

The RCARC Beacon

“Uniting The World Through Amateur Radio”

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KE4RX/r 147.015 + (pl 110.9) Roane County ARC
KE4RX/r 443.975+ (pl 110.9) Roane County ARC
K4EAJ/r 147.120 + (pl 82.5) Morgan County ARC
AC4DR/r 224.840 (pl 88.5) David Rogers AC4DR



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Roane County Amateur Radio Club

Visit the club website at www.ke4rx.org

RCARC Meeting :February 12th, at 7 pm. Roane County Rescue Sqd in Midtown.

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Welcome to the RCARC Beacon!!

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Well we are 9.7% into 2015. Wow! Where does time go?

Last month, our meeting was unexpectedly cancelled due to unknown construction in our meeting room. I've checked and this month will be good – baring Murphy and his henchmen anyway.

*D*Star update: The server grade PC seems to have come up with something from Murphy and quit in the cold weather. We're still working on that issue. Never a dull moment. But we have also gotten indication that more D*Star repeaters are coming on-line in eastern Tennessee. The east Tennessee Regional Health Department recently purchased Icom 7100s for each of the 15 county Health Department offices in their jurisdiction. Repeaters to support these are being installed. We hope to know more about this venture soon.*

And remember the SkyWarn training for the March 12th meeting. Bring your friends to that important session.

de Cliff KD4GT

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:*

Keith Dalton:*wv4g.keith@gmail.com*

What they need is your name, the date you want to take an exam and your phone number for them to be able to contact you.

*The next exam is on **February 14th** by appointment.
Good Luck!!.*

Meet the Roane County VE Team!!



(Left to Right) David Rogers AC4DR, Mike Winters AG4OT, Jim Dalton K4FPG, Buddy Miles K4CPF (certified pipe fitter!!) and the VE Team Leader Keith Dalton WV4G. They are always ready to answer any ARRL Testing related questions and to schedule an exam. Exams are offered on the second Saturday of every even numbered month at 9:00 am By Appointment at the Trenton Street Baptist Church in Harriman, TN. E-mail Keith for more information or to schedule your exam. Wv4g.keith@gmail.com

Have You Renewed For 2015?

Hello Everyone!! I hope 2015 has brought everyone good fortune. I just want to remind folks that 2015 RCARC memberships and renewals are now being accepted. Membership runs from January 1 through December 31. Dues and repeater donations are the bulk of our income. We have about \$1000.00 / year in expenses we as a club pay out for electricity and maintenance on the repeaters (KE4RX 147.015 and 443.975), building and tower, and our insurances that cover our group and equipment. If you enjoy RCARC and want to support us, please consider renewing or joining for 2015. New members are always welcome to join anytime. Renewal / membership forms are available on the website www.ke4rx.org or e-mail me for a form I can send as a pdf. k4apy@arrl.net I hope to see everyone at the meeting next week on 2/12/15 !!

RCARC February meeting

Don't forget to attend the RCARC Meeting on 2/12/15 at 7:00 pm in the Roane County Rescue Squad Building. 2735 Roane State Highway, Harriman, TN. 37748. Bring a friend and meet our group!

2015 RCARC Officers

President: Cliff Segar KD4GT
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Secretary: Ed Smith K5QPO
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Treasurer: Jim White K4APY
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Check Out The RCARC Website
WWW.KE4RX.ORG

Regional Hamfests (Within 100 Miles)

2/28/15

Dalton Hamfest

Dalton GA.

[Http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html](http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html)

3/7/15 Cave City hamfest

Cave City, KY.

Www.ky4x.org

3/14/15 Tullahoma Hamfest

Tullahoma, TN

Www.qsl.net/mtars/

6/13/15 RACK Hamfest Knoxville, TN.

For more informatio

Www.w4bbb.org

Join The ARRL Today!

Www.arrl.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 AC4DR/r 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
(Between 12pm and 6 pm only)

Buddy Miles, K4CPF: jbuddymiles@msn.com Phone: 865-376-7842

David Rogers, AC4DR: ac4dr@arrl.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: Don Coffman KJ4VWE

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 COML (Type III All Hazard Comm Unit Leader)**Division of Emergency Communication Roane County Office of Emergency Services & Homeland Security**

Important Dates to Remember:

RCARC Monthly Meeting 2/12/15!

2735 Roane State Highway in the Rescue Squad Building

Harriman, TN. 37748 Talk In 147.015 pl tone 110.9

Be there and Bring a Friend!

