

SCAN

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WELCOME

Welcome to the eighth online edition of SCAN. You may catch up on old editions of SCAN by visiting our website at <http://www.scarc.net>.

HAMFESTS

April 14th – Freefest – Mid-South ARA
Memphis TN - <http://maraonline.org>

CONTEST CALENDAR

Apr 07-08 – Missouri QSO Party
Apr 21-22 – 2007 Motorola QSO Party – CW/SSB

TESTING SESSIONS

For those of you interested in upgrading your license or if you know someone who would like to get their Amateur Radio License, the local VE Testers have decided to setup a regular testing schedule. Test sessions are going to be held on the Last Thursday of each Month at 6:00 PM prior to the club meeting. These sessions will still require an appointment so that the guys do not have to show up early if there are no testers scheduled. To set up testing, contact Randy Bastian at (618)235-1444 or via email at (jlr.bastian@norcom2000.com).

AMATEUR RADIO CLASS

As some of you may know, the recent Technician Amateur Radio Class held during March has recently concluded and as a result we have 6 New Technicians and 3 New Generals in our ranks. Congratulations ladies and gentlemen on your accomplishments. Thank you to Curtis, W5DTR for Organizing and Managing the class.

NEW TECHNICIAN PRIVILEGES

In a recent report via ARRL newsletter, it has been mentioned that there is some confusion among the Technician class licensees as to what their new privileges

on HF actually are. Here is a quick overview of the new HF privileges for Technicians as of February 23, 2007.

Technicians have no phone privileges on any HF band other than 10 meters. This includes Digital Voice Communications.

On 10 meters, Technician and Novice licensees have CW, RTTY and data privileges from 28.000 to 28.300 MHz, and CW and SSB privileges from 28.300 to 28.500 MHz. There are no FM privileges allowed.

In addition, Technicians and Novices only have CW privileges from 3.525 to 3.600 MHz on 80 meters, from 7.025 to 7.125 MHz on 40 meters and 21.025 to 21.200 MHz on 15 meters.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Election of Officers was held during the March meeting and the officers are:

President:	Dale Wentz, KB9JJA
Vice President:	Bob Riddell, KC9AEC
Secretary:	Lou Stark, KB9UEF
Treasurer:	Bob Thurgood, WA9TUG
Sgt at Arms:	Paul (Red) Becker, WA9MGX
Activities Mgr:	<Position Vacant>

ACTIVITIES

As warm weather approaches, it's time to start thinking about Field Day 2007. Field Day 2007 will be held June 23rd and 24th. Now is the time to start checking our gear to make sure that everything is ready to go. It is also a good time to start talking to friends and family who may have an interest in Amateur Radio or who wants to upgrade their current privileges. Field Day is a great opportunity to show others what we are all about. Only two more Club Meetings to plan our Field Day activities.

Do you have any other ideas for club activities? Contact a club officer today about your idea and we'll work you into the schedule. 73.