



# KN5GRK

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## AARA September General Meeting

The September General Meeting of the Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc. will be held on Thursday September 1, 2022 at the Candyland Cottage and Ice Cream Shoppe in Scott, LA at 7:00 PM.

Discussions will be the following topics:

- Technician Ham Class - September 7 thru October 6, see page 2 of this newsletter.
- Tour du Teche Canoe Race - October 7 - 9, 2022
- AARA 70th Anniversary of affiliation with the ARRL - October 29, 2022.
- Other subjects may be on the agenda.

VE Testing will be at 6:00 PM - see page 2 for information.

## AARA DIY Projects

The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc. will hold its' first DIY build day tentatively scheduled for Saturday morning on September 24th at Steve Weber's AF5VR QTH in Church Point, LA.

The class will be designed to help build DIY ham radio projects and kits. If you are unsure of a project contact Dave Redfean N4ELM [n4elm@arrl.net](mailto:n4elm@arrl.net) for a review of the build's design and difficulty.

Here is the list of some of the possible kits for the upcoming build day.

- ⇒ End Fed Half Wave (EFHW) Antenna Balun Kit by ARRL \$70.00  
<http://www.arrl.org/end-fed-half-wave-antenna-kit>
- ⇒ 6 Meter Antenna Project made from copper pipe and PVC as listed in the August 2022 QST.
- ⇒ FT8 Digital Transceiver Kit from QRP Labs \$89.00. The WSJT software will run the radio on FT8 and several other digital modes (check the radio documentation). It runs around 5 watts output and requires a resonant antenna with no RF common mode issues. I would classify this as an intermediate skill level kit
- ⇒ QRP Labs also has the QCX series of single CW/WSPR transceiver kits for ~\$75.00.
- ⇒ For just reception or shortwave listening the 4SQR club has a regen receiver kit for ~\$55.00 along with other kits aimed mainly at QRP operators. Four State QRP Group ([4sqr.com](http://4sqr.com))

Not only kit building, the group will be teaching soldering techniques, proper coax fittings installation, calculating antenna lengths and many other items ham radio operators may encounter in this hobby.



My website is hosted by:



"If time travel is possible, where are the tourists from the future?"  
- Stephen Hawking



OR

DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE?



## Engine Differences Between Motor and Engine

When it comes to mechanics, especially in auto mechanics, the explanation about whether a car has a motor or an engine has been greatly debated. In fact, even famous dictionaries do not provide full clarity on this matter and define the two words in a similar, albeit not the exact method. Both motor and engine refer to an instrument used to transform some form of power into mechanical motion. They are sometimes employed interchangeably in casual discussion, but technically speaking, they are not equal. The engine is a device that employs heat or combustion to generate motion, and the motor is an instrument that converts electric or hydraulic power into motion.

Depending on your application, you can find all the information you need about motor or engine equipment and devices on Linqip's website. Linqip's team of experts is available to answer any questions you may have about motors or engines. Check out Linqip's article, "What is Power Generation?" to learn more about these machines.

<https://www.linqip.com/blog/>

## Masonic Lodges on the Air Event September 24

Masonic Lodges on the Air (MLoTA), an amateur radio special event, will be on the air Saturday, September 24, 2022, from locations across the county. The event is open to all amateur radio operators, and the idea for the event grew out of the realization that many Freemasons also have a love for amateur radio.

The Fulton County Amateur Radio Club (FCARC) and the Fulton Lodge #248 in Ohio first hosted the event in 2021. Because of its success, the event has now been scheduled for the next 3 years.

The event will be operating K8BXQ from 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM ET, using SSB only on 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters. Please honor all band plans. All contacts must be in the phone portion of the bands. Stations may be contacted once on each band.

Full contest rules and information can be found at :

<http://cqmorelight.com/rules>

## ACADIANA 2 METER NET REPORTS August 2022

Net Name	Sessions	Check-ins	Total Time
AARA Monday Night Net - 147.040 @ 7:00 PM Monday	4	73	207 Min.
Acadiana SkyWarn Net - 147.040 @ 7:00 PM Tuesday	4	57	149 Min.
Silent Key Memorial Net - 147.040 @ 7:00 PM Wednesday	4	53	165 Min.
Rag Chew Net - 147.040 @ 8:00 PM Thursday	3	31	190 Min.

