



# THE COMMUNICATOR



## President's Message

Welcome to May! Well, April was sure a busy month for TARC hams. We started off with the Shark's Tooth Festival in early April in a new location and contacted more hams than ever before. "I will not join the team asking sharks for their teeth." Then we conducted Florida State Parks on the Air (FSPOTA) the next weekend for roughly four days. The POTA operations were quite successful and exceeded past years performances. Then since the team was hyped, we continued on the next weekend with the Florida QSO party at Al's (KOAL) shack. Whew!! Thanks to all who participated and made these events successful, and thanks to the team leaders for these events. I am proud to observe the efforts of our club members.

Now on to May. Probably the single greatest upcoming event for amateur radio enthusiasts is the Dayton Hamvention. I believe this is the largest ham event in the nation, if not the world. Most of the amateur radio vendors will be pre-

sent hawking their wares (maybe some new stuff), as well as a considerably large flea market for the nostalgic (lots of boat anchors), not to mention food for hams (not too sure about that), lots of presentations, and maybe some freebies. Don't forget the traditional TARC picture there as well.

Also, already begun late in April. is the group organized by Paul (KN4BAR) to plan the launch of a pico balloon. This was a planned practice event in preparation to assist the students at Pine View to achieve the same thing that the Sky Academy in Englewood achieved with assistance from the Englewood (EARS) club. This promises to be a singular event and all are welcome to play a role. Just contact Paul with your interest.

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ [Club Meeting 5/13/26](#)  
[Presenter: Paul KN4BAR](#)  
[Pico Balloon Project](#)
- ◆ [Club Meeting 6/10/26](#)
- ◆ [ARRL Field Day 6/27-28/26](#)
- ◆ [NO CLUB MEEINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST](#)
- ◆ [SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!](#)

## Welcome New Members

04/15/26	First Year	Stuart Mushlin	Technician	KR4LJD
04/13/26	Member	Ronald Grew	Extra	W8RDG
03/20/26	First Year	Dan Kennedy	Technician	KR4KQO
03/11/26	Member	Dorian Phillips	Technician	K04CDN
03/03/25	First Year	Mitchell Teicher	Technician	KR4JOY

## SK ...Eric T. Owen KD4MZM

### TARC Has Elmers

Who or what is an “Elmer”? In “ham speak” an Elmer is any experienced amateur radio operator who helps a new or less experienced ham learn about the hobby in general or about specific radio related topics.

To help new hams get any help they may need, TARC has created the generic email address:

“[askelmer@tamiamiarc.org](mailto:askelmer@tamiamiarc.org)”. Currently, Steve NS4P receives these emails and either he can provide the help requested or he will find another club member who can.

Club member Eric Owen KD4MZM passed away on March 8th, 2026. Unfortunately, the club received a very late notification of his passing on April 7th. Eric only joined the club recently in September 2025 and he was an avid Parks on the Air activator.

Steve, NS4P remembers him as, “A prolific POTA operator and that he was a regular attendee at monthly meetings. He was at or near the top of the activator QSO list at several

local parks.”

Jon W4OMX remembers him this way, “With 306 activations at Oscar Scherer alone and over 23,000 QSOs at the park, he’ll be on top of the leaderboard there and at other local parks for quite some time. I never ran into him despite our paths crossing dozens of times there and at other parks. He worked exclusively FT8.”

Memorial messages for the family can be left at this [link](#)

### TARC Contact Emails

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Webmaster—report a problem

[websupport@tamiamiarc.org](mailto:websupport@tamiamiarc.org)

### Presedent’s Messge (Cont’d)

Lastly, planning will start for the late June ARRL Field Day weekend. This is probably the most significant activity conducted by ARRL. Its real purpose is to demonstrate to the public the club’s ability to service the public in times of emergency by providing significant communications capability utilizing only emergency power supplies. It is also a time to demonstrate as much technology as possible by participating club members and a

wonderful exercise for novice hams. Please start thinking about what you wish to do at this event and let any board member know your preferences. We try to accommodate all ideas.

Have fun.

**73, Chet OM de KG4IYS**

## NEW MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET!

**SURPRISE! It’s Electronic.  
Welcome to the 21st Century**

RED—enter your call sign. BLUE—mark “Attended”

**NEW MONTHLY MEETING  
SIGNUP SHEET**

**STARTING April 8, 2026**

We are going to try an on-line attendance recording procedure for next month's meeting. We'll have a PC set up on the podium in back of the room where you can enter your callsign and record your attendance. There will be a method to record attendance for our visitors.

