Anchorage Amateur Radio Club
Newsletter

Next General Meeting
March 1, 2018
Radio Science and Operations Center (RSOC) Building - 7:00pm
6721 Raspberry Road
Anchorage, AK

New AARC Clubhouse Location!
As the cover on the previous page indicates, the AARC has moved its clubhouse to 6721 Raspberry Road.

Going forward, our general meetings will be at the Raspberry Road location on the first Thursday of the month. Please be sure to bring a chair to the March 1, 2018 meeting:

Here's another reminder for members to pick up a Lifetime folding chair from Costco (or similar) to bring to the membership meeting on Thursday. There was a large stack of them at the Dimond Costco a few of days ago. (They were about $21/ea.)

RSOC Building NEW Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 190192  Anchorage, AK 99519

Main Operations Room

Classroom
Office

Meeting Room (Note the lack of chairs)

More RSOC Internal Building Pictures

Kitchen

Basement
March General Membership Meeting this Thursday at the RSOC

By DAVE HEIMKE

Remember, our meetings have changed to Thursday evenings at 7PM. This will be the first ever general membership meeting at the new location at 6721 Raspberry Road. Be careful when entering the driveway, there is a small snow berm there now from the plowing. Once inside the gate, there is parking directly ahead of you, or you can turn right and head down to the east parking lot.

We are not planning a speaker this month, instead, we will be having an open house. Bring yourself a folding chair if you can (we recommend the Costco version so we can stack them), and questions. We have unloaded the Rowan site completely, and now the setup is underway. Boxes have been opened and things are being sorted. The operations center is looking nice and the technician shop will be starting to unfold soon.

Also, we have some excess furniture in the form of filing cabinets and metal desks. If you have a need for those items, please be prepared to haul something off! We have the vehicles inside now but the furniture is clogging us up.

The target is to have fundraisers and a membership drive in April.

Stay tuned, more news and happenings coming.

AARC Changes Mailing Address

By KENT PETTY

AARC has a new mailing address!

PO Box 190192

Anchorage, AK 99519

We’ll be working to update all our contacts, etc. Please note your files.
We moved, now what is next?

By DAVE HEIMKE

Great, we have moved out of the Rowan site and are now located at the RSOC (the what? The Radio Science and Operations Center, our interim name). Now what is next and how can you help?

First, let us thank the outpouring of volunteers and their time to first clean the RSOC and then move all the gear over. It was impressive, encouraging, and wonderful to see and have all the assistance. We actually were ahead of our best hopes. It was also a pleasure to meet several new members and potential members and everyone was very much appreciated.

So you ask, what is next on the agenda? We have been busy building a schedule with the intent of having it posted soon. The security system is now operational and the next major steps are:

- Complete clearing out and cleaning Rowan Street so we can get our deposit back.
- Building the operations radio room
- Getting on the air
- Building up of the technician room with work stations
- Preparing the meeting room for the March general membership meeting
- Connecting internally with the IT system
- Finalize the sorting of gear in the RSOC.
- Finishing the basement sorting and identifying the gear
- Prepare for several Open House events
- Develop Fundraisers
- and lots more……..!!!!!

In addition, we are always soliciting for volunteers to champion events and assist us. Right now the building committee has been stretched as we work to organize and keep your volunteer hours productive. We want you to have an enjoyable and productive visit, and your input is requested and valuable. This is a BIG project and we can’t do it without you.

What are we doing in the very near future? There will be a team at the Rowan site on Wednesdays to continue cleaning, with janitorial duties as the primary. However, we also need to move some more freight over to the RSOC, do some drywall patching and cable unrouting.

What is happening at the RSOC? Standby for a post to outline our activities there, letting you know when people will be there and what you can look forward to assisting us with.

More soon, anticipate a monthly “Tech Talks” event to be added soon where we focus on a technical area of interest to hams of all levels. Stay tuned!
Valdez License Testing Session Scheduled for Thursday, March 1, 2018

By KENT PETTY

Jim Gifford, KL1IO just let us know that they will be conducting a license testing session at 7:00 PM on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the Valdez Radio Shack.

Thanks Jim and the others on the Volunteer Examiner Team, and good luck to examinees!

If you’d like to register for the testing session, please follow this link.

