



# QSP



January 2012

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The January Meeting is  
Friday Jan. 27th at  
KWU's Peters Science  
Hall Room 211

## December/January VE Report

**Host: Ron, WAØPSF  
& Kathleen**

**Program: John,  
KCØJNK**

### For the December 14th Session:

We had Two Candidates, for the Technician Exam, John Rogers, KDØQIS, of Wichita, Ks, and Jeffery Houston, KDØQIT, of McPherson, Ks.  
Bernard Botson, KDØOXA, attempted to upgrade to General Class, but missed a few too many—he Will be Back!  
(New calls issued since the last issue of QSP)

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#### VE's for the Session were:

Sid, NØOBM, Ron, WAØPSF, Harvey, KØRY, Don, KAØEIC, and Alvin, WØME.

### For the January 11th Session:

We has one Candidate, Robert Harris, of Falun, who didn't quite pass his Technician Exam. Better luck next time Robert!

VE's were Sid, NØOBM, Ron, WAØPSF, Leon, WAØJFC, and Don, KAØEIC.

#### Next Exam session is:

**Wednesday February 8th, 2012, at 7:00 PM, at the Saline County Sheriff's Office Classroom.**

Sid NØOBM VE Team Leader

## Minutes of the December Meeting

After a great meal at Western Sizzlin Steak House, Leon, WAØJFC, called the meeting to order at 7:30PM. Leon then asked Mark, KBØMQX, to present the Joe Addison Trophy for 2011.

The Joe Addison, WØPKD Trophy winner for 2011 was (drum roll please!)

Mitch, KAØIFW

Congratulations Mitch!

Leon then called Ron WAØPSF to install the officers for the coming year.

The Officers of the Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club for 2012 are:

KS1P,	Paul	President
KCØJNK,	John	Vice President
WØME,	Alvin	Secretary
KAØIFW,	Mitch	Treasurer

Paul had some thing to suggest to be brought up at the next board meeting

Location for the Hamfest

A fund raiser (or two?)

Board meeting every three months instead of monthly?

The January meeting is Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, Ron, WAØPSF, and Kathleen are the Hosts and John, KCØJNK, will present the program.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

WØME, Sec.

## Reminders

**City of Salina Siren Test Net, February 6th** at 4:30 PM if the Weather cooperates!

**ARRL-VEC Test Session** on Wednesday **February 8th at 7:00 PM.**

**Board meeting** follows the exam session on **February 8th** at 8:00 PM (or after Testing—which ever is later) in the Saline Co. Sheriff's Office Classroom.

**ARES Meeting** is **February 16th** at **8:00 PM** in **Emergency Management.**

**CKARC Meeting** is **February 24th** at 7:30 PM at KWU Peter's Science Hall Room 211

There is a full **Calendar of Events** on the CKARC Web site <http://www.centralksarc.com>

## Don Brown, KBØNOX, SK

Donald James Brown

1/23/2012

[Salina Journal](#)

Donald James Brown, 84, of Salina, died Saturday, Jan. 21, 2012. He was born Feb. 9, 1927, in Salina to Leonard and Mildred (Zelenka) Brown.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Betty; brother, Kenneth; and son, Guy.

Mr. Brown was a veteran of WWII, having served in the U.S. Navy and was a graduate of Brown Mackie. He worked at Holsum Bakery, Oehlert Tractor and the Salina Police Department, retiring from the Saline County Sheriff's office in 1988, serving under five sheriffs.

After he retired from the Sheriff's office, Mr. Brown became interested in HAM Radio operation and received his call sign, KBØNOX.

Don is survived by his wife, Patricia; and daughter, Donelda (Jim) Summers, of Salina; two sisters Jeanne Sherffius, of Wichita, and Mary Ann Brown, of Los Fresnos, Texas; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2012, at Ryan Mortuary, 137 N. Eighth St., Salina. Burial will follow in Gypsum Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hospice of Salina, and may sent to, or left at the mortuary.

## TAPR and iQuadlabs Announce Agreement for Software Defined Radio Components

01/22/2012

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR) and iQuadlabs have announced a sourcing agreement for openHPSDR (High Performance Software Defined Radio) development boards. These include Pennylane, a ½ W transmitter, Mercury, an HF direct-sampling receiver and Magister, an FPGA-based interface controller card. Together these boards can be used to create a high-performance HF SDR transceiver.

Under the new agreement, TAPR will acquire inventory from iQuadLabs, creating a one-stop source for all openHPSDR boards. In addition, iQuadLabs will acquire inventory from TAPR to build pre-configured and tested complete openHPSDR systems. Zephyr Engineering, Inc will continue to manufacture the assembled boards.

