

Meeting Schedule

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| 6:00 - 7:00 | Testing |
| 7:00 - 7:30 | Club Business |
| 7:30 – 7:40 | 2024 Vision and Goals Update |
| 7:40 – 8:20 | ARES Update |
| 8:20 – 8:30 | Wrap up |
| 8:30 – 8:50 | Socialize/Sub-meetings |





GCARC CLUB MEETING

MARCH 2024



Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions – Welcome members and guest!

- ❑ **Name**
- ❑ **Call Sign**
- ❑ **City**
- ❑ **New Members**
- ❑ **Guests (Visitor Packet)**
- ❑ **New Licensees/Upgrades**
- ❑ **New Call-signs**



CLUB BUSINESS

GCARC BOD



Membership Information

GCARC Membership Types

- **Full (Individual) \$20**
- **Family \$30**
- **Associate Membership (Unlicensed) \$15**
- **See James Frank for Application**



Go to www.hamclubonline.com



<https://graysoncountyarcs.org/club-membership/>



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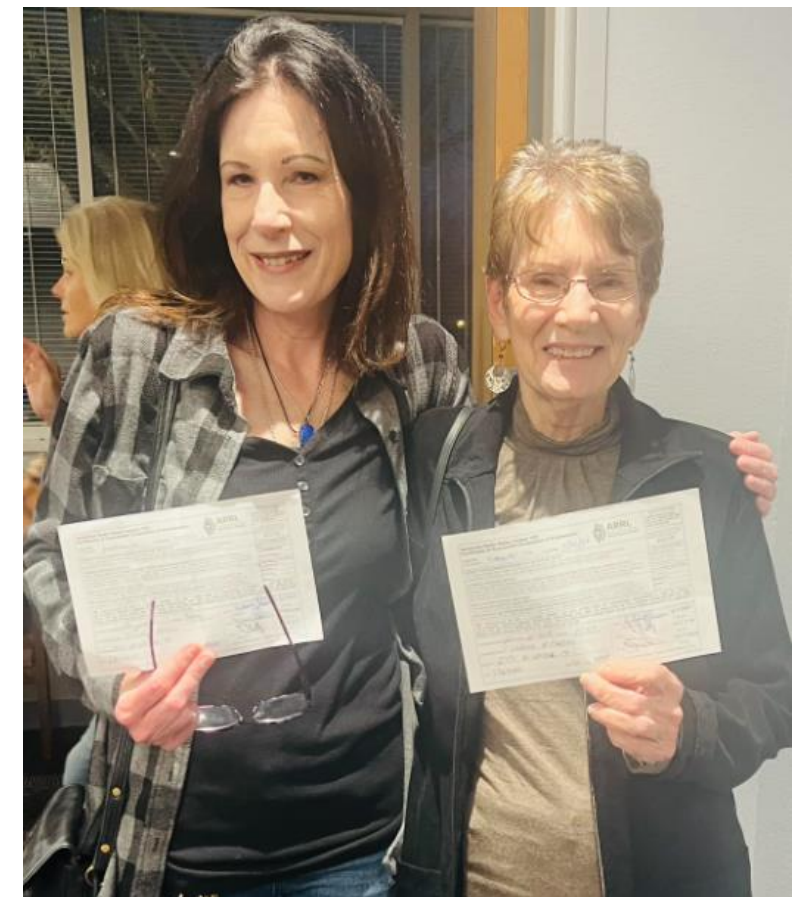
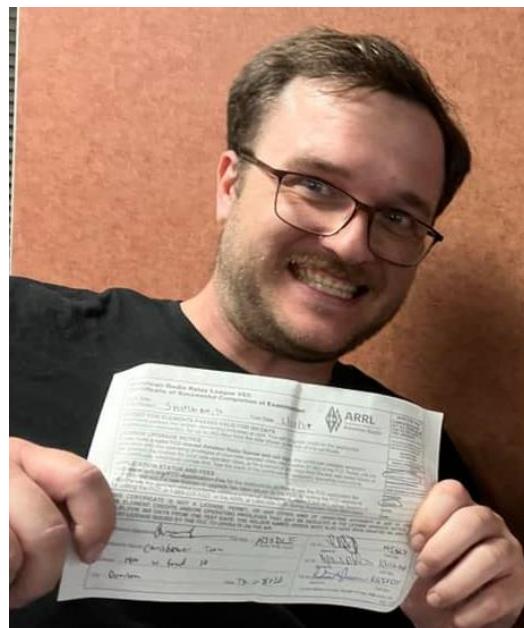
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Membership for New Licensees

