




On Tuesday, 15 April 2025 at 1900 hours local, Mark, WA5MA, called to order the meeting of the Tulsa Amateur Radio Club in Room-3140 of Keplinger Hall at the University of Tulsa. See a copy of the agenda below left.



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TULSA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
Emergency Communications  
Weekly Net Tuesdays at 8 PM on the Superlink System  
Tech Night - First Tuesday 6:30 PM  
Monthly Meeting - Third Tuesday 7 PM

**Tulsa Amateur Radio Club - Meeting Agenda**  
April 15th 2025 7:00 PM / Tulsa University Keplinger Hall Room 3140

**TARC Club Officers for 2025**  
President - Mark WA5MA  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Jack W5JHC  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ky KY5VAR  
Secretary - Andrew W5AWS  
Treasurer - Jerry KE5PMK  
Public Service Liaison - Bart N5TWB  
Repeater Trustee - Gregg W5GGW  
Newsletter - Richie W5OKL  
ARES Emergency Coordinator Tulsa County - Paul WB5ANX

**Club Business**  
Approve March meeting minutes - Mark WASMA  
Approve March financials - Mark WASMA  
Update on Treasury and Sinking Fund, Hamfest proceeds - Jerry KE5PMK  
Approve Bike Rides, ARES update, GCHV Volunteer drawing, Repeater update - Paul WB5ANX  
OK POTA event April 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> - Tony KASTRO, Mike K5EGH  
Field Day planning - Jack W5JHC  
Member Spotlight, Everything you've ever wanted to know about Mag Loop antennas- Ky KY5VAR  
Changes to the Skywarn Net  
Netlogger or HamLive??  
What's happening with HamRescue?  
We have resources to make DMR great again (see backside of this page)  
TARC Apparel link on website (Member Corner / Ham Store) - Robert K1SWDD  
Swap and Shop? - June Tech Night

**Upcoming meetings and events...**  
TARC Tech Night is May 6<sup>th</sup> - Nano VNA workshop - Mark KD5SMF, Ky KY5VAR  
TARC Monthly Meeting, May 20<sup>th</sup> - Agenda TBD

**Adjourn - Be safe, Be a good friend, Get on the air!**  
Mark WA5MA  
President - Tulsa Amateur Radio Club

20250415—Tulsa Amateur Radio Club Meeting Attendance Register			
Name	Call-sign	Name	Call-sign
1 ANDREW	W5AWS	34 GREGG	W5GGW
2 MARK	WA5MA	35 JEFFREY	KJ7JTU
3 JACK	W5JHC	36 GABE	KJ5JGW
4 KENNY	KC5HJE	37 PAUL	WB5ANX
5 JAMES	K15DAZ	38 BART	N5TWB
6 ROBERT	K15WDD	39 LOGAN	KJ5EDE
7 ROBBY	W5RNL	40	
8 REMEL	K6GDOY	41	
9 DAVID	KJ5KKD	42	
10 DENNY	K15VYP	43	
11 DAN	K5GAY	44	
12 DARYL	N5NYT	45	
13 PATRIC	KJ5HJA	46	
14 ROBBY	KJ5CLV	47	
15 GARY	KK7HIR	48	
16 CJ	W6OCJ	49	
17 JAY	KJ5BLZ	50	
18 MIKE	WA5TXX	51	
19 BOB	W5RAB	52	
20 RICHIE	W5OKL	53	
21 MIKE	K6BYKN	54	
22 ROY	W5SF	55	
23 LARRY	K15URK	56	
24 RICHARD	KJ5KTK	57	
25 GLEN	KJ5JZD	58	
26 JERRY	AC5UM	59	
27 LINDA	K15VYP	60	
28 DAVID	N5TZS	61	
29 JEFF	AE5ME	62	
30 NED	N5JHB	63	
31 KY	KY5VAR	64	
32 MARK	KC5SNP	65	
33 CHAD	N5LPR	66	

## 1 Attendance

Thirty-nine hams added their names to the attendance register, a copy of which is reproduced above right.

### 1.1 Zoom

We streamed video of this meeting to Zoom for those unable to attend in person. One person was online. You can access the video here:

<https://w5ias.com/2025/04/16/april-2025-club-meeting-zoom/>

## 2 Introductions

WA5MA introduced the club officers present: First Vice President Jack, W5JHC; Second Vice President Ky, KY5VAR; Secretary Andrew, W5AWS; Treasurer Jerry, KE5PMK; Repeater Trustee, Gregg, W5GGW; ARES coordinator for Tulsa County, Paul, WB5ANX; and Public Service Liaison, Bart, N5TWB.

