



The High Desert Dispatch

**The WEEKLY PERIODICAL
FOR THE
HIGH DESERT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF NEW MEXICO INC.**
"Celebrating over 20 years of service to the Amateur Radio Community and the General
Public as a non profit 501 (c)(3) charitable organization"

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Introduction from the President

Greetings,

I can report that May 2025 brings us some exciting HDARC action as a busy April 2025 comes to a successful close. The QSO's on the HDARC repeater is gaining momentum at around 1930 hours every evening. Going into May we have 2 more sessions of MaryAnn's NS7X CW workshop followed by a club CW contest. The club will have an antenna build workshop led by Club Treasurer Mike C. NM5MC during a regular membership meeting followed by a Fox Hunt led by Past President David N6SIK, and the SOTA workshop will have their activation day led by Member Carol K5TFL. Before and after the East Mountain Luncheon on May 15, 2025 in Edgewood, Rob KI5NBN will have a station set up on location for those who wish to chase POTA. A big 73 to all who made April such a great success.

We will be needing a volunteer to assume the duties of supplying coffee and donuts for our monthly membership meetings on the 3rd Saturday of every month. Cynthia Beiser, KJ5FMW has been in charge of these duties for over a year. She has done a wonderful job. Thank you Cynthia. The new volunteer would assume the duties for the June 2025 meeting. If you are interested please contact me.

A fellow HAM Ken NC5Q, has reached out in need of having a tower and 4 element beam installed. He states that he is getting too old to do this alone and just had back surgery 6 months ago. He has the beam, tower, rotor, and cables. He is just in need of help. If you can help contact Ken at craig.furry@comcast.net or contact me at hdarcpres@gmail.com

Here are some more important updates for this week:

The club calendar is now published through June 2025.

Session four (5) of the CW workshop six (6) session series will be this Saturday May 3, 2025. The location will be the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center Community Room. Details within.

We have an antenna build workshop and foxhunt coming during the May 2025 membership meeting. Fourteen (14) of the 20 available kits have been reserved for the build. If you wish to reserve one of the remaining kits contact me. Details within.

The NM RoadRunner Traffic Net needs a manager. More details inside.

This Saturday is our weekly Statewide Chat Shack Net. V.P John K5JVG is net control. More details inside.

Club Vice President John K5JVG is looking for volunteers to help coordinate the clubs 2025 ARRL Field Day activities for this June. If you can help please contact him. More details inside.

Don't forget about our Wednesday Noon Zoom Chat Room . This link is active through the end of 2025.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

73 Mike KI5NBP



THE SOUNDER SECTION

"To join together by pressure, fuse together for strength"

Club Repeaters and Simplex Frequencies

The Club has Two Repeaters, 442.750+ PL 162.2 on Sandia Crest and 145.370 - PL 162.2 in Edgewood. The Club uses two Simplex frequencies, 146.460 and 446.025

Join the FUN, join the Club

Are you aware that the HDARC is one of the most active Amateur Radio Clubs in New Mexico? Well, it is! Read on and find out! Tell a friend! www.nm5hd.org

To become a club member go to www.nm5hd.org and click on the "become a member" tab to join the ever growing group of the coolest Hams in New Mexico, you'll be glad you did!



Join the ARRL

The American Radio Relay League, the ARRL, a non-profit organization, is the largest membership association of amateur radio enthusiasts in the United States. The ARRL represents the interests of amateur radio operators before federal regulatory bodies, the ARRL provides technical advice and assistance to amateur radio enthusiasts, it also supports a number of educational programs and sponsors emergency communications service throughout the country. The HDARC is an ARRL Affiliated Club and a ARRL Special

Service Club. We encourage you to join. Click on this link:
<https://www.arrl.org/membership>



Welcome New Members

William Safieh - KJ5LAJ
Dennis Valliant - KI5IK
Jessica Regulski- KJ5LAT

THE COUNTERPOISE SECTION

“To have an opposing and balancing effect ”

From The Elmer, NS7X

Soldering Safety 101



There's an old saying in amateur radio: You're not really a ham until you've used up your first spool of solder. You see, soldering is a skill, and like all skills, it requires practice. If you've never soldered before or have very little experience, a great option is to purchase the Plusivo Soldering Iron Kit from Amazon. It sells for \$17.99 and, in addition to a soldering iron and rosin core solder, it contains virtually all the ancillary items you're likely to

need. According to the Amazon product description, the kit also includes items “such as a desoldering pump/solder sucker, tin wire solder tube, tweezers, mini wire stripper, mini screwdrivers, mini PCB, heat shrink tubes, and more, plus a downloadable ebook.” The best part? It all fits in a neat little case, which is a plus for keeping your soldering supplies organized. With this kit, you'll be all set—unless you misplace the case.

