

2025-02-04 Net Minutes

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20:00

closed

20:32

Check-ins (26)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Robert Grigsby (KB5RAG)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Garrett Martin (W5HVS)
- Vic Pears (KX8V)
- Travis Scott (KI5TMS)
- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EFO)
- John Graesser (KC5DWD)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Rick Pfeil (W4RDP)
- Rich Rychetsky (W5SON)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)
- Ricardo Pena (WN5RMP)
- Jon Edwards (KI5YZR)

Opening Remarks

- Last Call: Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
 - Passed away suddenly on Sunday, 2025-02-02
 - Extra Class operator
 - Him and Cheryl have been active in the community for many years
 - Beloved and very active club member
 - Now on “the greatest DXpedition.”
 - Viewing Saturday, 2025-02-08 13:00/14:00 at Hillier Funeral Home, [2301 E 29th St, Bryan](#)
 - Funeral to follow (at 14:00)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Shaken by the news of Ralph’s passing... We’ll miss you!
- Meeting coming up on 2025-02-15 09:30
 - American Legion Post 159, 101 Waco St, Bryan
 - Will have a presentation, but still in preparations

Vice-President

Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)

- Rare warm weather in February... enjoy it!

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- I will miss Ralph very much. He was there when I first became a ham and was there through the full way
- Minutes will be sent out after the net.

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 61 members
- Bank balance: \$8,925.37
- Next Ham License Exam:

- 2025-02-15 11:00
- American Legion Post 159 (after club meeting)
- I'll miss Ralph as a club member, a friend, and loyal volunteer examiner
 - He helped administer 37 exam sessions since July 2015
- Thanks to all who helped deliver Kolaches to Veterans Coffee last Thursday

Announcements / Comments

Question #211 for conversation: *Does anyone have memories to share of Ralph?*

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

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- Robertson County ARES meeting this Saturday at Volunteer Fire Dept 09:30
- Learning about traffic and National Traffic System
- Breakfast at Amigo's at 07:45

Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)

- Brazos County ARES monthly net tonight 20:30 or after W5BCS net
- 443.425 MHz FM (KD5DLW) repeater

Kevin Walton (N4RMF)

- Was not expecting to hear of Ralph's passing
- One of the first people I got to know in the club
- Lived just right behind me, and I didn't know it at the time
 - Always jealous of his pre-HOA approval tower
- I was walking one day and ran into Ralph
 - He showed me around his ham shack
 - Got to know him and his wife

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- Condolences to Ralph's family
- He was quiet in nature, always there to help, and took pleasure in it
 - Will be forever appreciated and missed

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- I think Ralph was present for all of my exams from Tech through Extra
- Helped me to diagnose some transmission issues I was having with my Baofeng
- See above for arrangements

