



# MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017 Dale Bagley KØKY Editor

**THE NEXT MACON COUNTY ARC AND MACON AREA REPEATER COUNCIL MEETING  
WILL BE HELD AT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BUILDING NEXT  
DOOR TO BEN FRANKLIN IN DOWNTOWN MACON, MO  
THE MEETING WILL START AT 7:00 P.M. ON MAY 25, 2017**

## APRIL 27<sup>th</sup> CLUB MEETING REPORT

Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW, reported the Club Treasury had a balance of \$539.24.

Macon County ARC President Larry Ballew updated the membership about the Volunteer Exam session this month. He suggested that members go to the Macon Education Center and look over the possible location for operating and antenna locations for Field Day 2017. We discussed the changes in Field Day Rules for 2017 and that we would operate as 2A with a GOTA station this year and eliminate the Digital operation.

Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW, reported that the club had taken in \$47.00 at the Shrine Hamfest. After the sale of a item at the Club meeting, we netted a profit of \$13.00

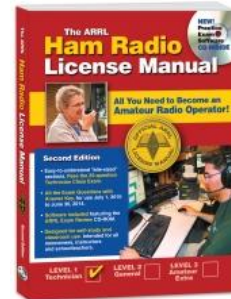
Melanie Boone, KDØUNV, reported that she would be putting the display in the Macon Public Library at 10:00 a.m. on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW, announced that the Big BAM would be held this year in June and follow "roughly" U.S. Highway 24 across Missouri.

The Lester Dent – Doc Savage Special Event is on track to take place on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. On the 7<sup>th</sup>, the members will set-up antenna and radios like a field Day operation at the Round House in Bles Park. On the 8<sup>th</sup>, members can make contacts from their home QTH using WØD. All the contacts need to be brought to the next Club meeting to help with the QSLs for the event.

Todd Anderson, AKØAK has selected May 19<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Macon Club Operating Contest. The rules were sent to all the members earlier this year.

## AARON HULSE, MACON'S NEWEST HAM OPERATOR



At the Volunteer Exam Session held on Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Macon City Community Development Building at 1:00 p.m. Aaron Hulse passed his Technician's Class exam and was issued his License KEØNCK on May 1, 2017 and expires on May 1, 2027. Volunteer Examiners were Larry Ballew, ABØHP, Melanie Boone, KDØUNV, and Dale Bagley, KØKY. The next Scheduled Volunteer exam session will be on June 11, 2017 at the Macon City Community Development Building.

## MACON LIBRARY HAM DISPLAY



Melanie Boone, KDØUNV, Ham Radio Display at the Macon Public Library will be taken down on May 26<sup>th</sup>, the day after the MCARC Club meeting. If you want to see it in person, stop by between now and then.

**MACON COUNTY OPERATING  
EVENTS & HAMFESTS**

JULY 15, 2017 WARRENSBURG HAMFEST  
JULY 16, 2017 WASHINGTON HAMFEST  
AUGUST 13, 2017 ST. CHARLES HAMFEST,  
O'FALLON, MO  
AUGUST 26, 2017 JOPLIN HAMFEST  
OCTOBER 28, 2017 HALLOWEEN HAMFEST  
KIRKWOOD, MO  
NOVEMBER 11, 2017 NIXA HAMFEST

**MACON COUNTY ARC SPECIAL EVENT**

JUNE 24 – 25, 2017 FIELD DAY OPERATON  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 MCARC HAM PICNIC & LAKE  
OCTOBER 7, 8, 2017 LESTER DENT SPECIAL EVENT

**FIELD DAY JUNE 24 & 25, 2017**



The Location of the Field Day operation and Radio Club picnic will be at the Macon Area Education Center on Bles Industrial Drive. We are planning to enter on the west side of the building and running the antenna into the building on the East side of the building. We will probably eat in the former Adult Education Room pictured below



**FIELD DAY UPDATE 2017**



The Club will set up the Antenna and Radios on Saturday morning starting at around 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. with contacts starting at 1:00 p.m.

If you plan to stay overnight and operate you will need to bring a cot, blanket and teddy bear, if that helps you sleep. We will get together before the Field Day event and make sure we have enough radios, computers, antenna and other stuff we will need to operate for 24 hours.

There will be a short course, for those wanting to learn about how to use Write-Log, during the ARRL Field Day operation.

The Club will invite the County Emergency Management Director to attend the Club Field Day operation. We will be operating 2AC with a GOTA Station. Larry Ballew, ABØHP, will be responsible for the GOTA station and Bill Schmidt, WAØJCO, will be handling the CW operation. A SSB station will be set up for those wanting to participate in voice mode.



The Picnic will be held on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> and members are asked to bring a covered dish and their own table service, (plates, silverware, napkins, and etc.). The club will provide water and soda for those attending. The meal will start at around 7:00 p.m. Please let the Club know if you will be attending the meal so we can get the right amount of meat for their meal.