



THE SIGNAL

Tulsa Repeater Organization

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TRO ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2010

Happy Holidays to all!
 from the
Tulsa Repeater Organization

The annual Christmas and New Year's party will be at Ryan's Family Steakhouse at 10934 East 21st Street beginning at 1930. Come early for dinner. We will have cake and soft drinks for refreshments. Possibly a prize or two and a lot of ragchewing.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND OFFICIALS FOR THE
 TRO 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR**

— BY MERLIN GRIFFIN WB5OSM NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

The **TRO** is looking for a few good members to serve as officers, next year. Our president Tom KD5OPH has graciously served his two year sentence. It's time for him to be promoted to the exalted status of immediate past president, which by the way is still a board member.

All executive positions are open: President, vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee. Except for the President, all the other offices may be re-elected. That is if they are willing to serve again, and the club membership votes to let them do that.

Three things:

1. I need a couple of other regular members, not currently serving as officers to help me on the nominating committee.
2. If you are a current officer, other

than president and are willing to server again, please let me know.
 3A. If you are a member and have a recommendation for an officer, let me know.
 3B. If you are a member and would like to be an officer, please let me know.

Who am I? Merlin WB5OSM current Trustee of the **TRO**, among other things.

I can be found on 146.88 and 444.1 which is sort of working again. 918.520.7668 or email me at WB5OSM@hotmail.com. You may also text me at 9185207668

73 DE WB5OSM

BTW the ARRL says I have served in 240 ARRL-VEC test sessions!

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The next TRO meeting will be our Holiday Party on Tuesday, December 28 at Ryan's Family Steakhouse 10934 East 21st St.

Check the TRO website at tulsahamradio.org regularly for immediate updates of activities.

MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 2010 BY Ed Compos—K5CRQ



Minutes for Board Meeting and TRO Meeting 11-23-2010

- Board meeting started at 018:38hours by Tom Stroud kd5oph president.
- There is a candle light vigil for the runner who passed away during the Route 66 marathon at 15th and Riverside Dec 15, 2010. More to come.
- February 19th and 20th 2011 the Post Oak Challenge will take place This will be a communications project for the club. They will do trails the 19th and roads on the 20th. Two day event. More to come.
- Tour De Cure will be June 18th, 2011 (date to be verified) Route this year unknown.
- The Route 66 wrap-up event was held Dec 13, 2010 at the Blue Cross Blue Shield bldg. No info on ow that went or if anyone attended it.
- Need to get the committee for nominations for next years officers in place and have the potential officer post there qualifications and thoughts in the Signal in January and vote in February. They take office in March 2011. If you would like to run for a office let Tom kd5oph know.
- Treasurers report was submitted by email and read. Motion by Tom kd5oph and second by Ed Compos k5crq to accept as written; and passed on vote.
- The board had a discussion with Don Cole ke5ehu in reference to the communications trailer he is building and the possibility of the club assisting him and its use by the club. Discussion tabled and will continue at the regular club meeting.
- Meeting closed at 19:30 hrs for regular club meeting.

TRO Meeting Minutes:

Meeting called to order by Tom kd5oph at 19:30 hrs.

- Tom thanked everyone who helped with he Route 66 Marathon and for the great job that was done by all. Numerous medical emergency that where taken care of. Every year we see a bigger role in the communications of this event.
- Upcoming event Post Oak Challenge will be Feb 19th and 20th, 2011.
- April 28th and 29th, 2011 will be a Boy Scout event date to be verified and more to come.
- Holiday Party will be held December 28th at Ryan's at 19:30 hrs.
- Discussion was held with Don Cole ke5ehu reference his trailer that he is setting up for ARES and general use and the possibility of the club helping with the building and use of it. The trailer will beset up for communications and use in general by the Cole's and use by others it yet to be determined. The first and primary use is for ARES response. A list of rules were presented by Don and discussion held. Assistance will be looked into after a design plan is done.
- Treasurers report read and motion made by ed k5crq and second by Ben wb5vst and passed on vote.
- Remember it is payment of dues time and we need them to continue supporting our repeater maintenance.

Meeting closed at 2040 hrs. Ed Compos k5crq, Secretary



TREASURER'S REPORT BY GARY PARHAM—KC5ZQP

Treasury Report for November 2010

Not available at time of publishing

TRO Accounts balance beginning :		\$ 2413.18
Checking beginning balance:	\$	
Checking ending balance:	\$	
Savings beginning balance:	\$	
12-01-10 interest:	+\$	
Ending savings balance:	\$	
Paypal Account beginning:	\$	
Ending Paypal balance:	\$	

TRO Ending Accounts balance :	\$	

ANNOUNCING THE TRO SIGNAL BULLETIN**TRO SIGNAL BULLETIN**

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Introducing The TRO Signal Bulletin

This is the initial, introductory issue of the TRO Signal Bulletin, a weekly text-only bulletin of news and announcements about ham radio and related current events in the Tulsa area. Right now, it is just a temporary experiment by Doug Lee, KC5ZQM, on behalf of the TRO, and it is not yet an official TRO publication.

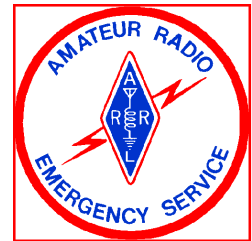
The purpose of the TRO Signal Bulletin is to pass on current and fresh information about ham radio events and activities in the Tulsa area. The Bulletin will be distributed through the WA5LVT Yahoo email group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WA5LVT/>

I will have a link soon on the TRO website www.tulsaamradio.org with a button to Signal Bulletin. In the mean time if you are a member of Yahoo! join the WA5LVT Yahoo! group.

