



# ARASWF

## Newsletter



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**Next Meeting will be held on September 27<sup>th</sup>  
2011 at 7.00pm at the Red Cross, Naples.**

### **From the President's Shack**

I hope everybody is having a nice summer. I know that some of the members will start coming back south. We did get more rain then we had in the past years.

September 7th, we started lunch at Royal Wood Country Club. The first and third Wednesday will be lunch starting at 12 noon. Wednesday we had 3 people at lunch. Roger K1HH, Mary NV4Z and George AA4GT. The food is very good and everybody that went there likes the place. This is where the Club will have the Christmas party.

The 27th of August we went out to Joe's Ranch and set up a full wave loop for 20. Roger, Gary, Frank and me spent 7 hours on the air testing the antenna. Gary brought a G5RV and we put that up and tested it. The winter season will be here soon, so get your antennas up and running. If anyone needs help, please let the Club know so we can set up a time and date to help you.

The people that are coming south, please have a safe trip. We will be looking for you at the club meeting at the Red Cross Building September 27th at 7PM. I will see you at the meeting.

73 George AA4GT

### **Meeting Minutes**

There was no Meeting held in August and thus, no Minutes! However, we do have a "report" from the Treasurer!

#### **A NOTE FROM CLUB TREASURER**

For those of you that don't know, I have decided to travel in my RV for a good chunk of this year. I plan to return to Naples by the end of October.

There has been very little activity money wise this summer, and I plan to catch you up to date at the November meeting.

The November meeting is what I want to talk about. We are planing on having a fund raising auction at that meeting. I would sure like to see a good turn out for the auction. I for one plan to bring a lot of "stuff" to auction off. Some of that equipment are items that will be donated to the club and therefore the funds will totally go to the club. Some things I will bring will be owned by me and the club will get 10% of the sale price.

So, that's is how it will work and I want you to PLEASE bring some "stuff" to sell, or donate to the club to sell. Bring lots. The club could use the money.

Also don,t forget to bring your billfold stuffed with the green stuff so you can purchase some of the fine electronic equipment that will be auctioned off.

Please help me make this a success. I'd like to see the auction become an annual event.

Joe Goggin  
K9KNW

### **New Members**

None this month

### **News Items**

**from Don (K9ZKJ)**

During a recent casual drive around rural central Illinois I was on a back road and saw a sign in front of a broken down old farmhouse: *"Talking Dog for Sale"* I needed a break so I stopped to see what the deal was. I went on the creaky porch to the front door and knocked but nobody answered. I then walked around to the backyard and saw a tired looking Bloodhound sitting there. Looking around to make sure nobody heard me I looked at the dog and asked,

*"Do you talk?"*

*"Yep, I sure do!"* replied the dog.

Well after I got over the shock of hearing a dog talk, I asked,

*"So, what's the deal, how can you talk, what is your story?"*

*"Ah shucks, there ain't much to tell. Oh by the way is that a Tar Heel screwdriver antenna on your car out there?"*

*"Yes it is", I replied, "how did you know that?"*

The dog looks me straight in the eye and says,

*"Well, I'm a ham radio operator. I was the mascot at KPH, a Coastal CW Station, when I was a young pup and in no time at all I learned the code just laying around listening hour after hour while my master was on watch. He would doze off and take a nap during the mid watch so I worked ships and took their traffic so he could rest. When the station closed and he retired we moved here, he set up his ham station and I been using a bootleg call for years, heck, I had 5 band DXCC on CW in no time."*

He went on to say,

*"I thought about going to work for the CIA and do some spy work for them but they were only looking for voice ops to listen in on drug runner cell phone calls which didn't interest me so I just stay here, work lots of DX on CW and I really enjoy doing the CW Operators Club CW T events and CW Contests"*

*"Hey, why don't you buy me and we can do CW Multi-OP contests cause my owner gave up doing CW and now just does SSB and those dumb digital modes"*

Hmmm, (I thought) that would be something to write about in the CW OPS News Letter so I said,

*"OK, when your owner comes back I'll see what I can do."*

Just then the owner came driving up in a beat up old pickup so I asked him how much he wanted for the dog.

*"Ten dollars,"* the guy says.

*"Ten dollars",* I exclaimed, *"that dog is amazing. Why on earth are you selling him for \$10.00?"*

*"Because he's a damn liar, I bet he told you about him working ships at KPH, having 5 Band DXCC and a bunch of other crazy stuff. He never did any of that. Heck, he's just a No Code Tech..."*

## **Trading Post**

### **From Glenn (KE4KTZ)**

I'm in need of some help and I'm hoping at least one of you could help.

We will be putting our house up for sale and I need to find a new home for my ham radio tower. I have 60 feet (10 feet on the ground and 50 feet up) available.

If you could, pass this information around to fellow hams and clubs that would be interested in obtaining a tower. I'll let all the tower gear (base plate, tower, guys, etc) go for \$150. Whoever comes and gets it will need to bring the necessary gear and personnel to take it down. (Situating Immokalee Rd and Wilson Blvd area)

Thanks for your help.

Email: [ke4ktz@onefryshort.org](mailto:ke4ktz@onefryshort.org)

73's...Glenn

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Meeting Time: 4th Tuesday 7:00pm

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