



# Central Dakota Amateur Radio Club, WØZRT



## NOISELETTER

January 2021

### ABOUT THE CDARC

Central Dakota Amateur Radio Club - WØZRT was established in 1971. Our purpose shall be to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism, individual radio operating efficiency, and to conduct programs and activities that advance the general interest and welfare of the United States, North Dakota, our community, and amateur radio.

### THE PRESIDENT'S QTC

Hello everyone,

Wow what a mild winter so far!

I have been busy over the last month helping KCØTSU move to northern part of the state and the weather could not have been better for this move.

I set up a Pi-Star hotspot in advance of getting a Yaesu FT-991a rig at the end of the month. I have tested it with the FTM-100 in my truck and it is working well. Not hard to set up, but the instruction that came with it could use revising.

I have also setup a second APRS IGate using a Raspberry Pi and receiver to be deployed in the Turtle Mountains soon. I hope to have it up and running before March.

Hamfest planning is going well and I look forward to seeing members during the event.

73!

Mike Holman, KEØESG  
President, CDARC

### JANUARY 2021 MEETING AGENDA

- A. Approval of November 2020 meeting minutes.
- B. Guests

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Technical
2. Skywarn
3. VE Testing
4. Net Control

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Hamfest 2021
2. Silent Key Memorial

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Elections
2. Announcements

Adjourn

### NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Club President Mike/KEØESG brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on the 146.85 WØZRT Repeater.

#### Attendance:

Mike/KEØESG (CDARC President)  
Bob/NØTC (CDARC Vice President)  
Dee/KBØCGK (CDARC Treasurer)  
Jeff/KØCMS (CDARC Secretary)  
Randy/KCØCAU (Member at Large)  
Howard/WBØATB  
Mark/NØFAZ  
Chad/KCØAFB

A. Approval of October 2020 Minutes: Motion by Mark/NØFAZ, second by Howard/WBØATB to approve; motion carried.

B. Treasurer's Report: Tabled until the next face-to-face Club meeting.

C. Guests: None

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### Committee Reports

1. Technical: Mark/NØFAZ reported that he had contacted the local tower company again for a quote. The individual who he had contacted previously was out of the office due to illness, but he expects to get a quote from them.

2. Skywarn: No report

3. VE Testing: Bob/NØTC reported that one General exam had been administered recently. He also gave a report on the FCC licensing forms, and that at some point in the future, Social Security Numbers will no longer be used for identification; Federal Registration Numbers (FRN) will be required instead.

### Old Business

1. CDARC Hamfest: At this time, the 2021 Hamfest is still planned to be held at the BSC Career Academy Multi-Purpose Room on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Jeff/KØCMS motioned that a \$100.00 cash prize be approved for the Hamfest, second by Howard/WBØATB; motion carried. A decision will be made at the January Club meeting to determine if the 2021 Hamfest will be held.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Silent Key: Bruce Kocher/KIØJG passed away recently. Dee/KBØCGJ requested a memorial be put on the agenda for the January 2021 Club meeting.

2. Sunday Night Nets: Howard/WBØATB gave a report on net controller status, and the results of the November 22<sup>nd</sup> net (20 check-ins on VHF, 5 on SSB). Currently, Howard has 7 controllers on the schedule. Club President Mike/KEØESG will add Net Control Status to the Committee Reports section on the agenda.

3. Announcements:

a. Due to the COVID situation, the annual CDARC Christmas party has been cancelled.

b. There will be no Club meetings in December; the next Executive Committee meeting will be January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at the Scheel's cafeteria (unless otherwise notified); the next Club meeting will be January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, tentatively on the 146.85 repeater

Motion to adjourn at 7:19 by Bob/NØTC, second by Randy/KCØCAU; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeff/KØCMS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**January CDARC Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 7:00 pm on the 146.85 repeater.

**CDARC Executive Committee meeting:** Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 7:00 pm, Scheel's cafeteria, Bismarck ND.

**February CDARC Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 7:00 pm, Location TBD

**CDARC Hamfest:** Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 7:30 am-12:30 pm, BSC Career Academy

### NET REPORTS

Sunday CWJ/VHF Net 146.850 (December 2020)  
# Nets: 4  
# Checkins: 62

Sunday 2 Meter Net 144.200 (December 2020)  
# Nets: 4  
# Checkins: 19

Net Controllers:

Zach/KØZSH  
Bob/NØTC  
Randy/KCØCAU  
Mike/KEØESG  
Howard/WBØATB  
Jeff/KØCMS  
Justin/KØJBM

Activations: Nothing to report

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## LOCAL REPEATERS

145.430- Hannover, No PL  
146.850- PL 107.2 (optional)  
146.940- Super Link, No PL tone  
147.060+ PL 107.2, BSC Fusion Repeater  
224.200- NØFAZ, PL 103.5  
444.200+ PL 103.5 Cross band repeat on  
52.525  
444.350+ PL 107.2, BSC Fusion Repeater  
444.650+ Yaesu Fusion Digital or Analog  
PL for analog 107.2  
Keying up a Fusion repeater with an analog  
transmission will switch all users to analog

## CDARC OFFICERS

### **President:**

Mike Holman, KEØESG

### **Vice President:**

Bob Tracy, NØTC

### **Secretary:**

Jeff Strange, KØCMS

### **Treasurer:**

Dee Tracy, KBØCGK

### **Members at Large:**

Bob Arso/WBØSXC

Randy Tietz/KCØCAU

## COMMITTEES & COORDINATORS

### **Newsletter**

Jeff Strange, KØCMS

Dee Tracy, KBØCGK

### **Technical Committee**

Mark Malm, NØFAZ

Randy Tietz, KCØCAU

Pete Fettig, KFØDL

### **APRS Coordinator**

Randy Tietz, KCØCAU

### **SKYWARN**

John Paul Martin, KBØYLU

Zach Heinert, KØZSH

### **VE Testing**

Bob Tracy, NØTC

### **CDARC Information Officer**

CDARC Executive Committee

### **Web Administrators**

Mike Holman, KEØESG

Quentin Schumacher, KDØWEB

### **Net Control Coordinator**

Howard Burns, WBØATB

## **CHECK OUT THE CDARC WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGES:**

<http://www.cdarcnd.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/cdarcnd/>

## FCC FRN INFORMATION

If you are planning on testing for your first Amateur Radio License, go to the following website and obtain a Federal Registration Number (FRN) first, and bring it with you to the testing session:

<https://apps.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do>

*(Note: if you already have a license, you already have a FRN; you do not need to register again)*