



**W5AC December**  
**Meeting**  
*12/05/2018*



# President's Report

- Welcome
- Moment of Silence  
for Mr. Bush 41
- State of the Club
- Parliamentary  
Procedure
- T-Shirts
- MSC Open House
- You don't need  
hydraulic fluid to  
fly an airplane



- Shirts! Nothing yet :)
- YARC Net / YACHT Net

## **Vice President's Report**



- Club Finances

# Treasurer's Report



- November Minutes

# Secretary's Report

**New Business**

- **V/UHF Room:** Jace/KE0MXN reported that since the HF/contesting room has been revamped the SCR man has been outed. Hence, now would be a good time

- **10 Meter Contest:** 8-9 December, there will be the ARRL 10 meter contest. Interested parties should visit the ARRL website for more information.
- **Rookie Roundup:** 15-16 December, any recently licensed hams may compete in this event. Again, interested parties should visit the ARRL website for more information.
- **Ham Hour:** After each weekly net, there will be an hour at the shack for those who have amateur radio related questions or who would like to learn more about operating (the net, HF, UHF/VHF, etc).
- **Iraq:** Jace/KE0MXN expressed interest in working Yi (Iraq), as they are active again on DXSummit. Dave/W5QZ remarked that there are many details which go into DXing which ought to be considered: band conditions, time, whether locals (here or there) are being noisy on the air (wall of contacts), and the like.

**Adjourn:** Kevin/N5TLT motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2039 USCST (UTC-6). The meeting adjourned at 2039. The next meeting will be held on 5 December 2018 at 1930 USCST (UTC-6) at the shack.

**Presentation:** Max/KG5YRW presented on modulation types at the conclusion of the meeting.

**Testing Session:** WSAC held a testing session following the meeting. Don/KI5BPM passed his T4 examination to become an Extra Class operator.

Respectively submitted,

Jace Nelson / KE0MXN

TAMU ARC Secretary

Director of Public Relations candidate, and Director of Traffic Handling candidate. Marty/W5MHN remarked that posting someone into the last position would make WSAC more active as someone would be at the shack nearly every night. Anyone wishing to apply for these positions may email [clubofficers@w5ac.tamu.edu](mailto:clubofficers@w5ac.tamu.edu) or notify any of the officers of their intent.

**Good of the Order**

- **Meteor Shower:** The Leonid meteor shower will peak on the 17th through the 19th of November, so working meteor scatter will be possible should anyone wish to participate

points. Dave/W5QZ urged the club to compete for points in the spring SCR and

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Thursday, 8 November, 2018

from the November 2018 General Meeting 4 and others noted that although allstar was used in 1 for over a year and that acquiring a new board abled, which would also be a hassle for recent with W5AC through it due to strict requirements. nt, as it has less stringent requirements. nformation sent out over the listserv by Ty Weaver H44.125 MHz is the frequency of the repeater, modes (DMR-Marc/allstar/TGIF). Anyone l tydweaver@gmail.com.

WSAC has 311 worked entities (up 1 mo/mo), with nd VP6D, with a digital and SSB entry. However, :log, perhaps a busted call. W5AC remains at 307 ved.

nd some QSL cards and a sample of a test question ne with the same test question at the November

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cuum tube voltmeter (VTVM) and demonstrated accurate than the modern multimeter, with the arging

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December meeting would have conflicted with ove the meeting to Wednesday, 5 December 2018 passed without opposition, and the quorum tified by Jace/KE0MXN.

