



# THE SIGNAL



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“Covering Tulsa through the air”

## PREZ SAYZ:

Ok whoever is praying for rain, Please stop. I had to put pontoons on my mower to mow. We have had a few bike events so far this year. We have two more coming up soon. If you have never helped on the bike events, you might want to help out. If you want to help, email me [pdyoungatheart@msn.com](mailto:pdyoungatheart@msn.com). Just a reminder that there will be no June meeting. Find a Field Day to go to, TARC is having theirs at Haikey Creek Park Tri-Plex on the weekend of June 28 & 29, 2025. The next TRO meeting will be May 27 at Freeway Cafe 5849 S 49<sup>th</sup> W Ave , Tulsa. The meeting starts at 7:00, come early, 6:00, if you want to eat with us. Hope to see you at the meeting in May and at a Field Day in June.

TRO President  
Paul Young - KE5EHM

## PLACE FOR THE MEETING ON MAY 27TH IS FREEWAY CAFE:

The TRO meeting for May will be at  
**Freeway Cafe, 5849 S 49<sup>th</sup> West Avenue in Tulsa** at 1900.  
Come 30 minutes to an hour early if you plan to eat.

## GREEN COUNTRY HAMFEST IS IN THE BOOKS:

Green Country Hamfest 2025 is in the books, and we hope everyone that attended had a great time. Attendance was down a bit this year, but indications are that we were financially successful. For the special drawing prize, we came within eight tickets of selling out and as usual we sold out of flea market tables.

First Prize: The Yaesu 710-AESS won by Loyd AB5SQ of Kingfisher.

Second Prize: The Yaesu FT-991A was won by W0SWI of Lebanon, MO.

Third Prize: The Yaesu FT-891 was won by Jim of Hominy OK who is still working on his license.

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Special Drawing Prize: The Yaesu FTDX10 was won by Bill N5NUK of OKC.

One of the enhanced hourly prizes, a Dual Band analog/DMR HT from Anytone was won by Tom K5OHM of Broken Arrow.

The volunteer's prize, a \$175.00 gift certificate to Associated Radio, was won by: Mike W5BHS of Claremore. Who drove a golf cart. He said he's driven a golf cart at the Hamfest for several years.

Yes, we know the sound system for the PA announcements was inadequate. We no longer have access to the building's PA system. Neither does Claremore Expo. The PA system actually belongs to RSU athletics. At first, we were told it belonged to KRSU-TV. We discussed the situation with KRSU's general manager and she said that athletics department doesn't tell her anything. Our calls to the Hillcat's athletics dept, were not returned. Last year Expo rented us a portable system, with one speaker column for \$200/day. This year we purchased a two-speaker column 2000-watt system for slightly under \$400. For GCHF 2026 we will explore some more options.

Green Country 2026 will be April 10-11, 2026. Hey, we are looking for additional members of the planning committee most of our meetings are held by zoom. Usually, the first meeting in September is in person, and the last meeting in May is in person, the rest are by Zoom. Drop me an email at [wb5osm@hotmail.com](mailto:wb5osm@hotmail.com) if you want to get involved.

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#### **VE TESTING RESULTS FOR THE SATURDAY VE TESTING SESSION AT GCHF:**

Michael Perry, Tulsa, new Tech

Drew Creel, Broken Arrow, new Tech

Tom Young, Claremore, new Tech

Sandra Crisp KJ5JTG, Tulsa, upgraded General to Amateur Extra, she was our only applicant at the Tulsa test session in March where she went from Technician to General.

Richard Williams KD5PNC, Owasso, upgraded General to Amateur Extra

Michael Grogan, Tulsa, new Tech

Michael James KJ5HQN, Sand Springs, upgraded Tech to Amateur Extra

Phil Czerkies WA8KPY, Utica, MI, but hangs around Tulsa, upgraded Advanced to Amateur Extra.

Joe Klutz KI5NMF, Okema, OK, upgraded to General by administrative upgrade. He previously held N5NAN that expired in 2011. Another VE Team did not process the admin upgrade when he recently passed the Tech exam.

Apryl McDowell, Sapulpa, new Tech

David Kiner KR9NTZ, Oklahoma City, upgraded Tech to General

In summary Five new Techs, two upgrades to General and four made Amateur Extra

The VE Team was:

Curtis Looper N5CEL

Tom Shelton K5OHM

James Markle K5LE

Merlin Griffin WB5OSM

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**TULSA RED CROSS/TRO VE TESTING SESSION ON 5/15/25:**

Daryl Michaels, Owasso, new Tech  
Johnathon Sorrels, Tulsa, new Tech  
Bruce Thomas, Claremore, General by admin upgrade.  
Formerly held KH6SU expired in 2019.  
Gibson Darr (under 18), Broken Arrow, new Tech.

Very successful session, everybody got what they came for, and we licensed another young person. His dad is not a ham and said this stuff was all "over his head". Gibson is doing this all on his own.

The VE Team was Don Ferry N5DGF, Tom Shelton K5OHM, and Merlin Griffin WB5OSM.

Next test session sponsored by **TRO**/Tulsa Red Cross.  
July 17, 2025.