## Hamvention 2026 .... Who's Going?

### Where is the show?

**Greene County Fair and Expo Center**  
[210 Fairground Road, Xenia OH 45385](https://www.greencountyfair.com/210-Fairground-Road-Xenia-OH-45385)  
 Coordinates are 39.702 N – 83.9420 W

### When is the show?

May 15th, 2026 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
 May 16th, 2026 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
 May 17th, 2026 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

It's the biggest ham radio event of the year....every year!

<https://hamvention.org/>

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Remote Station

Tom W8QJF

<https://tamiamiarc.org/club-remote-hf-station>

Several club members are regular users of the HF station and they give it great signal reports sent and received. If you are antenna or cost constrained from trying HF comms, this is for you!

### Sunshine

Shaun KQ4YAX

We received a thank you note from Captain Bob W5GJ (see attached). Captain Bob is doing well after his Coronary Stenting procedure with no restrictions to activities. They love living in the woods of rural Ozarks (Missouri) and indicated that there are plenty of trees to hang antennas.

We sent a condolences card to Dwight KT4DS mourning the passing of his sister last month. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

### Florida State POTA Contest

Jim N7JIM

<https://fspota.org>

The first year as new hosts for this Florida ham radio event was a huge success for TARC. The best year ever in prior years resulted in 19 park activator logs being submitted. In our first year we had 32 log entries for the event as of April 23rd!

ENTRY COUNT	32
First Timer Activator	6
Youth Operators	7
QRP ENTRIES	4
CLUB STATIONS	8
PARKS ACTIVATED	146
SSB / DIG CONTACTS	6391

### Net Manager

Paul KN4BAR

Thanks to our regular 2 meter net controllers Tony W4RFV and Steve KN4NFX for keeping a great rotating schedule. I'm sure Frank W2XYZ and Steve NS4P would like to have an occasional guest net control to relieve them on the Tuesday DMR and Wednesday 10 meter nets.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### VE Testing

Steve NS4P

Last Test Date: 04/08/26  
 Number tested: 4  
 Passed: 4  
 New Members: 1  
 Member Upgrades: 2  
 Next Test Date: 05/09/26

#### CLUB UPGRADE INCENTIVE

- Allan Huston - KC1IWF - earned Extra
  - Mitchel Teicher - KR4JOY - Earned General
- [Incentive Details](#)

8 Incentive Offers Remain to be Had!

### QCWA Liaison

AI KOAL

Chapter 53 of the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) meets for lunch at 11AM on the first Monday of each month at Denny’s on Bee Ridge in Sarasota. You do not need to be a member of QCWA to attend and your “Plus 1” is welcome. There is an interesting program along with an excellent meal and fellowship. For more information on QCWA see the Chapter website – <https://qcwa53.org>

**(no meetings Jun—Sep)**

### Repeater / Technical

Frank W2XYZ

<https://tamiamiarc.org/tarc-repeaters/>

No significant changes since last month. We are working to program a new repeater controller that should improve EchoLink performance. We are considering next steps to resolve the feedback issue.

### Digital Committee

The TARC Digital Committee is looking for enthusiastic members to help shape the future of our club’s digital operations. Our mission is to explore and promote digital excellence through open-source technologies, ensuring our members stay on the leading edge of the hobby. We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with:

- Education & Mentorship: Helping fellow members get on the air with modes like FT8, JS8Call, and FreeDV.
- Technical Research: Testing open-source software and hardware configurations.
- Content Creation: Contributing to the "Digital Corner" in The Communicator.

Please reach out to the Digital Committee chair, Lou, KC4LR at our next meeting.

### Membership

Roger N9RM

**As of: 04/26/26**

**Total Membership: ..... 174**

152 Regular Members  
 1 Associate Member  
 4 First Year Members  
 17 Life Members

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<https://www.hamclubonline.com/>

REVIEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP RECORD FOR ACCURACY. SEND CHANGES TO:  
[membership@tamiamiarc.org](mailto:membership@tamiamiarc.org)

### Public Information Officer

Karl K4RLX



Pictures and videos of club activities and events are posted to Facebook, and notification of such pertinent posts will be sent out on groups.io, to reach a wider audience I encourage you to "share" those posts that the community may be interested in on your own personal

Facebook page.

