



The **HOTLINE**

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It is never too early to start thinking about Field Day. Field Day is June 25-26 this year. What are your plans? The club plans to set up at the clubhouse again this year. We are currently working on some Public Relations plans that should bring more people out to visit this year. Do you have a contact in local media or local government that would be a good resource? Would you like to volunteer to help HOTARC during Field Day? We will need someone to supervise a GOTA station. With a little luck and some scouts, we will need some help working on the Radio Merit Badge. If you have any ideas or information, let me know at mike@na5x.com. If you are planning on coming out at all over the weekend, let me know that as well. We will need a headcount for food. We are looking forward to a date to shake down the trailer, as well. It is just around the corner; don't let it slip up on us.

Meeting Notice

HOTARC will hold its monthly *Meeting of Members* at 7:00 PM on Thursday April 28, 2022 **in person** at the Clubhouse and via the Zoom Video Conferencing Platform. Please check your email or the Members Only section of the website for login information.

For the Record...

HOTARC Meeting of Members March 24, 2022

President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in person and in the ZOOM Meeting Room.

Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW gave the invocation

President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. 14 members were present, 13 on-site and 1 via Zoom, and 2 visitors: Jason Reynolds and Chick Cowan KF5RTQ.

Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW moved and Seth Boren KI5QEH seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented in the HOTLINE. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s report: The Treasurers Report for February 2022 as published in the HOTLINE was filed.

Committee Reports:

- ARES/RACES: We had our first activation of the year. Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW was net control. We had 26 individual contacts. Close calls but nothing major locally. It went well.
- Trailer Committee: We need a workday before Field Day. We need a wench and cable to repair the boom. Rotor control cable also needs replacement. Robert Buchanan W5RHB has some cable for it.
- Repeater Committee: No report.
- Web Committee: Nothing new to report.
- ATV: Nothing to report
- Education Committee: No report
- Public Relations: None
- Special Events: Bearathon response went well. Filled all the spots Everyone was on time. We weren’t needed, which is good, but got in some good practice. Field Day June 25 and 26.

Unfinished Business: 2022 Dues are due.

New Business: Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW moved that we accept the application for Full Member for Charles ‘Chick’ Cowan KF5RTQ, Ruth Bush KF5PGJ seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjournment: President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS adjourned the meeting at 7:24pm.

Submitted by
Mike Davis NA5X
HOTARC Secretary

The Treasurer Reports...

Heart o’ Texas Amateur Radio Club			
Treasurers Report: March 31, 2020			
Starting Balance	March 31, 2021		\$ 7,240.98
Income			
Dep from Cash & Checks	3/25/2022	\$	50.00
Deposit from Paypal	3/24/2022	\$	60.00
		\$	-
		\$	-
Total received		\$	110.00
Total Dues		\$	110.00
		\$	-
Total Income			\$ 110.00
90.00 dues(3 people 3 full) 20.00 Donation			
Expenses			
PayPal Fees		\$	2.18
Total Expenses		\$	2.18
Ending Balance	March 31, 2020		\$ 7,348.80
Includes FF	3/31/2020	\$	330.61
Flower Fund Total	3/31/2020	\$	330.61
Submitted by			
Bill Feltenberger			
KD5UEW			

by Paul Collins KG5DHS
McLennan County Emergency
Coordinator

McLennan County A.R.E.S.

Hi, HOTARC!

So far this spring storm season we have already had two Weather Net activations. Fortunately, most of the bad weather missed the McLennan County area. There were tornadoes and strong storms all around us. Thanks to all the participants and especially thanks to Bill (KD5UEW) for handling both nets. We had nearly 30 check-ins including several Echolink contacts on both Nets. Great job, y'all!!

As always, the ARES team is ready to deploy if needed. Thanks to everyone who is part of the team!

If you are interested in becoming a member of McLennan County ARES, go to the HOTARC Web site under the frequently asked questions and download the application. E-mail or mail the completed application according to the instructions listed at the bottom of the application. Your application will be processed and you will receive an ARES ID Card. Check in to the Weekly McLennan County ARES net every Monday at 8:00 PM on the 145.15 repeater (tone 123.0). If you have a sincere desire to help, registration is necessary before the next emergency, not after it occurs. We are also beginning to include our 70 cm repeater 442.875 MHz (input at +5.0 MHz, tone 123 Hz).



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146.98 MHz (input at -600 kHz, D-Star)

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