

The RCARC Beacon

“Uniting The World Through Amateur Radio”

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KE4RX/r 147.015 + (pl 110.9) Roane County ARC
K4EAJ/r 147.120 + (pl 82.5) Morgan County ARC
KC4WGH/r 224.840 (pl 88.5) David Rogers KC4WGH



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Roane County Amateur Radio Club

Visit the club website at www.ke4rx.org

RCARC Meeting : **December 8th, at 6 pm.** Roane County Rescue Sqd in Midtown.

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Welcome to the RCARC Beacon!!
It's That Time of Year!!

What: RCARC Christmas Dinner / Meeting / Election of officers for 2012

When: Thursday December 8th 2011

Pot Luck Dinner at 6:00 pm. RCARC will provide ham and condiments. Everyone else bring a dish based on the last letter of your callsign. For A through I, bring a salad; J through R, a side dish; and S through Z, dessert. (Please rsvp if your coming and bring a dish so we will have a head count!)

Meeting and election at 7:00 pm

Where: The Roane County Rescue Squad 2735 Roane State Highway, Harriman, TN. It is in the Midtown area just across from the drive in theater. We meet in the conference room directly behind the United Way office.

ALL RCARC MEMBERS It Is Important that You Attend since this election determines our officers and the direction our club takes for the next year. If you want to run for an office feel free to send me or any club officer your request to be placed on ballot. See the RCARC by laws on www.ke4rx.org for qualifications to run for office.

Finally at Decembers meeting we begin taking renewals for membership for the RCARC, so if your a Roane County Amateur Radio Club member, don't forget to renew in December/January for the 2012 year. New members are welcome to join anytime. Annual dues are still only \$15. I hope to see y'all there!

Jim K4APY
k4apy@arrl.net

Roane County VE Team offers Ham Radio Exams

The Roane County VE Team offers ham Radio Exams on every even numbered month at the Trenton Street Baptist Church in Harriman at 9 am. If you are interested in scheduling a HAM radio exam, get in touch with Jim Dalton K4FPG or Keith Dalton WV4G to make arrangements.

Send E-mail to:

Jim Dalton :

jsdaltonk4fpg@att.net

-Or-

Keith Dalton: wv4g@arrl.net

The next exam is on **December 10th** by appointment.
Good Luck!!.

Repeater News!

So Far the KE4RX/r on 147.015 PL 110.9 has been performing well and no significant problems have been reported except the interference from a GA. Repeater that has not been able to be resolved. RCARC is working diligently on a 440 Mhz repeater on 443.975 and it should be on the air soon!! Look for it in the near future.

Election of Officers 2012

On the 8th of December members of RCARC will vote to elect officers for the coming year. We encourage folks who would like to make a difference to step up and run for office. The offices up for vote this December are: **President, Vice president, Secretary and Treasurer.** Qualifications for office are listed in the RCARC By Laws at www.ke4rx.org. Send an e-mail to the secretary k4apy@arrl.net to have your name added to the ballot.

RCARC Needs You!!

It takes everyone for RCARC to thrive. Even though we are a small club we still have expenses to cover and our dues are a large part of what pays the bills. Out of our dues we have insurance expenses for our liability at club functions and the repeater equipment. We also pay for the electricity and maintenance on KE4RX/r repeater. Dues are only \$15 / year for licensed amateurs and \$7.50 / year for unlicensed associate members. If your not currently an RCARC member we invite you to join and be part of our organization. Just drop me an e-mail or visit the RCARC Club website at www.ke4rx.org for an application. RCARC is a 501c3 non profit organization.

Jim White
K4APY
RCARC Club Secretary
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2011 RCARC Officers

President: Cliff Segar KD4GT
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Vice President: Phillip Newman
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Secretary: Jim White K4APY
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Treasurer: Kati Segar
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Want to write an article for the Beacon?

We are always looking for material for "The Beacon" so if you have an idea for an article or even better want to write something, I am sure we can get it to fit in. Just keep it of general interest to HAM radio or Emergency Communications / ARES.

If you have a home brew project you would like to share, that would be a great way to begin!! So, sharpen your pencils and brush up on your typing skills and put your expertise to work helping your fellow hams. If you want to share an article from another publication, please get their permission in writing to reprint first. Send your submissions to the editor at :
k4apy@arrl.net

**Check out
The RCARC Website
WWW.KE4RX.ORG**

ROANE COUNTY VE INFORMATION

The Roane County Amateur Radio ARRL Volunteer Examiner (VE) Testing Team provides the following information.

First time test candidates need to bring to the test session:

- 1) a photo ID,
- (2) Social Security Number, and
- (3) \$15.00 test fee.

Please bring correct change. Test fees are subject to change as directed by the ARRL.

If you are planning to upgrade to a higher class license, or modify your license in any way, bring:

- (1) a copy of your current license which we are required to send in with the paperwork,
- (2) a photo ID,
- (3) your FRN* or Social Security Number, and
- (4) \$15.00 test fee.

If you have just passed an Amateur test for the first time, you can normally find your new call sign posted on the ARRL data base at <http://www.arrl.org/advanced-call-sign-search> or the FCC data base at <http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp> by Friday of the week after your test. Once you see your call sign posted, you can legally get on the air on any frequencies assigned to your class of license.