[<Facebook Link>](#)

## TARC Competed in the 2026 Florida State POTA Event



TARC participated in the 2026 Florida State Parks on the Air event as a W4AC Club Station. We took over management of the event in July 2025 as it was floundering and about ready to be cancelled. A committee of 7 TARC members has given the event a facelift and promoted it extensively to the

<https://www.facebook.com/LSPOTA/>

Florida amateur radio and POTA communities since then.

After a steady decline in event entrees, we have seen a big increase for 2026:

- 2023 19 entries submitted
- 2024 9 entries submitted

- 2025 5 entries submitted
- **2026**

**32 entries submitted**

**73, de Paul KN4BAR**



TARC activated Myakka River State Park US-1909 on Friday, April 17th. Jim N7JIM hosted the activity with Steve NS4P on the FT-8 keys and Ken NS1C on the CW key. We even scored a 100 BONUS POINTS for a walk-on Youth Operator on SSB!

The club did a second Club Station activation on Saturday, April 18th at Oscar Scherer State Park, US-1909 in Osprey. Although band conditions were still terrible we did manage to get the park activated thanks again to a bunch of FT8 contacts by Steve NS4P and Phil KD8HTS, and Ken NS1C again on CW. We even had one of the students from Pine View School, Sanjay KQ4ZWH spend a few hours with us at lunch time and he learned how to do FT-8. We scored a combined 894 points in the event for these 2 activations in the Club Station category.

## 2026 License Upgrade Incentive Announced

At our February board of directors meeting, the board approved of repeating this popular club incentive for members to upgrade their licenses. We currently have 22 Technician Class, 62 General Class, and 5 Advanced Class licensed club members that we would really like to see get upgraded. There's something for everybody!

<https://tamiamiarc.org/license-upgrade-incentive-program/>

The incentives are:

- **TARC pays for your examination fee. Pass or fail, we will pay the fee.**
- **2027 dues paid by the club**
- **\$50 DX-Engineering gift card**



No excuses, no cost, it's a no brainer. Get yourself upgraded this year!

**The last test date is: Saturday, July 7, 2026.**

**73, de your board of directors**

All your club buddies are here to help you study and get ready. Attend a breakfast or two to get your questions answered:

- Tuesday 6 to 8 am [at Peach's](#)
- Friday 9 to 10 am [at Perkins's](#)

## Big Numbers for TARC's Shark's Tooth Festival SES in April



Holy Megalodon! K4S took a big bite out of the ionosphere on April 11 & 12. That was Shark's Tooth Festival weekend.

For many years (something like 16 years), our club set up on the Shark's Tooth Festival fairgrounds, whether it was near the airfield or at Centennial Park downtown. This year the organizers didn't have room for us, at least no room for us as a free non-profit. Did that stop us? No way! We reserved a gazebo at Legacy Park and decided to hold our special event station there.

Legacy Park is one of the newer parks in Venice and is located at the end of Seaboard Avenue. It's adjacent to Venice's historic Train Depot, at the foot of the Venice Avenue bridge. This venue turned out to be an excellent location for our event. We had plenty of room for our antenna, covered gazebos with picnic tables and a convenient bathroom nearby. We were able to run our generator and didn't have to be

overly concerned that someone would trip on a guy wire or coaxial cable. We even had ample parking and didn't have to lug heavy equipment long distances. We had less electrical noise, less people noise, less musical noise, and no traffic to deal with. In a way, the organizers of the Shark's Tooth Festival did us a favor by causing us to find a better location than with them.



Our weekend began with about 8 members arriving at Legacy Park on Saturday morning at 9 AM. We unloaded Steve's truck and went right to work. We put up the club's Bud-dipole Hexbeam antenna and connected our ICOM 7300 transceiver, ICOM 2k amplifier, and HP laptop

together. We powered up our newly donated generator (from Dan W4DOD, thank you Dan!) for the first time and connected it to the waiting equipment and antenna system. To no-ones amazement, everything worked perfectly. That's when the real fun began. Our 500 watt station on 20 meters was a real hit. We had essentially continuous QSOs, with some big pile-ups both days.

We wound up talking to 34 States, with Hawaii being the furthest west. We even got into Europe a couple of times, although our beam wasn't even aimed in that direction. Naturally we had many Canadian stations and a couple of stations from South America. Last year our K4S special event station worked 441 Hams eager to earn a fossilized sharktooth from us (when they send us a SASE with their QSL card). That year was an exceptionally good performance for K4S. This year worked out even better. A total of 637 contacts were

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made. That's a lot of phone contacts in just 12 hours. The club may have to organize a beach-combing party to come up with enough teeth for all the cards we can expect to receive (Just joking...we have enough teeth).

