

The HAM Corner

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Westbank HAM Radio News March 2011

Ham Fest: The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association will hold its 51st Annual Hamfest on March 11th and March 12th, 2011 in Rayne, Louisiana.

Ozone ARC will be hosting in Slidell on July 16th.

General News:

Field Day is June 25-26. All the area ham clubs are already making their plans.

Club News:

Jefferson Arc (JARC)

Net operation: Every

Tuesday at 9 PM on a new frequency, 145.47- [Alt 147.24+] (Pl, if active is 114.8) All who have 10 M capability are welcome to check into the ten meter net on 28.360 (USB) on Wednesday at 8 pm. Open house is every Thursday, 7 to 9.

The next general meeting (fourth Wed) will be on Mar 23 in the club house at the Wally Pontiff Playground. All Hams and prospective Hams are welcome. Email:

w5gad@arrl.net, or contact Keith Barnes at 504-289-1504 or W5KB@W5GAD.org.

DDXA The Delta DX Association usually meets the first Tuesday of the month (next, is March 1st, followed by the next one on April 5th) at 7 pm in JARC's club house at the Wally Pontiff Play-ground. Visitors are welcome.

Open Net: **Tuesday** at 8 pm on 147.36, pl 114.8

WARC Westside ARC

WARC is an ARRL listed Special Services Club in that, among other things, they help those

who want to study for, test and earn or upgrade their license. The next class is planned for soon after Mardi Gras.

The general meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month, the next will be on March 9th) at 7 PM, (come join us for dinner at about 6 PM if you would like to have dinner also.) It will be at Piccadilly's, on LAPALCO in Gretna, just west of Wall Blvd., on the south side of LAPALCO. All Hams, prospective Hams and visitors are welcome. Open net operation every

Thursday at 8:30 PM, 146.94- (pl 114.8) (We will use the alternate repeater on 147.150 pl of 127.3, if there is a problem with the 94 machine.) Everyone in the greater N.O. Area who can hear/access the repeater is welcome to check in. Email can be addressed to WARC@Yahoo.com.

CCARG The CCARG

(Crescent City Amateur Radio Group) hosted a Skywarn Class on February 5th. There were over a dozen people in attendance, most were hams. It was very informative. WWL, Ch 4, was there and took some video of the class for the 6 PM news! After the class was over, they held a VE ham license testing session. Of the four who tested, one for upgrade, two passed. Congratulations to both of the new hams! The Crescent City Classic Road Race is scheduled for April 23rd. If you would like to help with

the communications, contact Joe, N5OZG.

Local Net Listing:

All of these nets are open, and all HAMS are welcome to check in. (PL 114.8 except as noted.)

Monday 7 PM Terrebonne, Houma/Thibodaux NET on 147.39 (2nd, 4th & 5th Mondays.) (If you can't hear that repeater, try the 146.82 pl 114.8, as they may be linked.)

Monday 8:30 PM SELARC, Hammond on 147.00 [down . 600 kHz] pl 107.2 (Alternate: 147.345, DOW - linked.) (If you can't hear either of those repeaters, try the 146.82 or 444.775 [N5OZG's repeaters] pl 114.8, as they may be linked.)

Tuesday 8 PM

Delta DX on 147.360. Slidell/Pearl River - St. Tammany on 147.270.

9 PM 146.860 SELA/CG Aux Flotilla 45, ARES Net. (This is an open net.)

Wednesday 8 PM Jefferson ARC, 28.360 usb.

Thursday 8 PM

Ascension (Gonzales, covers GNO to Baton Rouge) on 147.225 (pl 107.2) (If you can't hear that repeater, try the 146.820 w/pl 114.8, as it may be linked.)

8:30 PM WARC [Westside ARC,] on 146.940.

Friday 7:30 PM

147.27 Slidell Ozone ARC.

Saturday 6PM National Hurricane Preparation Net on 146.820.

Sunday 7 PM Upper Peninsula Michigan Net (on the N5OZG 146.820 pl 114.8 repeater.)

73's Rick KA5EZQ