



Temple Amateur Radio Club  
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*W5LM Repeaters*  
*146.820 MHz (PL 123.0)*  
*444.700 MHz (PL 123.0)*

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# Bulletin of the Temple Amateur Radio Club

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**BE SURE TO CHECK INTO THE MONDAY NIGHT NET!**

**Club Meeting Thursday April 6th 7:00 P.M**  
**Western Hills Church of Christ**  
**210 N General Bruce Dr**  
**Temple, TX 76504**

April Birthdays:

Greg KI5LUY  
Myron N5TFK

**HAM EXPO!**

**Friday and Saturday April 14th and 15th.**

Our upcoming Spring Ham Expo looks to be another success. We are sold out.

We will need the usual help from TARC Membership.

Noon Friday: Number tables, check layout, hang banners, and assist with escorting vehicles in and out of the building.

5:30 AM Saturday: Escort vendors in and out of the building.

7:00 AM Saturday: Operate door tables and raffle tables.

There will be more details at the April club meeting.

## Hamfests

**April 22 Emory, TX**

7AM to 2 PM

Sponsor: Rains ARA

Rains County Fairgrounds 159 W Lennon Dr

Admission \$5

[www.w5ent.org](http://www.w5ent.org)

## Scouting Merit Badge Rankings

Scouting magazine released ranking information on Merit badges earned in 2022. The Radio merit badge jumped from 98th in 2021 to 81st in 2022. The Electronics merit badge jumped from 80th to 65th. It appears that youth are still interested in how things work, rather than just interested in using things.

## World Amateur Radio Day

WARD is held on April 18 every year and is celebrated by radio amateurs and their national associations which are organized as member-societies of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). It was on this day in 1925 that the IARU was formed in Paris.

The day is being celebrated with a 2-week operating event occurring April 11 - 25.

ARRL encourages all radio amateurs to take to the airwaves for WARD, to enjoy our global friendship with other amateurs, and to show our skills and capabilities to the public.

[www.arrl.org/world-amateur-radio-day](http://www.arrl.org/world-amateur-radio-day)

## ARRL Club Development Program

The ARRL is starting a series of free webinars to assist amateur radio clubs in forming and structuring the various roles that exist in clubs. Webinars will be recorded and made available in the ARRL Learning Center. The first webinar which was conducted March 30th focused on club Secretaries.

Future webinars will cover Treasurers, Newsletter Editors, Public Information Officers, Webmasters and others.

The link to register for the webinar is below. Feel free to spread the word to others that may wish to attend.

Register in advance for this webinar:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_AzCmCTdORruOmPu5gm2W\\_g](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AzCmCTdORruOmPu5gm2W_g)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

## Amateur Radio Included in FEMA Guide for National Emergency Preparedness

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released a final version (March 2023) of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Functional Guidance. The guidance, which provides a framework for communications resources within incident management, officially includes support from amateur radio operators. The expanded Communications Unit (COMU) structure now includes the Auxiliary Communicator (AUXC) role, which covers personnel from services that provide communications support to emergency management, public safety, and other government agencies. This includes amateur radio.

NIMS guides government, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector to work together to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters and other emergencies. "This is a major step in the recognition of the need and usefulness of amateur radio and other communications services in our national preparedness," said Josh Johnston, KE5MHV, Director of Emergency Management for ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio®. "It also gives official guidance to pave the way for future training and education of volunteers in ARRL's Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES®)," Johnston added.

The NIMS ICT guide (PDF) is available at [https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema\\_ict-functional-guidance.pdf](https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_ict-functional-guidance.pdf).