VEC Report

By KENT PETTY

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News:
Please remember to check “store” on our website to purchase your seat at a testing session. VEs are prohibited from accepting cash, checks, or other forms of payment at test sessions. Examinees need to be sure to show up with their “receipt” in hand, or otherwise presentable in electronic form to be permitted to test. To summarize, all purchases for testing must be made online at our website.

Regularly scheduled testing sessions are held in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Sitka as follows:

Anchorage
AARC Radio Science and Operations Center (RSOC)
6721 Raspberry Road, Anchorage
When: Second Saturday of each month at 2:00 PM
Contact: Kathleen O’Keefe, KL7KO, 907.243.4675, koalaska@gmail.com

Fairbanks
Far North CB Radio Plus Building
3451 College Road, Fairbanks
When: First Saturday of each month at 1:00 PM
Contact: Mike Perry, AL7F, 907.590.7215, patperry@gci.net

Sitka
Sitka Fire Department
209 Lake Street, Sitka
When: First Saturday of each month at 12:00 PM
Contact: Benjamin Downing, KL2UF, 907.738.2703, aikiben@gci.net

Testing teams are also available in Bethel, Cordova, Homer, Juneau, Kenia/Soldotna, and Valdez and are scheduled on an as-needed basis. Check our website for info and updates.

Please note: The Anchorage ARC VEC operates testing sessions only within the geographical boundaries of the State of Alaska. If you live in another state or country, even if your mailing address is not in Alaska, you can still test with our VEC. It is only the testing session itself that must take place within the state.

73,
Kent Petty, KL5T
Chairman, Anchorage ARC VEC
AARC Auction Successful!

By DAVE HEIMKE

The first benefit auction for the AARC, with a donated custom made fur hat, was a success! The launch of the club’s Ebay presence allowed us to benefit from their auction platform which maximized exposure, and was an easy way to promote the item with pictures and description. It also opens the auction to any and all comers.

This hat was created and donated by one of our members and in this case was won by another. Now that we are set up and operational, keep your eye open for further benefit auctions, they will be announced here. In addition, if you have an item you think we could benefit from, consider donating it to the AARC. Some restrictions apply as we are learning the new system.

Here’s a picture of the successful bidder on the beaver hat.
Walter says he will be the best dressed at Fur Rondy
(February 23 through March 4, 2018)
Listening to people communicate while stressed is interesting. We lose a percentage of our ability to communicate because we lose a percentage of our vocabulary when stressed. I know. It’s strange. That said, it would behoove us to enlarge and refine our vocabulary.

The proper or improper use of a single word can make disaster communications clear or muddled. We can mitigate the threat of the hazard of poor communications by having common definitions.

Tough Times Glossary entries may have up to three parts: (1) definition, (2) etymology, and (3) exegesis / discussion.

1. The definition may be taken whole cloth from a standard dictionary, robbed without attribution from someone else’s definition, or synthesized to meet my own specifications. I will, on rare occasion, admit to the latter.

2. Etymologies, when used, are micro and philological and appears in brackets between the definition and the exegesis.

An exegesis contains an explanation, sometimes with examples.

I would like to thank the following sources, *et alia*, for their work, though I adapted a lot of it to make it fit:

- Amateur Radio Relay League
- Disaster Recovery Journal & DRI International
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- National Emergency Management Association
- National Weather Service
- The Free Dictionary
- Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary
- Code of Federal Regulations

Folks in the response industry, including the Federal folks, tend to use words, i.e., emergency and disaster, interchangeably. Doing so limits their ability to define and describe. ‘Emergency’ and ‘disaster’ are not synonyms. So let’s get on with it.

**Emergency:**

An unforeseen circumstance or state requiring immediate remedial action.

[Latin *e*, from *ex* out, forth, away + *mergere* to engulf, or become engulfed: to become manifest, to rise from or as if from an enveloping fluid]

We’re talking about a sudden hazard vis-à-vis a long-standing threat. An impending earthquake is an emergency only if the causative fault was previously unknown. A derailed tanker car of chlorine, however, is clearly an emergency since it happens quickly and without warning.

Let’s say a town’s emergency management director is talking to the National Weather Service and is told that rain in the hills will cause flash flooding in a few
hours, six tops. A hazard has reared its ugly head but there is time to evacuate the threatened parts of town. In more picturesque speech one might say the sea monster has emerged from the depths and is eyeing the ship. We have an emergency but as yet no disaster.

