

The Tulsa Repeater Organization (TRO), an amateur radio organization, was founded in 1967 to serve our community through amateur radio. With about 150 members who live and work in the Green Country and greater-Tulsa areas, TRO provides a variety of public service efforts that help with our communities' communications needs.

Along with the privileges of becoming a licensed amateur radio operator — commonly called HAM operators — comes the duty to serve the public in times of need. *TRO* is a member-funded/supported organization that was created as a vehicle for amateur radio operators to serve the public. Throughout the greater-Tulsa area, *TRO* operates and maintains a network of radio communications equipment that is used in service of our community. *TRO* members volunteer in public service communications, such as assisting the National Weather Services (NWS) Tulsa Warning Office through the SKYWARN storm-spotting network; supporting the Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency (T.A.E.M.A.) and the American Red Cross Disaster Services; as well as many other public service agencies that may need our help and resources during times of emergencies. *TRO* is an ARRL (the national association for Amateur Radio) Special Service Club.

TRO is affiliated with the American Radio Relay League's ARES emergency communication networks, which work in cooperation with federal and local area emergency management agencies.

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I'm a HAM and I don't like going to meetings, so why should I join *TRO*?

One reason to join *TRO* is to help keep the repeaters up and running for you. Repeaters are what make it possible for you to talk to your friends all day long or just once in a while.

The biggest reason to support *TRO* is to keep the repeaters up and running so amateur radio operators will be able to communicate with the right people in times of emergency or disaster.

TRO is entirely member supported. *TRO* does not receive government grants or corporate donations; funds come from member dues and fund-raising efforts. If high winds break an antenna, or if a repeater goes down because a part — large or small — breaks or malfunctions, then replacement parts are paid for by *TRO*. Club funds pay for these repairs and upgrades.

So, whether you attend the meetings or not, if you use the repeaters, you should be concerned about their condition and upkeep.

But I really don't have time to be an active club member.

We all have priorities where we feel our time is best spent, but being a *TRO* club member doesn't mean you have to be at every meeting or participate in every event. While we very much appreciate those who do take part in club activities and volunteer their time for amateur radio and community service, we do understand that is not possible for everyone. Some *TRO* members continue to pay their yearly membership dues but don't attend meetings or participate in club activities. They support *TRO* with their dues because they know it is important to support the club.

But there are also lots of people who join *TRO* because they want to be a part of an active Ham club that is dedicated to community service and HAM fun. In addition to the many community service functions *TRO* participates in — SKYWARN; Hospital Emergency Net; supporting the TAEMA, Red Cross Disaster Services, and the Mayor's Citizen's Corp — *TRO* members also have a lot fun at monthly fox hunts, yearly Field Day activities and family picnic, and helping out with the Tulsa Fair Parade and the Tulsa Run, just to mention a few activities.

If you want to join an active group that has fun, join *TRO*. If you want to join just to support amateur radio, join *TRO*.

TRO's Communications Systems

146.880- VHF REPEATER

The "88" repeater is the primary SKYWARN network in Tulsa and a sophisticated system. The transmitter is located at the top of the City Plex tower and has four receiver input channels.

- ◆ Main Rx 88.5pl
- ◆ City Plex Rx 141.3pl
- ◆ S. of Glenpool Rx 146.880+
- ◆ E. of Tulsa Rx 82.5pl

146.940- VHF REPEATER

Support the EOC for the Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency.

146.805- VHF REPEATER 88.5pl
Frequency agile remote bases for 10-meter, 6-meter bands, and the 70-centimeters band.

444.100+ UHF REPEATER 88.5pl
The frequency agile remote base for the 2-meter band.

444.725+ UHF REPEATER 88.5pl
UHF north of Tulsa in Collinsville, Okla.

444.950+ UHF REPEATER 88.5pl
UHF portable system.

421.250 Amateur Television (ATV)
Retransmitting live Doppler radar.

145.010 DIGITAL PACKET

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our meetings are open to all interested members of the public and any HAM. The monthly meetings are held at Ryan's Family Steak House, 21th Street & Garnett (except June and December), and start at 7:30 p.m. Come early if you wish to enjoy dinner.

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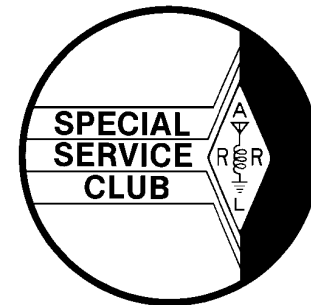
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