New Licensees GCARC Testing (Technician)

- **Free Membership for 6 mos.**



Secretary's Report

- **Minutes**
- **Introduction of new members**

If there are no additions or corrections to the minutes, they stand approved.



CYNTHIA VANSLOGTEREN
K5EKA
Secretary



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Minutes**

Treasurer's Report

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|-------------------------|------------|
| BALANCE AS OF 1-31-24 | \$5,074.72 |
| BALANCE AS OF 2-29-24 | \$5,092.71 |
| INCOME MEMBERSHIP DUES | \$117.27 |
| 50/50 | \$100 |
| TESTING | \$135 |
| TOTAL IMCOME | \$352.27 |
| AARL VEC Testing | \$80.00 |
| TCOG | \$50.00 |
| USPS PO BOX | \$170.00 |
| COAX Jumpers | \$50.00 |
| Website (every 3 years) | \$258.30 |
| Domain (every 2 years) | \$23.98 |
| ARES (Member Donations) | \$50.00 |
| MISC | \$4.93 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$687.21 |

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JAMES FRANK
KW5CW
Treasurer



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Member Donations and Sponsorship

Joe Hays (KJ5BFD)

- **Nighthawk Investigations Inc.**
- **\$2,500 for general usage, however would like to see partial funds allocated to a new GCARC trailer.**
- **Joe is working on a sponsorship/donation packet for the club**

Donations and Sponsorship

- **May be earmarked for general usage or specific purposes like an event or the purchase of equipment**



**Joe Hays
KJ5BFD
GCARC
Member/Sponsor**

**Thank You
For
Supporting
the GCARC!**

ARES and TECO NEWS

ARES Training Net

- **The 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 8:00pm**
- **On the 147.000 repeater**

Monthly HF Net

- **ARES HF: 2nd Wednesday at 8:30 PM on 3.860 LSB**

Winlink Wednesday 1st 3rd of month

ARES / SKYWARN / CERT Update

- **Wade Graves will be providing updates tonight**



MARVIN SCHIAVONE
KG5GMA
Director-at-Large



https://www.tecoares.org/?page_id=143



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QSL Manager / VE Manager Update



Lee Sly
N5SLY
QSL Manager / VE Team
Leader

ARRL Updates



David Darcy
KF5LKG
Former BOD Member

FEB 18
Ricky Jessen
11 Participants

MARCH 3
Michael Coffman
13 Participants

MARCH 17
James Frank
12 Participants

Club Nets

GCARC GENERAL NETS

- 1st 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month at 8:00 pm
- Next Net is Sunday April 7 due to Easter Holiday
- Repeater 147.000 / +0.6 / 100.0
- Net is open to anyone and is a general net.
- We encourage members to act as net control
- A “net script” is available on the website to use

<https://graysoncountyar.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Sunday-Night-Net-Script.pdf>



EXTRA TICKET FOR NET CONTROL SIGN UP



LADIES NET

- The 4th Monday of every month at 7:00pm (This month on Tue 26th)
- Repeater 147.000 / +0.6 / 100.0
- Tamara Higgins, KI5ZIP, is net control, general net



GCARC CLUB MEETING MARCH 2024

Club Event/Group Updates:

BOD Meeting: 1st Tuesday, 7:00pm

CW Class: Closed...