RCARC KE4RX Monday Night Net

Both Nets Held @ 20:00 hours 147.015 PL 110.9

2/2/15 NCS KK4AGX
2/9/15 NCS KJ4VWE
2/16/15 No Net Presidents Day
@ EOC
2/23/15 NCS K4APY
3/2/15 NCS KK4AGX
3/9/15 NCS KJ4VWE
3/16/15 NCS KD4GT
3/23/15 NCS K4APY
3/30/15 NCS K4FPG

Roane County N4OES ARES/DEC Net

2/3/15 DEC Net
2/10/15 DEC Net
2/17/15 ARES DEC Meeting
2/24/15 DEC Net
3/3/15 DEC Net
3/10/15 DEC Net
3/17/15 ARES DEC Meeting @ EOC
3/24/15 DEC Net
3/31/15 DEC Net

February 12, 2015 RCARC Meeting @ RC Rescue Squad in Midtown!!

February 14, 2015 Roane County VE Team Test Session by appointment.

Contact Keith Dalton WV4G wv4g.keith@gmail.com to schedule a test.

February 28, 2015 Dalton Hamfest, Dalton GA.

[Http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html](http://daltonhamfest.net/about.html)

Changes Coming To The Newsletter/Group E-mail

After a run in with my ISP last October and having my e-mail blocked for SPAM (Someone must have reported it so my outgoing e-mail was blocked), Cody KI4FUV has been working on finding a mailing list for our club website that will be easy to use and comply with the CAN-SPAM act. After a couple of months searching, he found one that uses the Captcha verification method to prevent non-humans from signing up on the mailing-list and causing problems.

With that said, **This will be the last group mailing of The RCARC Beacon Newsletter** I will be sending out and everyone who wants to keep receiving The Roane County Amateur Radio Club E-mails and Newsletter **will need to subscribe to our mailing-list** on www.ke4rx.org, or follow this link to subscribe now.

<http://www.ke4rx.org/email/>

After entering your name and e-mail address and the correct response to Captcha verification, you will be e-mailed a link that you will need to confirm when opened to be successfully added to the list. IF you do not get the link within a few minutes, be sure to check your SPAM or JUNK mail folders. I had mine on Gmail get tossed into that, so don't forget to check your junk mail for the link. At the end of each e-mail, you will also have the opportunity to unsubscribe if you wish.

If you have any problems using the link, send me an e-mail and I will try to help, or forward it to Cody. I hope to see everyone Thursday 2/12/15 at the RCARC Meeting , 7:00 pm in the Roane County Rescue Squad building in Midtown.

Jim

K4APY

k4apy@arrl.net

[Join RCARC Today!! Learn How on www.ke4rx.org](http://www.ke4rx.org)

RCARC Classifieds

The following items have been tested and are known to be operational (unless noted). They are available on a first come-first serve basis. You may contact me on **931-261-4840** or by email Paul@wo4u.org

I plan to continue to test more equipment and will be sending another message with additional items sometime during the next few weeks. I may also schedule another Mini-Fest - like the one held last year - when the weather turns nicer. The previous event was a great success with over 200 participants. Everyone had a chance to buy, swap or sell items. The food vendor has already said how much she enjoyed the crowd of good people and promised to return this year.

If anyone has an interest in making an offer for **ALL** the items listed below **I am willing to consider it!**
Paul – WO4U

Yaesu FT 101ZD with Speaker/Phone-Patch, Aux VFO and Manuals
(All items are Very Clean) \$375.00

Yaesu MD-100 Deluxe Desk Microphone \$95.00

**Yaesu FT-7800 Dual Bander
(Mic Cord worn in two spots) \$190.00**

Yaesu FT-2500 2 Meter Only \$75.00

Alinco DR 635 Dual Bander \$150.00

Alinco DR-135 2 Meter Only \$75.00

MFJ 993B Intellituner \$215.00

Mirage B-3016 2 Meter Amp \$110.00

MFJ 982 3KW Versatuner \$75.00

MFJ 4225 Switching Power Supply \$70.00

Mirage MP-1 Power/SWR Meter \$60.00

Mirage MP-2 Power/SWR Meter \$60.00

Yaesu VX-2R HT (weak battery) \$45.00

MFJ 812 Power/SWR Meter \$10.00

MFJ 864 HF/UHF/VHF Power/SWR Meter \$20.00

If anyone has an old R-388(Collins 51J4), I have found an Air Force "simplified Systematic Maintenance Instructions" set of work cards. Just cleaning house, if any wants them give me a call. Harry KB4AA 865-285-9211

RCARC has ebroidered club logo patches for sale. These are high quality Iron on / Sew On 4" diamter patches. Great for a jacket or shirt. \$4 /each or 3 / \$10. See Harry KB4AA or Jim K4APY . k4apy@arrl.net for more information/

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](mailto:k4apy@arrl.net)

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