

Net Minutes

date

2024-01-09

opened

20:00

closed

20:29

Check-ins (21)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- John Walpole (K5ZY)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)
- Garrett Martin (W5HVS)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Brad Snyder (KG5SDE)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Brian Gaskamp (KA5BKG)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Robert Carter (NC5R)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- David Vickers (KI5WEH)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
- Pierre Catala (WA1UAT)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Travis Scott (KI5TMS)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Forecasts all agree on one thing: it's going to be *cold* this coming week
 - Stay safe, and make sure all of your family, friends, pets, and plants are also safe
- Annual Club Social meeting coming up
 - 2024-01-20 11:00
 - [Cooper's BBQ](#)
 - Grab a plate and join us in the party room
 - Recap of 2023 and plans for 2024

Vice-President

Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ), proxy N5ZKF

- (unable to hit repeater for some reason)
- Need door prizes for Winter Field Day
 - Consider bringing stuff with you to Cooper's (or to Winter Field Day) to donate to the cause

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net
- Students are returning amidst the cold weather
 - Classes resume next week after Martin Luther King Jr. Day, 2024-01-15

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 29 members
- Bank balance: \$8,633.06
- Looking forward to seeing everyone at Cooper's BBQ
 - Can pay your dues at that time
 - \$15 individual
 - \$20 family
 - \$5 student
- Next license exam will be Sunday, 2024-01-28 11:00
 - Part of Winter Field Day

Announcements / Comments

Question #159 for conversation: *It's going to be cold in the coming days... Are you ready for the cold weather?*

(If interested in submitting a weekly question, email n5zkgf@arrl.net)

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- 2024-01-15 Brazos County Meeting has been canceled due to the cold weather
- [CEOC visit](#) 2024-01-12 09:00
 - Call on [KD5DLW](#) or (979) 821-1012 to be let in

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Reminder about general preparations for cold weather:
 - Insulate pipes or leave them on a slow drip to prevent freezing
 - Bring outdoor pets and plants inside
 - Make sure you have a generator and/or a source of warmth in case the power goes out
 - Have fresh water on hand in case pipe freezes or bursts
 - Have a stash of non-perishable food in the pantry in case you can't get out or deliveries can't get in for a while
 - N5ZKF: Gas in car, Flashlights, Extra batteries,

Bill Rose (K5WTR)

- Don Ling (WB5CK0) is very ill tonight
- Please keep him in your prayers!

Buy / Sell

Travis Scott (KI5TMS)

- Gentleman in Franklin has quite a bit of ham radio gear from a silent key trying to sell off
- Good on QRZ

Information Exchange

Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- For KI5ZPG: maybe power supply and/or RF interference from somewhere
- KG5LYE: sounds like the signal is fine for a split second then “warms up” to produce a tone
 - Occasional “gaps” between the tone allow for voice/signal to be heard
 - If I had to guess, the oscillators or modulation circuitry in the radio may be going bad