



NM5HD

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE

HIGH DESERT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF NEW MEXICO INC.

"Celebrating 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 look forward to seeing you at this Saturday's Monthly Membership Meeting. Please check your email for the agenda and other documents tomorrow. Our presenter is MaryAnn NS7X. As well as being our club elmer, those of us that know MaryAnn are aware of her passion for CW. She will be our presenter and have an open discussion on why we should learn and use CW as amateur radio operators. At the same meeting we will be having club elections. Nominations are open till the vote is called for at Saturday's meeting. To date the following members have come forward for consideration to fill the following HDARC leadership positions:

Vice President (1 year term) John Gleason K5JVG
Director BOD (2 year term) Bill Jackson KM6CRL
Director BOD (2 year term) Ken Ham AG5UY
Director BOD (1 year term) Mary Ann Cornett NS7X

In February club membership dues are collected as per the constitution and bylaws. The club dues make up 45 percent of our operating capital for the year. Thank you to all members who have already submitted payment. Your attention to this detail is greatly appreciated. Members who are current with their DUES as of 1000 hr's local time on February 15, 2025 will be allowed to vote on or run for an open leadership position.

I would like to give this weekly newsletter a name, a personality, a moniker (nickname). Please contact me with those suggestions. If you

have any suggestions please email me at hdarcpres@gmail.com. All suggestions will be given to the club to vote on in the February meeting.

We now have a location to hold the D-Star workshop thanks to John Mocho KC5QOC. 73 John. The SOTA Workshop date has changed to April 12, 2025. Details within this newsletter.

On a personal note, next week I will be traveling out of the country. On Sunday I am flying to Montreal, Canada upon the request of my 104 year old great Aunt Yvette. We are going to visit for a few days. I am looking forward to this visit and reconnecting with my deep Canadian roots. I will be back the following Friday (weather permitting). I still intend to publish the newsletter next week from Montreal. I will be available by email, text and phone. My travel days are Sunday and Thursday so communications will be intermittent on those days.

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

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

A big 73 to the newest members of the HDARC:

**Johnathan Earhart- KI5UIT
Nathan Hardman - KJ5JLE
Grace Haven - KJ5JMK
Michael Hudzik - K5MJH
Donald Shoemaker - N9DCS
Robert Wright - KE8CEO
Robert Watson - KJ5GMA
Benjamin Phillips**

Saturday CHAT SHACK NET Incentive Program-Update

Our last net for February and this incentive program will be Saturday February 22, 2025. NM5MC will be net control. Any member in good standing who checks into the Saturday Net will receive a ticket with their call sign attached. When you check into the Chat Shack Net indicating that you are a member, clearly give you callsign using phonics. The net controller will submit their log sheet to the President who will verify and assign tickets. K5JVG John was our net control last Saturday. He has reported that these are the callsigns of members who checked into the net:

**KI5YIF AG5UY NS7X WB9WRE KJ5BYK KC2LM
W8SCY WA5YUL KE5DKJ NM5MC N6SIK**

The grand prize is a \$300.00 gift certificate to HRO (Ham Radio Outlet) and will be drawn at the March membership meeting. Callsigns of those who have participated at any time during this program will be published in its entirety in the March 5, 2025 newsletter.



Saturday CHAT SHACK NET/MegaLink



The 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 C NM5MC

5th Saturday, (when needed) Open for a volunteer.

The next net is Saturday February 22, 2025 . Mike C NM5MC will be net control. 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. I use a HT and have checked in from different parts of the state with minimal issues. 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.

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 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 someone this Thursday night.

D-Star Workshop -March 22, 2025 -Update

Bob Langoria N5JH has agreed to present a D-Star Workshop on March 22, 2025 from 10:30 A.M. till 1:30 P.M. in the Clubhouse located at “The Vineyards 55 Plus Estates ” 6118 Edith Blvd NE in Albuquerque New Mexico. A big 73 to John Mocho KC5QOC for making the arrangements for the facilities use. Registration is now open. If you wish to attend please send an email to hdarcpres@gmail.com. The class size will be limited to 15 participants.

A D-STAR (Digital Smart Technologies for Amateur Radio) workshop offers an opportunity for amateur radio enthusiasts to delve into the intricacies of digital communication systems. During the workshop, participants specifically explore the D- STAR protocol, learning how it enables reliable digital voice and data transmission over radio frequencies. Experienced instructors guide attendees through the setup and operation of D-STAR equipment, including transceivers and repeaters, while discussing the benefits and challenges of digital modes compared to traditional analog methods. Attendees also engage in hands-on activities, allowing them to program, configure and test their equipment in real-time, allowing a deeper understanding and proficiency in using this advanced technology. The workshop will also explore the use of hotspots to further enhance the digital communications experience. Whether you are a seasoned operator or a newcomer, the workshop offers an environment to enhance skills, share experiences, and explore the potential of digital amateur radio communication.