The Roane County Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Thursday of each month in the United Way Conference Room in the Roane County Rescue Squad Building at Midtown at 7:00 PM. We encourage you to join the Club and participate in its activities. Additional Information about the Roane County Amateur Radio Club can be found at: www.ke4rx.org/

The Roane County Amateur Radio Club has a Net each Monday night, except on major national holidays, at 8:00 on the Club's KE4RX repeater. The repeater frequency is 147.015+ with a tone of 110.9. The backup repeater for KE4RX is K4EAJ, 147.120+ with a tone of 82.5.

The second backup repeater is WD4ORB 147.330+ toned at 82.5. The KC4WGH repeater 224.840+ toned at 88.5, is also available for Amateur use.

The Roane County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Net is called each Tuesday evening at 8:00 on K4EAJ 147.120+ repeater with a tone of 82.5, except on the third Tuesday of the month when the monthly meeting is held at 7:00 in the Roane County EOC at Kingston. The backup repeaters for K4EAJ are; KE4RX and if needed WD4ORB.

Amateur radio tests are given on the second Saturday of even months, i.e. Feb, Apr, Jun, etc. by appointment only. A VE testing team member must be contacted prior to the scheduled Saturday or the team will not be at the test location. Applicants should have studied from the current license study guide for the license class they will be tested.

Roane County VE team members are:

Keith Dalton, (Team Leader) WV4G: wv4g@arrl.net or wv4g.keith@gmail.com Phone: 931-261-4599

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David Rogers, KC4WGH: dfrogerskc4wgh@hughes.net Phone: 865-435-0159

Mike Winters, AG4OT: preachermike@comcast.net Phone: 865-883-9350

Jim Dalton, K4FPG: k4fpg@arrl.net or jsdaltonk4fpg@att.net Phone: 865-882-2639

Tests are given in the Fellowship Hall at Trenton Street Baptist Church in Harriman at 519 Trenton Street. Coming through downtown Harriman on US 27 (Roane St.) turn East at traffic light # 7, go one block on Queen St., turn left on to Trenton Street, then immediately left into the church parking lot. Signs will direct you to the Fellowship Hall.

*First time license applicants are allowed to use their Social Security (SS) number on Form 605, however after that, if an applicant needs to modify their license in any way, they must use an FCC Registration Number (FRN). The FRN uniquely identifies an applicant in all future transactions with the FCC, and avoids the need to continually provide a SS number on application forms. You can obtain your individual FRN from the FCC by going to the following FCC website: <https://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do>

RCARC Net News!

The Roane County Amateur Radio Club net is back on 147.015+ pl 110.9 each Monday evening at 8:00 pm except on major holidays (Those where US Mail is not delivered). Join us every Monday evening for a great informal 2 meter net!!

Net Controller Schedule:

First Monday night : Bill White KK4AGX

Second Monday Night: David Rogers KC4WGH

Third Monday Night::Cliff Segar KD4GT

Fourth Monday Night: Jim White K4APY

Fifth Monday Night and Alternate: Jim Dalton K4FPG

Roane County ARES/DEC nets are every Tuesday on 147.120 pl 82.5 at 8:00 pm except the third Tuesday which is the monthly meeting at The Roane County EOC , 230 N. 3rd Street in Kingston, TN. Roane County ARES welcomes anyone interested in emergency communications and training. Contact Bill Farnham **KI4FZT** for more information on ARES/DEC bfarnham@utk.edu

December 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November	28 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	29 ARES/DEC Net 147.120 9:00 PM	30	December 1	2	3
4	5 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	6 ARES/DEC Net 147.120 9:00 PM	7	8 RCARC Meeting , Dinner and Election 6:00 PM.	9	10 Roane VE Exam
11	12 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	13 ARES/DEC Net 147.120 9:00 PM	14	15	16	17
18	19 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	20 ARES/DEC Meeting @ EOC 7:00 PM	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	27 ARES/DEC Net 147.120 9:00 PM	28	29	30	31
January 1 New Years Day! 2012	2 Mon Night Net 147.015 8:00 PM	3 ARES/DEC Net 147.120 9:00 PM	4	5	6	7

RCARC Meeting November 10, 2011



Folks signing in at the November RCARC Meet



Bill Farnham KI4FZT, David Rogers KC4WGH, and Bill White KK4AGX



Bill White KK4AGX, Jack Maples W1ETM, and Buddy Miles K4CPF

RCARC Classifieds

FREE!! Two post rack not four post. You can get shelves for it that extend front and back, but in that case the rack should be bolted to the floor. The price is free, The rack does come apart for transport. It is located in Rockwood. Contact Harry Tirrell W1LQU for more information: E-mail Harry at harry@tirrell.org



I have a 16 foot piece of thin wall tv antenna mast that is still useable. Some rust, but useable. Free to anyone who wants it. Contact Jim White K4APY at k4apy@arrl.net

If you have something to put on the RCARC Classifieds send it and a photo if available via e-mail to Jim k4apy@arrl.net

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