Finally at 4 PM on Sunday it was time to end our perfect weekend. Not only did we have a great location, great operators and great propagation, but the weather could not have been better. All good things must come to an end. We had 8 club members again show up to help take down the Hexbeam and pack up the equipment for

our next activity. When is the next activity you ask? TARC will participate in ARRL summer Field Day on June 25 and 26, 2026. We have already reserved the Venice Gardens Civic Association building on Shamrock Blvd. in Venice for our use. Please mark your calendars now to get Radio-Active with the club on this weekend. More details and a sign up sheet will be available at the May and June club meetings. I hope to see you there.

**73, de Frank W2XYZ**



## From Gears to Gigahertz: The Evolution of Digital Amateur Radio

When we think of "digital" today, we often picture an FT8 waterfall scrolling across a high-definition monitor. But for the members of the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club (TARC), it's worth remembering that digital communications in our hobby didn't start with the silicon chip—it started with the rhythmic clatter of mechanical gears and the simple on-off pulses of Morse code.

### The Mechanical Ancestry: RTTY

Long before the personal computer, there was **RTTY (Radio Teletype)**. Emerging in the late 1940s from post-WWII surplus, RTTY utilized the **Baudot code**, a 5-bit system that predates ASCII. Early "digital" pioneers didn't have soundcards; they had 200-pound mechanical teleprinters that shook the floorboards. Using Frequency Shift Keying (FSK), hams proved that text could be sent across oceans without a single spoken word or a manual Morse key.

### The Packet Revolution and AX.25

The 1980s brought the microprocessor into the shack, sparking the **Packet Radio** boom. Borrowing protocols from early computer networking, hams developed **AX.25**. For the first time, we had "error-free" communication. Packet allowed for the creation of Bulletin Board Systems (BBS) and the first "ham-nets", where messages could be digipeated across counties and countries—essentially a parallel, radio-based internet.

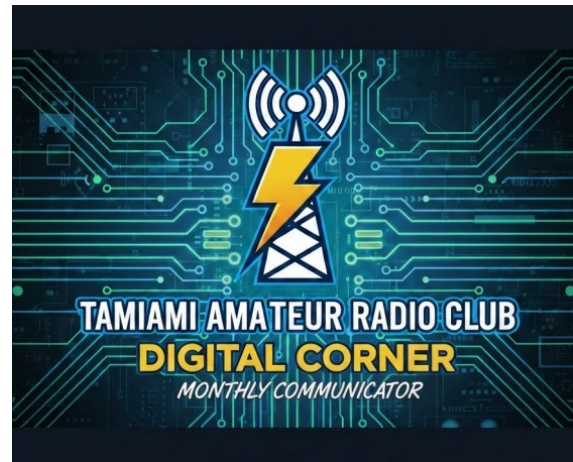
### The Soundcard Era: PSK31

In the late 1990s, Peter Martinez (G3PLX) changed the game with **PSK31**. By utilizing the processing power of the average PC soundcard, PSK31 allowed for incredibly narrow-band communication (only 31.25 Hz wide!). It was the "keyboard-to-keyboard" darling of the solar

minimum, allowing hams to chat through the noise with just a few watts of power.

### The Modern Frontier: Weak Signal Modes

Today, we live in the era of **WSJT-X**, pioneered by Joe Taylor (K1JT). Modes like **JT65** and the ubiquitous **FT8** have redefined what is possible. By using advanced mathematics and precise time-synchronization, these modes allow us to complete contacts even when the signals are well below the audible noise floor.



### Looking Ahead

As we look at the "Digital Corner" each month, we aren't just looking at software updates; we are looking at a century-old tradition of innovation. From the clatter of a Model 15 Teletype to the silent glow of an FT8 waterfall, TARC members continue to push the boundaries of how we connect.

Whether you are a seasoned "Green-Scripter" or just downloaded WSJT-X yesterday, there is always a new mode to master. See you on the waterfall!

