

## APRIL 2024 MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER

THE MACON COUNTY ARC WILL MEET APRIL 25, 2024 AT 7:00 PM AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ON BRIGGS IN MACON, MO THE PRE-MEETING DINNER IS AT THE APPLE BASKET 5:30 PM

Website Link <u>www.n0pr.org</u> Macon County ARES Net 7:30 Wed

## MARCH MEETING REPORT

The Radio Club meeting in March had to be moved from the First Christian Church because the Church would be hosting the visitation for Prominent Macon Businessman Jerry Edwards. The meeting was held at the Apple Basked meeting room in downtown Macon. There was a good turnout of members considering the change of venue.

The Radio Club meeting was called to order by President Jesse Jones, KDØETU and the following club business was conducted.

Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW, gave the Radio Club Treasurer's Report of \$1170.73 in the account. He also reported that he had received information about the new Insurance policy to cover the cost of the Radio Club's Equipment. The quote was \$250.00/year. So those that want to help support the Macon Repeater, need to pay their dues if they have not already done so.

Jesse, KDØETU, brought up the issue of the Club's old Repeaters. Bill Schmidt, WA & DCO, told Jesse that he didn't believe that he could sell the repeaters and since they were not in working order, they are essentially unsellable. The members decided to trash the useless repeaters but keep the commercial 2 meter duplexer and the duplexer that Ed Brockelmeyer, WOEB, SK, had constructed. The thought was that we could probably sell them at a Hamfest or on Ebay or QRZ and get a little money for the Radio Club. Charlie said that we can continue to store them at his place until we have an opportunity to take action.

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Jesse, KDØETU, reminded the members that we need to remove the 2-element beam and tower sections from the fence row on the City of Macon Public Grounds facility on Vine Street. The members decided to get together on Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> and moved the antenna and tower sections to the QTH of Dale Bagley, KØKY.



KDØETU & NTØC picking up tower sections

ARRL Field Day coordinator Dale, KØKY, said that we have reserved the City of Macon Education Building on Blees Drive for June 22 – 23 as this year's ARRL Field Day operating site.

Tim Slover, KØTSS, is planning to upgrade his license. The Volunteer Exam Committee is considering the date of April 14<sup>th</sup> for a special exam session. They will ask if Tim, KØTSS if can be there in that date. The next Scheduled Exam Session is on June 9, 2024 at 2:00 at the First Christian Church.

Pictures of the 10 x 10 Canopy that Ira Huff, AI7HC, said he would loan the Radio Club for an Operating Event to promote Amateur Radio were distributed.

The Club decided to purchase a 40 and 20 meter Dunestar Band pass filters before the ARRL 2024 Field Day Exercise.



## LARRY BALLEW, ABØHP ATTENDS OZARKCON 24



The OZARKCON 2024 was held at the Stone Castle Resort in Branson, MO April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Larry, ABØHP has been attending this QRP Convention from the beginning in 2006. The convention is sponsored by the 4 State QRP Club and has its HQ in south West Missouri. The four states involved are Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. Some of the programs were about Parks on the Air (POTA) Building 4SQRP kits, low power amplifiers, a program by Joe Eisenberg, KONEB, about Pirate, Spy and Clandestine Radio and many other QRP operating seminars.

> <u>UPCOMING DX INFORMATION</u> Compiled from ARRL DX Bulletins, DX-News, DX-World by Ron Harrison, NTØC



BHUTAN, A5. Janusz, SP9FIH and Leszek, SP6CIK will be QRV as A52P and A52CI, respectively, from April 19 to May 4. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, and various digital modes. QSL via Club Log.

3G0YA Team will be active from Easter Island, IOTA SA -001, 18 April - 6 May 2024. (earlier they announced as CD0Y). Team - DL6FBL, DK9IP, DM6EE. They will operate on 160 - 6m, CW, SSB, Digital modes. QSL via DJ4MX, ClubLog OQRS.



AUSTRAL ISLANDS, FO. Jeff, K5WE and Craig, W5CCP will be QRV as TX7W from Raivavae, IOTA OC-114, from April 16 to 30. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via K5WE.

HONDURAS, HR. John, AD8J will be QRV as HR9/AD8J from Roatan, IOTANA-057, beginning April 14. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, FT8, FT4, and possibly SSB. QSL via LoTW.

SOMALIA, T5. Alex, IT9HRK plans to be QRV as T5/IT9HRK from Mogadishu. Activity will be in his spare time on 80 to 10 meters using mainly SSB, with some CW, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. He is here for several months. QSL via operator's instructions.

Chris, VK2YUS will be active again as YJOCA from Vanuatu, 27 April - 9 May 2024. He will operate on 40 - 10m, SSB. QSL via home call direct. Ads for direct QSL: Chris Ayres, 3/19-21 Eastern Rd, Turramurra, NSW, 2074, Australia.



TT8RR, TT8XX, TT8TT Team will be active from Chad, 16 - 30 April 2024.

They will operate on 80 - 6m, CW, SSB, Digital modes. TT8RR call will be used in CW, SSB, RTTY.

TT8XX FT8 only. TT8TT satellite. QSL via I2YSB, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS. Ads for direct QSL: Silvano Borsa, Viale Capettini 1, 27036, Mortara, (PV), Italy.

Diya, YI1DZ will be active as Z81D from Juba, South Sudan, starting 15 April 2024.

He will operate on 40-6m Bands, SSB, FT8 and possibly 80 and 60m. QSL via OM3JW, LOTW, ClubLog, eQSL.Ads for QSL direct:

STEFAN HORECKY, MLYNSKA 2, 900 31 STUPAVA, Slovak Republic.