Amateurs interested in exploring “next generation” Software Defined Radio will be able to easily purchase openHPSDR components directly from TAPR. And, for the first time in the history of openHPSDR, those who wish to buy a **completely assembled and tested radio** will have a source at iQuadLabs.

TAPR is a non-profit organization devoted to furthering the development of digital communication technology in the Amateur Radio community. TAPR and ARRL co-sponsor the annual Digital Communications Conference. Last year’s conference was held in Baltimore, Maryland. The 2012 conference will be held in Atlanta, Georgia.

*--our thanks to Scott Cowling, WA2DFI*

*From the ARRL Web site*

## February 2012 Contest Calendar

From the **WA7BNM Contest Calendar**

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 3
<b>YL-ISSB QSO Party, CW</b>	0000Z, Feb 4 to 2359Z, Feb 5
<b>Vermont QSO Party</b>	0000Z, Feb 4 to 2400Z, Feb 5
10-10 Int. Winter Contest, <b>SSB</b>	0001Z, Feb 4 to 2359Z, Feb 5
Black Sea Cup International	1200Z, Feb 4 to 1159Z, Feb 5
EPC WW DX Contest	1200Z, Feb 4 to 1200Z, Feb 5
<b>Minnesota QSO Party</b>	1400Z-2400Z, Feb 4
AGCW Straight Key Party	1600Z-1900Z, Feb 4
<b>Delaware QSO Party</b>	1700Z, Feb 4 to 0100Z, Feb 6
Mexico RTTY International Contest	1800Z, Feb 4 to 1759Z, Feb 5
North American Sprint, <b>CW</b>	0000Z-0400Z, Feb 5
NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint	1800Z-2000Z, Feb 8
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 10
CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	0000Z, Feb 11 to 2400Z, Feb 12
SARL Field Day Contest	1000Z, Feb 11 to 1000Z, Feb 12
Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, <b>CW</b>	1100Z-1300Z, Feb 11
Dutch PACC Contest	1200Z, Feb 11 to 1200Z, Feb 12
<b>New Hampshire QSO Party</b>	1600Z, Feb 11 to 2200Z, Feb 12
FISTS Winter Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Feb 11
SKCC Weekend Sprint	0000Z-2400Z, Feb 12
North American Sprint, <b>SSB</b>	0000Z-0400Z, Feb 12
Classic Exchange, Phone	1400Z, Feb 12 to 0800Z, Feb 13
PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint	2000 local, Feb 14 to 0200 local, Feb 15
NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Feb 15
AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening	1900Z-2030Z, Feb 15
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 17
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, <b>CW</b>	0000Z, Feb 18 to 2400Z, Feb 19
Feld Hell Sprint	2000Z-2200Z, Feb 18
AWA Amplitude Modulation <b>QSO Party</b>	2300Z, Feb 18 to 2300Z, Feb 19
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0400Z, Feb 20
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Feb 22
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Feb 24
CQ 160-Meter Contest, <b>SSB</b>	2200Z, Feb 24 to 2159Z, Feb 26
REF Contest, <b>SSB</b>	0600Z, Feb 25 to 1800Z, Feb 26
UBA DX Contest, <b>CW</b>	1300Z, Feb 25 to 1300Z, Feb 26
<b>North American QSO Party, RTTY</b>	1800Z, Feb 25 to 0600Z, Feb 26
High Speed Club <b>CW</b> Contest	0900Z-1700Z, Feb 26

# Membership Renewal Form



CKARC, Inc.  
P. O. Box 2493 Salina, Kansas 67402-2493

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth-  
day: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Month & Day ONLY)

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

May we publish your Phone & Email in the CKARC Rosters? Y N

Roster will **NOT** be published on the Web site (Please circle Y for Yes or N for No)

QSP is the CKARC Newsletter, do you wish to receive the QSP  
via Email or Postal Delivery? Email Postal (Check one or the other)

While ARRL Membership is not a Requirement for membership in the CKARC, Inc.  
**it is highly recommended.** In order to retain "Special Service Club" status, we must remain a  
minimum of 51% ARRL Membership.

CKARC Dues : \$15.00/Year Family Member: \$5.00

ARRL Dues : \$39.00/Year

\* For additional years, or Family Membership Information,  
please contact the Treasurer.

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE FEBRUARY QSP IS FEB. 15, 2011**

## **CKARC February Birthdays**

<b>KDØFUA</b>	<b>Heidi</b>	<b>Paul</b>	<b>2/16</b>
<b>KCØPHH</b>	<b>Edgar</b>	<b>Fischer</b>	<b>2/21</b>
<b>KCØVRC</b>	<b>Bob</b>	<b>Sommerfeld</b>	<b>2/23</b>