

# JEFFERSON REPORT

PUBLISHED BY THE JEFFERSON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC. W5GAD

**January 2006**

**Due to the flooding of the clubhouse, the next meeting will be held at the Old Metairie Branch Library. Please see [w5gad.org](http://w5gad.org) for the latest information.**

General Meeting:  
January 26

Board Meeting:  
February 9

**Open clubhouse: none until further notice**

Tuesday Net: 9:00 P.M.  
on 145.37- (PL114.8),  
Alternate: 147.24+/  
444.000+ (PL114.8)

[www.w5gad.org](http://www.w5gad.org)  
e-mail: [w5gad@arrl.net](mailto:w5gad@arrl.net);  
Phone: 504-831-1613

Send newsletter items to:  
[w5ctv@arrl.net](mailto:w5ctv@arrl.net)  
Deadline: 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of  
the month

## Grant Starts JARC Rebuilding

The Jefferson Amateur Radio Club has been awarded a grant from the ARRL and the Corporation for National and Community Service to help with our rebuilding efforts. The JARC will use the \$6,500 grant to purchase new equipment so that we can have a station ready for the next hurricane season. Until the clubhouse is rebuilt, this station will be used on an as needed basis as a portable operation.

### Clubhouse Progress

Since the clubhouse has flooded several times, it will be necessary to raise the building if it is not rebuilt. At the present time, the board is pursuing several avenues for fund raising and donations of goods and services with the ultimate goal of building a new clubhouse that will meet FEMA base flood elevation requirements as well as being compliant with

the Americans with Disabilities Act. An outline for the new facilities as well as fund raising efforts to date were discussed at the January board meeting. Thanks to Keith, W5KB for hosting the meeting at his QTH. Keith has also been spearheading the club's rebuilding efforts. If you have any ideas for the new JARC clubhouse or for fund raising, please contact a board member. Now more than ever, we need our membership to be involved as the JARC enters its 50 year anniversary. Let's make this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary one of rebirth for the club.

For the time being, we will continue to hold meetings at the Old Metairie Library. However, we are working on an alternative that will be more flexible in scheduling and will also allow the club to hold classes and VE test sessions. More details will be forthcoming.

### Elections

Elections for all officers and 3 board of directors positions are coming up at the January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. The meeting will be held at the Old Metairie Branch Public Library at 7:30 P.M. Please remember that your dues must be paid up for you to vote or to hold office. A formal slate has not been presented this year. Therefore, nominations for all open positions will be taken from the floor.

### Dues are due

Dues for 2006 are now due. Please send in your dues for the coming year. A renewal application can be found on page 2.

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# Why the emailed newsletter?



Several factors went into deciding to send the newsletter out electronically. The foremost being the postal service for a variety of reasons...bulk mail service is currently unavailable and first class postage for 200+ newsletters is very expensive; over 10% were returned due to delivery issues to the devastated areas and forwarding problems; as well as a high number of damaged newsletters. It will also allow for more timely distribution and you can see the color in the pictures.

Please let the board know how you feel about electronic distribution once we're past the Katrina mess. For those with no email address on record, we will continue to mail a newsletter.

This shortened issue is only being sent to JARC members as a meeting and dues reminder. A full size newsletter with updated club news and features will come out later this month for the regular distribution list.

-- Chris, W5CTV, Editor

PS: If you know of a member who is not getting their newsletter either via email or snail mail, please let me know immediately so I can investigate where the problem lies.

# Where Are You?

There are some members whom we have not heard from since the storm. We want to hear from you. Please let us know if you are at home, or if you are displaced. Also, do you need help with repairing your station? If you need some help with antenna repairs, please let us know and we can get the word out to try and get you some help. You can contact any of the board members at their number listed below. We would also like to hear any stories you have about Katrina/Rita and ham radio.

## JARC Board Of Directors 2005

President:	Albert	W5AFD	465-0637
Vice President:	Keith	W5KB	737-0858
Secretary:			
Treasurer:	Dick	W5RMX	888-2878
At Large: 1 Year #1:	Dallas	K1DW	985-796-5975
	#2:	Bob	WD5BJW 885-7965
	#3:	Chris	W5CTV 347-8293
2 Year #1:	Johnny	N5AZA	443-2101
	#2:	Lyle	KD5EWD 884-1622
	#3:	Dave	KE5BMS

# Repeater status

The JARC 145.37 repeater is on the air. Please use it. The 147.24/444.000 repeater is currently down for repairs. The Delta DX 147.36 machine is also down pending repairs. The 147.27 Ozone ARC machine in Slidell is up and running. If you have news on any of the local repeaters, please let Chris, W5CTV know so that a list can be compiled and published in upcoming newsletters as well as on the club website.

## JEFFERSON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB • APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP • PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Callsign \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

License Class \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ever been issued a Notice of Apparent Liability? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Membership Desired: Full (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_ Family (\$12.50) \_\_\_\_\_ Associate (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_ Student (\$12.50) \_\_\_\_\_

Family membership is full membership plus \$12.50 for each additional up to a maximum of \$50. Attach a separate application for each family member.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose dues and mail to: JARC, P.O. Box 73665, Metairie, LA 70033