SOTA (Summits on the Air) Workshop April 12, 2025 **(New Date)**



Carol Sugar's K5TFL will lead a SOTA workshop on April 12, 2025 in Albuquerque N.M. from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Location TBD. THIS IS A NEW DATE. Registration is now open for this workshop. A date and location for a local activation will be decided at the workshop. *Any licensed HAMS who are interested in learning what SOTA is and directly experiencing an activation in the local area email hdarcpres@gmail.com to register. The class size will be limited to 25.*

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. Click on the link below to learn more about SOTA

CW Workshop Sessions -New

NS7X MaryAnn has agreed to conduct another series of weekly CW classroom sessions starting in April going through May 2025. The classroom sessions will be followed up with a multi week club CW contest starting in June 2025. We are working out dates, times and locations over the next few weeks. These sessions are for anyone wishing to learn and improve their skill set in keying CW.



National Solar
Observatory
Sunspot NM
Hamming Around
New Mexico
June 7, 2025

Here is another exciting “Hamming around New Mexico” opportunity. HDARC will be visiting “The National Solar Observatory” in Sunspot NM on Saturday June 7, 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. The link to the Observatory is: <https://nso.edu>

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 three 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).

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

From The Elmer

IS THAT A BIG 10-4, GOOD BUDDY?

Most hams are not very tolerant of the usage of CB lingo on the amateur bands. Saying “10-4” on the local repeater is likely to get you a lesser frown, at the very least. There are several reasons why hams prefer ham-speak to CB jargon. First, hams tend to use very precise language. CB’ers? Not so much. Second, because amateurs communicate with stations all around the world, they prefer to use language which is understood all around the world. Third, hams have a more technical understanding of radio and electronic theory. As a result, they tend to have a more disciplined vocabulary. Alas and alack, due to the zeal with which many hams avoid anything CB, bits and pieces of our rich heritage are being lost. A prime example is the

aversion to the word “handle.” “Handle” is a perfectly good ham radio term which has been in use since the railroad telegrapher days - before Marconi was even a gleam in his father’s eye. And many, many decades before the FCC invented Citizen’s Band radio. The primary difference between the amateur radio “handle” and the CB “handle” is that a ham’s handle is their first name – as in “Handle here is MaryAnn.” A CBer, on the other hand, uses their “handle” as their CB radio nickname – as in, “The handle here is Goody Two-Shoes.” If truth be told, CB radio operators absconded with, and changed the definition of, the well-established ham radio slang of “handle.” Back in the olden days, when the railroad telegraphy operators kept the trains running, they often owned their own telegraph keys. They would mount their key on a block of wood which served to stabilize the key as they used it. The wood block also made it convenient for the operator to carry their key to the office for their duty shift and back home when they were relieved by the next telegrapher. This wood block became known as the “handle” because, like the grip of a suitcase, the wood block made it easy to grab and carry their key from place to place. It didn’t take long before these wood blocks were decorated by the telegraphers giving them their own personal touch. Most of them engraved their name on the block. Soon, the name, and the wood block, became known as the “handle.” When radio became the cutting-edge technology, the terminology transferred from the railroad to the radio operators. “Handle” became synonymous with the word “name.” So don’t shy away from using the “handle” term on the ham bands. After all, it is a word that is a part of our tradition and is even older than ham radio. Saying 10-4 on the air, on the other hand, is not so much of a good idea.

73 de MaryAnn, NS7X ns7x@arri.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@arri.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.

The New HAM 10 (or so) Minute Tutorial

Lets review basic HAM radio Jargon, Slang and Codes:

https://youtu.be/zl37-QKAsq0?si=gNZA_IlbjdmqrLO

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

The Black Special Edition HDARC 20th Anniversary Ball Caps and Shirts are available at Rio Rancho T-Shirts. Email me if you would like to purchase one at hdarcpres@gmail.com.

Club Calendar
February - April 2025
SAVE THE DATES UPDATED

Wednesday February 12, 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 February 15, 2025 10:00 AM: In Person Club Meeting and V.E. Testing.

Presentation: “A candid discussion on why you should learn CW” Presenter Club Elmer MaryAnn, NS7X

Club BOD elections. V.E. Testing begins at Noon. [Click here](#) for more information

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

Live Stream Link: TBA at a later date

Wednesday February 19, 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 February 22, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Net controller TBD. LAST NET FOR INCENTIVE PROGRAM

March 2025

Saturday March 1, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
K5JVG John is our net controller.

Wednesday March 5, 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

Saturday March 8, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
Net controller. TBD

Wednesday March 12, 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

Saturday March 15, 2025 10:00 AM: In Person Club Meeting and V.E. Testing.

