

# **The Villages Amateur Radio Club**

## **General Membership Meeting**

**October 15, 2020**

# **TVARC General Membership Meeting**

## **Agenda**

**5:30 PM Sign in and chit-chat**

**6:15 PM Business Meeting**

**6:45 PM Program – Bob Schwer, K3ZGA**

**Adjourn**

# TVARC Business Meeting

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of new members
- Birthdays and anniversaries
- Officers' reports
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# TVARC President's Report

- Well, it is October, and we are still Zooming with no clear end in sight.
- The Recreation Department has told us that we can meet at 50% of capacity if we want. The TVARC Board decided that would be impractical. We will not meet in person for the foreseeable future.
- Our November meeting will also be held via Zoom.

# **TVARC President's Report September Silent Auction Results**

- The September silent auction brought in \$557 for the TVARC treasury.
- Nine club members purchased items. A number of others made offers, but were outbid.
- K2DM then sold some of the remaining items on eBay for a net of \$50.67 to TVARC.
- One unsold item was given to a club member who asked for it.
- The only remaining item is a Tripp Lite Power Supply, 12VDC, 7A. Want it?

# **TVARC**

## **President's Report**

### **Announcing an October Silent Auction**

- Another lot of equipment has been donated to TVARC for fundraising. Once again we will have a silent auction of the equipment.
- The silent auction will again be online utilizing our club's website. Our esteemed web master, ND4G, will create a new submission form with descriptions and pictures of the items. If you want to make an offer for an item, fill out the form for that item and enter the amount that you are willing to pay. You will not know what any others might be offering for that item, so make your best offer. The person who makes the highest offer before the deadline wins the item.
- This time there will be a twist: a day before the end of the auction I will send out a list of the high bids that have been received so far. This will notify bidders who have been outbid so that they can increase their bids if they want.
- All items are offered AS IS, where is. A few of the items have minimum prices listed.
- If you win an item, you will be notified via email. Instructions on where to pick up your item and how to pay for it will be provided. Snowbirds are welcome to bid, but winners must either pay for shipping or arrange for a friend to pick up the item.
- The start of the auction, and the deadline for submitting offers, will be announced very soon.



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## **President's Report**

### **October Silent Auction Major Items**

- Icom IC-726 HF transceiver with PS, antenna tuner, mic and speaker.
- Yaesu FT-100 transceiver, HF/VHF/UHF.
- Heathkit HW-8 QRP CW transceiver, 80/40/20/15.
- Kenwood TH-F6 HT, 2M/220/440.
- TYT TH UVF1 HT, 2M/440
- MFJ 941E VersaTuner II, manual tuner, 300W.

# TVARC

## Secretary's Report

- Our October Board Meeting was again held via Zoom due to the Coronavirus shut down.
- Our September Membership meeting was held via Zoom as we continued to be unable to meet in person.
- We expect this situation to continue until the Recreation Centers are opened for large meetings.
- We are coming up on election of officer's time again. Be thinking about our leadership and what role you might wish to play.

## The Villages Amateur Radio Club, Inc Treasurer's Report Sept. 2020

Beginning Balance	09/1/2020		\$ 3,400.06
<b>Income:</b>			
	4 New Members	<b>2021</b>	\$ 48.00
	2 Dues Renewal	<b>2021</b>	\$ 24.00
	1	<b>2022</b>	\$ 12.00
	<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 84.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
	<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 00.00</b>
Ending Balances	09/30/2020		\$ 3,484.06
	Petty Cash 50/50		\$ 50.00
	Petty Cash Treasurer		\$ 88.00
	Undeposited Checks		\$
	Cash not deposited		\$
	<b>Total Money</b>	<b>\$ 3,622.06</b>	<b>Limited \$3,000.00</b> Loss income: \$700.00 - 50/50

## The Villages Amateur Radio Club

It is time to renew your membership for 2021.

Starting September 1<sup>st</sup> to Dec.31<sup>st</sup>.

The fee is \$12.00 per year.

Make checks out to “TVARC” or “The Villages Amateur Radio Club.”

