

LARC General Meeting Notes July 1, 2013

The program for this months meeting was a BBQ dinner to celebrate Field Day.

- ❑ The following is a summary of comments made by President Patrick KI4CDY:
- ❑ Patrick acknowledged the new and upgraded Hams who tested with the LARC. These were:
 - Chris KK4SFX, Travis KK4SFY, and George KK4SFZ – new Technicians
 - Jesse KJ4CCF – new General
 - Ron KK4OGM – new Extra
- ❑ This evening, Shawn passed the Technician Test. He is now KK4SJY
- ❑ Patrick acknowledged Sam Reck, N4PS for his generous donation of equipment to the club.
- ❑ Patrick made a plea for support for the LARC 2 Meter Net. We need net control operators. In passing he acknowledged the fine work that Dan WZ1P has done over the past four years.
- ❑ The board has unanimously decided to apply for non-profit status as a 501(c) 3 organization. As such, the club would be able to accept tax-deductible donations. Among other things, this will require an amendment to the by-laws and the expenditure of an application fee of \$400 dollars.
- ❑ Club members are encouraged to join the Polk County ARES group, and to become active members. ARES will hold an open house mid to late August. All LARC members are encouraged to attend.
- ❑ There is a new Internet site that looks promising for those who want to get or upgrade their Amateur Radio License. It is called HamStudy and is located at www.hamstudy.org.
- ❑ The Tampa Bay Hamfest will be held December 6th and 7th, 2013 at a new venue, the Strawberry Festival grounds in Plant City. Don Jeerings is the club's representative for this event. LARC will be provided a table to promote itself during this event.
- ❑ Last, but not least, Fred K1DU was presented with a plaque to honor his many years of service to the club in managing Field Day.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Johnson, KI4ZMV Secretary