



Pearl River County Amateur Radio Club

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PRCARC HamFest Set For December 13

POPLARVILLE - The PRCARC HamFest has been moved back one week to December 13. The date was changed to accommodate vendors who reported that another fest was already set for December 6.

The fest will be at the same location as last year - at the Pearl River County Fairgrounds on Highway 26, just to the west of Poplarville. The main display building will again house the fest, with vendors set up in the animal ring next door.

PRCARC Vice President Larry Wagoner reported that the date problem occurred because when the fest was originally set for December 6, club officials did not realize that they had shifted the date from the second weekend of the month to the first. The problem remained hidden until vendors started reporting that they needed to go to the larger fest in Tampa, Florida on the first weekend of the month.

Several new door prizes will be available this year, as well as grand prizes that are sure to appeal to all ham radio operators.

Also, the drawing for the deep sea fishing trip that has been being raffled off will be held at the fest. The trip is with Captain Scott Simpson on board charter vessel Impulsive - which sails from the port of Long Beach. Captain Simpson is regarded as one of the finest charter captains on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.



One of the Grand Prizes available at the Pearl River County Amateur Radio Club Hamfest is this beautiful fully refurbished Hammarlund HQ 110A Receiver. The radio was refurbished inside and out by Jim Searcy (WA5WRE). A classic receiver that tunes 160-6 meters, the Hammarlund brings back memories of the old days when real radios glowed in the dark.

Photo courtesy Jim Searcy

Positions for HamFest Announced

POPLARVILLE - Running a ham fest requires people to do a number of jobs, and tasks associated with the PRCARC hamfest were assigned at the recent monthly meeting of the club.

Managing the door and collecting fees will be Roger Aubert. Traffic control outside will be handled by Jay Stephens. Jack Beith will be in charge of selling raffle tickets, as well as the talk-in station for the fest. Signs for the hamfest will be the duty of Larry Wagoner, while David Moore will be in charge of arranging the VE testing session.

Dipole Antenna Class Set For Poplarville

POPLARVILLE - A class on dipole antenna design and construction has been set for Poplarville, Ms.

The class will be taught by Jim Searcy (WA5WRE) from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 25 at the Emergency Operations Center in Poplarville.

Repeater Roundup

Location	Frequency	Offset	Tone
Poplarville	145.210	-	136.5
Millard	145.150	-	136.5
Hillsdale	145.410	-	136.5
McHenry	147.165	+	136.5
McHenry	147.375	+	136.5
Wiggins	145.270	-	136.5
Kiln	145.330	-	open
Stennis	147.210	+	136.5
Bay St. Louis	29.640	-	136.6
Bay St. Louis	53.650	-	136.5
Biloxi	146.730	-	136.5
Keesler AFB	146.790	-	open
Hattiesburg	146.775	-	136.5
Hattiesburg	147.315	+	136.5
Hattiesburg	145.370	-	136.5
Hattiesburg	145.190	-	136.5
Hattiesburg	442.725	+	open
Hattiesburg	444.775	+	136.5
Hattiesburg	443.700	+	136.5
Collins	146.985	-	136.5
McComb	146.940	-	103.5
McComb	444.875	+	100.0
Pine, La.	145.430	-	107.2
Slidell, La.	147.270	+	114.8
Slidell, La.	444.425	+	114.8
Slidell, La.	443.950	+	114.8
N.O., La.	146.860	-	114.8
Covington, La.	146.715	-	open
Hammond, La.	147.000	-	open
Hammond, La.	145.130	-	107.2
Hammond, La.	145.010	HMU	Digi
Hammond, La.	444.250	+	107.2
Hammond, La.	53.090/52.090		open

Net Assignments

Remember our net is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday on the 145.210 repeater (offset negative - tone 136.5)

October 9	Jim Searcy
October 16	Roger Aubert
October 23	Jay Stevens
October 30	Bobby Graves
Backup Net Control	Bobby Graves

Seen At the Meeting

POPLARVILLE - Attendees at the October 7 regular monthly meeting of the PRCARC included:

Roger Aubert	KE5ELS
Jim Searcy	WA5WRE
Shirley Searcy	KA5BLD
Lionel Morales	KB5JSG
Jay Stevens	KB5OXE
Larry Wagoner	N5WLW
Ralph Miller	KC5ODF
Ron Smith	KE5WJL
Dan Beavers	KE5WJN

Sell Those Tickets!

POPLARVILLE - Remember to keep selling those raffle tickets! The drawing will be at the hamfest on December 13.

Newsletter Late Due To Computer Problems

This month's newsletter is late coming out due to problems with the editor's computer. The laptop is still having problems, but has had some work done to it to permit the newsletter to be put out.