**Be sure put your call letters on the check.**

NO CASH, PayPal, No electronic deposit.

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The Villages, FL. 32162-2284

After Dec.31<sup>st</sup>, all 2020 members who have not paid for 2021 will be deleted, must reply for new membership, form is available on our web site “[www.k4vrc.com](http://www.k4vrc.com)”.

**All checks are deposit last week of the month.**

More Information contact [wa1utq@arrl.net](mailto:wa1utq@arrl.net)

# TVARC

## Repeater Status Report – September 2020

.150 Working Fine – PL 103.5 Hz. – T – K4VRC/R  
 Working Fine – EchoLink – W2TR-R Node # 67670  
 Working Fine – Allstar – W2TR-R Node # 43572

.225 Working Fine – PL 203.5 Hz – TSQ – K4VRC/R  
 Working Fine – EchoLink – K4VRC-R Node # 848490

.250 Working Fine – PL 110.9 Hz – T – K4LFC/R

.210 Working Fine – PL 110.9 Hz – T – K4LFC/R

.940 Working Fine – Digital: Open Wires: **Offline** FM: PL 103.5 Hz – TSQ Split Antennas – WA1UTQ/R  
**Offline** - Wires-X/PDN Digital Node # 53816 Coming Soon

.980 Working Fine – FM: PL 91.5 Hz – TSQ\* – WA1UTQ/R

.575 Working Fine – **Digital: Closed. Wires: Private FM: Open Announcement in Digital.**  
 Working Fine – Wires-X – **Private** Node # 11186 - WA1UTQ/R

.670 Working Fine – PL 103.5 Hz – T – K4LFC/R **No HT Coverage**

**CERT** Working Fine – **Cert Team Members Only – TSQ**

Tech Working Fine – Under W2TR – TSQ

\*Strobe Noise at night only on FM on .980 and .575  
On Repeater PL: T on the RX TSQ(Tone Squelch) – it's on both TX & RX

Brought to you by: The Repeater Team: Len K4LFC Bruce WA1UTQ Gary W2TR

# The Villages & Wildwood Emergency Communications

TVWEComm – September, 2020 – Part of TVARC Ecomm

**Monitor the repeater for emergency updated 145.210 FM.**

>>K4LFR/R 145.210 Mhz 110.9 - FM - TVWEC - Wildwood Tower- **Primary**

>>K4VRC/R 443.225 Mhz 103.5 - FM - TVWEC- Wildwood Tower- **Secondary**

>>Echolink on .225 will not be running during the emergency.

>>K4VRC/R 443.150 Mhz 103.5 - FM - TVARC - The Villages Regional Hospital

>>**Backup** in case .210, .225 lost power. TVWEComm, Ares Backup for Hospital Use

## The Villages & Wildwood Ecomm

Listen to the repeater on FM

145.210 mhz - K4LFR/R - PI = 110.9hz

When they announce the Emergency on the repeater.

Just remember look outside See what you see "not the weather" \*

**Call Wildwood Dispatch:**

Your call, Your Name, and The Village you live in.

Tell them status of your area. "Street with the problem"

Do not drive in the storm.

After the storm drive around your area and report back to dispatch.

Stay Safe.

\*" trees down, car flip over, no power,  
flooding, tornado, and fires."

**WA1UTQ & W4GOR**

Wildwood Dispatch is under calls KN4HZQ

# TVARC October 2020 DXCC Standings

ARRL DXCC List Standings worked from The Villages

No QSLs or other confirmation required

Report changes monthly to [psk2ps@gmail.com](mailto:psk2ps@gmail.com)

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Callsign	Name	DXCC	Adds	New DXCC
K9IA	Chuck	292		
K2PS	Pete	257	0	
K2TE	Ed	252	0	
KA1AF	Frank	227	0	
NP2B	John	213	0	
K1LTJ	Al	174	0	
WB4CKI	Don	172	6	FR, S7, 5H, TR, V5, Z8
N0SMX	Dennis	164	0	
N8RW	Ralph	156	1	ZB
WN4R	Byron	155		
ND4G	Rich	148		
K4ZDM	Karen	136		
WD4JJI	Rick	136		
KB4XO	Jeanette	134		
WU3Z	Glenn	132		
K3ZGA	Bob	125		
KI4VPD	Wally	118		
KA9YKB	Dan	118		
K2DM	George	113		
N4FP	Wayne	107		
K1CTR	Doug	106	1	
K4WCK	Cam	103	0	
N1XAU	Bridget	103		
W3US	Rusty	101		