## POST OFFICE NET

Sunday @ 7:00 AM  
3.905 MHz

Join us each Sunday morning.



## Acadiana Amateur Radio Assoc., Inc. (AARA) VE Test August 2022 News

Well Guys, It seemed to be an unproductive Night with no Newbies, Re-Treads or upgrades. Those that tried didn't seem to be discouraged enough to not try again, they have a much better knowledge as what to expect the next time.

The VE's helping out at this event were: Me, Greg ~ K5LFT, Dave~ N4Elm, Ken ~ KG5YYL, Larry ~ KI5NTC & Michael ~ KI5ARX.

TNX Guys & Hopes for better success next time for the applicants...

73 de, GREG ~ K5LFT

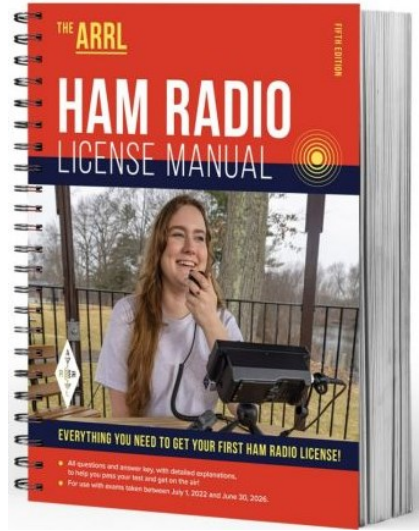
When possible, Amateur Radio Examinations (VE Exams) will be conducted prior to the club meetings starting at 6:00 PM. Please arrive as early as possible to help insure adequate time is available to complete your exam before the meeting starts. Information regarding VE Exams can be found here.

<http://www.w5ddl.org/VE%20Exams.htm>

Anyone needing additional information regarding VE Exams should contact Greg Dolan K5LFT at:

[k5lft@arrl.net](mailto:k5lft@arrl.net).





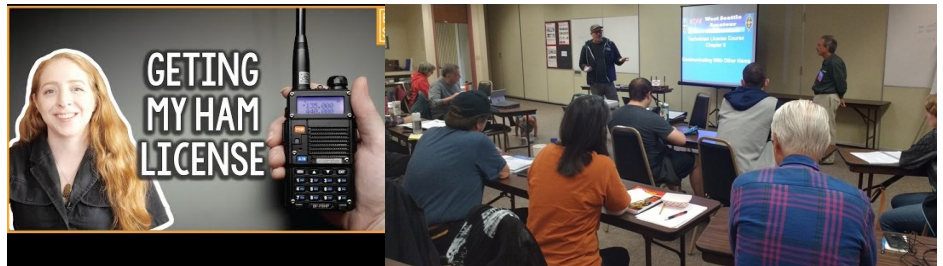
## Ham Radio Technician Class

Offered by The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (AARA)

The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association (AARA) will be offering a 5-week in person ham radio course September & October 2022. This course is open to anyone.

**Class size will be limited so please sign up early.** We are following the ARRL Technician License Manual 5th Edition Curriculum July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026 (available from [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) or [ARRL.org](https://www.arrrl.org)).

We will also have hands on demonstrations so participants will not only be confident in being able answer all the questions but also confident in operating the radio.



- Session 1 Wednesday 9/7 6:00 - 7:45 PM @ East Regional Library in Youngsville, LA
- Session 2 Wednesday 9/14 6:00 - 7:45 PM @ East Regional Library in Youngsville, LA
- Session 3 Monday 9/19 6:00 - 7:45 PM @ East Regional Library in Youngsville, LA
- Session 4 Monday 9/26 6:00 - 7:45 PM @ East Regional Library in Youngsville, LA
- Session 5 Wednesday 10/5 6:00 - 7:45 PM @ East Regional Library in Youngsville, LA
- Test Session Thursday 10/6 6:00 - 7:00 PM @ Candyland Cottage in Scott, LA

The Classes themselves will not cost any money.