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## Historian's Report



### A Look Back

## 1921 Broadcasting at Bolton Hall

*In 1921, Aggie mechanical and electrical engineering students achieved a pioneering broadcasting accomplishment by transmitting one of the first play-by-play radio broadcasts of a college football game in Bolton Hall. The achievement occurred during the conference championship against The University of Texas. Borrowing equipment from the Corps of Cadets Signal Corps, students ran lines from the Kyle Field press box to a transmitter tower at Bolton Hall (seen atop the building). To better describe the action and improve transmission speed, the coaching staff created abbreviations. For example, "TB A 45Y" meant "Texas ball on the Aggie 45-yard line." Although the game ended in a scoreless tie, the transmission was a success. This experiment missed being the first such achievement in the United States only by days, but is believed to be the first in Texas.*

*Image credit: Cushing Memorial Library and Archives*





# **QSL Manager's Report**

- 311 DxCC
- 307 Confirmed
- Get Satellites Going
- 5XB Door Lock
- Security Cameras



# Director of Repeater Operations

- ◉ W5AC 2 m
- ◉ W5AC 70cm
  - ◉ IRLP
- ◉ CWID Pitch
  - ◉ This was a question?
- ◉ Nets
  - ◉ W5AC Weekly Training Net
  - ◉ Reveille Net
  - ◉ YACHT Net
  - ◉ YARC Net



- Nothing to report

Old  
Business -  
**Remote  
Receiver**



# Old Business - **MSC Open House**

- Registration Status
  - Registered; need to pay
  - EC Authorized \$50 budget for MOH
- Indoor / Outdoor
  - Likely indoor, per last meeting
    - Likely equipment needs:
      - Outdoor
        - Antenna (popular previously)
        - ARDF (wait for proposals)
      - Indoor
        - SDR, SDR, SDR!
- Schedule



# Old Business - HF Net Proposal

- CQ Muster (HF NET)
  - April 19-22 2019
  - WSUPQ proposed the net
  - Special Event Callsign Requested (W5A)
  - Need Ops
- UHF Net (22 April 2019) moved to 21 April 2019  
2100
- Make magazine Announcements when approved



# Old Business - **Foxhunt Fridays**

- W5AC used to have monthly “foxhunts”
  - Survey
  - Need to contact UPD
  - Equipment
- Radiosondes!



## Old Business - Openings

- ◉ Director of Operations
- ◉ Director of Public Relations (Needed for YT prop.)
- ◉ Director of Traffic Handling
- ◉ (Weekly) Net Control

Submit nomination requests or applications to the EC.

Contact the EC for Net Control



Questions?  
Comments?  
Concerns?

Club  
Business



## New Business - Amendment

1. Strike "who reside greater than 25 miles from the TAMU campus." from article 7, section 2 "Dues for non-Voting Membership"
2. Strike "Join in . . . \$15" from article 7, section 1 "Dues for Voting Membership", AND insert "Membership shall be good for one year from the date of payment." AND strike "Join in . . . \$5" from article 7, section 2 "Dues for non-Voting Membership" AND "Membership shall be good for one year from the date of payment." AND strike "\$20" from article 7, section 2 "Dues for non-Voting Membership" and insert "\$15" in place.



## New Business - Amendment

3. Insert into article 10, a new section 8 “Emergency Powers of the Executive Committee” with content “In the event that it becomes necessary to maintain recognized status as a student organization with the ARRL or Department of Student Activities during breaks, the Executive Committee members (including the advisor) who may be contacted in a timely manner shall have both the power and the prerogative to amend the constitution with a majority vote. Such actions shall be reported to the club membership at the next regularly scheduled business meeting to be voted upon at the subsequent meeting.”



## Good of The Order

- 10 Meter Contest
  - 8-9 December
- Rookie Roundup
  - 15-16 December
- W5BCS Meeting
- ARES meeting
- 160 Meter Contest
- Ham Hour
- Young Amateurs Radio Club's Winter QSO Party
- Club Christmas Party (?)
- Cookoff (Three Times a Week - Marty)



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

07:30  
Reveille Net

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No nets :(

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18:30  
YACHT Net

20:00  
Information  
Net

20:00  
W5BCS Net



- Second -> Third  
Thursday (10->17  
January 2018)

# January Meeting



**Texas A&M Amateur Radio Club**