April Club Meeting: April 16, 7:00pm

**Hungary Hams B-fast: March 30, Solar/
Off Grid Power**

Fox Hunt: ???

Radio Programming: TBD

North Texas Boy Scout Initiative



GCARC CLUB MEETING MARCH 2024

ECLIPSE EVENT: April 8, 2024

Currently 3 vehicles are registered for BSP

Plan on leaving around 7:00am

Bring plenty of snacks/drinks

We will organize food for lunch (burgers/dogs)

POTA Activation

Prepare for a long traffic event during return

Eclipse Totality starts around 1:43 PM

Fannin and Red River Counties are preparing for potential emergency conditions. GCARC participants should plan to assist if necessary.

Local shortages of food and fuel should be expected.

The safety of GCARC participants is top priority. Conditions will be monitored. Emergency Action Plan will be in place.

Bring appropriate eye protection.



Club Meeting Training Topics:

TRAINING TOPICS
SUBJECT TO
CHANGE

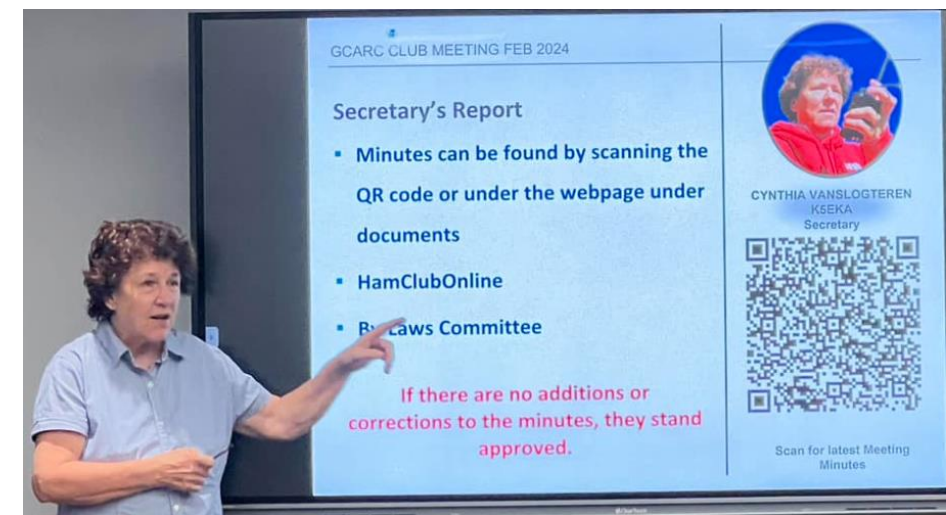
April 16: Bring A Friend- Radio Introduction / Michael Higgins

**May 21: Digital Radio, WinLink, Echo-Link /
Michael Coffman**

June 18: Summer Field Day/ Car Show

July 16: ARRL Update/ TBD

August 20: TBD



2024 VISION AND GOALS UPDATE

MICHAEL HIGGINS
KI5ZIQ



Initiatives

Radio Groups- to help others with programming, usage, etc.

- **ICOM**
- **Yaesu**
- **Baofeng**
- **TYT**
- **Kenwood**

Training for Testing

GCARC Trailer

Common Radio Programming

- **Shared Programming for Club**



Think Tanks!

Education: Michael Higgins (KI5ZIQ)

By-Laws: Cynthia Vanslogteren (K5EKA)

Events/Social: James Shiplet (KI5BMN) and Tamara Higgins (KI5ZIP)

Fund Raising: James Frank (KW5CW)

Preparedness: Marvin Schiavone (KG5GMA)