The books vary in price depending on location and shipping speed.

ARRL VE Testing Fee is \$15 FCC application fee is \$35

You can sign up for the class at: [forms.gle/eGRuk2vitoFjqz8Z8](https://forms.gle/eGRuk2vitoFjqz8Z8)



### East Regional Library

215 La Neuville Road  
Youngsville, LA 70592  
337-445-3168



### Candyland Cottage & Ice Cream Shoppe

109 Benoit Patin Rd.  
Scott, LA 70583





## B.E.A.R.S of Morgan City played host to ILLW Special Event 2022

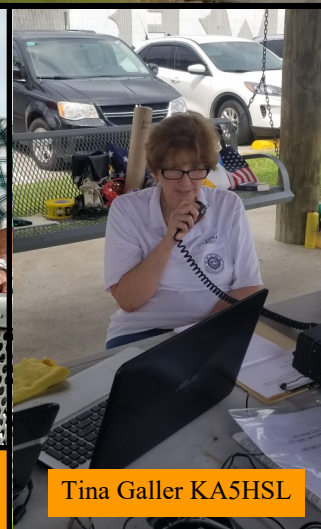
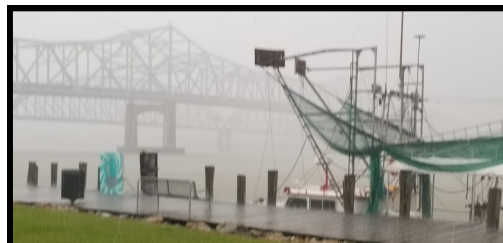


Jackie KA5LMZ Rudy WA5QNH Tina KA5HSL Deborah N5FMI

The Southwest Reef Lighthouse (US0176) was on the air Friday evening thru Sunday evening August 20 thru 21, 2022 in the City of Berwick, Louisiana calling CQ for anyone listening for lighthouses and lightships as well as any other ham operators all over the world.

This event was sponsored by the Bayouland Emergency Amateur Radio Service (BEARS), the station was located in the pavilion next to the Ray Rasberry Memorial Tower on the banks of the beautiful Atchafalaya River.

Band conditions on 40 & 17 meters were terrible, most of the 238 contacts were made on 20 meters. Light visitor turnout to the event included Dave Sellers N5UYF of Houma and a few others due to light to heavy rain both days. Mosquitoes were a problem during the evening and night operations.



(Left to Right) Ester N5YOP - Jackie KA5LMZ - Rudy WA5QNH - Deborah N5FMI - Tina KA5HSL - Mike WD5JTZ - Karen KE5RPI - Frank N5LOD - Fred W5MLE

Tina Galler KA5HSL



# PHOTOS OF SHREVEPORT - BOSSIER HAMFEST 2022

Pictures were posted on Facebook held on August 13, 2022



John K5JMR

Gary K5GLS



Richard Lenoir KI5DX — MTC



John K5JMR

Scott KD5DFL



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# 2022 Route 66 On The Air Special Event

September 10-18, 2022

### Background on “The Mother Road”

U.S. Highway 66 was established in 1926, was the first major improvement to link the west coast with the nations heartland.

Through stories, songs and TV shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America.

However, the demise of Route 66 began in the 1950’s as the U.S. began it’s interstate highway system, and the highway was officially decommissioned in 1986. Today, small portions of the U.S. Highway 66 still exist in towns and rural areas in several states.

### Background on Route 66 On The Air Special Event

This year marks the 22<sup>st</sup> year of this great radio event. Originally started by the Northern Arizona DX Association, it was a way to allow amateur radio operators a fun way to “Relive the Ride.” They also can relive their own memories of Route 66, and get to celebrate the highway’s rich history in making the U.S. what it is today.

Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club (CBARC) in San Bernardino, CA took over the event a couple years later and has grown into one of the best special amateur radio events each year.

Amateur radio clubs using special 1×1 callsigns operate from cities on or near the route from coast to coast. Hundreds of operators worldwide aim to contact as many radio operators as possible who would like to take part in this annual event.

