / Good of the Order

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- If anyone needs help with anything please reach out to the club. You can contact any of the officers at:
  - [officers@bryanarc.org](mailto:officers@bryanarc.org)

## Closing

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**Motion by Kerry Miller (WD5ABC):**

*to adjourn the meeting*

*Seconded by Ralph Cobb (W5RYC).*

**Outcome:** *passes unanimously*

## Next Meeting

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2023-11-18 09:30 at American Legion Post 159

## After-Meeting Show-and-Tell

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*Go-kit* by Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)