Rule number one in soldering safely is: **USE YOUR HEAD!** It's **NEVER** a good idea to solder around flammable materials, but it's always wise to protect your eyes by wearing safety glasses. It's **NEVER** a good idea to let your cat “assist” you while soldering,

but it's always best to work in a well-ventilated area. Unless you want a quick trip to the ER, you really shouldn't solder on a live circuit. One last thing: it's definitely NOT a smart move to grasp the soldering iron by its business end—as the young lady is doing in the photo. (At least she's wearing eye protection...) Once you get your soldering equipment, spend some time on YouTube learning soldering techniques. Practice with some scrap printed circuit boards and components, and soon you'll be ready to get a kit or two and build your first project. You'll be a pro just in time to enter the HDARC Homebrew Contest coming this Fall. You might just discover how much fun building your own equipment can be. Besides, it'll give you something to do when the bands are dead.

73 de MaryAnn, NS7X ns7x@arrl.net

Elmer MaryAnn has prepared several tutoring kits for new hams. These kits will be available at this coming Saturday's meeting. Thank you MaryAnn. If you know of someone wanting to become a ham or if you wish to upgrade, MaryAnn NS7X can be contacted through ns7x@arrl.net

ELMERS are defined as an experienced operator who takes someone under his or her wing, providing personal guidance and answers to the thousands of questions that confront a newbie. In our case it would include those wanting to upgrade.

From the V.E. Yul WA5YUL

I found this message from the ARRL that impacts us all as HAMS. I hope you find this informative. 73 Yul WA5YUL

“Dear ARRL Member,

ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® filed comments [PDF] with the Federal Communications Commission in response to its request for public input on alleviating unnecessary regulatory burdens by deleting or modifying rules, In the Matter of Delete, Delete, Delete. Implementing ARRL’s suggestions would promote and protect the art, science, and enjoyment of amateur radio, and enhance the development of the next generation of radio

Amateurs. In response to ARRL’s request, over 200 members submitted suggestions that were reviewed when considering what rules should be deleted or modified. ARRL will continue to engage with members and advocate for the Amateur Radio Service. In its filing, ARRL asked the FCC to delete or amend the following rules:

Delete the LF and VHF/UHF Symbol (Baud) Rate and Bandwidth Limitations

ARRL supports the deletion of these restrictions as proposed by the Commission in late 2023. Doing so would enhance Amateur experimentation with digital technologies.

Update and Modernize Entry Level Technician Class License Privileges

ARRL reiterated its earlier proposal for extending additional limited privileges for Technician class operators. Adopting its proposal would provide new licensees an introductory window to HF data and phone communications that are at the core of the Amateur Radio experience and serve to incentivize the next generation of technical leaders just as Novice CW HF privileges did for earlier generations of operators.

Modernize 80/75 Meter Subband Divisions

ARRL requested action on an earlier proposal that would make more efficient and intense use of the 80/75 meter band. Changes in technology and modes since band usage was last addressed have resulted in overcrowding in one band segment that would be alleviated by adoption of ARRL’s proposal.

Delete and Replace Obsolete Digital Code Limitations

ARRL also asked the FCC remove provisions that refer to digital codes that today are obsolete and permit Radio Amateurs to experiment freely with new digital codes, so long as such codes are publicly documented and decodable over the air.

Implement Changes to Third Party Rules Adopted Internationally at WRC-03

Although the United States fully supported changes to the ITU Radio Regulations in 2003 that removed a treaty requirement for third-party messages, there is no record of this change having been considered and the FCC's rules were never conformed to the new provision. Being the only nation known to continue to require a formal treaty for such purposes has resulted in no new such treaties since the treaty changed more than two decades ago. Thus ARRL asked the FCC to Implement rules that are consistent with those internationally agreed to align with the rest of the world.

Delete Amplifier Drive Limitation

ARRL requested that the Commission act favorably on a pending proposal to remove limits to HF amplifier gain that add to Amateur equipment cost and impede use of new efficient amplifier technology.

