



THE
BACKSCATTER

NEWSLETTER OF THE LAKELAND FL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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WELCOME BACK “BACKSCATTER”

Members and Guests the Backscatter Newsletter is back by popular demand

Weekly Radio NET
Thursday Evening 7:30 PM LOCAL TIME 146.685 (PL 127.3)
Net Controller Thursday February 01, 2007 Daniel Gagnon WZ1P
Net Controller Thursday February 08, 2007
Net Controller Thursday February 15, 2007 Kevin Smith KI4EFN
Net Controller Thursday February 22, 2007 Marvin Johnson KI4CDZ
Net Controller Thursday

LARC Monthly Meetings Come to a meeting!

Meetings & Events are a great way to meet new Ham friends and a great way to see the face behind the voice.

Club Meeting Place	
	Westminster Presbyterian Church 730 S. Florida Avenue Lakeland, FL
When	
"Talk In's" on 146.685	Meetings are held on the First Monday Evening of every month. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM



THE PREZ SEZ
George Mann KJ4UW

New Members Joined: 1
Rickie Sherman KI4TRX



On behalf of the LARC we would like to Congratulate the fellow Hams on their upgrade To General Class Amateur Radio Operators:
Jose Arroyo KI4SDX
Vikki Gafford KI4OUH
George Gafford KI4NBE
James Murray KC5QWG

All in the Month of February
Daniel T. Gagnon WZ1P
Charles F. Gribble KI4CRI
James L. Murray KC5QWG

Hamfest and Convention Database

Type Key: * = ARRL Convention
** = ARRL Convention pending Executive Committee approval
+ = ARRL Hamfest
x = non-ARRL Hamfest

Dates	Type	Event and Contact	Location
10 Mar 2007	+	Charlotte County Hamfest Englewood ARS & Peace River Radio Assn. http://earsradioclub.org Talk-In: 147.255 (no tone) Contact: Don Hartlein, KG4NKO 141 Dartmouth Drive Port Charlotte, FL 33952 Phone: 941-625-5861 Email: hartlein58@comcast.net	Murdock, FL Charlotte County Fairgrounds 2333 El Jobean Road Div: Southeastern Sect: West Central Florida



**EVENT: LAKELAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
AT THE ORLANDO HAMCATION
FEBRUARY 9-11 2007**



Vikki/KI4OUH & Pat/KI4CDY

Vikki and Pat Shooting the Breeze



Vikki/KI4OUH & Pat/KI4CDY

You see that?!



Lakeland Amateur Radio Club Banner

Displayed With Pride!!!!



Jon/KI4MTQ

Jon is that a light over your head or do you just have a great idea for next years Hamcation?



**Robert "Rip" Van Winkle/AA4HT
Stopped by to chat before heading out to see the rest of the Hamfest**



Richard Sharp/ KQ4KX Putting a couple of things on the table to sell.



Scouting for Buyers

Best Deals are right here Folk!



Richard Sharp/KQ4KX - Larry Walker/KI4DNO

Enjoying the Hamfest!



Marvin/KI4CDZ & Jon/KI4MTQ

"HAM"ming it up!



Marvin/KI4CDZ, Jon/KI4MTQ & George KJ4UW
Marvin and Jon with the LARC Prez George Mann



Ernie/N7SD & Vikki/KI4OUH Ernie and Vikki Also "HAM"ming it up for a photo



Rickie Sherman KI4TRX Rickie didn't just go to the fest for the goods he went to become a "HAM" He passed he tech test

Photos by KI4NBE

Everyone had a Great Time and look forward to next years Hamcation!



Minutes of General Meeting February 5, 2007 Lakeland Amateur Radio Club

Members Present: 20

Guest Present: 3

New Member/s Joined: 1
Rickie Sherman KI4TRX

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.
by President, George Mann (KJ4UW)

The Secretary Vikki Gafford (KI4OUH) gave her reports of the General Meeting on January 8th & Board Meeting on January 15th.

The Treasurer Marvin Johnson (KI4CDZ) gave his report. Marvin Johnson (KI4CDZ) stated the club had \$1366.20 in the checking account and that \$381.15 is non-committed.

Reports of the Committees:
None

Old Business:
None.

New Business:
Pat O'Neil (KI4CDY) reminded the club of the March of Dimes Walk that will be held on 28th of April 2007 in Lakeland.
This will be the last Saturday of the month.
Anyone wanting to participate may contact Pat O'Neil (KI4CDY) for information.

Wayne Miles (N4JEP) brought radio equipment that had been donated to the club for the Emergency Communications Team.
These will be taken to the Orlando Hamfest to be sold.

Guest Speaker:
Stuart "Stu" Widdowson (2EØYNI)
Ernie Haynes (KG4YNI) told the club how he came to know Stuart "Stu" Widdowson our guest and speaker for the evening.
Stuart "Stu" as he is called is from England, His call is 2EØYNI in honor of his best American friend Ernie Haynes (KG4YNI).
"Stu" was asked many questions concerning radio in the United Kingdom.
"Stu" is married with 2 daughters, which are also licensed radio operators.
He is looking forward to attending the Orlando Hamfest.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09pm
Respectfully submitted,
Vikki Gafford KI4OUH
LARC Secretary



LARC Staff and Contact Information

LARC Officers

Elected officials voted in by club members to serve a one year term of office.

Position	Contact	Callsign
President	George Mann	KJ4UW
Vice President	Carl Johnson	N3TJ
Secretary	Vikki Gafford	KI4OUH
Treasurer	Marvin Johnson	KI4CDZ
Board of Director	Kevin Smith	KI4EFN
Board of Director	Michael Oliver	KI4OFU
Board of Director	Phil Dentler	K4BHE
Board of Director	George Gafford Sr.	KI4NBE
Board of Director	Richard Sharp	KQ4KX

Committee Members

Club volunteers who make our club the best around. They work countless hours in order to keep the club operating and growing.

Committee	Contact	Callsign
Education	OPEN	
Events	Patrick O'Neil	KI4CDY
ECT Coordinator	Wayne Miles	N4JEP
Field Day 2007	OPEN	
Hospitality	George Gafford Sr.	KI4NBE
Membership	OPEN	
Radio Nets	Kevin Smith	KI4EFN
Webmaster	Carl Johnson	N3TJ
Programs	Ernie Haynes	KG4YNI
Publicity	George Mann	KJ4UW
Fund Raising	OPEN	
Repeater Trustee	Richard Sharp	KQ4KX
Sympathy	Bert Onachila	KG2G



Contact us here.

Lakeland Amateur Radio Club

Home of the K4LKL Repeater 146.685 MHz

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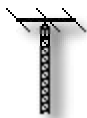
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Have an Interesting Ham Story you would like to share with others?
 Would you care to share your Ham Shack Photo's with other Ham's?
 Have it Published here in the Backscatter Newsletter.
 Just contact the Editor via email at the above addy with your story.



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Till Next Month



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