

JULY 2021

HPARC NEWSLETTER

High Point
Amateur Radio
Club



JULY MEETING

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME!
The HPARC voted at the last meeting to change the time of the club meeting. Since J&S is staying open later, the HPARC will now start the membership meeting at 6:30 p.m. Come for the meal at 6:00 p.m. J&S Cafeteria will be open the Monday after the July 4th holiday. The HPARC will be meeting as usual. For those traveling for the holidays, please be safe on the highways.

The program for the June club meeting was of course on Field Day given by David Macchiarolo. David gave a brief history of what is Field Day as well as a synopsis of what to expect at the HPARC Field Day.

For the July meeting, I am sure David will continue his presentation of Field Day with updates on how well we did.

HPARC Meeting
6:30 p.m. / Meal: 6:00 p.m.
July 5, 2021
J&S Cafeteria
5835 Samet Drive, HP
& on the Zoom app

David Macchiarolo is in charge of sending out Zoom email invitations to the club meeting. If you are planning to attend the meeting via Zoom and have not gotten an invitation, please contact David and let him know (email under Officers in this newsletter).

Forgive me for not sending the update on the roster as I promised last month. I will try to get to that soon. I also want to mention new members who have joined recently. I haven't done that in some months and hope to get to that as well.

The HPARC has grown in membership in recent months, and we are grateful for that. We have a good club, and people recognize that fact. Welcome all new members and look for a proper welcome in this newsletter in a forthcoming issue.

I am asking club members and prospective new club members to send your club dues directly to Warren Gallemore. His address is in the roster we emailed recently. I don't want to publish his home address here, so if your need that address, please email one of the officers listed in this newsletter.

It is good to see club members gathering together again in-person at J&S Cafeteria. I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and hope to see you at the club meeting. Take care and hope to see you soon.

AMATEUR RADIO GEARING UP FOR ANOTHER ACTIVE HURRICANE SEASON

The Atlantic Hurricane Season, which starts on June 1, promises to be a busy time for Amateur Radio volunteers on the Hurricane Watch Net (HWN) to report ground-level storm conditions in real time for use by National Hurricane Center (NHC) forecasters, and

for SKYWARN volunteers, many of whom are Hams. The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has forecast a likely range of 13 to 20 named storms (winds of 39 MPH or greater), of which six to ten could become hurricanes (winds of 74 MPH or

Hurricane continued inside...

HPARC/Zoom Meeting
July 5, 2021

J&S Cafeteria,
5835 Samet Drive, HP
& on Zoom

Meal at 6:00 p.m.
Business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

FIELD DAY 2021

This was probably one of the best Field Days that the HPARC has participated in for some time. We didn't get rained on for a second year in a row. We had great participation from our membership. More CW contacts were made over last year. Our score will probably be higher (yes, David, it is not a contest).

I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way as I am sure David Macchiarolo, Special Activities Chairman, would also like to thank everyone. George McCormick and the PR committee were able to get us some great cov-

erage with the High Point Enterprise. There were members helping put up antennas on the Friday before Field Day who were not able to attend the weekend.

We had lots of operators on the radios including those who braved staying through the night. CW operators Keith Thomas, Derek Brown and Mike Cumbo helped bring our score higher (not a contest).

Layman Idol donated a pop-up canopy (thanks Layman). Camille was our Safety Officer and kept tables and the food area disinfected and everyone safe. I managed

to cook a few hotdogs without catching anything on fire (but it was difficult - not catching anything on fire that is).

I don't want to miss thanking anyone and everyone who helped make this a great Field Day, so forgive me if I don't mention anyone by name. It takes a lot of people to make Field Day the success it was and we had lots of help this year. I was especially thankful for those who helped break down on Sunday and unload the truck at my house.

So to all who helped in any way - thank you. We appreciate all our club members.

DR. GALLEMORE RETIRES AFTER 43 YEARS

Dr. Warren Gallemore, KA4LOQ, has retired from his medical practice. He and Dr. Nelson Pollock retired together as of the last day of June.

Dr. Gallemore and Dr. Pollock opened their prac-

tice, Emerywood Internal Medicine, in High Point 43 years ago along with Dr. Plowden. They went to the same medical school and decided to open a practice here in High Point.

The High Point Enterprise

ran a very nice article on Dr. Gallemore and Dr. Pollock in the Sunday, June 27th issue.

Dr. Gallemore was the primary care doctors for several club members. We wish Dr. Gallemore the best in his retirement.

SIGN UP OR RENEW YOUR ARRL MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't signed up for the ARRL membership or need to renew your membership, do so through the club. By doing so, the club gets to keep \$15 of new memberships and \$2 of renewals.

As an ARRL member, you will benefit from getting the QST Magazine or the

new On The Air magazine, online services such as QST online monthly digital edition and archive, On The Air online digital edition, product reviews, email forwarding, e-newsletters, availability to Ham Radio equipment insurance, outgoing foreign QSL service, free FCC license renewal, as well as

supporting the ARRL which represents Ham Radio in Washington, plus many other services.

