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UPCOMING EVENTS

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May 15, 2019

. ARES Meeting (at SLC EOC)

. 2X4 DX Group Net:

May 16, 2019

. CW Training Net:

. PSLARA Ragchew, Tech & Traders Net

May 20, 2019

. CW Training Net

May 22, 2019

. 2X4 DX Group Mtg
. Membership Meeting

May 23, 2019

. CW Training Net:

. PSLARA Ragchew, Tech & Traders Net

May 27, 2019

. CW Training Net:

May 29, 2019

. 2X4 DX Group Net:

May 30, 2019

. CW Training Net:

. PSLARA Ragchew, Tech & Traders Net

June 1, 2019

. PSLARA Breakfast

. Hurricane EXPO



PSLARA NEWS

Port St Lucie Amateur Radio Association



MAY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Our next membership meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 295 NW Prima Vista Blvd, Port Saint Lucie. We meet in the Fellowship Hall on the north side of the church property.

This month's program will be a presentation by **Jim Millner, WB2REM** about his recent **DXpedition to the Galapagos Islands**. Jim's presentations are always interesting and informative. You won't want to miss this meeting. Bring along a friend.

We will also be enjoying **PIZZA** at the meeting. For more information please go to the [PSLARA website](http://www.pslara.org) (www.pslara.org).

DICK CASADA, W4DAC:

Dick is still recovering at the Brennity Assisted Living Facility located at 10685 SW Stoney Creek Way, Port Saint Lucie, FL 34987. Brennity is a gated facility. If you wish to visit Dick and find the gate closed, follow instructions on the sign near the gate and use the keypad to enter the indicated code. The receptionist will admit you onto the property. Everyone please keep Dick, his wife Dawn and their family in your prayers.

2019 PSLARA DUES

2019 dues are due. If you

have already paid your dues, **THANK YOU**. If you have not yet paid, please do so now. See an officer or director at any club event to pay your dues. Either cash or check is acceptable or, you can send your dues by mail. Dues are \$25. Make a check (no cash in the mail, please) payable to PSLARA and send to PSLARA, PO Box 7461, Port Saint Lucie, FL 34985.

2019 HURRICANE EXPO

The 2019 Hurricane Preparedness EXPO is **June 1, 2019** from 10AM—2PM at the Civic Center, 9221 SE Civic Center PI, Port St Lucie. Being pre-

pared is the key to protecting your home and loved ones during a severe storm.

ARES members will be in attendance. Please stop by and show your support.

Hurricane season is **June 1 thru November 30**.

PSLARA REPEATERS

Analog:
146.955 -.600kHz, Tone 107.2
443.650 +5 MHz, Tone 107.2

DMR: 444.000 +5 COLOR 1,
Time Slot 1

ECHOLINK

Echolink K4PSL-L node
644473.

PORT ST LUCIE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (PSLARA)

PSLARA membership is comprised of licensed amateur radio operators and persons interested in the "ham" radio hobby. PSLARA's purpose is to promote Amateur Radio as a hobby. Accordingly, the goals of PSLARA are to further the exchange of information and cooperation among members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism, and individual operating efficiency. We aim to conduct club meetings, programs and activities in a manner that advances the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio. The Association is also dedicated to providing emergency communications as a public service in the event of a local or national emergency. More information about the PSLARA can be found on our website. (www.pslara.org)

PSLARA NEWS



PSLARA conducts VE license testing sessions ten times per year at the St. Lucie County Emergency Operations Center, 15305 W. Midway Road, Fort Pierce, FL. Pre-registration is not necessary at our test sessions, and walk-ups are always welcome. Click the [Testing Training](#) link on the left side menu for additional exam details and testing session schedule. Email : Testing@PSLARA.com.

NEXT TEST SESSION - JUNE 8TH



2X4 DX GROUP

Have an interest in DXing? Working on your DXCC or WAC? Join the 2X4 DX Group!

The group meets at 9:00 AM on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 295 NW Prima Vista Blvd, Port St. Lucie. The church is located one block west of the intersection of Prima Vista Blvd and Airoso Blvd. Meetings are held in the small meeting room on the west side of the main church building. Visitors are always welcome.

The 2X4 Group's net is every 1st & 3rd (& when necessary 5th) Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM on the PSLARA 146.955 repeater.

For more information about the 2X4 DX Group please visit the [PSLARA](#) website or contact Don, WY5I@bellsouth.net.



SKYWARN
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The Melbourne office of the National Weather Service will be offering Skywarn Basic and Advanced training on July 19, 2019 at the St. Lucie County EOC, 15305 W Midway Road. Basic training will run from 10 AM to 12 noon. Advanced training will run from 1 PM to 3 PM. Amateurs and their spouses are invited to participate. Pre-registration is required. Watch [PSLARA website](#) for registration details.



SUCCESSFUL ARES SIMPLEX TEST

On Saturday April 27, 2019 St Lucie County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) conducted a simplex radio test. ARES communicators located at the Primary School Shelters, area hospitals, and Havert Fenn Special Needs Center testing shelter antennas and their VHF mobile and handheld radios communicating with the St Lucie Emergency Operations Center located on Midway Rd. A DMR (digital mobile radio) test was conducted using the Ft. Pierce Local DMR repeater. The test was very successful with only minor site issues to be resolved.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES) organization has trained, qualified, and credentialed Amateur Radio operators who augment and support vital communications on behalf of the public during emergencies and disasters.

6 METER SPORADIC E PROPAGATION

6 Meters is known as the "magic band." During summer, Sporadic-E openings enable hams to work stations many thousands of miles away. Hams have earned WAS, WAC and DXCC on 6 meters. 6 meters is a band where Technician, General, and Extra class hams have the same privileges.

So get your 6 meter radios and antennas ready for some exciting operating this summer.

TRIVIA QUESTION

What year did the FCC start issuing call signs beginning with the "K" prefix to amateurs in the continental U.S.?

- A. 1947
- B. 1950
- C. 1953
- D. 1956

(Answer will be revealed at the next PSLARA meeting.)