Presentation: “ What is SOTA (Summits on the Air)

Presenter Carol Sugars K5TFL.

V.E. Testing begins at Noon. [Click here](#) for more information

Location: North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center Room #4

7521 Carmel NE Albuquerque, NM 87113.

Live Stream Link: TBA at a later date

Wednesday March 19, 2025 Noon: Club ZOOM Lunchtime Chat Room. Click on the link below to enter the virtual room.

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Saturday March 22, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML. Net Controller will be VP Mike C NM5MC

Saturday March 22, 2025 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM: D-Star Workshop. Presenter Bob Langoria N5JH. Location: The Clubhouse at “The Vineyards 55 plus estates” 6118 Edith Blvd NE Albuquerque New Mexico .

Wednesday March 26, 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 March 29, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML. Net Controller will be Pres. Mike S KI5NBP

April 2025

Wednesday April 2, 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 5, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML. K5JVG John is our net controller.

Wednesday April 9, 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 12, 2025 10:00 A.M.: HDARC NM5HD
STATEWIDE CHAT SHACK NET on the MEGA Link NM5ML.
KI5NBP Mike is our net controller.**

**Saturday April 12, 2025 10:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.: Summits On
The Air (SOTA) Workshop presented by Carol Sugars K5TFL.
Location TBD**

**Wednesday April 15, 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**

**Saturday April 19, 2025 10:00 AM: In Person Club Meeting
and V.E. Testing.**

Presentation: “ Why aren't you contesting?” Presenter Bill Mader K8TE

V.E. Testing begins at Noon. [Click here](#) for more information

Location: North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center Room #4

7521 Carmel NE Albuquerque, NM 87113.

Live Stream Link: TBA at a later date

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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.

Future Scheduled Club Events

- February 2025 - Club Board of Directors and Officers Elections - 2 BOD positions and 1 year V.P. (complete Mike C term).
- February 18-21, 2025 Discover Steam Week National Museum of Nuclear Science and History HDARC Demonstration
- April - May 2025 Learning CW workshops
- April 2025 Membership Meeting Presentation: Bill Mader K8TE “Why Aren't You Contesting?”
- April 2025 SOTA - Workshop/Field Day Activation
- June 7, 2025- National Solar Observatory -Sunspot NM
- May - June 2025 Club CW Morse Code Challenge
- 2025 ARRL FIELD DAY June 2025
- August 2025 Membership Meeting Presentation: Bill Mader K8TE “Better DX Chasing”

Club Events in the Bull Pen (Not Scheduled Yet)

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

- Transmitter Fox Hunt workshop and field day
- Ham Radio Home Brew Challenge
- Club Test Equipment Workshops
- And more to come.....

V.E. Testing

The Institute of HAM Radio Sciences conducts free V.E. testing session at NOON on the 3rd Saturday, of every month 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.

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.

Looking to Buy

Grave , KJ5JMK, is looking to buy a used 13.8 V power supply for her 50W base station. She can be contacted at Mt.HavenNM@outlook.com

Available for Purchase from the club Inventory



**BAOFENG UV5R- extended Li-ion battery- spare
1800 mAH battery- data cord- external battery
charger- OEM antenna
Suggested Donation \$35.00**



**BAOFENG UV5R #2
Extended Li ion battery- 1800 mAH spare battery-
external battery charger- clip-on lapel
microphone- data cable
Suggested Donation \$40.00**



ABBREE AR518 HT. 10 Watts. Full Band. No external charger. Suggested Donation \$40.00



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**

HAM RADIO ETIQUETTE

- adapted from the original Amateur's Code, written by Paul M. Segal, W9EEA, in 1928

The Radio Amateur is:

CONSIDERATE...He/[She] never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

LOYAL...He/[She] offers loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs, the IARU Radio Society in his/[her] country, through which Amateur Radio in his/[her] country is represented nationally and internationally.

PROGRESSIVE...He/[She] keeps his/[her] station up to date. It is well-built and efficient. His/[Her] operating practice is above reproach.

FRIENDLY...He/[She] operates slowly and patiently when requested; offers friendly advice and counsel to beginners; kind assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the marks of the amateur spirit.

BALANCED...Radio is a hobby, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

PATRIOTIC...His/[Her] station and skills are always ready for service to country and community.

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 newsletter. 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 newsletters. Feel free to reach out to me anytime at hdarcpres@gmail.com. If you wish to add content to the weekly newsletter 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. to find someone to exchange with. *I look forward to seeing this Saturday at the membership meeting.*

73 Mike

**Michael R. Smith, KI5NBP, President HDARC
The High Desert Amateur Radio Club of New Mexico, Inc.**