



The Repeater

November 2011

Sponsored by AA5RO

Alamo Area Radio Organization, Inc.

Benny Martinez, NU5P, Trustee

P.O. Box 380032, San Antonio, TX 78268

2011 Board of Directors

Andrew Watson, KD5NNN, (President) , 340-6154

Tony Saucedo, KE5ZUP, (Vice President), 695-9774

Dale Robinson, KB5YSJ, (Secretary), 340-0107

Stanley Waghalter, KD5ZSY, (Treasurer), & Membership Chairman 732-9426

Chuck Kenworthy, WB5FWI, 342-7066

Terry Platt, K5ADF, 695-9570

Danny McCarty, WA5KRP, 822-8358

Bike to the River Gets Ham Participation



2011 Alamo
Ride to the River



A whole bunch of local and area hams helped work the 2011 Bike to the River event this year.

The event started Saturday, October 15th and ran through Sunday.

Cyclists embarked on a two-day journey to support 20,000 Texans living with MS. They

enjoyed a clearly planned route, fully-marked and well-stocked rest stops every

See page 2

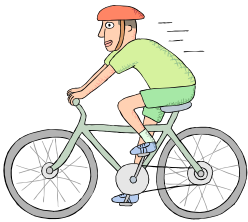
The Repeater

Bike to River cont'd

10-12 miles, wonderful meals, bike mechanics, medical staff, police support, SAG (Support & Gear), massage therapists, a custom Ride T-shirt, finish pins, the best volunteers, camaraderie and much more!

Lee Besing (N5NTG) coordinated the radio volunteers who managed SAG Wagons, break point operators, motorcycle patrols and of course, the command center.

A list of ham volunteers was not available at press time, but you know who you are and a big **thank you** goes to all.



Everyone Won

Due to an error (or memory lapse), four people are coming off the board this year. Since there were only four people on the ballot this year, those four will automatically win.

Tony, Danny, Dale and Chuck are going off the board this year.

Linda, Chris, Chuck (again) and Lee will now be on the new board.

This is the first year we've operated without the benefit of longtime member **Teri Thomas'** help in conducting elections.

The new board will meet in January and elect officers from the new pool.



BREAKING NEWS!!!

AARO members are being asked to help with the 2011 Rock N' Roll Marathon. Volunteer at the AARO meeting Wednesday night (Nov. 9th).



New Members Welcome

Remember, dues are being accepted for the next fiscal year.

If you want to pay your dues now, your treasurer (Stanley Waghalter) will gladly accept them along with money for the upcoming Christmas/Holiday Party to be held December 14th. See page 3 for information on that event.

There won't be a hard copy of the newsletter delivered this month. We'll resume in December.

You can submit articles of ham community interest to: KD5ZSY@satx.rr.com. Articles need to be delivered by the 15th of each month.

The AARO Membership Roster is updated every month on the website. Please check your information and let Stan know of any changes.

Amateur Radio Fiesta 2012 is coming, January 14, 2012 at Schertz Civic Center - more information later!!

The Repeater

AARO to help in 2011 Rock N' Roll Marathon

Once again, the AARO Ham Club has been tasked with providing Hams to assist the San Antonio Rock & Roll Marathon on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

We don't have much time to get this organized, but we need volunteers at every mile marker, and a few other odd ball locations along the route.

We need about 2 dozen (minimum) ham radio volunteers to staff each of the assigned positions. We'll be operating on a 2 meter frequency to be disclosed to volunteers who sign up for this event. Most positions can use HT, but the southernmost positions on the route may require use of a mobile radio.

Duties include picking up the timing clocks prior to the event, (See #3 below for details), then being on-site at your assigned location prior to 6am, ready to turn them on when **Dave Espinoza** W5QS gives us the countdown over the radio.

We'll send out exact

locations for each position for those of you who sign up to work the event.

Coordinator this year is **LEE BESING N5NTG**. Contact Lee via email at lee@besing.com to volunteer, or call him at 210-771-7075.

Email preferred due to tracking of assignments. If you have a preference on location, or limitation on time available for the day of the event, please let us know.

We'll assign locations on first come, first serve, with preferences given for those asking for repeat locations from previous years (to help minimize directional confusion).



Checked The Website Lately?

<http://www.aa5ro.org/>

Membership chair and Treasurer **Stan Waghalter** has been trying to keep the website updated as much as possible.

Late breaking club news and other features are on the site.

As always, suggestions are welcome.

The site was originally designed by ND2X, **Paul Goble III. Teri and Charles Thomas** added to it and Stan took over two years ago.

Around the Band

The AARO Annual Holiday Christmas Party will be held Wednesday, December 14th at Grady's Barbeque on Bandera Road.

Advance tickets are \$12 each. They will be \$14 at the door. (We would like to know how many are coming before the night of the event).

One free raffle ticket will be given with each paid meal. Additional tickets will be on sale during the party.

The event will start around 6:00PM.

BE SURE AND BRING ANY UNWANTED GARAGE ITEMS (RADIO RELATED OF COURSE) TO OUR MEETINGS FOR OUR "AUCTIONS".


THE MONEY RAISED HELPS THE CLUB.

Talk Net
146.420 Simplex
Tuesday nights
7:00 o'clock

Check out the "Rainfall Net" every night at 8 o'clock on 146.940. Tone 179.9

Calendar of Events

- November 9 - AARO Meeting at Mamacita's Restaurant. 8030 I-10 West near Callaghan. Dinner at 6:30PM, Meeting starts at 7PM.
- November 19 - VEC Testing at the Red Cross building starting at 9AM. 3642 E. Houston

Robert Renfro	AC7KH		Steve Troudt	KE5WYV
Robert Shannon	KE5TRZ		David Espinosa	W5QS
Lars Hansen	KK5V		Ricardo Ramos	KC5BQN
Sharon Patton	AB5YV		Jean-Claude Lambert	KF5FMP
Ken Lemanski	KF4MYA		Phebe Mertes	N5MSH

Join Us on 147.380+ and 443.875+ (both PL tone 162.2) for *Newsline* and the *InfoNet* - Monday Evenings at 8:30 p.m., followed by a ***SLOW "Learn CW" Net*** ***Saturday Night Code & NightOwl Net*** - starting at 10:00 p.m.
 Also check out the club's web site - <http://aa5ro.org>

AARO
 P.O. Box 380032
 San Antonio, TX 78268
Atlanco Area Radio Organization, Inc.