### 2.1 Round-robin

WA5MA initiated a round-robin roll-call of those present in the audience.



### 3 Business

#### 3.1 Green Country Ham Fest

WA5MA asked for a show of hands from those present who attended the Green Country Ham Fest. Nearly everyone present raised their hands. Gregg, W5GGW, said that he thought attendance there was the best since the pandemic. Consensus of the meeting was that the event was a big success.

#### 3.2 Newsletter

WA5MA asked whether any club member present is not receiving the newsletter: Nothing heard.

#### 3.3 Recognition

Club president, Mark Adams, WA5MA, presented a certificate of recognition to Second Vice President Ky, KY5VAR, for his good work for the club.

#### 3.4 Minutes

WA5MA asked if anyone is not receiving the newsletter: nothing heard.

WA5MA asked whether there are questions or comments about the minutes of the last meeting as published in the newsletter: nothing heard.

WA5MA asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Daryl, N5NYT, moved to approve the minutes as written.

WA5MA asked for a second. Ky, KY5VAR, seconded the motion. Motion approved by acclamation.

#### 3.5 Financials

WA5MA asked whether there were any questions or comments about the January and February financial reports.

Treasurer Jerry, KE5PMK, said the ham-fest raffle produced a total income of \$961. Total cost of the club presence was \$639. We received \$1,340 in membership dues, which brings the year-to-date receipts to \$2,720. KE5PMK said that balance of the club sinking fund now stands at \$5,300.

WA5MA asked for a motion to approve the financial reports; Daryl, N5NYT, so moved; Logan, KJ5EDE, seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.

#### 3.6 ARES, Repeater, Bikes

WA5MA called upon Paul, WB5ANX, for his reports.

##### 3.6.1 ARES

WB5ANX said that he received three completed ARES training manuals, which he will review, and urged anyone else interested in participating to visit the club web-



site and download the task books: <https://w5ias.com/oklahoma-ares/>. Contact WB5ANX for more information: [wb5anx@arrl.net](mailto:wb5anx@arrl.net).

### 3.6.2 Repeaters

WB5ANX said that all the repeaters are working. However, the Internet back-haul of the Keetonville repeater is inoperative, causing problems for wide-area DMR connectivity. Bob, W5RAB, provided a Starlink Mini node to get things going again temporarily. The team is working on a permanent local Internet access.

### 3.6.3 Bikes

WB5ANX said that registration for the upcoming biking events is open on the club website. We need volunteers to be SAG drivers, route sweepers, to help with assembly and disassembly of equipment, and to act as net control operators. Anyone who would like to learn how to become involved should sign-on to ride-along with experienced Safety And Gear (SAG) drivers, helping to communicate with net control.

WB5ANX said that the volunteers for the Tour de Tulsa bicycle event are enough to provide coverage, but he could use a few more helpers. Check the events page of the club web-site to see where you can help, it is as easy as being a ride-along accompanying an experienced person: <https://w5ias.com/events/>.

## 3.7 Approvals to support Upcoming Events

WA5MA asked for a motion to approve club support of the Ride to Remember and Tulsa Tough bicycle events. Jack, W5JHC, so moved; Ky, KY5VAR seconded; motion approved by general acclamation.

### 3.7.1 Liability

From the floor, someone asked whether we are covered by liability insurance. Treasurer Jerry, KE5PMK, said that the club has \$1M liability insurance. Paul, WB5ANX, said that organizers of each event carry liability insurance too.

## 3.8 OK POTA

WA5MA said that Tony, KA5TRO, isn't here to discuss the Oklahoma Parks On The Air (POTA) event scheduled for the weekend of April 19 & 20 when the OK POTA Association will endeavor to activate as many of the state parks as possible.

Logan, KJ5EDE explained what POTA is all about. To find out more, visit these web-sites:

- <https://parksontheair.com/index.html>
- <https://pota.app/#/>

## 3.9 Skywarn Net Changes

WA5MA said that changes to the Skywarn Net will be announced on-air during the next scheduled event.



