

# The Shamrock

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## Property Damage Classes set

The Property Damage Assessment Class is set for September 11th & 12th at the Red Cross building, 2306 Elizabeth Street, at 7:00 p.m. each evening. This is for members and spouses, and etc. of the Midland Amateur Radio Club.

We hope we have as good a turnout as was indicated at the last club meeting.. James Parks, with Emergency Management, will teach the class.

Sterling Talley, WB5G

## A.R.E.S sets drill planed

A.R.E.S has set a SET (Simulated Emergency Test) drill is planned for the 15th of September. The national SET drill will be October 6-7, but due to the CAF air Show, the local ARES has decided to do the drill at the earlier date. All amateur radio operators are encouraged to attend this drill. The drill will be a actual exercise for A.R.E.S and anyone that is involved in emergency services. If you would like to have more information on the national drill, see page 53, QST, "Tune Up for emergencies in SET 2001"

Also, you can complete details <<http://hamradio.htmlplanet.com>>; then go to PBR/A.R.E.S. Page. You will have a good time with this SET drill. Mark Smith will lead the SET drill. If have any questions, please call Mark Smith or Dwayne T. Fox

On the 15th on 444.925+146.2 at 800 a.m. Mark Smith, W5MDS, will start the exercise. Please listen to 444.925 for your deployment instructions.

**Everyone must have a your "72 hour Ready Package" ready to go.** Snacks; throat lozenges; prescriptions; first aid kit; log books; 3 day change of clothes; 3 day supply of water; flashlight; candles; alarm clock; electrical and duct tape; safety glasses; additional radios; packet gear; headphones; rf connectors; patch cords; extra coax; liquid; refreshments; aspirin; toilet articles; message forms; shelter; foul weather gear; portable stove; mess kit with cleaning kit; batteries; water proof matches; toolbox; soldering iron and solder; VOM; microphones; power supplies; chargers; antennas with mount; SWR bridge; and ARRL standardized connectors. You will need these Items for the SET drill

The following addresses will contact: Mark Smith, W5MDS, by phone or email <[mdsmith@usaonline.net](mailto:mdsmith@usaonline.net)> and Dwayne Fox, W5ZOX, by phone or email: <[w5zox@comcon.ws](mailto:w5zox@comcon.ws)>

This will be a real exercise, so bring all your radio gear and sleeping gear.

Dwayne T Fox, W5ZOX, A.R.E.S

### MARC Meetings

September 10, 2001

Information about the Property Damage Assessment Course, which will be presented by James Parks, Instructor, from the Red Cross.

### MARC Happenings

11/2-3, 2001 Odessa Hamfest

**“The Shamrock” will not be mailed after this issue: August 2001**

At the last MARC Director Meeting, it was decided to discontinue the monthly mailing of “The Shamrock” You can read “The Shamrock” by going to the MARC Home Page at <http://www.wb5cdd.org/>. When you reach the web page, click on “ The Shamrock”. You will now see a listing of the “back” editions and last edition of “The Shamrock”. Click on “The Shamrock, September 2001, and the newsletter will be displayed in your Adobe Acrobat Reader. You can copy “The Shamrock” to a hard copy, if you prefer or you can read it on-line. Pictures in “living color” will be displayed for your reading pleasure.

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**Join! Join! Join! MARC**

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Support your club. Enjoy the meetings, club activities, and pay your dues.  
 Thanks!

“I loathe people who keep dogs. They are cowards who lack the courage to bite people themselves.”  
 —Swedish writer, August Stringberg.  
 ARNS, Paril, 1996

**New Repeater at Big Lake**  
 There is a new repeater in Big Lake on the PBR REPEATER SYSTEM 442.650 tone 146.2 tone.  
 Thanks, Pat and Bill

