

2025-12-16 Net Minutes

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20:00

closed

20:34

Check-ins (30)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Don Ling (WB5CKO)
- Larry Shiver (KJ5KFU)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Troyce Wilson (KC5CBI)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- John Graesser (KC5DWD)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Michael Bobinski (N5NYL)
- Rich Rychetsky (W5SON)
- Emery Hyden (K5OWO)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)
- Pierre Catala (WA1UAT)
- Matt Robinson (W5XMR)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Garrett Martin (W5HVS)
- Brandon Bartlett (KG5LYN)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- This coming weekend is our December meeting
 - 2025-12-20 09:30
 - American Legion Post 159, 101 Waco St, Bryan [[Google Maps](#)]
 - We'll need quorum for officer elections
 - Only folks on the ballot are the current incumbent officers running unopposed:
 - **President:** David Bailey (K5DKB)
 - **Vice President:** Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
 - **Secretary:** Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
 - **Treasurer:** Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- January meeting will be our traditional luncheon
 - 2026-01-17 11:30
 - Cooper's Old Time Pit BBQ, 3055 Earl Rudder Fwy S, College Station [[Google Maps](#)]
 - Grab a plate of BBQ and join us in the meeting room

Vice-President

Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)

- Echoed importance of quorum for Saturday
 - Aggies are playing, but you should be able to make the meeting and get home in time for kickoff

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
 - Some have had issues receiving them
 - Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ) has made some adjustments, so hopefully you get them now
 - Let me know if not: kg5lye@komputerwiz.net
- Special thank-you to Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ) for hosting our holiday party this weekend!

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 81 members
- Bank balance: \$11,963.97
- Next license exam
 - 2025-12-20 11:00 (following club meeting)
 - American Legion Post 159, 101 Waco St, Bryan [[Google Maps](#)]
- It was great to see everyone at the holiday party!

Announcements / Comments

Question #254 for conversation: *"How does that work?" What concept or observation puzzle or amaze you?"*

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

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- [CEOC Visit](#) this Friday, 2025-12-19 09:00
 - If you're late, call on W5BCS repeater
 - Last meeting of the year; we'll resume in January

Don Ling (WB5CK0)

- Notice from the Veteran's Administration this weekend:
 - Nasal spray recall: microbial contamination in manufacturing facility
 - If received before 2025-12-08, throw it out!
 - Check with your pharmacist

Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)

- ARRL 10 m contest this past weekend
- Put in about 20 hours
- 514 contacts (71,960 pts!)
 - 39/50 states
 - 22 country
 - 9/16 Canadian provinces
 - 2 stations in Mexico

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Always wondered about analog modulation and demodulation of Phase-Shift Keying
- Digital circuitry makes sense, but it was done with purely analog circuitry in the early days... how?

Bill Rose (K5WTR)

- Testing new microphone settings
- N5ZKF: strong signal, and it's coming through the repeater

Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- Radio has always fascinated me
 - Lots of receivers running at all times
- HF long echoes (receiving the same signal from different paths)
- Heard from Dwayne Walters (W5DPW) the other day on the repeater
 - Living on the other side of I-45
 - Hit the repeater from his J-Pole antenna

Closing Remarks

- Visit us online at w5bcs.radio.