

Big Island Amateur Radio Club Newsletter - January 2011

President's Message

I am honored to be your 2011 BIARC President and look forward to a year of fun and contribution to the Big Island community. There are a number of challenges we should meet in this coming year, but we have the good fortune to inherit a strong organization from the 2010 officers who did a great job of leading the club.

Thanks especially to outgoing President, Paul WH7BR. His steady hand and mentoring of the Vice President (me) was much appreciated. 2010 accomplishments included significant improvement in repeater coverage, reliability and fidelity.

Thanks as well to Treasurer Curt AH6RE who has done triple duty as Treasurer, Webmaster and Newsletter editor. Curt is leaving his job as Treasurer but will continue in his other roles. Curt is a quiet, steady contributor who is the "go to" person in the club.

Dave KH7SO has agreed to stay on as Secretary and we appreciate his commitment to the club. He brings continuity to the new officers and the organization as a whole.

I would be remiss to stop there – because the heavy lifting in this club is done by the membership and there are a number of members who continue to contribute year after year to the needs and activities of BIARC. Barbara NH7FY serves in a number of roles: QSL manager for the state, Health and Welfare (she regularly visits our shut-ins and those in the hospital and sends cards and flowers on behalf of the club), and Barbara is the communications officer in a club for communicators.

Others include Pete KH7HI who ran three great field days, and Ron AH6HN who served in a number of roles including VE Manager. Paul WH6FM has done significant work on the FM side of the club and has served as a source of technical support for the 2010 officers. There are many more who deserve our thanks and it points up the fact that this is a club – and the membership is actively involved.

My first commitment to the membership is that I will not be a stranger to this newsletter and will contribute three more messages as the year plays out. The next, in March, will outline where I would like to see the club concentrate its collective energies. July will be an assessment of where we are at the mid-point of the year, and December a wrap-up.

Milt AH6I, Lloyd KH6LC, Dave KH7SO and myself AH6ZZ wish you all a Happy New Year.

73 and Aloha.



BIARC President Tom AH6ZZ

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Officers

President	Tom Thornton AH6ZZ	754-7412
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Treasurer	Lloyd Cabral KH6LC	966-7782
Secretary	David Brovles KH7SO	854-0362

Two Year Directors

Beau Mills NH7WV	968-1271
Richard Fetchen KH6WE	982-7426
Paul Agamata WH6FM	
Elizabeth Yoes WH7CU	965-5429
Chuck Epperson AH6SC	966-4698
Rick Gardner WH6LU	

One Year Directors

Richard Darling AH7G	982-9126
Ron Phillips AH6HN	982-6513
Rick Frazier AH7H	985-9169
Bob Schneider AH6J	966-8146
Peter Yoes KH7HI	965-5429

Standing Committees

Service/Awards Education	Ron Phillips Vacant	AH6HN
Emergency Coord.	Paul Ducasse	WH7BR
Equipment	Lloyd Cabral	KH6LC
Health&Welfare	Barbara Darling	NH7FY
Hospitality	Barbara Darling	NH7FY
Newsletter	Curt Knight	AH6RE
Programs	Milt Nodacker	AH6I
Repeater	Paul Agamata	WH6FM
Webmaster	Curt Knight	AH6RE

Special Committees

Christmas Party	Committee	
Improvement	Ron Phillips	AH6HN
Field Day	Peter Yoes	KH7HI
Hamfest	Bob Schneider	AH6J
co-chair	John Buck	KH7T
QSL Bureau	Barbara Darling	NH7FY

Meetings and Get-Togethers

Membership meetings – Second Saturday of each month at 2PM at the Kea'au Community Center

Board Meetings – will be held every other month 1 hour prior to the general membership meeting at the same location as the general meeting (January, March, May, July, September, November).

Friday Lunches – A group meets for lunch every Friday at 11:30 at Hokulani's Steak House in the mall at Kea'au near the Post Office.

East Hawai'i Net

The East Hawai'i Net meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 8AM HST on the 146.76 MHz repeater.

BIWARN accessible Repeaters

Repeaters in bold font are BIWARN/MCDA linked. When operating over a link, remember to leave extra time in each transmission for the link to be established. The number in parentheses is the tone access frequency.

145.29-	HOVE-Ka'u WH6FC (100)
146.66-	HOVE (100)
146.68-	Kea'au limited area KH6EJ
146.76-	Kulani KH6EJ
146.82-	Mauna Loa ARES KH6EJ
146.88-	Pepe'ekeo KH6EJ (may be linked)
146.92-	Ka'u PD KH6EJ
146.94-	Haleakala Maui KH6RS (110.9)
147.02+	Haleakala Maui RACES AH6JA
147.04+	Mauna Loa RACES AH6JA
147.16+	Kona (Hualalai) WH6DEW (100)
147.32+	Waimea Hospital NH7HI (100)
147.38+	Waimea East KH7T experimental
442.35+	Ka'anapali Maui (136.5)
442.5+	Kea'au KH6EJ
443.40+	Ocean View KH7MS (77.0)
443.40+	Kona KH7MS (100.0)
443.65+	Ocean View Hub
444.225+	Haleakala Maui KH6RS (110.9)

444.45+ Parker Ranch KH6EJ (88.5) 444.9+ Hilo WH6FM WIN system (100) 444.775+ Hilo WH6FM XO system (123)

January Meeting Program

The program for the January meeting (8 Jan) will be given by Janet Mills, NH7AK, on emergency preparedness.

General Class License Preparation Class

A General license upgrade exam preparation class will begin Wednesday, 12 January, and continue for six weeks at the LDS Meetinghouse at Orchidland Drive and Highway 130 between Kea'au and Pahoa. Each class will begin at 6:30 PM and run for about 2 hours. There is no charge for the class, but a \$5 donation is requested to cover the cost of printed material.

The testing session is scheduled for Saturday, 19 February, at 1:00 PM at the LDS Church at 1373 Kilauea Avenue in Hilo. For more information about classes or testing contact Milt Nodacker, AH6I, 965-6471.

LDS Church Preparedness Fair

The annual LDS Church Preparedness Fair will be Saturday, 19 February from 8:00 AM to noon at the LDS Church at 1373 Kilauea Avenue in Hilo. There will be a presentation about the role of amateur radio in emergency preparedness.



BIARC Vice President Milt AH6I

10-10 International Net

Now that 10 meters is open more often, please listen for one of the nets of 10-10 international. There are two daily nets (except Sunday) that begin at 1800Z, on 28.330 and 28.800. These nets are based on the mainland. There are also many local nets that meet on various frequencies at various times during the week. Check www.ten-ten.org for details. The local net meets Monday evening at 6:30 PM HST on 28.490 (changed from 28.487). There is a net based on Kaua'i that meets at noon on Saturdays on 28.730.

All are welcome to participate in the 10-10 QSO Parties. The winter phone event will be held February 5 and 6, 2011. Join the fun!

-Irene NH7PE, Aloha Chapter net control





BIARC Treasurer Lloyd KH6LC

Christmas Party



Officers and Directors for 2011 (thanks Barbara NH7FY)



Repeater coordinator Paul WH6FM



Passing of the gavel - 2011 (thanks Barbara NH7FY)



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