*73, The TARC Digital Committee*

## The Evolution of Digital Amateur Radio Communications

Mode	Eras	Primary Use	Key Characteristic
RTTY	1940s–Present	Contesting/Keyboarding	Mechanical origin, 5-bit Baudot
Packet	1980s–Present	Data/APRS	AX.25 Protocol, error-correction
PSK31	1990s–2010s	Keyboard Chat	Ultra-narrow bandwidth
FT8	2017–Present	DXing/Weak Signal	15-second sequences, auto-sequencing

## Your Shack in Your Pocket – DIY Remote Operating

In last month's issue, we discussed how to use club resources like the TARC Remote HF Station to stay active while away. This month, we're looking at the "Homebrew" approach: setting up your own Venice shack so you can operate it from your northern QTH.

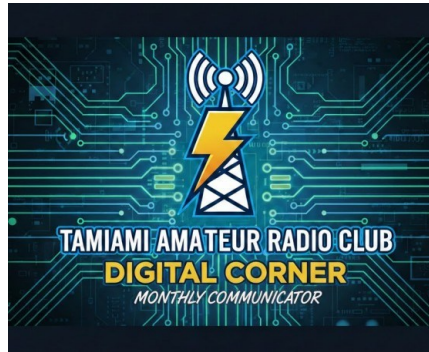
### The "Always-On" Philosophy

The goal of a remote shack is simple: you want to be able to sit at your desk in the North, open your laptop, and see your Icom, Yaesu, or Elecraft screen exactly as it looks in Florida. Here are the three most popular ways TARC members are doing it:

#### 1. Manufacturer-Specific Software

Many modern rigs have remote capability "baked in".

- **Icom Users:** The RS-BA1 software allows you to control rigs like the IC-7300 or IC-7610 over the internet.



- **FlexRadio Users:** The SmartSDR ecosystem is arguably the leader in remote tech; it's designed from the ground up to be operated via a PC, Mac, or even an iPad from anywhere in the world.

#### 2. The "Remote Desktop" Quick-Fix

If your radio is already connected to a PC in your shack for FT8 or logging (using a Signalink or USB cable), you're halfway there. By using software like **AnyDesk**, **TeamViewer**, or **Chrome Remote Desktop**, you can simply "remote in" to your Florida computer.

**Pro Tip:** Combine this with VBCable (virtual audio software) so you can hear the radio's audio through your remote laptop speakers.

#### 3. Safety First: The "Kill Switch"

The biggest fear of the remote operator is a "hung" radio that stays in transmit mode while you're 1,000 miles away. The Solution: Invest in a **Web-Controlled Power Switch**. These devices allow you to log into a website and physically cut the power to your 12V supply or your radio. If the software freezes, you can "pull the plug" digitally.

Whether you use the TARC Club Remote or build your own "shack-in-a-box" there's no reason to be away from TARC this summer. Join us on the digital nets, and we look forward to hearing your "Remote/Portable" signal on the air!

*73, The TARC Digital Committee*

## Florida QSO Party—W4AC Entry



We came, we saw, and we conquered. Well, at least we had a lot of fun making contacts. We made 914 SSB QSOs and 705 CW QSOs. In 2025 we did roughly the same with 807 SSB QSOs and 883 CW QSOs.

A full report will be given in the June *Communicator*.

73, de Frank W2XYZ

## Shack of the Month—Bob KQ4MZA

### *I'm a Home Grown Ham*

The picture of my very basic radio shack is the result of a lengthy endeavor that started in 1949 when I was 10 years old. My Dad had given me a 1938 Philco AM/short wave radio. I was intrigued and found it interesting to listen to all those faraway places like the BBC in London or Radio Moscow. In addition, even though I couldn't understand CW, I always imagined all sorts of interesting stories or messages.

Through my younger years I occasionally thought of getting my HAM license, but the Morse Code requirement always got in the way. Later, life got in the way, and it was not until I retired and moved to Venice, Florida that I seriously became interested in the hobby. The problem was I knew very little about amateur radio or the hobby. I decided to take a trip to our local library for it might be able to enlighten me with basic information. I was pleasantly surprised to find a number of excellent books and manuals on the subject all donated by the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club of Venice.

I joined the club, tested with TARC for my Technician's License, then tested for the General with TARC, and then with help from a number of the club's "Elmer's" I asked for recommendations for equipment to become involved in HF. The ICOM 7300 was the popular choice of transceiver and an END-FED half wave antennae which I then hid in my HOA palm trees.

I have very much enjoyed the adventure. I find the club, its members and



club activities rewarding.

However, the key take away from this effort is that I am a completely home grown product of the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club. Without the club's activities and dedicated members, I would not have been this involved, so thank you club and all its members.