Remove Non-current Personal Information in Amateur ULS records

ARRL requested that the FCC complete a rule making in which it proposed that only current licensee information to be visible in the public (ULS) database. Right now, if an amateur changes their address to a Post Office Box to shield their home address, the previous address remains visible. ARRL advocates for protecting the privacy of radio amateurs.

Delete Obsolete Identification Requirement for Special Call Signs

Users of special event call signs are required to identify with the FCC-issued responsible call sign at least once each hour. This can be confusing, especially on data and CW modes. ARRL proposed reliance on the web-based database that clearly identifies each special event call sign and authorized period of use.

Delete Obsolete Paper License Replacement Provision

The FCC no longer mails physical copies of amateur radio licenses, so ARRL suggested deleting the rule that provides for sending paper replacements as obsolete.

The FCC notice [PDF] generated a lot of interest among radio amateurs, with hundreds of Amateurs submitting comments directly to the FCC as well as responding to ARRL's request for suggestions. The FCC deadline for filing reply comments is April 28, 2025. It is hoped that the Commission will incorporate worthy suggestions in a future Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) later this year. At that time there will be a new opportunity for public comment on the specific rules that the Commission proposes to delete or modify."

THE CHAT SHACK SHEET SECTION

"Reaching out to each other through the art of verbal dialogue"



Saturday CHAT SHACK NET/MegaLink

Saturday 10 A.M. STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET will use the 444.325 + PL 100 and the 145.290 - PL100 on Sandia Crest in order to access the MegaLink system.



NM5HD Net Controllers :

1st Saturday, John Gleason, K5JVG

2nd Saturday, Mike Smith KI5NBP

3rd Saturday, Club Meeting. No net

4th Saturday, Mike Chirin, NM5MC

5th Saturday, Open for a volunteer.

The next net is Saturday May 3, 2025 Your net controller is John K5JVG. You can reach this Net from any part of NM because of its design. You just need to be on the right frequency, offset, and PL tone for the local repeater closest to your location at the day and time of the net. For current mega link frequency information go to www.nm5ml.com. If you're having issues programming your radio email hdarcpres@gmail.com. You will be directed to someone in the club that can help you. Please [click here](#) to see the operational status of NM5ML Mega Link Repeaters.

V.P. John K5JVG is the Committee Lead for HDARC Net's.

HDARC Repeater Use Experiment



John KJ5DSU had a question about why the HDARC repeater seems to transmit nothing but crickets anytime he happens to listen in and wants to strike up a conversation? Many of us have asked the same question. What was nice is that he also recommended a solution that is simple, costs no more money than we have already invested in our equipment, and is well within the capabilities of any one holding any of the three classes of licenses. Let's say if every member tried to monitor and exchange at least 1 night a month the repeater might not collect cobwebs.

Here is the proposal , on any night at 7:30 PM Local time tune *into 442.750+ PL 162.2 on Sandia Crest, the HDARC repeater and call in with your call sign and see if you can strike up a conversation.* This is not a NET. Just an attempt to get us to spend a few minutes to monitor the frequency and have a conversation with someone over our repeater. This will go on every night moving forward. Thanks John, great idea. Let's see what happens. So let's get those \$15.00 Baofengs fired up. I hope to talk to you tonight.

Manager needed for the NM Roadrunner Net

The NM Section of the ARRL is in need of a volunteer to manage the New Mexico Roadrunner Net. This is our only ARRL-sanctioned, National Traffic System network in NM. The manager doesn't have to check into the net (0100z every day) but makes sure to collect and report on the activity. He/she gets daily reports on check ins & announcements, formal and informal messages, etc. from the net control stations. The schedule is covered and little else needs to be done. To inquire contact n2gji@arrl.net

THE REPEATER SECTION

“Receive and retransmit a communication signal”

CW Workshop Sessions April 5- May 10, 2025



Club Director and Elmer NS7X MaryAnn has agreed to conduct another series of weekly CW classroom sessions. *Session 5 of this 6 part series is May 3, 2025 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM in the Community Room.*

That is six(6) sessions. You are required to attend all 6 sessions. The location of all six sessions is the North Domingo

Baca Multi-Cultural Center 7521 Carmel NE Albuquerque, NM 87113 in the community room. The classroom sessions will be followed up with a multi week club CW contest starting in late May early June 2025.