**Disaster:**
An overarching event that causes great damage, loss, or destruction, and has as an aspect the Cascade Effect. Also, any major services-affecting incident that causes long-term inaccessibility to, or inoperability of, normal functions and/or resources.

[Latin des apart + astrum star = an unfavorable aspect of a planet or star]

A disaster, e.g., hurricane, flood, earthquake, or wildfire, will contain crises, cascading events, and high probability risks. The complicated nature of a disaster event is part of its identity.

For our purposes there are three criteria applicable to a disaster event:

- A large area of impact
- A long duration of response/recovery
- A failure of normal systems during the recovery

In more florid speech we might say that the sea monster has struck the ship and sailors are adrift among the flotsam, hoping rescue will precede death.

Though often used interchangeably, the difference between ‘emergency’ and ‘disaster’ is at the heart of preparedness. Sometimes we don’t see a hazard that has been there all along until we do a risk assessment. If the assessment isn’t done and the inevitable happens we might say the disaster was unforeseen (true) and unforeseeable (untrue.)

So, are we talking disaster management or emergency management? Logically I would always rather talk about emergency management because that’s proactive and less expensive. Also, logically speaking there is no such thing as disaster management because, well, if you could manage it would it be a disaster? We will respond to both emergencies and disasters. Hopefully our response to an emergency will prevent a disaster.
Crisis:
A decisive moment; a critical point of change, for better or worse; an unstable or crucial time or state in which a decisive change is impending; especially: one with the distinct possibility of a highly undesirable outcome.

[Greek *krisis* decision, from *krinein* to separate, decide, judge]

Specifically, a crisis is a critical event that may dramatically impact the ability to function if not properly handled. A crisis can be a hazard, threat, or emergency but need not be, or become, a disaster or catastrophe. However, because of the Cascade Effect disasters often have embedded crises.

Let’s say, for instance, that a flash flood warning doesn’t come to fruition. It does, however, bring about a crisis which compels a town to act on their long-delayed mitigation plan.

Catastrophe:
An event causing great and often sudden damage or suffering; a sudden downturn.

[Greek *katastrophe* an overturning, ruin, conclusion, from *katastraphien* to ruin, undo]

Akin to, if not synonymous with, ‘disaster.’ When events take a turn for the worse we might say, “This is a catastrophe!” The Joplin tornado was, for the city, catastrophic.
Have you signed up?

(Fred Meyer can be done via Internet)

Here are two ways you can help fund our Anchorage Amateur Radio Club. Both are really easy on your part. Please consider doing both options:

**Fred Meyer will give us money!**

All you have to do is shop there and sign up AARC as your non-profit beneficiary. Once you sign up, a portion of every purchase you make is donated to AARC. There is no increase to you for your purchase by declaring AARC as your beneficiary. Currently there are three individuals signed up for this worthy cause. Let’s see if we can make it 100%.

You still earn your Rewards points, Fuel Points, and Rebates just as you do today.

The AARC’s Fred Meyer non-profit number is 94846.

If you don’t have a Fred Meyer Reward Card, they are available at their service desk.

Tell your family, friends and neighbors about this opportunity too.

**Amazon Smile will give us money!**

If you do shopping on-line at Amazon, you can designate AARC as your charitable organization. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase to AARC. Log-on to:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7225693

For more information.

**AARC is Accepting Credit Cards!**

AARC can accept your credit card for payment (via Square Reader) of dues and donations. See Kent KL5T at the next club meeting, club working Wednesdays or board meeting. Note that accepting credit card payment via our web-site is still in progress.

Now may be the time to renew your membership; don’t forget!

Thanks Kent KL5T, for setting this up
Time to sign-up to help with these projects!

New Saturday Work Sessions 10AM to 3PM
(don’t forget working Wednesdays too)

We need everyone's efforts for the following projects that have been identified. Contact the individual indicated to coordinate the work on these projects.

