

2025-09-16 Net Minutes

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20:00

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20:36

Check-ins (33)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- David Barry (KG5UZA)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- Matthew Cadman (KJ5IIF)
- Brandon Bartlett (KG5LYN)
- David Hyden (KJ5MDC)
- Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)
- Jason Shutt (KI5LGO)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- John Graesser (KC5DWD)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EFO)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Roseanne Cunningham (KC5FGG)
- Elizabeth Shutt (KJ5IDP)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Mike Mertes (KZ5M)
- Robert Grigsby (KB5RAG)
- Emery Hyden (K5OWO)

- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)
- Matt Robinson (W5XMR)
- Christy Bailey (KI5WUM)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)

Opening Remarks

- Shout-out to all those listening!

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Our [monthly meeting](#) coming up this weekend
 - 2025-09-20 09:30
 - American Legion Post 159, 101 Waco St, Bryan [[Google Maps](#)]
- We've recently been gifted six [Meshtastic](#) devices to give away
 - Will be giving them out as door prizes at the meeting this weekend
 - Three of them have batteries, and the others require "shore power" to work

Vice-President

Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)

- Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting
- Will discuss Winter Field Day
 - Scheduled for 2026-01-24/25
 - Looking for volunteers to help make it happen
- Welcome to all of our listeners!

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
 - I'm back from being absent last week and will send out the minutes from that

with this week's minutes

- I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting this weekend!
- Up to 241 questions since I started counting!

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 78 members
- Bank balance: \$12,050.32
- Ham License Exam
 - This Saturday, 2025-09-20 11:00 (after club meeting)
 - If you're planning on taking the technician exam, you must obtain your FCC Registration Number (FRN)
- Looking forward to seeing everyone this weekend

Announcements / Comments

Question #241 for conversation: *What would be your dream radio?*

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

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- [CEOC Visit](#) this Friday, 2025-09-19 09:00
 - Meet on the sidewalk
 - Will be monitoring the repeater if you're late
 - Work on Winlink, VHF, and HF

Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)

Hear ye, hear ye!

- Will be presenting N5BRZ Cares and the upcoming Brazos Valley Gives fundraising events at the meeting this weekend
- Hope to see you there!
- Mind the tropics: still developing weather

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Who has the roll of raffle tickets? Can you bring them to Saturday's meeting?
 - KI5FIZ: I have a feeling that I have them. I'll search through the boxes...

Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)

- This weekend is the Texas QSO party:
 - Saturday 2025-09-20 09:00/21:00
 - Sunday 2025-09-21 09:00/21:00
- Offering a two-day Technician license course with an exam:
 - Saturday 2025-09-27 09:00/17:00
 - Sunday 2025-09-28 12:00/17:00 (License Exam follows; allow for 2 hours)
 - Christ Lutheran Day School, 1104 Carlee St, Brenham [[Google Maps](#)]
- Email w5aum@w5aum.radio if interested
 - I'm also [Good on QRZ](#)

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- My ideal radio probably couldn't exist
 - All bands, all modes: analog, digital, voice, data, including ICOM's D-STAR and Yaesu's System Fusion, if that could ever happen!
 - Computer peripheral that you'd control with software, mouse, and keyboard
 - Wide-band waterfall display
- Important note: License exams usually have a fee (\$15), and then there's the FCC's fee (\$35) to update their database
 - There's a [quick start guide](#) on our website with a lot of detail

Closing Remarks

- Visit us online at w5bcs.radio.