INFO for the 2022 Route 66 On The Air

<https://w6jbt.org/>

## 2022 ROUTE 66 ON THE AIR PARTICIPATING CLUBS

**W6A:** SANTA MONICA, CA  
WESTSIDE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
<http://www.qsl.net/route66>

**W6B:** LOS ANGELES, CA  
WESTSIDE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
<http://www.qsl.net/route66>

**W6C:** SAN BERNARDINO, CA  
CITRUS BELT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.w6jbt.org](http://www.w6jbt.org)

**W6D:** VICTORVILLE, CA  
VICTOR VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.vvarc.org](http://www.vvarc.org)

**W6E:** BARSTOW, CA  
BARSTOW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.wa6tst.club](http://www.wa6tst.club)

**W6F:** KINGMAN, AZ  
HUALAPAI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.wb6rer.org](http://www.wb6rer.org)

**W6G:** FLAGSTAFF, AZ  
NORTHERN ARIZONA DX ASSOCIATION  
[www.nadxa.com](http://www.nadxa.com)

**W6H:** ALBUQUERQUE, NM  
ALBUQUERQUE DX ASSOCIATION  
<https://www.qrz.com/db/w6h>

**W6I:** AMARILLO, TX  
PANHANDLE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.w5wx.net](http://www.w5wx.net)

**W6J:** ELK CITY, OK  
WEST CENTRAL OKLAHOMA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
<https://sites.google.com/view/wcoarc>

**W6K:** OKLAHOMA CITY, OK  
<https://ocapa.org/>  
W6K Facebook Page

**W6L:** TULSA, OK  
TULSA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.w5ias.com](http://www.w5ias.com)

**W6M:** TRIBUNE, KS  
WESTERN KANSAS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
<https://www.qrz.com/db/k0wpm>

**W6N:** JOPLIN, MO  
JOPLIN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.joplin-arc.org](http://www.joplin-arc.org)

**W6O:** LEBANON, MO  
LEBANON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.qrz.com/db/w6o](http://www.qrz.com/db/w6o)

**W6P:** ST LOUIS, MO  
ST LOUIS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.qrz.com/db/w6p](http://www.qrz.com/db/w6p)

**W6Q:** CHICAGO, IL  
SIX METER CLUB OF CHICAGO  
[www.k9ona.com](http://www.k9ona.com)

**W6R:** SPRINGFIELD, MO  
SOUTHWEST MISSOURI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.smarc.org](http://www.smarc.org)

**W6S:** ROVER 1  
NORTHERN ARIZONA DX ASSOCIATION  
[www.nadxa.com](http://www.nadxa.com)

**W6T:** ROVER 2  
NORTHERN ARIZONA DX ASSOCIATION  
[www.nadxa.com](http://www.nadxa.com)

**W6U:** WILMINGTON, IL  
WILMINGTON AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
[www.qrz.com/db/w6u](http://www.qrz.com/db/w6u)

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# September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

## Schedule of Events

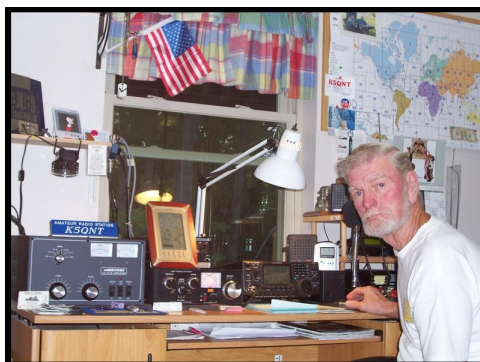
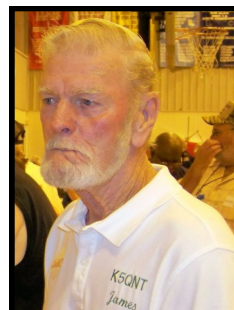
- **September 1** — AARA General Club meeting at Candyland Cottage & Ice Cream Shop in Scott, LA at 7:00 PM.
- **September 5** — Labor Day
- **September 7** — AARA Technician Classes start
- **September 10 -18** — Route 66 Special Event Week
- **September 24** — AARA DIY Event

## 2022 Tour du Teche Canoe Race

October 7 - 9, 2022  
 135 mile three day canoe race  
 Port Barre, LA to Berwick, LA

## James Redmond K5QNT - Silent Key

James Harvey Redmond Jr. (K5QNT), age 83, died August 4, 2022, with his wife Carol Redmond and family at his side.