ARES INFORMATION

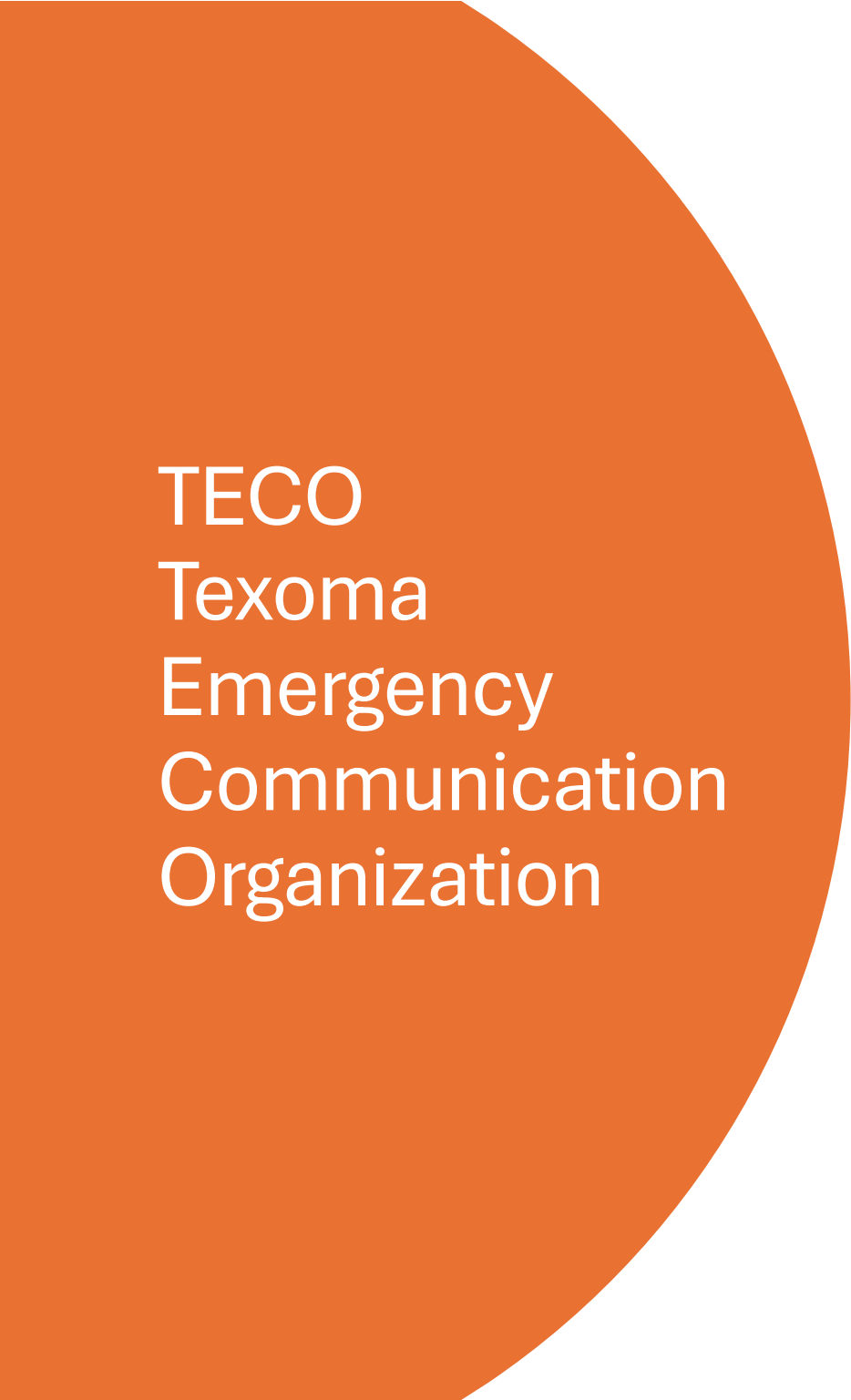
Wade Graves
KF5AUD




Emergency Communications in Grayson County

Wade Graves, KF5AUD
Emergency Coordinator (EC)
Amateur Radio Emergency
Service



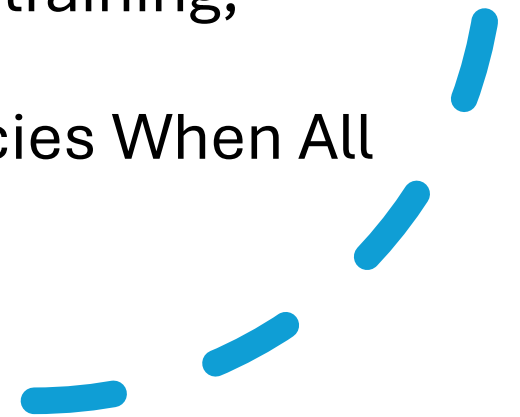
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TECO Texoma Emergency Communication Organization

- Purpose – unified coordination and cooperation among various entities.
 - RACES – Rick Simmons, K5ECX, County Liaison Officer (CLO)
 - ARES – Wade Graves, KF5AUD, Emergency Coordinator (EC)
 - VHF Society (Repeaters) – David Woods, W5COP, President
 - CoCoRaHS – via NWSFWD (Tom Bradshaw) – Wade Graves temporary local liaison
 - Skywarn® Net Control leads
 - Funding
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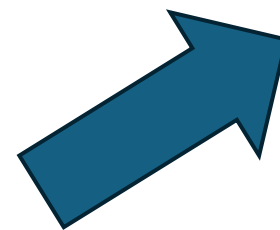
Amateur Radio Relay League

- ARRL coordinates ARES Nationally
- Do not have to be an ARRL member to join ARES
- ARES leadership must be ARRL members
- ARES participation is open to all FCC licensed Amateur Radio Operators with a current registration
- Mission:
Amateur radio operators use their training, skills, and equipment to provide communications during emergencies When All Else Fails®.



ARES

- Why do we use ARES?
- Who can join?
- How to Join and Participate
- Training sessions (nets & face to face)
- Online training – NIMS Training
 - IS-700
 - IS-100
 - IS-800
 - IS-200



<https://training.fema.gov/nims/>

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ARES & the Skywarn® Integrated Warning Team

- Integrated Warning Team (IWT)
 - National Weather Service
 - Local Emergency Management
