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President's Corner

Well, another month has come and gone. I hope everyone got their fill of turkey with all the fillings. As a club we donated canned goods to the VA home on Myrtle Street. They were very appreciative of us donating to them. Thank you to all that donated and thank you to Javier-K5MHC for doing all the heavy lifting. On December 7th we will have our VE testing at the W5ES club house and afterwards we will have our quarterly board meeting. We will be discussing our budget for 2025 and things that we as a club need to get done. If you have ideas or suggestions, please do not hesitate to attend.



The Officers for 2025 that were elected are as follows:

President- Jim McCain KI5GTJ, Vice President- Javier Polendo K5MHC, Treasurer- Pete Hensgen KB5HTF, Secretary – Terry Shade KJ5IGR.

For two-year trustees- Raymond Morales AK9B, and Charles Bouton AD5PG. Ray took the position that Clay K5TRW had held, and Charles took the one that Kelly KB2RN had held. For next year Chris Roberts position and Paul Roberts position as Trustees will be on the ballots. Our next Business meeting will be December 13th at 7pm. Please make every effort to attend, we need your support. Also, if you haven't paid your dues it's getting to be that time again. They are due starting in January 2025.

As this old year grows to a close, on behalf of W5ES Officers, we wish you the Merriest Christmas and a healthful and happy New Year,

Regards

Jim McCain-KI5GTJ

President W5ES

DEC Bulletin

The EPCARES (El Paso County Amateur Radio Emergency Service) trains for worst case scenario and hope that our services will not be needed this holiday season. We are always looking for new members for both Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES®) and



Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES). Go to https://www.hamradioelpaso.com/emergency-coordination for details on becoming a member. You do not have to be a member of any club or the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) to be a member.

We are also looking for candidates to help man the amateur radio station at the American Red Cross Chapter Headquarters.

Other Topics

Help winterize your home.

- a. Make sure rain gutters are not clogged with leaves.
- b. Wrap exposed pipes with insulation sleeves.
- c. Be sure to test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.
- d. Cut back tree branches that could fall on a house.

Winter weather Alerts.

- a. Winter Storm Warning. Action Required! Issued when hazardous winter weather is imminent or occurring. Winter Storm Warnings are usually issued 12 to 24 hours before the event is expected to begin.
- b. Winter Storm Watch. Be Prepared! Winter Storm Watches are usually issued 12 to 48 hours in advance of a Winter

Storm. A Winter Storm Watch means the possibility of hazardous weather can occur.

c. Winter Weather Advisory. Be Aware! Issued for accumulations of snow, freezing rain, freezing drizzle, and sleet. Which could cause significant inconveniences and could result in life-threatening situations.

EPCARES wishes everyone HAPPY HOLIDAYS whatever faith you may observe.

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Questions and comments are always welcome and encouraged. Send an email to the address shown below.

73, Lew, KB5HPT Amateur Radio Emergency Service DEC, District 6, WTX Section Tactical Address: TXEPCARESDEC

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VE Testing News

For the past year, the W5ES VE team has implemented a digital paperwork process that has made testing faster and easier than ever. The VE team has also held multiple online test sessions. Thinking of upgrading? We can help make it happen on your schedule, from the comfort of your QTH. Email Chris (kc8goq@qsl.net) for more information about online testing. The next VE session will be held on December 7 at W5ES 2100 San Diego, 9:00AM to Noon.

Business Mtg. Dec 13, 2024, 7:00PM

Our next business meeting will be held December 13th at 7:00PM. There will be no 4th Friday Meeting due to the Christmas holidays.

Repeaters

W5ES repeater is 443.150, + Offset, PL 173.8 Automatic analog and C4FM digital.

Wires X	Node: 11584	Room: 21584						
Amigo Link Repeaters								
145.290	- Offset	PL 100						
146.700	- Offset	PL 114.8						
147.240	-660 Offset	PL 162.2						
147.280	+ Offset	PL 67						
147.320	+580 Offset	PL 162.2						
443.400	+ Offset	PL 100						
444.200	+ Offset	PL 100						
442.825	+ Offset	PL 100						
442.950	+ Offset	PL 67						
144.325	+ Offset	PL 94.8						

W5ES Merchandise

Kelly KB2RN has been hard at work and set up an online store featuring W5ES branded items with the club logo.

Items include cups and mugs, stickers, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and handbags. There are many colors and styles to choose from, so hopefully there is something for everyone. Part of the proceeds come back to the club. To visit the web store, go to www.w5es.org and click on the store on the main page of the club website.









WSES BOTTO

COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

2024 December

Sunday	Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
W5ES NET 7:00 PM AMIGO LINK	D-Star Net 7:15 PM WTRA NET 8:00PM	2	3	4	West Texas Zoom Mtg. 7:00 PM	6	VE Exam W5ES 2100 San Diego 9:00 =-Noon
WSES NET 7:00 PM AMIGO LINK	D-Star Net 7:15 PM WTRA NET 8:00PM	9	10	11	West Texas Zoom Mtg. 7:00 PM	W5ES Business Meeting 7:00 PM	14
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WSES NET 7:00 PM AMIGO LINK	D-Star Net 7:15 PM WTRA NET 8:00PM	23	24	Merry Christmas	West Texas Zoom Mtg. 7:00 PM	27	28
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	WSES PLANNING GUIDE Tentative Schedule						
	2024						
JANUARY	12	7:00 PM Business Meeting	26	6:00 PM Pizza Party	Pico Balloon Presentation	Quarterly Board meeting TBD & ARRL Winter Field Day 28-29	
FEBRUARY	9	7:00 PM Business Meeting	23	6:00 PM Pot Luck Dinner	Antenna Grounding	1st Sat 9AM VE Session	
MARCH	8	7:00 PM Business Meeting	22	6:00 PM Fish Fry	DMR Demo		
APRIL	12	7:00 PM Business Meeting	26	6:00 PM Ice Cream Social		Quarterly Board meeting TBD & 1st Sat 9AM VE Session	
MAY	10	7:00 PM Business Meeting	24	6:00 PM Mexican Dinner		Raffle	
JUNE	14	7:00 PM Business Meeting	21	6:00 PM Burgers	Field Day Prep.	ARRL Summer Field Day June 24-25 & 1st Sat 9AM VE Session	
JULY	12	7:00 PM Business Meeting	19	6:00 PM Italian Dinner		Quarterly Board Meeting TBD	
AUGUST	9	7:00 PM Business Meeting	23	6:00 PM Chili Cook Off	Repeaters	1st Sat 9AM VE Session	
SEPTEMBER	13	7:00 PM Business Meeting	20	6:00 PM End of summer BBQ		Emergency Preparedness Month	
OCTOBER	11	7:00 PM Business Meeting	25	6:00 PM October Fest Dinner	WAE Prep	Quarterly Board Meeting TBD & 1st Sat 9AM VE Session	
NOVEMBER	8	7:00 PM Business Meeting	22	Thanksgiving - No meeting	Thanksgiving Dinner Food Colection	WAE Contest 4-5	
DECEMBER	13	7:00 PM Business Meeting	27	6:00 PM Holiday Feast	Christmas Party Gift Exchange	1st Sat 9AM VE Session	