

THE PLATTSMOUTH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Digital Library Receives Grant

(ARnewsline 5/9/25) Thanks to an infusion of money from Amateur Radio Digital Communications, the massive collection at the Digital Library of Amateur Radio & Communications can keep growing. The collection which contains digitized newsletters, magazines and online media now has something else to add to its hefty collection: a second grant from ARDC, the group that provided the original grant that first helped bring this library of amateur radio's international history to life.

Kay Savetz, K6KJN, the library's curator, said in the Zero Retries newsletter that the funding will permit the free library's continued operation for another two years. He said phase two of the library's operation will include acquiring and digitizing material from the California Historical Radio Society and the SPARK Museum of Electrical Invention. The library's most recent acquisitions include the Wireless Institute of Australia's Amateur Radio Magazine from 1933 through 2012 and dozens of new issues of the DX Bulletin.

Still celebrating the support, Kay wrote in the newsletter: "Excuse the mess, there's still confetti all over the floor of DLARC World Headquarters."

The collection is housed at Archive.Org.

<https://arnewsline.org>

<https://archive.org/details/dlarc>

MPJA Closed Down

(ARnewsline 5/23/25) Since it was founded in Florida in January of 1972, Marlin P. Jones & Associates gained a loyal following among amateur radio operators looking for everything from power supplies to electronic switches and other components.

The family-owned business closed its doors on the 9th of May and announced on its website that it would no longer be taking phone calls after the 23rd of the month. Its remaining inventory was purchased by another company in Florida - Skycraft Surplus.

Positive reviews of the company's customer service and the quality of its products reflect the satisfaction that hams and other purchasers of electronic components received after doing business repeatedly with the company, which was also known as MPJ & Associates.

The company's website gave no reason for the closure. A statement said simply: "It has been an honor to have done business with you"

<https://www.mpja.com/>

<https://skycraftsurplus.com/>

FCC Eyes Giving 20,000 MHz to Satellite Broadband

(ARnewsline 5/30/25) The FCC is hoping to move ahead with the assignment of more than 20,000 MHz of spectrum bandwidth to accommodate expanded satellite-based broadband service. The FCC voted unanimously at its May 22nd open meeting to explore such use across four spectrum bands: the upper portion of the 12 GHz band, starting at 12.7 GHz; the 42 GHz band, the 52 GHz band and four unused sections of the 75-110 GHz W-band totaling 18,000 MHz.

FCC Chairman Brendan Carr said in a statement after the vote that "each band is a potential game changer." The agency said that the amount of spectrum under consideration is greater than all the spectrum presently available for satellite broadband. He said the additional frequencies were ripe territory for so-called next-generation services.

It was unclear what impact, if any, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking would have on the amateur radio service. The move was applauded by the Satellite Industry Association in a statement on its website.

New Crypto Currency

Thought you'd missed the big Crypto opportunity? It's not too late to cash in on the next one. Forget **BitCoin**, now you can have **Dit Coin**! Bring cash!



(Thanks to Ray for "coining" the name.)

ARRL FIELD DAY



www.arrl.org

Field Day is June 28-29
Join us at the Murray
Park for another great
time. If you plan to
operate, please let us
know ASAP. Plans
must be made very
soon.

2025 PAID MEMBERSHIPPAID MEMBERSHIPS are in **BOLD**

AGØL Steve Loyd [E]
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 KBØFSI.....Pat McCollum [T]
 KBØLF Fred Eriksen [E]
 KBØOGO.....Roger Behrns* [E]
 KCØHYD John Titsworth [G]
 KCØHYE Shirley Titsworth [T]
 KEØTR.....Paul Stanek [A]
 KEØPFQ Justin Fader [T]
 KEØXQ Bill McCollum [E]
 KFØRMZ..Stanley Winterstien [T]#
 KGØKR.....Beth Engberg* [E]
 KIØPY Kevin Faris [E]
 N5SEZ.....Ray McNally[E]
 NØLZH.....John Harrington [G]
 NØPEU Shawn Djernes [E]
 N8VCL.....Scott Schreiber [E]
 WØDBW Derek Winterstien [G]
 WBØWTF Mitch Green [G]
 WDØCFC.....Gary Bauersachs [E]
 WØJRN Jim Nelson [E]
 WJØZ Del Keene [E]



**Meetings are 8am the last Saturday
of most months at Mom's Café in
Plattsmouth.**

**Tuesday night get-togethers at
Plattsmouth
Burger King at 6 PM or so.**

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**MINUTES of
the
MEETING**

The April Meeting was held at Mom's Café on Saturday, April 26, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President Roger Behrns at 8:13 am.

Those in attendance were Roger (KBØOGO), Kevin (KIØPY), Ray (N5SEZ), Gary (WDØCFC), Jim (WØJRN), Derek (WØDBW), Scott (N8VCL), and Stanley (KFØRMZ)

The Minutes of the March meeting were approved on a motion by Kevin and seconded by Derek.

The Treasurer's report showed \$55 in dues and donations received. This leaves \$697.55 in the General Fund and \$315 in the Repeater Fund for a total of \$1012.55. The report was accepted on a motion by Derek and second by Gary.

Roger will be paying the annual insurance which will be \$300.

There will be an outdoor wrestling tournament on the ballfield on Saturday of Field Day running into the evening. This should not affect our activities. Some other discussion on Field Day was held.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 on a motion by Scott and seconded by Stanley.

PLATTSMOUTH ARC MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Name		Call Sign		Class	
Address		City		State	Zip
E-Mail		Phone #			
Spouse Name		Call Sign		Class	
Membership Type	● Additional donations are gratefully accepted. ● New Hams are free during the year they receive their first license. ● Please give this form and dues to the club treasurer or any club officer.		Donation for:	Amount:	
☐ Primary(\$15) ☐ Spouse (\$5) ☐ Student (\$5) ☐ New Ham			☐ Repeater fund ☐ Insurance ☐ Other _____ ☐ General	☐ I prefer my donation to be anonymous.	
Any additional e-mail or cell phone #s?					

North Bend Flea Market

Saturday, July 12, 2025

8:00 am – 12:30 pm

City Auditorium, 741 N Main St

Meeting Calendar

**8am, Sat May 31
at Mom's Café.**

(Field Day is June 28-29)