

2025-11-25 Net Minutes

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20:00

closed

20:37

Check-ins (22)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Rich Rychetsky (W5SON)
- Larry Shiver (KJ5KFU)
- Garrett Martin (W5HVS)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Robert Grigsby (KB5RAG)
- Blake Hearen (K5BAH)
- Jared Cleere (KJ5KGD)
- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Club election season is here!
- Ballot was finalized at the previous meeting
 - Same officers as this past cycle
 - **President:** David Bailey (K5DKB)
 - **Vice President:** Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
 - **Secretary:** Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
 - **Treasurer:** Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- We will need a quorum to hold elections in December
 - 2025-12-20 09:30
- January Meeting will be the typical annual BBQ luncheon
 - Cooper's BBQ, 3055 Earl Rudder Fwy S, College Station [[Google Maps](#)]
 - 2026-01-17 11:30

Vice-President

Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)

- Happy Thanksgiving!
- Keep Winter Field Day on your radar
- Will be 2026-01-24/25

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
- Happy Thanksgiving! I'm thankful for all the people in this hobby!
 - typically the same bunch who keep the community going and safe!

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 81 members
- Bank balance: \$11,850.59
- Next License Exam
 - 2025-12-20 11:00
 - American Legion Post 159
- Club Holiday Party 2025-12-14
 - Lorna's place
 - See email for details

Announcements / Comments

Question #251 for conversation: *Ham Radio Gratitude: What amateur-radio-related thing(s) are you thankful for?*

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

KG5EFO

- I'm thankful for learning, education, and wisdom of the group, as well as the camaraderie!
- No CEOC visit this Friday

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- I really appreciate the community: we have a very large and diverse group
- Special thanks to ARES and RACES members who support the community!

Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- Grateful for many things:
 - My equipment
 - Being involved with the club
 - The patience of those who have taught me over the years :)

Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)

- Thankful for the equipment and for being a member of the club!

Information Exchange

Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)

- I've coached a few folks in getting their license, but haven't heard them check in... Any thoughts?
- KG5LYE:
 - Mic shyness is a huge deal!
 - Maybe walk them through the process the first few times
 - Best thing we can do is to invite them, give them something to talk about (I think we do a great job with that on this net!)
- N5ZKF:
 - Maybe get involved with W5AC
 - W5AC does additional things: fox hunts, on-campus radio stations
 - Group setting with encouragement goes a long way
 - Bring them to meetings, Parks on the Air

- W5BLS
 - Mic fright, probably...
 - Just keep encouraging them

Closing Remarks

- Visit us online at w5bcs.radio.