



Chipola Amateur Radio Club

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Newsletter

April 18th, 2009

REPEATERS

146.670 –
147.045+, 123CG
444.950+, 123CG

CLUB NET

Our club, along with the Jackson County ARES, sponsors a net every Monday night at 7 PM on 146.670-.

CLUB EVENTS

May 19th, Club Meeting
Jun 16th, Club Meeting
Jul 18th, Meeting/Test Session

OTHER EVENTS

Apr 25th, Headland Tailgate
Jun 27-28, Field Day

CLUB OFFICERS

President
Bill, KG4ZJT
Vice President
Gary Brown, WW4JDO
Secretary/Treasurer
Becky, KI4UJB

CLUB OFFICIALS

Repeaters Coordinator
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146.670 Repeater Trustee
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Bill Everitt, KG4ZJT
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Gary Brown, WW4JDO
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NET CONTROL OPERATORS

Apr – Ricky, KD4AST
May – Kevin, KI4ANR
Jun –

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello fellow hams, we are getting ever closer to our annual field day. This year we are excited to announce that we will be hosting the field day at the new Jackson County EOC on Panhandle Rd. Now we are going to require some serious work before the field day to insure its successfulness. We have not put up the HF dipole and at this point and we do not have a tower for the VHF/UHF radios. I am looking for someone to head up the field day committee and for folks to participate in that committee and help us to have the best field day ever. We will be having a club supper outdoors the evening of field day and the club will be providing the steaks, so if you are wanting to enjoy a delicious rib eye, please make sure your dues are up to date, otherwise provide your own.

ARES

Hurricane season is almost upon us. NHC and the hurricane experts at Colorado are predicting an average hurricane season this year. The last two years have been extremely active, but we saw little action. This year may be much the same, but then again you never know. That said, we need to start checking out our mobile, base, and jump kits and make sure that everything is ready to go. Has it been a few years since you have done anything with your antenna systems? Don't get caught with a weakened antenna or mounting hardware. Check things out and get them fixed before the big winds blow. Jackson County Emergency Management will be conducting our annual hurricane exercise on June 2nd. This will be an all day event put on by the Regional Planning folks. They are looking for maximum participation so if you can plan to participate either by checking out radio kits from the EOC and setting them up where assigned and passing simulated traffic, or by providing simulated traffic from your mobile or base stations. I need to know who can participate as soon as possible so that I can get the numbers to Rodney.

SKYWARN

I would just like to thank all those of you that have been participating in the recent SKYWARN Nets. National Weather Service is really appreciative of all the eye ball reports that they receive and are looking more and more at ham radio operators because we do not require existing infrastructure. The Tallahassee ARES folks provide radio operators at the NWS office at FSU whenever severe weather is in the area so we are able to inject reports to them directly through the KJ4G repeater in Tallahassee. KJ4G is also Echolinked (Node 3950) so we can make direct reports if we can't hit their repeater over the air. We received feedback from a ham radio operator in Ozark who was monitoring recently one of our SKYWARN nets and he complimented us on our professionalism. I would like to thank Brent especially for his work on the scripts and for acting as net control. You all keep up the good work. If anyone is interested in SKYWARN training please let me know and we will get up with Kelly Godsey or Bob Gohree and see if we can schedule a class.

