



ARASWF

News Letter



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The October 2nd Membership Meeting will be held at Veterans Park off Immokalee Road in the small building by the dog park. Time is 6 pm 5:15 for the FOX

Link to balloon site <http://sites.google.com/view/blueskyadventures>

The 146.670 repeater has Echo link reinstalled.

Club Nets are held on the 146.670 -136.5 or the 147.030 +136.5 repeaters.

ARESCC Nets will be when called for.

ARASWF Information Net is Tuesday at 7:30 pm. *please volunteer*

Net coordinator:

Foster Kawaler K4FEK

And are in need of Net Control operators,

efraim1@juno.com

Sunday's Backwoods Net on 444.875 Mhz +67.0 at 7:30pm

Allstar node 41860. See <http://stats.allstarlink.org/nodeinfo.cgi?node=41860>

Amateur License Exams
Monthly, 1st Tuesday, 5:30 pm
Doors open at 5 pm
appointment required
text, phone, or email
for information and location
Mark Harms
239 331-9616
AC4ZM@ARASWF.ORG



Meetings now held at Collier Fire Station #48
16280 Livingston Rd. Naples, FL.
Next Meeting: Oct 24 at 1:30 pm

If you haven't done so already, please renew your membership dues for 2025.

The ARASWF Radio Club needs your support.

<http://www.araswf.org/join-renew-araswf/>

CLUB OFFICERS

looking for a Vice President

New member alert from passing an Amateur License Test

President	AC4ZM	Mark	Director	K4FEK	Foster
VP	Open		Director	N9HUY	Don
Finance	KBOJL	Rob	Director	K1NEW	Tom
Secretary	KN4YIR	Liz	Director	KO4GGA	Robert
Director	NH6GR	Sharron	Web Master	NC2H	Craig
Director	W1FF	Ray	VE Testing	AC4ZM	Mark

Chris Pritchard KQ4VGV Technician

We have tested 26 people this year so far

Thank you from the President
AC4ZM Mark

AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION OF SWFL

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2024 TIME: 12.00noon
 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY - Mark Harms
 IN ATTENDANCE - Mark Harms, Rob Timm, Liz Appling
 APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The Minutes were approved from the August meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- MF15 Fox Unit returned from Byon/Byonics, he said all good. Mark said MF15 works with some batteries and not others! Liz suggested cleaning contacts with alcohol wipe.
- ARASWF Club weekly InfoNet - Tuesdays at 7.30pm EST. Club still looking for net control volunteers to run it.

NEW BUSINESS / DISCUSSION TOPICS

- Rob read out list of topics we cover at monthly meetings and suggested new ideas. Liz suggested that we have more member interaction.
- Mark said that various items had been donated to the Club and would be made available at next meeting for members to purchase at very affordable prices.
- October 2nd Meeting – Veterans Park 6-8pm. Topics to also include: ARES update/Tom; Arlen presentation on Remotes; AARL Exam Questions x 5/Rob. Items for sale. Raffle/Coffee/Doughnuts.
- FL Weekly (Thurs) – Club Ad submitted inviting Hams to attend Monthly meetings and join ARASWF. Editor confirmed that as Season approaches and more pages printed, the Club Notes will reappear.
- Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 4th December 6-8pm at Bob Evans Restaurant (full menu). Sign-up sheet and Map/Directions will be available at each meeting or notify Mark, Rob or Liz directly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / FUTURE EVENTS

- Don Polly kindly bringing his mobile Sound System and Microphone to all Veterans Park meetings.
- Membership/Renewals – Rob Timm said Members can now pay for multiple years if liked.
- October 2nd Pre-Meeting – **Fox Hunt, starts 5.15pm around grounds (bring attenuators)**
- Febuary 2025 Fox Hunt (downtown Naples) – Saturday morning proposed followed by lunch.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1.00pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING – 12:00noon Tuesday 22nd October, 2024 at Perkins on Pine Ridge Rd.

At the last membership meeting

Rob Timm KB0JL helped everone with an understading of attenuators, frequency, distance and the math that goes with finding the FOX.

Is there anything you would like to share ?

AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION OF SWFL		
SIGN-IN SHEET	DATE:	
NAME		CALL SIGN
1	DENNIS BYONOCORE	W4ZFHX
2	Rich Naples	404 211E
3	Ed Jones	K04FMS
4	MARK Harms	AC4ZM
5	Vern Brownell	W1VB
6	Arlen Hartford	W9PCI
7	Stephen Stout	
8	Eric Solomon	W4EPS
9	DAVE DUCEIT	WB8VQU
10	Rob Timm	KB0JL
11	Liz Appling	KN4 YIR
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ARASWF Meeting Dates (2024-2025)

BOARD MEETING

12 noon Tuesday at
Perkins on Pine Ridge

09/17/24
10/22/24
11/19/24
12/17/24
01/21/25
02/18/25
03/18/25
04/22/25
05/20/25
06/17/25
07/22/25
08/19/25
09/16/25
10/21/25
11/18/25
12/16/26

CLUB MEETING 6pm – 8 pm
Wednesday at Veterans Park

10/02/24
11/06/24
12/04/24 (Bob Evans Restaurant)
01/08/25 (Room available?)
02/05/25
03/05/25
04/02/25
05/07/25
06/04/25 (Perkins)
07/02/25 (Perkins)
08/06/25 (Perkins)
09/03/25
10/01/25
11/05/25
12/03/25 (?? Restaurant)
01/07/26 (Room available?)

VE TESTING

doors open 5 pm
First Tuesday

10/01/24
11/05/24
12/03/24
01/07/25
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01/06/26

**Hello all you ham hounds out there.
It's time again for another fox hunt!**



When: October 2nd before our monthly meeting
Where: Veterans Park where we normally hold our monthly meeting
Time: 5:15 pm
Frequency: 146.400 (2M)
Why: Because it's a whole lot of fun and it won't be 95 degrees out!

Don't miss out on this fun event. Plan to attend and bring your best fox-hunting gear. Let's see who brings the most creative and efficient antenna for the task.



**Christmas Party at Bob Evans Restaurant
6 pm on Wednesday December 4th**

Please sign up



Map to BOB EVENS



Stuff comming your way