To start your ARRL membership or renew, make your checks out to the HPARC and see our treasurer. If you are renewing, give your renewal form to the HPARC Treasurer get proper credit.

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Membership is open in the HPARC to all licensed Amateur Radio operators. Membership is \$24.00 a year. Associate membership is also available to those who are interested in Amateur Radio but who do not currently hold a license. Associate membership is \$12.00 a year. Student membership is also available for \$12.00 a year.

The High Point Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month (except for holidays) at 5:00 p.m. at a local restaurant announced in the newsletter. The business meeting starts at 6:00 p.m. followed by a short program of interest. Family and visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, please call or email one of the HPARC officers listed in this newsletter.

...*Hurricane continued from cover* greater), including three to five major hurricanes (Category 3, 4, or 5, with winds of 111 MPH or greater) expected. NOAA projects these ranges with a 70% confidence level.

“2021 is looking to be another active season,” said HWN Manager Bobby Graves, KB5HAV. “We can only hope we don’t have a repeat of 2005 or 2020. The sea surface temperatures throughout the normal areas of tropical cyclone activity are already near or just above 80 °F, just what storms like. The current forecast for 2021 is on the high side. The adjusted average is 14 named storms, with seven hurricanes and three of those at Category 3 or stronger.”

When active, the HWN operates on 14.325 MHz during daylight hours and on 7.268 MHz after dark.

The net’s primary mission is to disseminate tropical cyclone advisory information to island

communities in the Caribbean, Central America, along the US Atlantic seaboard, and throughout Gulf of Mexico coastal areas. It collects observed or measured weather data from participating Radio Amateurs in storm-affected areas as well as any post-storm damage reports and passes that information along to forecasters at the NHC via its Amateur Radio station, WX4NHC. The HWN typically activates whenever a storm system has achieved hurricane status and is within 300 statute miles of a populated landmass.

“Of course, it takes only one land-falling hurricane to make for a bad year,” Graves said, recalling Hurricane Andrew in 1992. “It was the only storm to make landfall that season, and it was a Category 5 storm that hit Homestead, Florida, just south of Miami.”

Assistant Coordinator of the NHC’s Amateur Radio station WX4NHC Julio Ripoll, WD4R,

has announced that WX4NHC will conduct its annual station test on Saturday, May 29, 1300 – 2100 UTC. “This will be our 41st year of public service at NHC,” he said.

VoIP Hurricane Net Director of Operations Rob Macedo, KD1CY, said his organization is ready for another busy hurricane season and will participate in the WX4NHC Communications test on Saturday, May 29. The VoIP Hurricane Prep Net meets Saturdays starting on June 5, at 0000 UTC. Contact Macedo for more information.

The National Hurricane Conference June 14 – 17 in New Orleans, Louisiana, will host its traditional Amateur Radio Workshop scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, from 1:30 to 5 PM. Macedo will moderate the virtual session, in which Ripoll will take part. Register online.

—*The ARRL Letter*,
May 27, 2021

Rick Lindquist, WW1ME, Ed.

13 COLONIES SPECIAL EVENT SET FOR JULY 1 – 7

The 13th running of the popular 13 Colonies Special Event will take place July 1 – 7. A series of 1 × 1 call signs (K2A – K2M) will represent each of the original colonies in North America. The event begins at 1300 UTC on July 1 and concludes at 0400 UTC on July 7.

This year, some French stations will be joining, in

recognition of the French Navy’s importance in the 1700s as part of the France-Britain global competition. TM13COL will be a bonus station, as will GB13COL and WM3PEN in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, named after land-grant grantee William Penn, the colony’s founder. Of course, Philadelphia is where the US

founding fathers met.

Last year, the Special Event’s 13 stations made 202,000 contacts. Each QSL card will be different, including the three bonus stations, each bearing a representative image of a ship.

—*The ARRL Letter*,
June 24, 2021

Rick Lindquist, WW1ME,
Editor

HPARC SATURDAY BREAKFAST AT BISCUITVILLE

Just a reminder that the HPARC has an informal meeting of members at Biscuitville on South Main Street (across from Walmart). Biscuitville

recently opened its inside dining area, and club members began meeting there after more than a year ago.

HPARC members meet infor-

mally beginning at 8:00 a.m. with some members arriving later than that. Everyone is welcome to join the crew and eat breakfast with us.



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HPARC JULY CALENDAR

- 4 — INDEPENDENCE DAY**
- 5 — HPARC Club Meeting**
- 10-11 — IARU HF World Championship**
- 10 — Greensboro VE Session, Hinshaw**
United Methodist Church
- 24 — Waynesville, NC Hamfest**
- 25 — HPARC Newsletter deadline**
- 25 — PARENTS' DAY**
- 31 — High Point VE Session, Hickory**
Chapel Wesleyan Church

BIRTHDAYS

- Luis Valquez — July 3
- Linda Worland — July 5
- Craig Linville — July 6
- Grady Stone — July 16
- Daniel Moss — July 21
- Tom Mills — July 26
- Tommie Lauer — July 26
- Cindy Davis — July 28

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