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| Class 5 | 5/3/2025 | 9:00 AM-10:30 AM |
| Class 6 | 5/10/2025 | 9:00 AM-10:30 AM |

SOTA (Summits on the Air) Workshop April 12, 2025-Report



HDARC member Carol Sugar K5TFL held a SOTA workshop last Saturday April 12, 2025. THE LOCATION was The City of Albuquerque LOS DURANES COMMUNITY CENTER 2920 Leopoldo NW, Albuquerque NM 87104 from 10:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. It was a great success. The facilities were perfect. The following classigns attended:

**KI5NBP AF5TT KJ5ICW KG5ZRU N6SIK N6TYT
KE5DKJ KJ5DSU KG5CYA.**

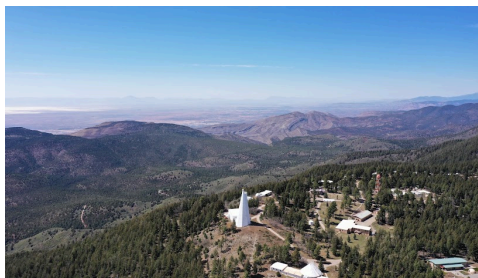
Those that participated were invited by Carol K5TFL and Rick KG5CYA to participate in 1 of 2 SOTA activations in Albuquerque and Los Lunas NM on Sunday May 18, 2025. More details to follow.

A big 73 to Carol.



The aim of SOTA is to encourage licensed amateur radio operators to operate temporarily from mountainous locations using any method of travel including hiking, mountain climbing, and cycling while operating their amateur radio station from the summits of hills and mountains. In addition to getting operators out into the field the program encourages others to listen into the transmissions from these stations and send in reports.





National Solar Observatory **Sunspot NM**

Hamming Around New Mexico **New Date: September 6, 2025**

Here is another exciting “Hamming around New Mexico” opportunity. HDARC will be visiting “The National Solar Observatory” in Sunspot NM on Saturday September 6, 2025. We are scheduled for a private 2 hr behind the scenes tour and private presentation by Dr Sean Sellers, Astronomer at Sunspot. Sunspot NM is located in the Sacramento Mountains south of Cloudcroft NM in the Lincoln National Forest. Sunspot NM is 257 miles from Albuquerque. Google maps shows it would take 4 hours and 15 minutes by the fastest route. The schedule is being worked on. The intent is to have the tour and presentation in the Mid Afternoon. This would provide us a chance to operate on site in the morning for those arriving the night before. Accommodations are available in Ruidoso, Mescalero, and Alamogordo. Remember this is the summer time and these are big tourist towns. A big 73 to Marc KD6KR coordinating this event. [If you would like to attend please save a spot early and email me at \[hdarcpres@gmail.com\]\(mailto:hdarcpres@gmail.com\)](#). The link to the Observatory is: <https://nso.edu>

The following callsign have registered to participate in this adventure:

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| KD6KR | KI5NBP | AG5UY | N6SIK | N6TYT | KI5NBN |
| NM5MC | K5JVB | WA5YUL | N1NVK | KI5YIF | KJ5ICW |
| KJ5KMJ | | | | | |

If your callsign does not appear above and you registered please email hdarcpres@gmail.com

Lodging Info: Those of you that wish to stay overnight in Alamogordo NM on the Friday September 5, 2025 or Saturday September 6, 2025, Marc KD6KR has made arrangements with Super 8 Motel for a group rate of \$77.00 per night. The regular rack rate is \$99.00 plus. When you make your reservations mention our club for the special rate. More details to come.



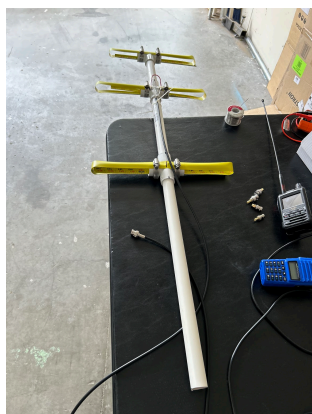
HDARC EAST MOUNTAIN GROUP

The HDARC East Mountain Group will be holding their monthly luncheon/meeting on May 15, 2025 at Lil Mama's Restaurant located at 150 NM-344 A, in Edgewood, NM 87015. Start time is 11:30 AM. All are invited to attend. Contact Club Quartermaster/East Mountain resident Rob KI5NBN if you have any questions.

