



Chipola Amateur Radio Club

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REPEATERS
2M, 146.670 -
70CM, 444.950+, 123CG
6 M, 53.010 -

CLUB EVENTS

Jan 17th Club Meeting
Feb 21st Club Meeting
Mar 11th Club Meeting / Test
Session
Apr 18th Club Meeting
May 16th Club Meeting
Jun 17th Club Meeting / Test
Session

OTHER EVENTS

Jan 21st, Southcars Luncheon
Feb 10th-12th, NFL Section
Convention
Feb 18th, Hernando Hamfest

CLUB OFFICERS

President
Gary Brown, WW4JDO
Vice President
Bill Everitt, KG4ZJT
Secretary/Treasurer
Annette Colson, KG4CJX

CLUB OFFICIALS

Repeater Coordinator
Jeff Hagan, WO4J
2M Repeater Trustee
Jeff Hagan, WO4J
70CM Repeater Trustee
Danny Tipton, KN4UC
6M Repeater Trustee
Lonnie Whitehead, N4PTW
Echolink Trustee
Wayne Espey, KB4AAC
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Todd Wiggins, W4MMA
Yahoo Moderator
Wayne Espey, KB4AAC
Newsletter Editor
Gary Brown, WW4JDO

NET CONTROL OPERATORS

January, Will
February, Bill
March, Ricky

THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Another year under our belts. I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. We have some excellent opportunities this year to share HAM radio with the community. We are planning to offer a minimum of 3 test sessions this year. They will coincide with our March, June and September Meetings (our Saturday meetings). We will need VE's for all of these test sessions so let me or Ricky know whether you will be able to make it. The 2meter Repeater is operating quite well right now. Many thanks go out to Jimmy, Jeff, Gary and the crew from CII as well as Ray the tower guy. Rodney is working on getting a grant for some new repeater equipment for the Amateurs; he wants to make sure that we have the equipment necessary to support EMCOMM in the event we are needed. Also he has spent a lot of time and money to fix us up a place here at the EOC, it makes providing the service we do a lot easier when we have a place to work and people who want to work with us. 73s DE Bill Everitt KG4ZJT Club Vice-President

MARCH TEST SESSION

There will be a test session offered on the 11th of March. Those of you needing to upgrade, keep preparing. Those of you that know someone who might be interested in being a HAM, it is not too late for them to get in on this test session. Remember that testing fees have increased to \$14.

BPL TEST IN GRACEVILLE

Will continues to keep tabs on the BPL testing in Graceville. As some have already found out, it really does affect Radio Communications on multiple bands. I understand that the noise has been reduced significantly, but not completely with notching, there is still a lot that needs to be done on the BPL company's part to prevent interference on the Amateur Frequencies as well as certain public service and military frequencies.

ARES SERVICE

As most of you know, Ricky KD4AST has taken over District Emergency Coordinator for East Panhandle District. He is working to bring all 7 counties of the East Panhandle District online. For years, we have not been represented in several of the counties for one reason or another. Through the efforts of Rodney and Ricky, inroads have been laid and seeds planted to get better amateur coverage for this part of Florida in the county EOCs. Look forward to some great and wonderful things to start happening that will benefit all the amateurs in the area.