

# SEPTEMBER

## *DOTS and DASHES* Valencia County Amateur Radio Association Newsletter

### UPCOMING DATES

#### **SEPTEMBER**

*Every Saturday  
9-12 Breakfast club at  
club house.*

*First and Third Saturday 9-12  
Builder's club at Club house*

*Every Wednesday  
8pm Weekly Net*

*Every Thursday  
7:30pm ARES net*

*8<sup>th</sup> VE TESTING  
VE testing is conducted monthly  
the 2nd Saturday  
at the VCARA Clubhouse  
See our website for Important  
Info on this process.*

*26 6p Presidency Meeting  
7p Club Meeting*

### A Letter From A Presidency Member

Hello Everyone,  
Not quite a presidency member but the newsletter editor is filling in this spot.

Clubs like this run on volunteer service.  
Please take some time to think about how you might help our club grow and continue.

Are you interested in writing for grants? Speak with Ralph, NM5RC about how to do this. Are you willing to run for office next year? Do you have something interesting to speak on? Let John Schaaf know. Do you want to help teach a new skill? You can help plan the Christmas party. Our club house often needs to be cleaned after an event and your help there would be appreciated by the few who usually do clean it up.

There is always some place you can pitch in. We look forward to what you suggest and what you can do.

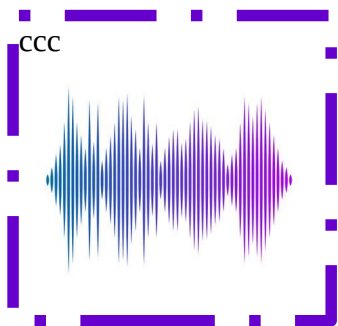
### UPCOMING EVENT

#### **Alamogordo ARC 37th Annual Hamfest**

**2 Sep 2023  
Otero County Fair grounds  
(in Alamogordo NM)**

**7am to 3pm-ish  
Admission Free  
All info at the link below**

**<http://kc5our.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/HAMFEST-FLYER-2023.pdf>**



## Meeting Minutes

In July Earl Cox shared with us information about the history of Ham radio and shared some of his equipment.

The meeting was fairly short .

### Last Reminder:

We will be updating our roster soon. Dues are past due at this point.

2023/24 Membership dues increase as voted on :

\$25.00 Individual  
Membership

\$35.00 Family Membership

\$15.00 Associate  
Membership

Dues may be paid by PayPal

nm5cl@att.net  
Enter: "Membership Dues  
Payment"

### **BOOK EXCHANGE**

Just as you enter the club room where we meet there is a long white bookshelf on the Left Side of the Wall.

Feel free to bring some books and take some books. If you have something good to share and you don't want it back, leave it there.

Old magazines are also appropriate there.

### *Wednesday Night Net*

*\* See our website for net running protocol\**

*Aug 16 – Earl, KB5UEW*

*Aug 23 – Charlie, NM5CL*

*Aug 30 – John, KI5MFF*

*Sep 06 – Ralph, NM5RC*

*Sep 13 – Greg, KG5OCW*

*Sep 20 – Al, W5ACW*

*Sep 27 – Gene, KI5BZI*

*Oct 04 – John, K8JWS*

*Oct 11 – Earl, KB5UEW*

*Oct 18 – Charlie, NM5CL*

*Oct 25 – Nick, KI5MFF*

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Shaulis, Danielle  
Gregory, Delbert  
Lahair, John (Smoky)  
Smith, Ralph  
Steinke, Ronald



## Contact Us

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# OTHER NEWS and INFO

## Next Meeting Be Prepared

October

Watch this Space  
for More Information

## CHECK THIS OUT

<http://kc5our.com/wordpress/>

Why should you look at this website? Well- it's our club website.  
Some of the things you can find on here.

- Committees and the members
- The Club Constitution
- The by laws
- Dues information
- Testing information (you must register to test!)
- Contact information

If you have something to sell you can speak with the web master to list this on the site. If you have other suggestions about what you might like to see on here- contact Charlie, NM5CL

*Three of the fourteen Club's W5YI Volunteer Examiner team members conducting a license exam on Saturday, August 12th, as they do every month on the second Saturday. During the last twelve months the team has given 80 exams under the direction of Volunteer Examiner Coordinator, Chris, W5CSG.*

