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Reflections and Aspirations

As the ARASWF begins the new year of amateur radio activities, it is well to reflect on the past yeas (2001). The first nine months of the year the club met at the Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church and then changed to the Collier County Red Cross Chapter House. The change heralded a new sense of cooperation with this emergency service agency. The Red Cross made available space for the development and installation of a club radio station. This is reasonably complete and is operational as a result of many generous contributions of equipment, time and labor to assembling the station. The station is available for members to use during normal working hours by presenting their membership card at the desk and having the station opened. The station has been used for the DX CC contest in November by several of the members. The station may be used for such special events with prior arrangements. The club held an outstanding field day at the Veterans Community Park. It was very well attended both club members and guests as a result of the publicity and the proclamation by the Collier County Commissioners. During the year club members provided communications at two walkathons. The annual holiday season dinner was well attended and the new officers for the year 2002 were presented.

What are the club plans for 2002? Well at this time the only firm schedule has the annual field day in June and a scheduled test session at the end of March. Other events are in the planning stages. If you have ideas or would like to work on a special event step forward at the meetings. A prospective class for new amateurs is being considered and classes for emergency communications and traffic handling are being planned. The vice president needs your suggestions for programs for the meetings. Please talk with WB2QLP and pass along your ideas.

An active club need all its members to participate in the planning and the execution of the proposed activities. See you at the meetings!

From the President

I like to welcome all you snowbirds back, but one of you left the door open .Its too cold for S W Florida. Now that you are here, come on over and visit us at our monthly meeting, we like to see you. The bands have been very active ,75 meter to 6 meters. Six meters has been unbelievable, on Dec 30, I made 105 DX contacts in about 2 hours. That more than I have done in the 8 years that I have been a Ham. I just hope the Magic Band keeps it up ,it has been fun.

See ya at the meeting 73 A.D. KE4JZT

From The Vice President

As the new ARASWF Vice-President for 2002 , I want to take this opportunity to wish all ARASWF members and their families a very Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year. Although this country is currently at War, we all wish for Peace in 2002 and beyond.

This is being written a few days after the ARASWF Christmas Party and it was very encouraging to see such a large turnout of members and their xyl's. A good time was had by all....To those of you who were not there, you missed a good party, good food and good QSO's ! I hope to see you there this year....

Our club officers for 2001 deserve our appreciation for 'A Job Well Done" for all their accomplishments during the past year. I foresee another productive year for our club in 2002.

We have seen continued growth in our club over the past few years from Hams relocating to the area or newly licensed hams entering in to the hobby. This resource should add new life and new ideas to keep the club going in a positive direction.

This is YOUR club and we welcome your ideas and comments for future operating events, activities or monthly programs. So please make them known at the meeting.....

What would you like to see the club do in 2002 ????

See you all at the club meeting on Jan 22.....

very 73 de WB2QLP .- .-

Dinner meeting !

Since the first Wednesday of the month fall on the 2nd. day of the New Year, I did not call for a Dinner meeting. How ever I will try for February 6. which is the first Wednesday in Febraury.

Anyone wish to make reservation please call me no later than Monday, the 4th Feb.. My telephone # 598-1353, or by E- Mail, w2jq@peganet.com.

The Dinner meeting wil be held like allways in the Pacific 41 Restaurant at 6 O'clock,"

73 de Sigi w2jq

2002 Budget

Income Estimates

Dues (90) full members	\$2250.00
Donations	75.00
Total estimated income	\$2325.00

Estimated Expenses

Insurance	
Liability	\$ 350.00
Equipment	350.00
Telephone	240.00
Field Day	150.00
December Meeting	25.00
Contribution to Red Cross	250.00
Repeater maintenance	200.00
Postage	100.00
Office supplies	50.00
Total estimated wxpenses	\$ 1715.00

Estimated surplus	\$ 610.00
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End of year balance 2001	\$ 1197.75
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Club Information

Meeting Time:

4th Tuesday at 7:30 pm at The
Red Cross Chapter House
Northbrooke Plaza Dr., Naples, FL

Club Repeater:

K4YHB – 146.670 MHz (-600)

RACES/EOC Repeater

WB2WPA - 147.030 MHz (+600)

Club Chat Node:

CHAT – 144.970 MHz

ENAP Packet Node

WB2WPA-5 - 145.030 MHz

Club Home Page:

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Dates for your Calendar

Hamfests

Feb.2&3	Miami Hamfest
Feb. 8-10	Orlando Hamfest
Feb. 24	Zephyrhills Hamfest
Mar 9	Port Charlotte Hamfest

Membership Statistics 2002

K4FOM	KA8ZRJ	W9WZ
KI4NE	KB4ALZ	WD4FLY
N9HBC	N1BCC	KC4LED
K4UGE	KC4UIN	WX4U
W1KEC	AD4MF	W0OB
KB8EMG	WD4AGV	K2ZEL
N1JZJ	K1HSV	W9STW
KI5TV	NJ2F	KD4VRZ
W4VQE	W0MR	KD4DZV
AF4LH	KB9ETQ	KB9GAW
N4WVR	W4CTE	W3BL
WA4UKB	K4EYL	KB0WDP
N4VMT	AB4VT	KC4NQB

Members in good standing 01/18/02