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President's Corner

I hope everyone has had a great summer! As we enter fall, we have our largest community service event in October. Bike MS: Ride to Jack and Back takes place October 7-8. This event takes approximately 20 amateur radio operators to make the event safe for all the participants. We have radio operators from across the state and multiple clubs that make this event happen. These are great skill-building and team-building events while providing a public service. Minimum requirements are a technician class license and a dual-band mobile radio with a good mobile or field-deployable antenna. If you are not so equipped, we can pair you with another operator. Come out and have fun!

October 20-22 is the Fourth Annual Gravel Revival Bike Ride. This event takes place on dirt, gravel, and chert trails in Hickman County. The fall colors are in full display during this ride! Sign up for this and Jack and Back on the club website.

In October we will begin taking nominations for club officers for 2024. We will also have two board of directors' positions that will need to be filled. Start thinking about running for an office! We will announce the nominating committee at the September club meeting.

Don't forget that the weekly club net has changed to the 146.67(-) AF4TZ repeater. There is no tone required.

73,
Dan



*89 Years of
Community
Service*

The Nashville Amateur Radio Club recognizes **DAKOTA LITHIUM** for their donation of two Powerbox 10 12V 10AH portable power boxes to the club. See their entire product line at www.dakotalithium.com

Weekly Net on Monday at 7:30pm 146.670(-)

Other Net Information

10M net on Sunday 7:30pm 28.415 (USB)

Bible Net on Monday-Friday at 6:00am on 146.670

Davidson Co. ARES training net on Monday at 7:00pm 442.750 Tone 100.0

MTEARS net on Monday at 8:00pm 442.800 Tone 107.2

License Exam Session

September 9, 2023

Phone: 615-268-0266

Email K9FQ.mm@gmail.com

Pre-registration begins at 8am

Testing begins at 9am

Crieve Hall Church of Christ

Nashville School of Preaching Entrance

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Upcoming Contests

September 2023

9-11 [September VHF](#)
9-10 [EME - 2.3 GHz & Up](#)
16-17 [10 GHz & Up Round 2](#)

October 2023

7-8 [Collegiate QSO Party](#)
16-20 [School Club Roundup](#)
28-29 [EME - 50 to 1296 GHz](#)

New Mailing Address for the Club

The club is now using the mailbox at the clubhouse to receive all mail correspondence. The old post office box address has been discontinued. Do not mail any membership dues or applications to the old PO box; instead, mail to:

Nashville Amateur Radio Club
205 Downeymeade Drive
Nashville, TN 37214

Call for net readers

The Nashville Amateur Radio Club Incorporated Information Net is in need of content readers on Monday nights. Please contact Dan (W4WWF) to volunteer as a reader.

Parachute Mobile Ham Sets QSO Record, Unites Community

August 24, 2023

In an inspiring show of camaraderie, a tight-knit ham radio community of YouTubers rallied around Ranae Six (KR5SIX) on August 18th as she undertook a heart-stopping parachute jump on behalf of her husband Vern Six (KV5SIX). Vern, who had already completed an astounding 14 jumps prior in his life, found solace in the remarkable act performed by his wife.

Ranae was able to jump in tandem with the well-known parachute mobile ham operator KD9OLN, Carlos. You can find out more about KD9OLN on his YouTube channel, @lifeatterminalvelocity. KD9OLN agreed to the jump and assisted Ranae in completing this daring achievement.

Ranae was able to execute the jump with impeccable precision from 12,800 feet. This achievement has been recognized globally and showcases the power of unity and determination within the adventurous amateur radio community. What makes this achievement even more astonishing is that Ranae's successful jump led her to become one of only five people worldwide to establish a QSO under such extreme circumstances. Her first of three contacts during the canopy 246 second descent was to her husband Vern (KV5SIX). Her accomplishment adds a new dimension to the world of skydiving adventures. In addition, Ranae's fearless courage helped her make history by becoming the first woman to accomplish this feat in tandem. Her unwavering courage and dedication have not only broken barriers but also set a new standard for adventure enthusiasts and skydivers alike.

Ranae possesses a General class operator license, highlighting her proficiency in operating amateur radio equipment. This undoubtedly contributed to her seamless and calm communication during the heart-pounding jump. The event has left an indelible mark on the community, inspiring countless individuals to overcome challenges and support one another in pursuit of their dreams. As news of this extraordinary feat spreads, it's clear that this story will continue to serve as a beacon of devotion, and unbreakable spirit of adventure. Check out Ranae and Vern Six's YouTube Channel @WhatsUpWithSix to learn more.

Thanks to Marvin Turner (W0MET), host of The Ham Radio Guy Podcast for submitting this story.

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Don't Miss These Next Meetings!

Next Meeting:

**Thursday September 21, 2023 7:00 PM
NARC Clubhouse
205 Downeymead Drive Nashville, TN 37214**

Breakfast(attendance varies):

**Saturday October 7, 2023 7:30AM
Shoney's
546 Donelson Pike
Nashville, TN 37214**

October Meeting:

**Thursday October 19, 2023
NARC Clubhouse
205 Downeymeade Drive Nashville, TN 37214**