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<td>ARES - Anchorage Department of Corrections Emergency Coordinator</td>
<td>We need a lead person to coordinate support for the Anchorage area State of Alaska Department of Corrections emergency communications needs. An MOU is in place. We need a point person. Ready to get involved?</td>
<td>KL5T</td>
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<td>ARES - Membership on Critical Resources Teams</td>
<td>Become a member of a team supporting a critical communications resource or served agency. We do need your help.</td>
<td>KL5T</td>
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<td>Assist with donated tower take-downs and removals</td>
<td>Are you willing to assist with tower dismantling? We always need help. Are you willing to be a tower or ground crew member?</td>
<td>KL5T</td>
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<td>Assist with removal and disposal of &quot;dead lead&quot; (old batteries)</td>
<td>These need to be hauled away periodically. Can you be the dead lead leader?</td>
<td>KL7TS</td>
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<td>Build Worktop for Operating Table for MTV</td>
<td>The MTV uses a 2' x 4' portable table as a work top. It would be enlarged somewhat by building a 2' x 6' top that sits securely overtop. Do you have some woodworking skills?</td>
<td>KL7MM or KL5T</td>
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<td>Cable Crimp Tool God / Goddess</td>
<td>We have a lot of crimp tools that need to be characterized, instructions provided, and training to be provided on their use. A worthwhile project. Are you up for it?</td>
<td>KL7TS or KL5T</td>
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<td>Club Antenna Analysis, Characterization, and Repair</td>
<td>Evaluate antennas on the shelves for resonant frequency(ies), structural integrity, label, and store. Use the club's AIM antenna analyzer to characterize.</td>
<td>KL7TS or KL5T</td>
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<td>Club Member Antenna Sweep and Analysis</td>
<td>Visit club member's home stations to sweep antenna systems with club's AIM antenna analyzer. Also check mobile systems.</td>
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<td>Club Work Shop Organization and Storage</td>
<td>We need to get the work shop area organized so it is more functional and looks like a professional shop. Are you a great organizer?</td>
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<td>Document Scanning</td>
<td>Lots of club documents need to be scanned. Any help would be appreciated</td>
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<td>Assist Vice President with equipment inventory, labeling, and database management.</td>
<td>KL5T</td>
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<td>Front Office Organization and Storage</td>
<td>The club's front office needs to be organized. Shouldn't be too difficult a job, just needs to be tackled.</td>
<td>KL7TS</td>
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<td>Garage Organization and Storage</td>
<td>Need some real help here. If we can get this space organized it will make a real difference being able to get work done.</td>
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<td>Hand and Power Tool Organization</td>
<td>Organize all hand and power tools at the club station. Many tools need to be labeled with ID numbers and added to the inventory.</td>
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<td>LCD Monitor Repair</td>
<td>An LCD monitor needs repair. It needs a couple capacitors replaced. An instructional video for the repair is available. This is a good novice project.</td>
<td>KL5T</td>
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<td>Manager the Club's Facebook Page</td>
<td>Yep, we are on Social Media and really need someone to manage our Facebook page. Can you help?</td>
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<td>MESH Network - File Server</td>
<td>Develop a file server for the MESH network using a Raspberry Pi. Systems are in place as examples.</td>
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<td>MESH Network - PBX</td>
<td>Assist with MESH system Raspberry Pi telephone server (PBX).</td>
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<td>Mezzanine Organization and Storage</td>
<td>This is our primary long storage area and really needs to be cleaned up. Can you help?</td>
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<td>MTV Equipment Outfitting</td>
<td>We need to get our MTV Properly outfitted so it can deploy and operate on a moment's notice. Can you work with our Heavy Rolling Stock Manager to assist?</td>
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<td>Portable Deployable Kit Manager</td>
<td>We need someone to manager our deployable kits. These include simple portable voice stations, packet stations, crossband repeater units, and MESH units in the future. This is a cool job!</td>
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<td>Reprogram Portable 440 MHz Portable Repeater Morse IDer</td>
<td>We need to reprogram the Morse IDer in our portable 440 repeater. We've got the keypad to do the job, but need someone to champion the</td>
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<td>RF Cable Labeling</td>
<td>Characterize and label all active and available antenna feedlines using club's cable labeler.</td>
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<td>RFI Team Lead</td>
<td>The club has some excellent RFI detection equipment. We need to get it into service on a regular basis. How would you like to lead the effort to track down the countless sources of harmful interference in Anchorage?!</td>
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<td>WX3in1 Plus 2.0 APRS Digipeater / I-Gate</td>
<td>Configure hardware, set system parameters, and install the club's WX3in1 Plus APRS unit at AARC hillside site located at KL7QN's residence.</td>
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Join us on “working Wednesdays” or Saturday Work Sessions (10AM to 3PM) for an opportunity to have “eye-ball” QSOs and get a project completed!
ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
BOARD MEETING
January 16, 2018
540 WEST INTERNATIONAL ROAD
Anchorage, AK

Board meeting minutes for January are not published in this newsletter due to absences and vacations. January Board, March membership and March Board minutes will be published in the next newsletter.

