

# Happy New Year



# January 2014

2014 Dues: \$25.00 Single  
\$37.50 Family, per year  
Checks are great

See Bob Foxworth, Treasurer

# LARC Board Meeting

January 21, 2014 18:30

YMCA - North Lakeland  
2125 Sleepy Hill Rd  
Lakeland, FL.

# Testing

We had one person test this evening. Brian Varner passed his Technician test. Brian completed his LARC application and paid his 2014 dues.

Congratulations and Welcome to the group.

# SouthCARS Tailgate Jan 4, 2014

LARC members turned out to take part in the SouthCARS tailgate and luncheon at the Golden Corral Restaurant, US98 N, Lakeland on Saturday. The morning air was definitely under 70 degrees so it was COLD. Everyone had a great time and made sure that Golden Corral knew we had been there by the amount of food that was enjoyed. Bob, N4BVO, won the 3rd drawing and got a free dinner at Golden Corral.













# HamCation® 2014

- **February 7,8,9**

**Central Florida Fairgrounds  
4603 West Colonial Drive  
Orlando, Florida 32808**

- **Friday: Noon to 6pm**
- **Saturday: 9am to 5pm**
- **Sunday: 9am to 2pm**

# Special Early Bird Drawing

Order your HamCation® tickets early!!

Early Bird tickets are \$12.00 (and \$14.00 at the gate)

You'll have a chance to win an Kenwood TM-V71A Early bird prize open only to those who purchase tickets before January 18, 2014.

# ARRL First Contact Award

The ARRL offers a free award for you to present to a fellow ham for his or her first contact. This handsome certificate commemorates that special first on-the-air contact. It is free and only takes a few minutes of your time to fill out the form online. The ARRL will mail it to you in a few days so you can present it in person.

<http://www.arrl.org/first-contact>

# First Contact Award

*This Certificate is Being Presented  
to*

Stephen Routt Jr., KK4VRS

*As Recognition of Your  
First Two-way Communications by Amateur Radio*

QSO with:	Date	Time	Frequency	Mode
<b>N4ESS</b>	<b>5 - DEC - 2013</b>	<b>0240 UTC</b>	<b>2m</b>	<b>FM</b>

*May this first contact serve as a reminder of when and where your radio journey began  
and may you have many contacts with Amateur Radio operators from around the globe  
who share a similar desire to connect with people through the magic of radio.*



**ARRL** The national association for  
**AMATEUR RADIO®**

The Holidays may not have given you all of the radio equipment you asked Santa for. A dual band handie talkie may have been overlooked no matter how many hints were dropped. Tonight you will have a chance to right that wrong and pick up a BAOFENG UV-5RA. The small unit is just what you need when you got to the next hamfest, picnic, or public service project.

Some the features are: Output : 4W/1W,  
Frequency Range: 136.00-174.00 MHz and  
400.00-480.00MHz.

Many more that are to numerous to list here





Something Funny...

# Tonight

PSK 31 with Rick Hatalski, ND4Z. Rick has been using PSK with great success working Europe and other DX regularly on 40 meters and other bands. He will try to stimulate your interest in this mode.

It can be used with very little power yielding very big results. Rick will show you how you can start with very little effort. Hopefully the demonstration will prove how easy it is.