### 3.10 TARC Net Logging

WA5MA asked David, K5TZS, to rise and talk about logging of our Tuesday evening nets on the Superlink system.

K5TZS said that N5LOL and W5AWS who usually log the net, except when Dirk W4IPD does on the third Tuesday of each month, have discussed changing from Netlogger to HAM.LIVE.

K5TZS illustrated his exposition with a few PowerPoint slides showing side-by-side comparison of the two systems.

K5TZS said that we have been doing dual logging since the beginning of March and now recommend that we abandon Netlogger in favor of HAM.LIVE.

Netlogger requires installation on your computer whereas HAM.LIVE is accessible from any device that supports a web-browser.

K5TZS said that HAM.LIVE automatically logs users as soon as they connect. Also, users can signal they have traffic by raising a hand icon.

Most importantly, K5TZS said that HAM.LIVE chat is instantaneous unlike Netlogger that exhibits unacceptable latency.

Further, K5TZS said that HAM.LIVE is much easier for new users to learn unlike Netlogger that proved difficult.

K5TZS said that HAM.LIVE emails nicely formatted reports at closure of the net. It can also email registered users a message that a net is about to start,

WA5MA asked for the opinion of W5AWS.

W5AWS moved that we adopt HAM.LIVE to replace Netlogger for the Tuesday night TARC Net; Jack, W5JHC, seconded; motion approved by acclamation.

K5TZS yielded the floor to WA5MA.

### 3.11 Field Day

WA5MA invited Jack, W5JHC to rise and talk about Field Day.

W5JHC delivered a slide presentation showing the status of Field Day planning for 2025. Venue will be at Haikey Creek Park Tri-Plex on the weekend of 28 & 29 June, 2025.

Food is a notable question this year since last year only a few of the persons who said they would come came to eat the food, which resulted in wasted food and money. This year we need to cut the cost by doing something different, a difference that is yet to be determined.

You can indicate your interest in volunteering to support Field Day 2025 by sending email to [fieldday@w5ias.com](mailto:fieldday@w5ias.com).

W5JHC yielded to WA5MA.



### 3.12 Ham Rescue

WA5MA said that there was no news about the status of Ham Rescue since Gabe, KI5ZWB, is absent the meeting.

### 3.13 Resource Links

WA5MA drew attention to the resource links on the backside of the agenda:

- <https://www.youtube.com/@theoilykrafter>
- <https://theoilykrafter.com/shop/ols/categories/ham-radio>
- There was supposed to be a link to a DMR code-plug, but the QRCode pointed to an empty directory.

### 3.14 Club Apparel

WA5MA asked Robert, KI5WDD, about club apparel.

KI5WDD said that we now fulfill orders for apparel by opening the club shop quarterly. The new system seems to be working well. You can get to the club shop via this link: <https://w5ias.com/adverts/>.

### 3.15 Swap & Shop

WA5MA asked whether the membership is interested in a swap-n-shop event periodically at a Tech. Night. Someone suggested a tailgate event in the parking lot. Ultimately, we decided to try a swap-n-shop to gauge the level of interest within the club.

### 3.16 Member Spotlight

WA5MA said that we due to lack of time, we wilil postpone member spotlight until next month.

### 3.17 Tech Night

Our next Tech Night will happen in this room on 6 May 2025, beginning at 1830 hrs when we will convene a NanoVNA workshop.

### 3.18 Club Badges

These club badges await collection by their owners:

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| • KI5UTN, JANIS — paid  | • NJ5Z, John — \$2       |
| • KI5TZG, Ellis — paid  | • KI5HJM, Cameron — paid |
| • KI5ZWB, Gabe — \$2    | • KJ5JOW, GABE — \$2     |
| • KC5BTQ, Lowell — paid | • KJ5BLZ, Jay — \$2      |



- KI5HJR, BRUCE — paid
- WK5F, Roy — paid

#### 4 Next Meeting

Our next monthly meeting of the Tulsa Amateur Radio Club is May 20<sup>th</sup> at the University of Tulsa, Keplinger Hall, Room 3140, beginning at 1900 hrs.

#### 5 Adjournment

There being no further business, WA5MA called for a motion to adjourn; Mark, KD5SMF, made a motion to adjourn; Jack, W5JHC seconded; motion approved by a general exodus.

Meeting adjourned at 2020 hrs.

Minutes respectfully submitted by  
Andrew, W5AWS, Secretary.

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