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
February 2, 2018
Carr Gottstein Building – APU Campus
Anchorage, AK
APPROVED

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Lara Baker AL2R. A quorum was established (22 signed in). Members and guests introduced themselves.

Announcements
Lara Baker AL2R reported that the next Membership meeting would be held at 6721 Raspberry Road (new AARC club station) on THURSDAY, March 1st, 2018 at 7pm. This is made possible by the signing of the lease for the facility on 2/10/18. Lara reported on the need for cleanup, sheetrock patching etc. at the Rowan location, upcoming signup opportunities for this summer’s events and also asked the memberships to think grant request opportunities for the club.

Presentation
Dave Heimke AL7LO gave a presentation on the steps taken to successfully negotiate the 6721 Raspberry Road facility lease with the airport. This vision for this property began approximately 15 years ago when Field Day was held at Kincaid Park and the property was driven past. Approximately 5 years ago AARC attended an airport public meeting and started to develop a plan to possibly obtain the site which has resulted in the current 15 year lease with two 5 year extensions resulting in a home for the AARC for at least 25 years. Fundraising and grants will be an immediate focus of the club in order to provide for the required building improvements.

Security of the facility is the primary task and will be completed soon. Housekeeping of the facility, neat work habits and the need to keep the facility clean, presentable and operational will be critical.

Dave gave a brief history of the AARC, agencies served by and partnered with by the AARC, opportunities to participate in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education in the community, participation in the March Home School fair and donated signage for the facility. Dave also noted the donated beaver hat being auctioned by the AARC on eBay.

Craig Bledsoe KL4E reported on local connections generating interest in the AARC such as being a state emergency response resource and discussions relating to the 2018 Engineer Week. Craig also gave an update on KL7DR’s care and noted the Matanuska Amateur Radio club would have a table at the upcoming valley gun show.
**Door Prizes**

4 door prizes were given out.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11pm

Respectfully submitted as recorded on February 2, 2018 by:
Richard Tweet KL2AZ, Secretary
1st Thursday each month: **AARC general meeting** - **7:00 PM** in the Radio Science and Operations Center (RSOC) Building at 6721 Raspberry Road, Anchorage. Talk in will be on 147.33+ repeater.

1st Thursday each month: **Moosehorn Amateur Radio Club General meeting** - **7:00 PM** Location is at Borough Emergency Response Center on Wilson Way in Soldotna (behind Soldotna FD. Call for directions on 146.88 repeater (no tone). Moosehorn ARC also holds a weekly luncheon every Thursday, locations and times change — contact George Van Lone, KL7AN: donnav@acsalaska.net

2nd Saturday each month: **PARKA (Polar Amateur Radio Klub of Alaska) Meeting at 11:00 AM.** Polar Amateur Radio Klub of Alaska. All amateurs welcome. Denny’s on Denali Street in Anchorage. Some business is discussed. Originally established as an all woman organization, membership now includes spouses or significant others. Talk in on 147.30+.

2nd Saturday each month (except for holidays): **VE License Exams at 2:00 PM.** at RSOC 6721 Raspberry Road. Be sure to bring photo ID, copy of license (if any) and any certificates of completion. Contact: Kathleen O’Keefe, KL7KO, 907.243.4675, koalaska@gmail.com

3rd Tuesday each month: **AARC Board Meeting at 7:00 PM at the Radio Science and Operations (RSOC) building.** All hams are invited and encouraged to attend.

1st Tuesday of each month: **EARS general meeting at 6:00 PM.** EARS meetings are held at the EARS shack location. Contact info - Pat Patterson WL7PP for information. EARS: 552-2664 (recording); Talk in on 146.67+. Email: club@KL7air.us or kl7yk@arrl.net

4th Saturday of each month: **Valley VE Testing at 7:00 PM.** Sessions will be held at Fire Station 61, at 7 pm on the fourth Saturday of each month unless it is a major holiday weekend. Contact Ken Slauson, KL7VE, Ken.Slauson@gmail.com or 907-376-8698.

The last Friday each month: **MARA meeting at 7:00 PM, Wasilla Fire Station 61.** Talk-in help for the meeting can be acquired on the 147.33 repeater. Further details can be found by contacting Don Bush, KL7JFT, dbush@gci.net.

