**UAARC Club Meeting Minutes**

**September 14, 2026**

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**Attendance:**

19 club members, including all 3 officers, and 9 visitors.

**Visitors:** Janette Conyers, Samuel Friberg, Trace Davis, Wyatt & Crystal Partney, Josh, Valerie, & Benjamin Lowery, Caleb Davis

**Quorum:** Yes

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**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by John Keith (W5BWC), followed by visitor introductions and a standing roll call.

Wilson Little NT5AT was recognized as a new member.

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**Secretary/Treasurer Report:**

Presented by William Collier (KG5SVM):

- **Total members:** 42
    - 40 full members
    - 25 ARRL-affiliated members
    - Minimum required ARRL-affiliated members: 21
- **General Fund:** $3489.57
- **Unpaid Liabilities:** $303.00
- **501(c)(3) Fund:** $155.00
- Q1 and Q2 state sales taxes have been filed.

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**Upcoming events:**

Belton Fall Ham expo Oct 3rd

Freedom-Link 1st Hamfest in Atlanta Tx Oct 10th

Wood County ARA is having a tailgate Oct 10th as well

Texas Broadcast Museum in Kilgore is having a tailgate Saturday oct 31

Details for all of these events are on the events page of our website.

**Club Announcements:**

**POTA:**

George Wood asked for interest in a POTA activation Saturday 26. If interested, contact George Wood before next week.

**Yamboree:**

Plan is to have the Harmony VFD command vehicle parked on Titus Street in front of the County TDEM office and operate an HF station from that area as well as a club booth. George Wood will be in charge of setting this up. Contact George if you can help.

**Training class:**

Wood county is taking a survey for interest in a tech or general license class in October. Contact info is on the club website.

**7290 Traffic net picnic:**

Picnic is going to be out at John's QTH this year. If you are interested go to the 7290trafficnet.org website and make reservations. $15 per person.

**Preparedness Seminar:**

Don Heetderks announced the Quitman preparedness group is having a seminar on sanitation in an emergency in Quitman this coming Saturday 19th.

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**Safety and Weather Conditions:**

John Keith reported that the county is still under a burn ban. Members were encouraged to use caution when operating heavy equipment outdoors, including activities such as hay baling, and to report any smoke that is observed.

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**70cm Repeater Project:**

John Keith reported that the antenna for the club's 70cm repeater has been completed.

The CEO of Upshur Rural Electric Cooperative, **Rob Walker**, is still investigating locations.

The club will provide the antenna and cabling. URECC will mount the antenna on the tower and provide AC power to a location outside the fence for an enclosure housing the repeater. The club will be responsible for constructing the enclosure.

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**K5UAR Repeater Access:**

John Keith reported that Chris Burris (KF5OHM) is continuing to provide POC interface with the repeater using TALK2ME radios.

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**Presentation:**

George Wood introduced Greg Mihran KJ6ER creator of the POTA Performer who gave a zoom presentation on basic antenna design and some of his newest designs he is working on.

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**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned for refreshments provided by Terry & Janette Conyers.