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KF4CQ	Frank	97	
W1IPN	Earl	96	
KB8SB	Sam	95	
KB9MI	Art	93	
K4QR	Tony	91	
W4OE	Hal	81	
WB2ART	Ken	80	
N1UC	Chuck	68	
W1IBI	Steve	66	
KN9B	Brad	64	
AL7BA	Jim	63	1 4U1UN
KD8E	Greg	60	5
KM4PIH	Paul	50	11
WB2RBS	Vito	50	
K4PIM	Pim	47	
K2WEK	Bill	30	
K4ZEE	Vic	27	
KR1BW	Steve	24	
KN4ULF	Nancy	11	

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# October 2020 TVARC FT8/4 Standings

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Callsign	Name	FT8	Adds	
KA1AF	Frank	219		
K2PS	Pete	218	0	
K2TE	Ed	212	0	
NP2B	John	210	1	S7
WB4CKI	Don	172	6	FR, S7, 5H, TR, V5,Z8
K4ZDM	Karen	136		
KB4XO	Jeanette	125	0	
WU3Z	Glenn	123		
K1LTJ	Al	122	0	
ND4G	Rich	113		
K4WCK	Cam	109	0	
WD4JJI	Rick	105		
N1XAU	Bridget	103		
N0SMX	Dennis	96		
K2DM	George	93		
KA9YKB	Dan	81		
KB8SB	Sam	80	0	
K3ZGA	Bob	79	0	
N1UC	Chuck	60		
KD8E	Greg	60	5	
KM4PIH	Paul	49	11	
AL7BA	Jim	48	0	
WB2RBS	Vito	47		
WB2ART	Ken	17		
KN4ULF	Nancy	9	0	

# TVARC October 2020 WAS Standings

US States worked from The Villages starting 8/1/2017

No QSLs or other confirmation required

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## Worked all 50 (33 TVARCCers):

K9IA N1XAU K2TE KA1AF ND4G K3ZGA NP2B KB4XO WD4JJI KM4ISN KF4CQ K2DM W4MRJ KA9YKB K2PS K4ZDM  
W4WNG WD4JII  
WU3Z K4WCK K1LTJ WB2RBS W9DAL N8RW WB4CKI K1CTR N1UC W3US N0SMX WB2ART KB8SB KD8E KM4PIH

## Still working on it:

Callsign	Name	St	Adds	RF/Internet	Needed
K4QR	Tony	48		R	AK, MT
K2WEK	Bill	46		R	AK, HI, NV, WY
W8RCW	Rich	44		R	AK, NE, NV, ND, OR, UT
KR1BW	Steve	41		R	
KN4ULF	Nancy	35		R	
KI4VPD	Wally	33		R	
WN4R	Byron	22		R	
KM4ZTE	Mike	14		I	
KM4ZTE	Mike	9		R	

Special Mention: KA1AF 247 out of 250 5BWAS

Special Mention: WD4JJI and KA1AF WAS on FT4

# TVARC October-November 2020 Operating Notes

## Significant Dxpeditions

JG8NQJ/JD1 JW only? JX2US	Minami Torishima Svalbard  Jan Mayen Egypt Kosovo	now until January 9/24 to 9/27  Oct – Mar 21 10/16 to 10/18 10/16 – 10/28	single op CW/SSB Single LA op; CW/SSB  single op FT8 special event FT8 German ops
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## Contests Coming Up (all local times):

CQWW SSB	10/23 8PM	48 hours	59 05
ARRL Sweepstakes CW	11/7 5PM	30 hours	001 A K2PS 61 NFL

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**Program**

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