**Every Monday at 11:00 AM: Meeting of interested Amateur Radio Operators** — and lunch at Denny’s on DeBarr — across from Costco. Many code and HF operators attend this function. Come talk radio. For information, contact Kathy O’Keefe, KL7KO, kokalaska@gmail.com

**Every Saturday at 7:00 AM:** Meeting of a group of Amateur Radio Operators at Village Inn on Spenard Road for breakfast. Topics? Radio, photography, and upcoming events For information, contact Kathy O’Keefe, KL7KO, kokalaska@gmail.com.
Active Nets in Alaska

VHF NETS
The local VHF Nets have a Packet side as well. Look for 2 meter Packet at 145.01 (Eagle) and 147.96 (Valley). The Eagle and Valley nodes provide a talk” or chat function. Also, if you are unable to connect directly to one of the nodes, try digipeating through EARS on either frequency. Do this by typing **c eagle v ears or c valley v ears** on the appropriate frequency. Check [www.KL7AIR.us](http://www.KL7AIR.us) for more information on the digipeaters.

**ARES Net:** 147.33 w/ 103.5Hz tone (Backup 147.30 w/ 141.3Hz tone) — Thursdays at 8:00PM

**No Name Net:** 146.43 simplex—Sundays 8:00PM

**South Central Simplex Net:** 146.52 FM, 144.2 USB, 446.0 FM, 432.2 USB, 223.5 FM, 927.5FM, 1294.5 FM, 52.525 FM, 50.125 USB, 29.6 FDM, 28.4 USB, 145.01 Packet (Eagle Node), 147.96 Packet (Valley Node) - Tuesdays 8:00PM

**Alaska VHF Up Net:** 144.200 USB—Saturdays 9:00 AM

**Alaska Morning Net:** The Alaska Morning Net is held Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM—11:00 AM on the IRLP Reflector 9109. This net can be reached via several hosting nodes in the area. Please visit [www.status.irlp.net/index.php?PSTART=2&mode=3](http://www.status.irlp.net/index.php?PSTART=2&mode=3) to find the closest node. Also the net can be reached via EchoLink on 9191 (WL7LP-R) and Allstar nodes 27133 and 29332. The Alaska Statewide ARES net is held on Thursday evenings at 8:30pm (following the Anchorage ARES net) at the same locations and also the 8:30pm Sunday evening Alaska Statewide Radio Link.

**HF Nets**

**Alaska Snipers Net:** 3.920 MHz 6:00pm daily

**Alaska Bush Net:** 7.093 MHz 8:00pm daily

**Alaska Motley Net:** 3.933 MHz 9:00pm daily

**ACWN (Alaska CW Net):** 3540 kHz, 7042 kHz, 14050 kHz Non-directed, CW calling and traffic watch for relaying NTS of other written traffic. AL7N monitors continuously receivers always on WL2K. (RMS connection available— AL7N@winlink.org)

**Alaska Pacific Net:** 14.292 MHz 8:30am M-F

**ERC HF Net:** 3.880 MHz 8:30pm Sundays
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**South Central Area Simplex Frequencies**

- 146.52 National Calling and Emergency Frequency
- 147.57 DX Spotting Frequency
- 146.49 Anchorage Area Simplex Chat
- 146.43 Mat-Su Valley Simplex Chat
- 147.42 Kenai Peninsula Simplex Chat

**WinLink Information**

- 144.9 WL7CVG-10 Anchorage Area RMS
- 145.19 KL7JFT-10 Palmer/Mat-Su RMS
- 147.96 KL7EDK-10 Fairbanks RMS
- 144.9 WL7CVG-4 South Central Digipeater
- 144.98 KL7AA-10 Anchorage AARC RMS
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### Future Dates *

- **Alaska Women’s Gold Nugget Triathlon:** May 20, 2018
- **Alaska Run for Women:** June 9, 2018
- **Anchorage RunFest:** August 19, 2018
- **Anchorage Dog Jog:** ?
- **Field Day:** June 23, 2018 and June 24, 2018
- **Simulated Emergency Test (SET):** ?

* Dates subject to change
Swap ‘n Shop

Please watch the AARC web-site for new information between newsletters:
http://kl7aa.net/swap-n-shop

No items to sell this month; please watch the web-site for new additions.
If you have anything you’d like included in the next newsletter such as items for sale, articles, questions, etc. email editor(at)kl7aa.net

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