**Odessa Hamfest date set**  
 The 2001 Odessa Hamfest will be November 2-3 at the Holiday Inn.


**September Birthdays**



- N5MWV, 08, THOMAS COLEMAN, JR
- WA5IOB, 24, EDITH HOOD
- KC5SDU, 28, CONNIE CLARK
- WT5M, 12, WAYNE REDDIN
- KB5RTW, 07, DAN SECKER
- W5NQZ, 11, STEVE RADWAY
- KA5OCY, 02, ROBERT DOYLE
- KC5BNT, 14, BEVERLEY HARWOOD
- N5UNI, 08, JAMES NETTLES
- WB5GKE, 30, RUSS STRAIT
- WA5IHZ, 25, ROBERT D. WIBBINS
- KB5MWW, 19, SAM HOWELL II
- WD5EFP, 28, SANDY CAMPBELL
- KC5ATV, 02, DAVID BENEFIELD
- KB5TUJ, 16, KAY BALOG
- KC5KPY, 14, ROBERT LaFARELLE
- N5ZRJ, 02, TAMMY PRICE
- AB5BY, 25, GARY BOONE
- N5YY5, 27, JOHN RAGAN
- N5ZRK, 18, CHAD HYATT
- KC5LFW, 28, JENNIFER RECK
- KA5ZJC, 12, MARIKKA WILLIAMS
- N5QDQ, 05, JUSTIN KENNEDY

**This will be the last publication of birthdays. The clubs list is completely out-dated.**

**Midland Amateur Radio Club Application Form** Year: \_\_\_\_\_

 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL Member \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Webb Page \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to purchase a speed call? \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Calls of Additional Family Members:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Addl Members X Years X \$3.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Speed Call at \$5.00(Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks Payable to **Midland Amateur Radio Club**. Thank You  
 and Send TO **P O BOX 4401 MIDLAND TX 79704-4401**

**Total Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

## NETS

**Big Bend Emergency Net** meets at 8:30 A.M. (Central) Every Sunday Morning. The frequency is 3922.

**The West Texas Connection Sunday Morning Net** meets at 0900 (Central) every Sunday morning. The net is informal and open to all. Check in for local ham news and events. Midland frequency is 147.220, + offset, 88.5 tone or 444.100 + offset, 162.2 tone. Mike Smith, W5MLS, is Net Control.

**The Southwest Lynx System Net** meets at 12:00 noon, Sunday. The net meets at 145.130, - offset, 88.50 tone and 440.200, + offset, 162.2 tone. Dwayne Fox, W5ZOX is net control.

**West Texas Amateur Radio Club Net, Odessa**, meets each Monday at 9:00 P.M. The frequency is 145.470 with an 88.5 tone. Needs a Net Control.

**Big Spring 10 Meter Net** is at 8:00 P. M on Tuesday evening at 28.485 up or down a few.

**Midland 2 Meter Net** meets each Tuesday night at 9:00 P.M. on 147.300, offset: - 600 Mhz. Mike Smith, W5MLS, is Net Control.

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**Ares Net** meets each Wednesday night at 9:00 p.m. on 147.300, offset: -600 Mz. Dwayne T.Fox, W5ZOX, is Net Control.

**ARES 70 Centimeters Net** (West Texas & Southwest New Mexico) meets on Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. on 444.925 UHF with a 2146..2 tone. Net Control is Mark Smith, N5UNH.

**Midland County ARES Packet Net** meets on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. on 144.970. Check-ins go through MIDTEX on the talk mode. No net control. Leave your check-ins at Dwayne's mail drop.

**Howard County Net** meets each Thursday at 8:00 P.M. on 146.820.

## Officers for 2001

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Support your club. Enjoy the meetings, club activities, and pay your dues.  
Thanks!

## VE Testing Results

8/11/01  
Dawn Costello, An-



## Say what?

I people don't want to come out to the ballpark, nobody's going to stop them  
—Yogi Berra ARNS, March 1996

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Articles and other information are solicited. Send articles to Dewey D. and Daphne Baucum, Co-Editors, 707 Spraberry Drive, Midland, Texas 79703-7060. Telephone number is (915) 694-3162. Call about format. My E-mail address is: coldewey@apex2000.net.

## Midland VE Team

Testing is conducted at the Red Cross Building on Elizabeth Street at 8:30 A.M. on the second Saturday of every month. (Other times may be arranged.) A total of \$10.00 will charged for each session. All elements and code use the multiple choice format. Individual ear phones are used for code testing. Testing is always sponsored by the ARRL-VEC. For more information call Mitch Martin, WA5ZAP @ 561-9397, Email: [wa5zap@apex2000.net](mailto:wa5zap@apex2000.net) or Sterling Talley, Contact Person, WB5G @ 684-6994, Email: [sterling@apex2000.net](mailto:sterling@apex2000.net).

## Pay Your Dues

If you haven't paid your dues for 2001, please do so.

## MARC Cabinet Director

**Date:** 1st Wednesday each month

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Carrows Restaurant , 2201 W. Wall St. Street