

2024-11-12 Net Minutes

opened

20:00

closed

20:29

Check-ins (31)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Travis Scott (KI5TMS)
- Rich Rychetsky (W5SON)
- Curtis Pool (KD5HEY)
- Vic Pears (KX8V)
- Garrett Martin (W5HVS)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Bill Preston (KZ3G)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EFO)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Jason Shutt (KI5LG0)
- Pierre Catala (WA1UAT)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Bennie Naiser (KA5TWB)
- Brian Gaskamp (KA5BKG)
- John Graesser (KC5DWD)
- Dominick Adamo, Jr. (KG5JRA)

- Jon Edwards (KI5YZR)
- Jonathan Graham (KD5GG)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Club meeting this weekend
 - 2024-11-16 09:30
 - American Legion Post 159, [101 Waco St, Bryan](#)
 - Mike Wisby (KA5HIA) will present ballot to be accepted for December election
 - Contact him if interested in running (or nominating someone else) for an officer position
 - Nominations from the floor
 - Joint presentation afterward about Winlink by the following people:
 - Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
 - Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)
 - Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

Vice-President

Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)

- *excused*
- Proxy Phil Gates (N5ZKF):
 - W5BCS Repeater outage
 - Fortunately, nothing serious
 - Radio was not in proper operating mode
 - Better audio path for Echolink node is in the works!
 - Still being worked on, should be back shortly

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
- See you this weekend!

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 84 members
- Bank balance: \$8,024.74
- Next Ham License Exam
 - 2024-11-16 11:00 (after club meeting)
 - American Legion Post 159
 - Be sure to have your FRN!
- Next Winter Field Day committee meeting
 - 2024-11-21 18:30

Announcements / Comments

Question #202 for conversation: *Have you ever used solar or wind power for amateur radio operations?*

(If interested in submitting a weekly question, email n5zkf@arrl.net)

Bill Rose (K5WTR)

- I have 400 W, 17.5 V, 400 A-hr storage from solar power
 - Charges through most of the day
 - Even sometimes a little voltage at night during a bright full moon
 - Runs all of my radios (all the time)
- Reasons:
 1. Supposed to be prepared for emergency comms
 2. Don't like it when the lights go out :-)
 3. Also powers all-electric home

Don Ling (WB5CKO)

- Similar setup as K5WTR
 - 3x 100 A-hr batteries
 - 13.6 V at night just from security light
- Meteor shower peaking soon
 - Should be visible if there are no clouds
 - N5ZKF: probably the Leonids? (peak will be around next full moon)