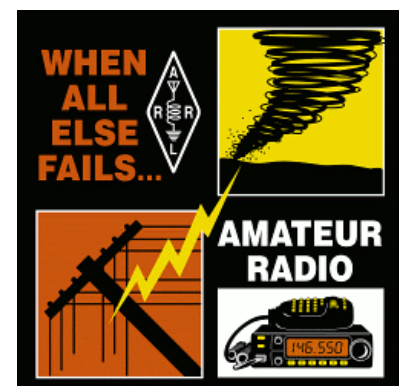
I will get a link on the Tulsa Repeater Organization Facebook group each time a new issue is released.

Doug is wanting feedback about this project, so, after viewing the issues already released you might drop him a note at kc5zqm@cox.net if you have ideas to make the bulletin more useful for it's purpose.

Steve Miller—AA5V



ARES/RACES Net Tuesday evenings at 2030 local time on the 146.88 repeater with back-up on 146.94.



Tulsa County ARES held a Simulated Emergency Test (SET) on Saturday, December 11, 2010

The following was the agenda for the day as written by Mark Conklin—N7XYO
A-SEC ARES OK Zone4&5EC

All ARES OK Volunteers - **Saturday December 11, 2010** Tulsa County ARES will conduct Simulated Emergency Communications Exercise (SET) involving the area hospitals, and other serves agencies in the area. **This SET will be open to participation from any ARES volunteer.**

Time line for that day (subject to change):

0900-1100L Training and Briefing at Martin East Regional Library in Tulsa

Martin Regional Library @ 2601 S. Garnett Rd, Tulsa

1101-1259L Lunch on your own
1300L Operators to their stations/positions
1400L Net Traffic begins
After Net operations conclude and all stations report QRT.
1630L All participants gather (location TBD) for debriefing.

Anyone interested in participating, observing, or just checking things out should come to the Training and Briefing at Martin East Regional Library in Tulsa @ 0900L.

I was unable to participate but did get to listen to some of the net Saturday afternoon and things seemed to flow pretty much with the agenda. A lot of notes made about equipment needing programmed, audio needs adjusted here and there and other things. That's what it was all about, so, job well done.

Thanks to everyone that was able to take the time to help with this ARES function.

Steve Miller—AA5V



NCVEC Releases New General Class Question Pool

Special Bulletin 8 From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 7, 2010
To all radio amateurs

The Question Pool Committee (QPC) of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) released the new General class (Element 3) question pool on Tuesday, December 7. This new question pool -- including graphics and diagrams -- will become effective for all General class examinations administered on or after July 1, 2011; it will remain valid until June 30, 2015. The current General question pool that became effective July 1, 2007 will expire June 30, 2011. The new General pool contains 457 questions, from which 35 are selected for an Element 3 examination. The current Technician class question pool that was effective July 1, 2010 is valid through June 30, 2014. The current Amateur Extra class pool that was effective July 1, 2008 is valid until June 30, 2012.

TRO REPEATER STATUS

Frequency	PL	Status
146.34/94	none	Down
146.28/88	88.5	Up
146.205/805	88.5	Up
449.1/444.1	88.5	Down
449.725/444.725	88.5	Up
449.95/444.95	none	Up
ATV 421.25/434.25	none	Up

AREA AMATEUR RADIO TESTING

Third Thursday of odd numbered months.
7:00 P.M. at the Red Cross building at 11th & 169.

Contact Merlin Griffin
Phone 520-7668 or email
wb5osm@hotmail.com

First Saturday of odd numbered months.
0930 to 1100 at Hardesty Regional Library
8316 E 93rd Street
Tulsa, OK 74133
2011 Schedule:
January 8th
March 5th
May 7th
July 9th
September 10th
November 5th

Walk-ins Welcome
Contact Tom—K5EHX
tom@k5ehx.net
or (918)835-7889 and leave message.
Talk-in on 146.55 simplex

Second Saturday of even numbered months,
9:30 A.M. at the Church of Christ, 505 E Kenosha Street, Broken Arrow.
Walk-ins welcome.
Contact: Don Doyle—AC5II at
ac5II@arrl.net
or 379-0962

Last Saturday of each month 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at the Martin East Regional Library
2601 S Garnett Road
Tulsa, OK.
All testing by appointment ONLY. Please contact Pete—KF5RD at mann.p@cox.net or 918.437.4846.
Always check with Pete. This group changes scheds regularly.

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Tuesday, Dec 28
7:30PM

TRO Holiday Party

Saturday, Feb 26
9:00 AM

Annual Storm Spotter Training—OU Schusterman Center at 4502 E 41st

Saturday, Feb 26
Sunday, Feb 27

Post Oak Challenge—TRO to provide communications
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Friday, March 11
Saturday, March 12

Green Country Hamfest—Claremore Expo Center—www.greencountryhamfest.org
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Monday, May 30

Maple Ridge Run—TRO to provide communications

Sunday, June 12

Tulsa Triathlon—TRO to provide communications—*Tentative*

Saturday, June 18
0800 to 1500

Tour de Cure—TRO to provide communications



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Want more information about the ***Tulsa Repeater Organization*** or have questions about articles in the newsletter, contact us at email address wa5lvt@tulсахamradio.net or write to:

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