

PARC News

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

Fun At Winter Field Day



When using the N3FJP Software and the clubs call sign, do not enter your call in 'SETUP field operator'. Instead, enter your name, initials or something to distinguish you as a participant.

If you enter a call sign, in the 'operator' field, when the log is uploaded to LoTW, the 'operator' is recognized as the club's call sign, which then requires manually editing the log to correct the upload.

PROGRAM

Matt Jones, AL0R, will present the program at the PARC meeting. It will be on grounding techniques.

PARC

> Meeting

> [Hero's Gambinos](#)

> [1900 E. Military](#)

> [Fremont, NE](#)

> Thursday

> Feb. 24, 2022

> Fremont, NE

Meet to Eat
At 6 p.m
Meeting at
7 p.m.

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**PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR
JANUARY 27, 2022**

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for January 27, 2022, was held at Hero's/Gambino's in Fremont. The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Mike Campbell, KE0KAZ. Twenty-one people were present, who introduced themselves.

MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved as printed in the January *PARC News*. The January *PARC News* should be corrected to show Tony Renze, K00MH as Field Day Chair, and Phil Bahl's call sign as KA0UMB as a Board Director.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: Sharon Martens, KB0TVB paid the GoDaddy bill for the web page hosting.

HOSPITALITY: KB0TVB reported no activity. *(Anybody knowing of somebody needing a card should let KB0TVB know. Her email address is posted on the PARC website.)*

EDUCATION: Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN reported no activity.

FIELD DAY: Chairman Tony Renze, K00MH said that next year's event is scheduled for June 25-26, 2022, at Izaak Walton Park in Fremont. He also gave information on Winter Field Day on January 29-30, 2022, where a cottage has been rented at Camp Calvin Crest. Details are in the January *PARC News*. KB0ZUN made a motion to pay for the Saturday night chili. It was seconded by Carl Schaffner, KD0RMW, and was approved.

FLEA MARKET: Chairman Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ reported that next year's event will be a week later than usual on July 16, 2022, at the North Bend Auditorium. He is considering adding a seminar, which would probably be in the Bank building. He is asking for suggestions for prizes.

PICNIC: 530 PM September 25, 2022. KB0TVB and Dave Theophilus, W0NRW Chairpersons.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: TBA. Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP and KB0ZUN Chairpersons.

NET MANAGER: Mel Cunningham, K0VLA passed around sign-up sheets for Net Control

ARES: Steve Narans, WB0VNF, ARES Emergency Coordinator reported that he and Dodge County Emergency Manager Tom Smith will give a seminar in Galveston TX at a national CERT meeting in August. Spotter Training at Scribner on March 28. A radio on Dodge County's new system will be operated by ARES when the EOC is activated. The 220 repeater will be the main backup to the 146.67 MHz repeater.

PUBLICITY: W0NRW reported that the *Fremont Tribune* is printing the meeting notices.

OLD BUSINESS: K00MH presented the Ham of the Year Award to the Mehaffey family: Rich, KB0ARZ; Jane, KB0ZUN; and Ross, K0ARZ. Ross was not able to be present.

NEW BUSINESS: WB0VNF is looking for suggestions for programs at club meetings. W0NRW said the new Platte River cameras are available at: <https://apps.usgs.gov/hivis/>

DRAWING: The winner of the \$10 was Dan Steinhoff, W7UP..

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 735 PM.

PROGRAM: Wes Chrisman, KD0PGV and WB0VNF gave a program on an Emergency Logging software program written by K4RHB. Wes can send anybody a copy as K4RHB is a Silent Key.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 24, 2022, at Hero's/Gambino's.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

**Storm Spotter
Training
March 28th,
7 p.m.
Scribner Fire Hall**

**PARC Treasurer's Report
February, 2022**

Savings	\$ 348.78
Checking	2,470.26
Petty Cash	90.00
TOTAL	\$2,909.04
INCOME	
Dues	\$ 188.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 188.00
EXPENSES:	
Go Daddy Web Page	\$ 143.88
Drawing	10.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 153.88

**A Note On The
Upcoming Meeting**

There will not be a buffet menu at this next meeting on Thursday. Instead, Gambinos is offering Half Price Large Pizzas.

History Of A Ham

Phil Bahl, KA0UNB

Phil Facts(KA0UNB)-

STARTED RADIO-

As a young DX'r maybe 8 to 12 yrs old I would spend hours in front of the family Philco console AM/SWL radio listening for a DX station.

In my teens became interested in CB radio and then onto ham radio first licensed in 1985.

Most interested in -

HF DXing and digital modes.

Confirmed 170 DXCC countries so far.

I also confirmed W.A.S.(worked all states) using digital modes on 160m, 80m, 40m, 30m, 20m, 17m, 15m, 12m, and 10m. I have confirmed 48 states on 6m band need Hawaii and Alaska.



RADIO EQUIPMENT -

Icom 7300 for HF and 6m bands.

Icom 706MKIIG for 2m and 440 bands.

Baofang UV-5RIII for my HHT needs.

ANTENNA EQUIPMENT -

80m-6m Horizontal square loop wire antenna 58 feet per side at 15-17 feet above ground plus external ATU (auto tuner).

40m-10m EFHW (end fed half wave) with 66 ft of wire at 10-15 feet above ground.

2m/440 TRAM 1480 VHF/UHF dual band antenna at 12 feet.

6m Moxon wire antenna at 12 feet.

Have been known to work places like Australia using the house downspout drain pipe as an antenna.

PARC Officers & Chairpeople

President, Mike Campbell, KE0KAZ

V. President, Steve Narans, W0DVNF

Secretary, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

Treasurer, Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Darlene Hoffman N0LOP

Dan Steinhoff, W7UP

Phil Bahl KA0UNB & 2 Officers

Club Trustee: Lance Hoffman, WN0L

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Hospitality: Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

Field Day: Tony Renze, K0DMH

Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ

Picnic: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW &
Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

Christmas Party: Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP &
Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN

Publicity: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

ARES: Steve Narans, W0DVNF

Education: Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN

Net Manager: Mel Cunningham, K0VLA

Joining Our Organization

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Yearly: \$10. per member

Family Yearly: \$10 first member,
\$3 each additional member

Paid between Jan. 1—March 1

After March 1, dues are prorated at \$1 per month for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10. whenever paid.

Life Membership: \$200.

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Matt Requesting Nominations

Looking for nominees for the Nebraska ARRL convention in the following categories:

Nebraska Ham of the Year - Open to any ham 18 years of age or older as of December 31, 2021

Nebraska YL Ham of the Year - same qualifications as above.

Nebraska Young Ham of the Year - Any ham that is 18 years of age or YOUNGER as of December 31st, 2021

Gwen Anderson K0GAA Memorial Award - given to a ham who works behind scenes to make things run smoothly and wouldn't seek recognition

Skip Miller W0KVM Lifetime Achievement Award. The nominated ham should be licensed for at least 20 years and has made a lifetime commitment for the art of Amateur Radio. Open to OM's and YL's

Special Service Award - Open to any ham regardless of how long they have been a ham, but has done something either in their job or in their community not specifically related to ham radio. Past recipients have been missionaries to Haiti to fix a radio station, or some who patrols the roadways and offers assistance to motorists, or does meals on wheels. You get the idea.

All nominations please send to nebraskasm@hotmail.com

73, Matt Anderson, KA0BOJ, Nebraska SM

Mehaffey "Family" Ham of the Year



Tony, Ex President, presenting plaque to Rich and Jane. Ross was unable to attend.