<https://menushenu.com/lil-mamas-restaurant-edgewood-menu/>

Word is that Rob KI5NBN will have a station set up in the parking lot for those who wish to chase POTA. Come join the fun.

Club 2 Meter Yagi Antenna Build Workshop and Foxhunt



On May 17, 2025 we will hold a 2 meter Yagi Antenna Build Workshop during the General Membership Meeting at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center in ABQ. Treasurer Mike C. NM5MC will lead the workshop with the assistance of other club members. The club has purchased bulk material to provide 20 kits for assembly. The following callsigns have already

reserved a kit:

WA5YUL AG5UY KJ5LAJ N5CJC KG5ZKY KJ5KFG
K5JVG KM6CRL KD5SPB WD5EQY KJ5CTQ KI5NBN
KI5YVY KJ5ATL

If you wish to reserve a kit email hdarcpres@gmail.com with your name and call sign. We have a few kits left. There is soldering involved. We will provide soldering stations with assistance. We will have club test equipment on site with assistance to test SWR. You're more than welcome to bring your own test equipment. You will need to bring a cable adapter that will match your HT antenna input. You will need a BNC female connector/ SMA antenna connector adapter cable to fit the input on your HT to connect the antenna to your HT for use. Your HT will have either a female or male SMA input. Here are some links to Amazon.

BNC Female to Female SMA: <https://a.co/d/7tr9194>

BNC Female to Male SMA: <https://a.co/d/gTqi0c9>

This workshop is scheduled to last until 2:00 P.M. local. Immediately following the workshop a FOXHUNT led by Past President David N6SIK and his team will begin. This is a chance to test your build and have some fun. More details will be released next week. Each kit cost the club \$20.00. If you reserved a kit and can help the club recoup this expense it would help us fund other builds. This is not necessary but would be appreciated. You can do so the day of the workshop or contact Mike C NM5MC. Thank you to those who have already helped us recoup the expense.

HDARC ARRL 2025 Field Day Event **Saturday June 28, 2025**



HDARC V.P. John K5JVG is spearheading the HDARC ARRL 2025 Field Day Event. Our event will take place from 0800 to 1700 local on June 28, 2025. The event location will be announced soon. He is in need of volunteers to assist in planning and for the day of the event. If you can help please email John at k5jvg@yahoo.com. The following call signs have volunteered:

KI5NBP KI5NBN

THE CONNECTIONS SECTION

“a relationship in which a person, thing, or idea is linked or associated with something else.”

Test Equipment Loaner Program for Members

HDARC Director Harvey Dove KI5YVY is the lead for this program. A copy of the program outline and how to contact Harvey to request a loaner is posted on the home page of NM5hd.org. Click on this link: https://www.nm5hd.org/files/ugd/d9cb96_5fe894d5a99c434191712575def6987b.pdf

The current inventory of loaner test equipment includes:

- MFJ -263 Dummy Loads
- MFJ - 802B Field Strength Meter
- RigExpert AA-650ZOOM Antenna Analyzer



We CURRENTLY have five donated pieces of test equipment. Please consider if you have a piece of gently used and functional test equipment you can donate for this program. The next purchase of test equipment for the program will include RF noise detectors (MFJ 805). An MFJ 259 Antenna Analyzer was donated by Roger K5RPE. 73 Roger

We are looking for volunteers to help us make in house instructional videos to demonstrate how to use each piece of test equipment. Your role would be to be the on air talent. Other

members would assist in creating the storyboards, help writing the script, recording, editing, and posting. If you have the hands on knowledge, help us share that with other club members.

RT Systems Programming Software Available for Use

The club has in its possession the following RT Systems programming software available for use:

- Icom-2730
- Alinco-635
- Yaesu FT-60
- Yaesu FT-2900
- Yaesu FTM-6000

Please contact Past President David Ham N6SIK if you wish to use them at n6sik@arrl.net

HDARC Member Name Badges/Hats/Shirts-New



I have been asked by members how to purchase a HDARC Membership Badge. [Click Here](#) to be directed to our vendor's web store. **The site is fully operational again.**



HDARC Shirts,hats,and other Club gear can be ordered from Rio Rancho T-Shirts, 1207 Golf Course Rd SE Ste F, Rio Rancho, NM 87124. Speak with Wayne or Penny at: (505)



891-1521.