James and Carol moved to Tickfaw, La. in 2001 where they've enjoyed retirement. James was an avid animal lover and the many causes benefiting them.

James was a member of the Venice, La Lions Club until it disbanded in the 1980s, and a current member of Ham Radio Club "SELARC" Southeast Louisiana Amateur Radio Club

since 2003. James was involved in helping out with ham radio operator getting their license as he was a Volunteer Examiner (VE) at numerous hamfests.

Funeral services were held at Harry McKneely & Son Funeral Home in Hammond, La on Monday August 8, 2022 at 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Interment followed at Rosaryville Cemetery in Ponchatoula, Louisiana.

## Queen Wilhelmina Hamfest

ARRL Arkansas State Convention  
 "The best little hamfest west of the Mississippi"

**Date:** September 9 & 10, 2022

**Location:** Queen Wilhelmina State Park

HWY 88

Mena, AR 71953

**Sponsor:** Queen Wilhelmina Ham Association

**Talk-In:** 146.790 CTCSS 100

**Website:**

<http://www.menahamfest.net/>

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**HELP KEEP AMATEUR RADIO ALIVE - GET ON THE AIR OFTEN  
 IF YOU DON'T USE IT - YOU WILL LOOSE IT!**

**Route 66 On the Air**

Sep 10-Sep 18, 0000Z-2359Z, W6H, Rio Rancho, NM. Albuquerque DX Association. 14.033 14.266 3.866 7.266. QSL. Bill Mader, 4701 Sombrore Rd SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124. We will operate CW, SSB, and FT8 primarily on 80m-10m, with supporting propagation. Look for our self-spots on your favorite cluster. Find our operating schedule at <http://n2iw.com/route66-2022/index.php>. See our QRZ.com page. Please spot us when you work us! 73, Bill, K8TE <https://adx.groups.io/g/main>

**USAF 75th Birthday**

Sep 17, 1500Z-2359Z, N7GV, Sahuarita, AZ. Green Valley Amateur Radio Club. 7.260 14.260. QSL. Richard Rogers, 15747 S Avenida Cuaima, Sahuarita, AZ 85629-8682. Celebrate the 75th birthday of the USAF from the Titan Missile Museum using the discone antenna used by Titan crews when the site was on alert. [rccalb@aol.com](mailto:rccalb@aol.com) or <https://www.gvarc.us>

**500th Anniversary of the Discovery of Arkansas State Capital - Little Rock**

Sep 22-Sep 25, 1400Z-2300Z, K5A, Springdale, AR. Razorback Contest Club. 7.040 7.190 14.040 14.260. QSL. Razorback Contest Club, 3407 Diana St., Springdale, AR 72764. Commemorating the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the area which would become Little Rock, the Arkansas state capital. [rccw5yo@cox.net](mailto:rccw5yo@cox.net)

**Texas Traffic Net Daily 8:30am 7.285**  
**7290 Traffic Net M-Sat 10am-12N, 1-2pm 7.290**  
**Texas Traffic Net Daily 6:30pm 3.873**  
**Gulf Coast SSB Net Daily 7:30pm (00:30UTC) 3.925**  
**Delta SSB Net M-Sat 7:30am 3.905**  
**Ctn Gulf Cst Hurricane Net Daily 8:00pm 3.935**  
**Southwest Traffic Net Daily 9:30pm 3.935**  
**Gulf Coast Radio Net Sunday 8:00am 3.910**  
**Ham Radio Traders Net Sunday 10:00am 7.245**  
**Ham Radio Traders Net Sunday 7:30pm 3.922**  
**Louisiana ARES HF Net Sunday 7:30pm 3.878**  
**Texas ARES HF Net Monday 7:30pm 3.873**  
**Texas RACES HF Net 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun 2pm 7.255**



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**SUCH A HAM**

SH-005



Stan & Cliff have been working all day on installing my clothesline, Mary.

