



Welcome from the President!

SMARC President's Update 11/1/24

Welcome to the Spirit Mountain Amateur Radio Club and thank you for viewing our sixteenth monthly newsletter! During September and October we watched the world transition back to mid-storm and winter style communications with lots of new information dispersing throughout our community.

In the aftermath of different storms and natural disasters, amateur radio has once again proven its reliability as a form of off-grid communications throughout separate communities, even different states! With the rise in interest from these events, we are beginning to see another uptick in individuals becoming licensed and participating in the radio arts. This new influx of licensed people will be sure to help grow the hobby even more, I'm sure. Do you know someone who is either interested in ham radio or is newly licensed? If so, be their Elmer! Don't think you have the skill-set to do that? Speak up and others will be happy to help you.

As we come into December and the temperatures are dropping further, it's time to reevaluate your setup. Are there items that you took out of the car this summer to throw in beach umbrellas, sunscreen and towels? If so, think about trips you may be taking this winter and visualize what you might need. Will you need chains for the snow? What about extra batteries that you normally carry for your radios? Did you remove blankets, water or jumper cables? It's not always about the radios, but more of personal safety or preparedness items that may save you in the event of an emergency. Take your safety into your own hands and give yourself peace of mind knowing that if something happens you're ready.

Do you have questions, ideas, thoughts or concerns? Email me at President@SMARC.Club and we can discuss it. Thanks for reading, and I look forward to seeing everyone in our meeting, and in the coming events!

Stay safe, and 73!
Paul Jameson, WB7N
SMARC Club President

Happy Holidays!

Editor's Notes

Monthly breakfast meetings have been moved to the 2nd Saturday each month at 8am. The next one is Saturday, December 14 at 8am. The location is Perkins Restaurant at 95 and Hancock.

The club has decided to switch our meetings back to the first Saturday of the month, but this time in the morning! Our next club meeting will be scheduled for Saturday December 7, **2024**, at 10am and we will continue with the schedule of the first Saturday of the month at 10am until further notice.

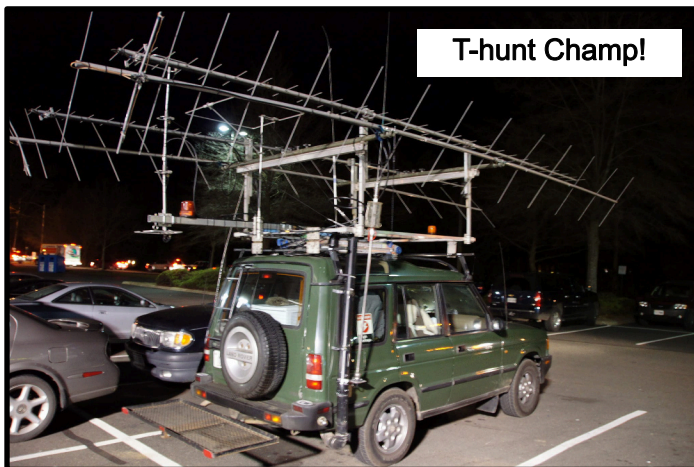
We hope that this change will allow additional people to join our club meetings and assist in growing our membership. We understood that the prior meetings being on Monday afternoon made difficult for some people to join the meetings so we believe this will be a better option for many people.

Mark Melvin AE7MP, SMARC Newsletter Editor

Club Repeater Information

The club repeater is now online. Look for the most current information about the club repeater on the club website.

<https://smarc.club/index.php/about-us/smarc-repeater>



Spirit Mountain Amateur Radio Club KS7MC

SMARC Membership

Are you ready to become a member of the Spirit Mountain Amateur Radio Club?

Use the link below. It will redirect you to the online membership form. Fill out the requested information and click on submit. A PayPal request will be sent to your email address for payment.

The cost is listed at the top of the membership form, \$20 for individuals and \$30 for families of up to three members. Thank you.

<https://tiny.cc/smarcjoin>

CLUB MEMBERSHIP BADGES

Get your own custom SMARC membership badge from Ham Badgers. Several members have ordered their badges with quick results. Order using the redirect link listed below.

<https://bit.ly/smarcbadge>



THE HAM BADGERS

Zoom Video Club Meetings

The SMARC Club has a monthly online ZOOM meeting on the first Saturday of each month at 10am MST. The next one is Saturday, December 7, 2024. If you're new to online video meetings, it's simple, and fun. You need just a microphone and web cam. Most laptop computers already have the mic and cam built in. If you need a camera/microphone combo unit for your desktop computer search Amazon and you'll find a nice unit for just \$25-30.

You can install the software on your phone but you and the others in the video meeting will all have a better experience if you use your desktop or laptop computer on your home or business Internet connection. There's a meeting client to download before your first online meeting. Use this re-direct link: <http://tiny.cc/zoomclient>.

—>USE THIS MEETING RE-DIRECT LINK TO LAUNCH THE ZOOM MEETING!<—
<http://tiny.cc/smarczoom>

A suggestion is to add your callsign to your display name, so it'll be displayed to everyone else during the video meeting. You do this in your account settings before entering the meeting. Give yourself extra time before the meeting to prepare.

Contact Mark Melvin AE7MP at mightypilot@gmail.com for help getting set up.

From time to time the meeting schedule may need to be adjusted to accommodate member's schedules. The change will be announced on our group Facebook page.

