



# The **HOTLINE**

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Heart O' Texas Amateur Radio Club  
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## From the President

Well folks it looks like we are in for a hot Field Day weekend. I hope you will join us for this month's HOTARC meeting on Thursday. We will be having our third in person meeting and will finalize our plans for Field Day. Please join us on ZOOM if you can't make the meeting in person.

Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS



### Meeting Notice

HOTARC will hold its monthly *Meeting of Members* at 7:00 PM on Thursday June 24, 2021 **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 May 27, 2021

President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS called the meeting to order at 7:02pm in person and in the ZOOM Meeting Room.

Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW gave an invocation

President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS led us in the pledge of allegiance. 11 members were present (7 in person, 2 via ZOOM) and 2 visitors. Visitors were introduced. Donald Alsup AI5AI working with David on repeaters and the repeater building in Eddy.

Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW moved and Zachary Bolin W5ZAK seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented in the HOTLINE. The vote to accept was unanimous.

**Treasurer's report.** The Treasurers Report for April 2021 as published in the HOTLINE was filed.

#### Committee Reports:

- **ARES:** Paul Collins KG5DHS announced that Zachary Bolin W5ZAK has been added to the ARES roster. We are expecting a pretty active weather season.
  - **Trailer Committee:** No report
  - **Repeater Committee:** No Report. David Bush KC5UOZ has replaced the control module out of the backup power generator. New one is under a maintenance contract. The GENERAC self-tests weekly every Tuesday at 01:45. Everything comes back online automatically. Room needs to be cleaned. 2 racks need to be added and the new DMR repeater will go into one of those racks. The building has some electrical issues; the wires from the Breaker panel to the generator switch panel are just wire nudded in a junction box. The A/C was not wired to code. There are Ground and Neutral bonding issues that are priority. Electrical work of around \$900 to bring it to code.
  - **Web Committee:** No update
  - **ATV:** David Bush KC5UOZ is still working on the simplex repeater. He proposes some upgrades to allow for the meeting to be seen via zoom and Amateur Television locally. Plans include a widescreen TV, 3 cameras, and a computer running VMIX software. He proposed splitting the cost of an internet connection to the clubhouse.
  - **Education Committee:** No update.
  - **Public Relations:** no update
  - **Special Events:** Field Day. Discussion in the program.
- Unfinished Business:** none

**New Business:** Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW made a motion that the club pay up to \$600/ year for internet service. It was seconded by Ruth Bush KF5PGJ. Motion carried unanimously. Seth Byas had a completed membership application. Upon a motion by Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW, seconded by Mike Davis KI5EIW, and a unanimous vote, Seth Byas' membership application was accepted and he is now an associate member.

**Meeting Adjournment:** President Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm.

**After the meeting:** A brief Field Day planning session. We plan to participate as a club. We will hold Field Day at the Club House. We need a head count ASAP. 1 trailer workday prior and one after. Equipment, coax, and the generator all need to be tested.

Submitted by  
Mike Davis KI5EIW  
HOTARC Secretary

### The Treasurer Reports...

Heart o' Texas Amateur Radio Club	
Treasurers Report: May 31, 2021	
<b>Starting Balance May 01, 2021 (in bank)</b>	<b>\$ 6,216.90</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Interest	\$ 0.05
	\$ -
Total Dues	\$ -
	\$ -
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 0.05</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
PayPal Fees	\$ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Ending Balance May 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 6,216.95</b>
Includes FF 31 May 2021	\$ 280.61
Total in Flower Fund 31 May 2021	\$ 280.61
Submitted by Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW	

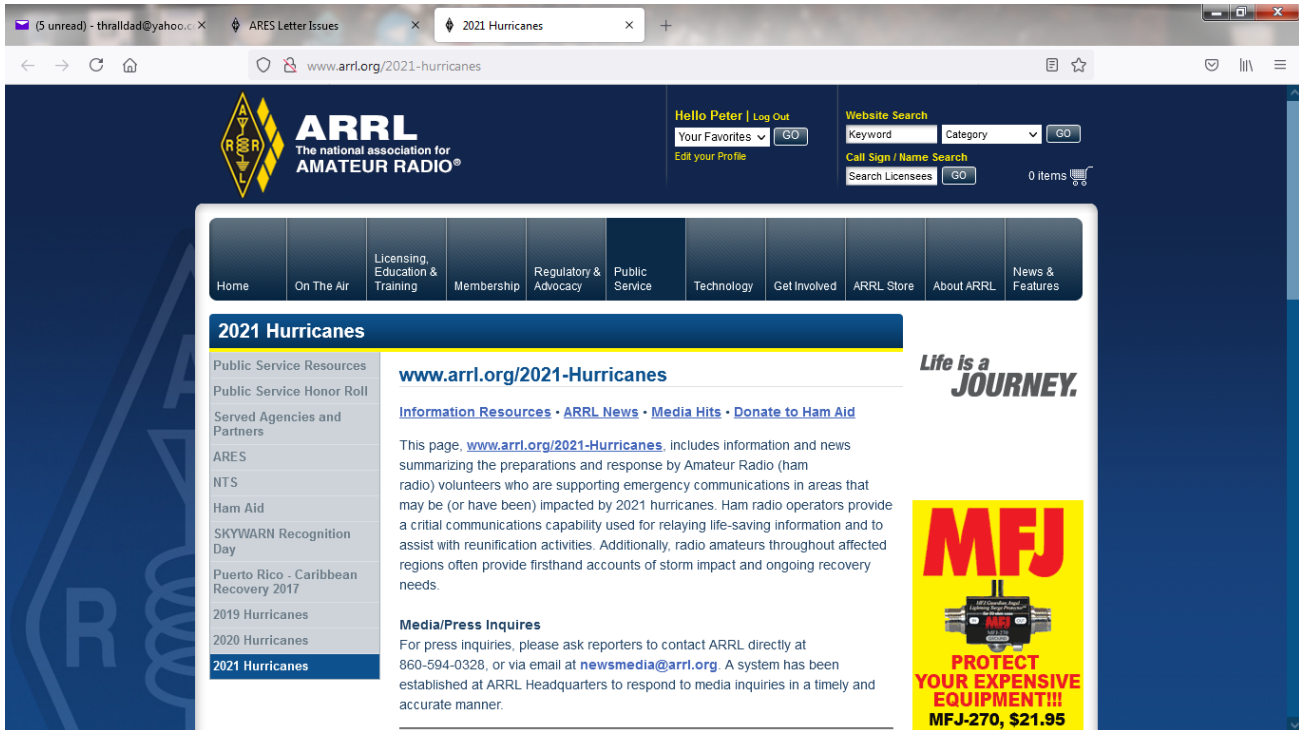
by Paul Collins KG5DHS  
McLennan County Emergency  
Coordinator

## McLennan County A.R.E.S.

Hi, HOTARC!

We are rolling out of the spring storm season and into the hurricane season.

Here's a link to the ARRL Hurricane information page. <http://www.arrl.org/2021-hurricanes>



This page contains a list of links to help keep track of conditions all in one place! These links include the National Hurricane Center, Red Cross , Tropical Tidbits and more. Check it out!

We'll get to practice emergency operations as we are about to have Field Day! I look forward to seeing y'all there!

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 <http://www.hotarc.org/> 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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### **Club Repeaters**

145.15 MHz (input at -600 kHz, tone 123 Hz)

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

442.875 MHz (input at +5.0 MHz, tone 123 Hz)