Club Calendar
April - June 2025
SAVE THE DATES **NEW**

April 2025

Wednesday April 23, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

Saturday April 26, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
NM5MC Mike C. is our net controller.

Saturday April 26, 2025 10:00 A.M - 11:30 AM. CW Workshop
Session 4 by Club Director/Elmer MaryAnn NS7X

May 2025

Saturday May 3, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Club V .P. John K5JVG. is our net controller.

Saturday May 3, 2025 10:00 A.M - 11:30 AM. CW Workshop
Session 5 by Club Director/Elmer MaryAnn NS7X

Wednesday May 7, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat
Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

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Saturday May 10, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Club President Mike KI5NBP is our net controller.

Saturday May 10, 2025 10:00 A.M - 11:30 AM. CW Workshop
Session 6 by Club Director/Elmer MaryAnn NS7X

Wednesday May 14, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat
Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

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Thursday May 15, 2025 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM : HDARC East
Mountain Group monthly luncheon/meeting at Lil Mama's
Restaurant located at 150 NM-344 A, in Edgewood, NM 87015.
All are invited to attend. Contact Club Quartermaster/East

Mountain resident Rob KI5NBN if you have any questions.

<https://menushenu.com/lil-mamas-restaurant-edgewood-menu/>

Saturday May 17, 2025 10:00 AM -2:00 PM: In Person Club Meeting and Event: “Fox Hunting and Building a VHF Band Tape Measure Directional Yagi Antenna for your HT” Presenter TBD (participants can build the antenna on site during the workshop if they wish. A foxhunt will take place immediately after the antenna is built. (A parts list will be published)

Location: North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center Room #4
7521 Carmel NE Albuquerque, NM 87113.

Wednesday May 21, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

Saturday May 24, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML. Club Treasurer Mike C NM5MC is our net controller.

Wednesday May 21, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

Saturday May 31, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Net controller TBD

June 2025

Wednesday June 4, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

Saturday June 7, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Club V .P. John K5JVG. is our net controller.

Wednesday June 11, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

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Saturday June 14, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD

**STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Club President Mike KI5NBP is our net controller.**

Wednesday June 18, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime

Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

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MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1)** PIN 737373

Thursday June 19, 2025 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM : HDARC East

**Mountain Group monthly luncheon/meeting at Lil Mama's
Restaurant located at 150 NM-344 A, in Edgewood, NM 87015.
All are invited to attend. Contact Club Quartermaster/East
Mountain resident Rob KI5NBN if you have any questions.**

<https://menushenu.com/lil-mamas-restaurant-edgewood-menu/>

Saturday June 21 ,2025 10:00 AM -2:00 PM: Monthly in

**person membership meeting. V.E. testing to follow at
11:30 AM. See VE testing section for testing info.**

**Location: North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center Room #4
7521 Carmel NE Albuquerque, NM 87113.**

Wednesday June 25, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime

Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82410741347?pwd=kXb9i18t3bc3MATidQmEsJb31DoVnR.1> PIN 737373

Saturday June 28, 2025 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.: HDARC EVENT
2025 ARRL Field Day . Location TBD. Contact HDARC V.P.
John K5JVG Event coordinator for details.

Saturday June 28, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Club Treasurer Mike C NM5MC is our net controller.

Future Scheduled Club Events

- June 2025 Sat. Comm Field Day & Tailgate
- May - June 2025 Club CW Morse Code Challenge
- August 2025 Membership Meeting Presentation: Bill Mader K8TE
“Better DX Chasing
- Nov 2025 HDARC Club Home Brew Contest

Club Events in the Bull Pen (Not Scheduled Yet)

- POTA - Field Days
- Equipment Tailgate
- Hamming Around New Mexico
- Operating FT 8 Workshop
- Operating Winlink Workshop
- Las Cruces Space Festival /Spaceport America (Sept 2025)
- Portable Battery Box Workshop

- Club Test Equipment Workshops
- And more to come.....