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## **TRO TREASURY REPORT OF 05/25/25:**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| <b>Total TRO Accounts Beginning Balance</b> | <b>\$6941.04</b> |
| Checking Beginning Balance                  | <b>\$2925.12</b> |
| 04/23 Deposit 9-reg 1 family renewals       | +255.00          |
| 05/22 Deposit 3-reg & 1 family              | +105.00          |
| Checking Ending Balance                     | <b>\$3285.12</b> |
| <br>PayPal Beginning Balance                | <b>\$449.22</b>  |
| 2-regular renewals                          | +50.00           |
| PayPal Fees                                 | -1.50            |
| PayPal Ending Balance                       | <b>\$497.72</b>  |
| <br>Cash Beginning Balance                  | <b>\$100.00</b>  |
| Cash Ending Balance                         | <b>\$100.00</b>  |
| <br>Savings Beginning Balance               | <b>\$3466.70</b> |
| 04/30 Interest Earned                       | +0.57            |
| Ending Savings Account Balance              | <b>\$3467.27</b> |
| <b>Total TRO Account Balance</b>            | <b>\$7350.11</b> |

Respectfully Submitted by Steve Miller – AA5V 05/25/2025

## **TRO SECRETARY - MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING, 4/22/25:**

General Meeting - 4/22/25

Secretary Report

Freeway Cafe, I-44/49th W. Ave - 1900 hrs

Paul Young, President - presiding. Eight members present.

Regular business:

- Treasurer Report (as published in The Signal): Motion to approve - Merlin; Seconded - Joe G. APPROVED
- Secretary Report (as published in The Signal): Motion to approve - Bob; Seconded Joe G. APPROVED
- Repeater Status: all on the air with exceptions of .805/95 which will return at a new site shortly.
- Activities: COPLAND Classic bike ride still needs SAG drivers; Ride to Remember (5/31) also still open to SAG driver sign-up along with Tulsa Tough (6/7 & 6/8)

NO JUNE MEETING DUE TO FIELD DAY w/TARC

Motion to Adjourn - Merlin, Second - Joe G. APPROVED

Respectfully submitted -  
Bart Pickens, N5TWB  
TRO Secretary

## ENGINEERING REPORT:

No report.

### REPEATER STATUS

146.805 (-) PL 88.5 ? ? ? ? – Down  
146.880 (-) PL 88.5 (CityPlex), 82.5 (Skiatook) or 141.3  
(Keetonville receiver) 81<sup>st</sup> & Lewis – Working  
146.940 (-) PL 88.5 Sun Building, 9<sup>th</sup> & Detroit – Working  
927.700 (-25 MHz) (902.7) CityPlex - Working  
  
Metro Link:  
444.1 (+) PL 88.5 Skyline East 41<sup>st</sup> & Skelly Drive – Working  
444.725 (+) PL 88.5 GRDA tower NW of Skiatook – Working  
444.950 (+) PL 88.5 ? ? ? ? – Down

## TRO Scheduled Activities:

**May 27, 2025** Tuesday 1900 TRO Monthly Meeting at Freeway Cafe  
5849 South 49<sup>th</sup> West Avenue. Come early to have supper.



### ARES Net

Thursday evenings at 8:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays on the 145.11 MHz repeater  
4<sup>th</sup> and if there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday use the  
TARC Super Link System 443.850 MHz PL 88.5 Hz

## CLUB MEETINGS

### **Tulsa Repeater Organization**

Fourth Tuesday of the month at 1900 (7PM) except June (Field Day) and December (Christmas).  
Meetings are held at Freeway Cafe at 5849 South 49<sup>th</sup> West Avenue in Tulsa.  
If you plan on eating be there 30 minutes to an hour early.

### **Tulsa Amateur Radio Club**

Third Tuesday of the month 1900 (7PM)  
Meetings are held at Tulsa University Keplinger Hall Room 3140 (west of Harvard & 5<sup>th</sup> Street)

### **Broken Arrow Amateur Radio Club**

First Monday of the month (except for holidays) 1900 (7 PM)  
Community Recreation Center, 1500 South Main, Broken Arrow

### **Rogers County Wireless Association**

Second Saturday of every month at 0800 (8 AM)  
Check the RCWA website at [www.rcwa.org](http://www.rcwa.org) for meeting information.

## VE TEST SESSIONS WALK-INS ARE WELCOME AT ALL SESSIONS!

**Check with the contact for each testing session for their plans.**

### **Tulsa Repeater Organization**

Third Thursday of odd-numbered months, 1900 (7 PM)  
American Red Cross 10151 E 11th (11th & US 169) Tulsa, Oklahoma 74128  
Contact: Merlin Griffin WB5OSM at [WB5OSM@hotmail.com](mailto:WB5OSM@hotmail.com) or (918)520-7668 - leave message

### **Broken Arrow Emergency Management**

First Saturday of odd-numbered months - 0900 to 1100 (9:00 to 11 AM)  
Broken Arrow Public Service Complex 1001 N 6th Street Broken Arrow OK 74012  
Contact: Loyd Beeson, AE5MM at [ae5mm@arrl.net](mailto:ae5mm@arrl.net) or (918)638-2393 (text msg or voice)

### **Broken Arrow Amateur Radio Club**

Second Saturday of even-numbered months at 0930 (9:30 AM)  
Broken Arrow Public Service Complex 1001 N 6th Street Broken Arrow OK 74012  
Contact: Don Doyle AC5II at [AC5II@arrl.net](mailto:AC5II@arrl.net) or (918)379-0962

### **Rogers County Wireless Association** (New session in Owasso)

First Saturday of each quarter at 0900 (9:00 AM)  
Trinity House, 9210 N Garnett, Owasso OK 74055  
Contact: Dustin Dye, AB5C at [contact@rcwa.org](mailto:contact@rcwa.org) or (918)734-0869

## MAKING CONTACT – How To Find Out More About The Tulsa Repeater Organization

**Our Website:** [www.tulsahamradio.org](http://www.tulsahamradio.org)

**Our Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TulsaRepeaterOrganization/>

**Our Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/TulsaRepeaters>

### TRO OFFICER CONTACT INFORMATION

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| Public Relations    | OPEN           |        |               |  |
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