 - Local broadcast media
 - Volunteer Spotters & coordinators



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Coordination of Emergency Communications

- Liaison functions
 - CERT
 - Hospitals
 - Other NGO
 - RACES/ARES
- Skywarn® & non-Skywarn®
- Activation Process
 - Green
 - Yellow
 - Orange
 - Red



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Skywarn® Nets

- Safety!
- Types of Nets
 - Resource Net
 - Command Net
 - Tactical Net




Frequencies

- W5RVT (VHF primary): 147.000(+) MHz, 100.0 PL
- W5COP (VHF secondary): 147.280(+) MHz, 107.2 PL
- W5RVT (UHF command): 444.750(+) MHz, 100.0 PL
- WC5GC (UHF linked): 442.875(+) MHz, 100.0 PL
- Simplex (in order of precedence):
 - 146.520 – National Calling Frequency
 - 146.420 & 146.480 – ARES Tactical
 - 146.460 & 442.400 – ARES Command
 - 146.700 & 441.925 – RACES Command
 - 147.500 – as needed
 - 144.390 – APRS only




CERT

- Samantha Allison, Grayson County Assistant Emergency Coordinator, is the Government Representative/Coordinator/Trainer
 - ARES will provide communication support to CERT when activated.
 - Many ARES members are CERT graduates.
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ARES & GCARC

- GCARC provides:
 - VE testing
 - Fun & Fellowship
 - Classes for enrichment
 - Support for ARES
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Get your tickets out!

RED TICKET (50/50 CASH)



BLUE TICKET (DOOR PRIZE)



Adjourn

Motion

Second

Discussion

Vote

**Thank you for being a
member of our club!**



**If you are a visitor, please
introduce yourself and fill
out a visitor form!**

