

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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## Newsletter



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**The next Club Meeting will be held January 20<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 7.00pm at the Red Cross,  
Naples.**

## From the President's Shack

Hi Everyone,

It was explained to me that I needed to write something about myself for the Club Newsletter, and to be honest, I was actually at a loss for words! But, I do want to say that I am *honored* to be given the opportunity to hold such an important office and to represent the **Amateur Radio Association of South West Florida**, and I hope that you all feel free to come to me with any questions, concerns or ideas.

That said, I would like to tell all of you a little bit about myself and my background (I promise to keep it short!)

As you know my name is Bill "N1MMQ" Krauss. I am a *No-Code Tech* and have been an avid radio operator for over 20 years. My wife, Susan (N1NEQ) and I moved with our two children, Carole and Charles, down to Naples from Manchester, Connecticut just before Hurricane Wilma (That was our first). To say the least, its been interesting!

Although I have had a lot of experience with contesting, emergency nets and assisting the municipalities with communications for Events and Emergencies, both real-life, and planned drills, I also have been employed as an installer and radio programmer. I have been a part of NARL in Newington, Connecticut (Newington Amateur Radio League) and was co-Founder of PARC (Plainville Amateur Radio Club) back in Connecticut. I also worked for the ARRL in the QSL Bureau.

Although I understand that there is a growing lack of need for some forms of communications, I truly believe that our club can make a mark in the community, but like with everything worthwhile, the club and the community needs you to help bring the message out there to the public about the fun of Amateur radio communications.

As you probably already suspect, I'm a "doer", and I need your support and assistance to bring better communications, speakers and event ideas forward and really have some fun, not only when it's Season, but throughout the whole year!

Thanks for "listening" and I hope that all of you feel free to touch base with me soon.

Again, thanks for your support!

Bill N1MMQ

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### **Meeting Minutes**

No meeting minutes from December 2011 as the Club's Christmas Party was held in place of a formal meeting.

### **New Members**

None this month.

### **News Items**

Nothing submitted for publication this month!

### **Trading Post**

Guess everyone is playing with their new Christmas toys!

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## Club Information

Meeting Info: 4th Tuesday @ 7:00pm

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