**Bob KQ4MZA 73**

### **Editor's Note**

That's a great story Bob! Welcome to the hobby and to the club. My own story pretty much parallels yours and my adventure only started in 2017. This can serve as an inspiration to new hams and club members. Remember; where there's a will, there's a way. Damn the HOAs. Full speed ahead!

**73, Paul KN4BAR**

## Pine View School Update

**By Vice President Diya Panthulu – KZ4ZT**

Wow, hasn't the time flown by! Approaching the end of the 2025-26 school year, Pine View HAM Radio Club hasn't been slowing down. With multiple plans for next year, students stay involved by making contacts and writing postcards to other HAM Radio Clubs around the nation, as well as exploring other opportunities, with a presentation from Pine View's Red Cross Club keeping members engaged. We are also proud to report that we earned 5th place nationwide during the spring ARRL School Club Round Up competition, an improvement from 6th place!



Our club's President Rugan Suresh, Vice President Diya Panthulu, and member Sanjay Velagapudi attended a TARC meeting to present our progress. Covering everything from the ISS contact over a year ago to the recent

fox hunts we've been having on campus; we delivered a presentation summing up our successful year of learning.

And it's not over just yet! With only a few meetings left this school year, we plan to prepare for the coming school year, as well as discuss the addition of weather balloon facilitation to our club. Even though it's the end of the year, PV HAM Radio isn't finished yet. We can't wait for next year, and we're excited to see what will come next. Thank you, TARC, for your support, and we'll see you next month!

**73, de Diya KZ4ZT**

Club members setup a portable HF station using the Yaesu FT-857 transceiver from the old ham radio club @2012 and the new ARRL EFHM 40-10m antenna kit built by Steve NS4P with help from some club members. The plan is to make this station available to licensed club members to use at their home QTH over the summer vacation.

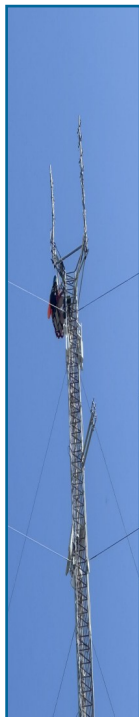


**Tamiami Amateur Radio Club, Inc.**

The Tamiami Amateur Radio club was organized in 1960 to serve Venice and the surrounding area with emergency communications. The founders of our club realized that it is of paramount importance to organize the amateur radio operators in the area, to promote training and provide community service. We have a proud history.

Following Hurricane Donna of 1960, a number of the radio amateurs in the Venice area decided to unite into a formal club. At 7:30 PM on 06 October 1960, twenty interested parties met at the Sunshine Kitchen, and E. B. Roberts was elected as temporary chairman. During the two-hour gathering, a committee consisting of Joe Barone, P. D. Baird and Martin Sharp was appointed to study and draw up bylaws for the organization.

In January 1985 the TARC was incorporated under the laws of Florida as a not-for-profit corporation and, in 2001, as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with the IRS.



**CLUB REPEATERS**

**DMR Repeater** - 444.100 MHz (+) Color Code 1 — Use TS-1 for TARC Private Talk Group (TG) 310442. and local TG 2 and 9. Use TS-2 for ALL other possible Brandmeister TGs available dynamically on TS-2.

**Analog 2m Repeater** - 146.805 MHz (-) PL 100Hz — EchoLink W4AC-R (Node # 513309)

**ALL TARC Repeaters** bear the FCC Callsign of W4AC . Repeater trustee is Randy KQ4PIV. Location: 565 Paul Morris Dr., Englewood, FL

<[FULL REPEATER INFORMATION HERE](#)>

**WEEKLY RADIO NET SCHEDULE**

**MONDAYS, 1:30 pm** (HF net)  
7251 KHz LSB

**TUESDAYS, 7:30 pm** (DMR net)  
444.100 MHz, color code 1, TS 1, Talk Group 310442

**WEDNESDAYS, 7:30 pm** (HF net)  
28.460 MHz USB

**THURSDAYS, 7:30 pm** (FM net)  
146.805 MHz PL 100 Hz (-)  
ECHO LINK: 513309 (W4AC-R)

**Net Manager, Paul KN4BAR**

<[FULL NET SCHEDULE](#)>

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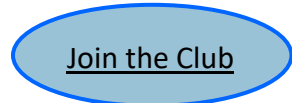
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- Roger McEntarfer      N9RM
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