V.E. Testing **(Scheduling Change)**

The HDARC is a sponsor of the Institute of HAM Radio Sciences, which conducts free V.E. testing sessions on behalf of the HDARC at 11:30 on the 3rd Saturday of April, June, August, October, and December immediately following the Monthly HDARC In-Person Club Meeting in classroom #4 at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center. Look for the link [FREE TESTING](#) on the club web page. Please, pre register on the club web page for testing www.nm5hd.org. For more information contact Yul Bratcher at his email, yul.bratcher@att.net A big 73 to YUL and the V.E. team for volunteering their time and resources. Without them this could not happen. **The next testing session is April 19, 2025.**

The testing schedule after the April 2025 session will be:

Saturday June 21, 2025
Saturday August 16, 2025
Saturday October 18, 2025
Saturday December 20, 2025

Classifieds

Welcome to the classified section. The intent is to give members and other HAMS a place to advertise any HAM related equipment they have for sale. It is also a place for members to list what HAM related equipment they are seeking to buy. **This is a free service with no fees attached.** *This week we are featuring items from the Club SK inventory. Contact our Quartermaster Rob KI5NBN at this email if you are interested: dynomutt@reagan.com Feel free to haggle with Rob. We will update this inventory weekly.*

The Sandoval County ARES has the following items for sale. Contact Gary K5BIQ at garycapt@yahoo.com to inquire and make an offer

- **2- 15" Computer Monitors**
- **Long LMR-400 coax**
- **Misc length coax**
- **Misc antenna parts**
- **23 amp Samlex 1223 Power Supply**
- **Headset**
- **Misc. parachute cord**
- **MFJ-993B Antenna Tuner**
- **MFJ-989D Versa Tuner**
- **Antenna mast tripod**
- **Kenwood 590s HF/50Mhz Transceiver**

- *Old laptop*
- *Kenwood TS-50 HF Transceiver*
- *Remote Antenna switch, Ameritron RCS-8V*
- *Ameritron ALS-600S Amplifier*

Available for Purchase from the club Inventory

More inventory to be listed soon



**ICOM IC2A HT radio- 2 meter
only-works. Suggested Donation
\$40.00**





ICOM IC-27A

2 Meter 50

Watts.

Missing to

snap in

plastic cover. Suggested

Donation \$50.00



**Kenwood TH-D7A HT
radio. Dual band- missing
external charger.**

**Suggested Donation
\$250.00**

CONCLUSION

Check the club's website often, there are interesting things being added weekly. www.nm5hd.org

I want to thank the club's COB, Kenneth Ham, AG5UY, for maintaining the website. Thanks Yul, WA5YUL and V.E. team for what they do to provide free testing to the public. Thank you to our Elmer MaryAnn NS7X for contributing to the Dispatch. Thank you Rob KI5NBN for providing a list of gear to offer to the club members. Thanks to those of you who provided content for this periodical. Feel free to reach out to me anytime at hdarcpres@gmail.com. If you wish to add content to "The High Desert Dispatch " weekly periodical the deadline for submission is Monday preceding the Wednesday publication date. If you get the chance, monitor the HDARC repeater every night at 7:30 P.M. local time to find someone to exchange with. *I look forward to hearing you on the air!*

73 Mike



Michael R. Smith, KI5NBP, President HDARC
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The 2025 Leadership Team

Executive Leadership

Michael R. Smith KI5NBP, President 2024-2026 hdarcpres@gmail.com

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Elaine Summerhill, KJ5ATL, Secretary 2024-2026

Mike Chirin, NM5MC, Treasurer - 2024-2026

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Mchael R. Smith, KI5NBP Director- 2024-2026

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MaryAnn Cornett, NS7X- Director - 2025-2026

Committee Leader's (Appointed by President)

Past President: David Ham, N6SIK

Elmer: MaryAnn Cornet, NS7X

Test Equipment Loaner Program: Harvey Dove, KI5YVY

Quartermaster: Rob Summerhill, KI5NBN

Club Programming & Workshop Development: Mike Smith, KI5NBP

Special Projects: Marc Matteson, KD6KR

Canteen: Cynthia Beiser, KJ5FMW

50/50 - Raffles: Becky Ham, N6TYT

The High Desert Dispatch Editor: Mike Smith, KI5NBP

Website: Ken Ham, AG56UY & Mike Smith, KI5NBP

Club YouTube Channel: Elaine Summerhill , KJ5ATL

East Mountain Group: Rob Summerhill , KI5NBN

License Testing: Yul Bratcher, WA5YUL

Club Net's: John Gleason, K5JVG

Club Repeater(s): Rob Summerhsill, KI5NBN

Field Days: John Gleason, K5JVG

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Club Senior and Veterans Affairs Outreach

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