
OFARC Monthly Meeting Minutes 2024_1116

Mark Landress opened the meeting at 0910 and current business was discussed.

No meeting in December other than the Christmas Dinner. 12/08/24

There is going to be a Technician Class on Saturdays only January 11-Feb 8th on Sat 8900 Abbeydale Street off 59 SW Frwy. Out in the Airport area. Information is on the reflector. Last weekend in January (25th) is Winter Field Day and they hope to have students ready for that.

Christmas Dinner 12-08-2024 at Spaghetti Western on Shepherd. They have a reservation for 20 people.

January Chevron Marathon they are looking for HAM radio operators to help. <https://www.chevronhoustonmarathon.com/>

Houston Amateur Radio Meeting on January 20th. <https://www.qsl.net/hams/> Library in Pearland is where the meeting is going to be. They have 63 Repeaters in the group at this time. They are going to reconfigure the network to try to get things linked up, including EchoStar. They are planning to modernize the radio systems repeater system. There was a discussion about funding for the repeaters. \$5000 is needed for one of the higher locations, as it is a commercial tower. If you are interested in joining the Houston Amateur Mobile Society go to: https://www.qsl.net/hams/how_To_Join.html

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They now have a Brazoria County repeater that connects with Corpus Christi TX. The locations publicly listed are not necessarily the same as the actual locations for their security/protection.

Discussion of things to do at meetings next year, and where to meet. Antennas were high on the list due to their varieties and bandwidth, and other functions. Mark hopes to get some things to do on the calendar for training at the meetings next year. Things such as soldering connectors that are useful in HAM.

1007 we broke into small groups to discuss radio subjects.

Minutes Recorded by Ken Wenzel, KW5KEN