



# CARS Club Survey Results

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# Survey Results

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Only 39 responses – may show that this is really the group committed to the club and it's growth.

It was distributed to all paid members

We used a “free” survey site called AllCounted.com

We offered “prizes” at the holiday party in a raffle for everyone who participated in the survey.

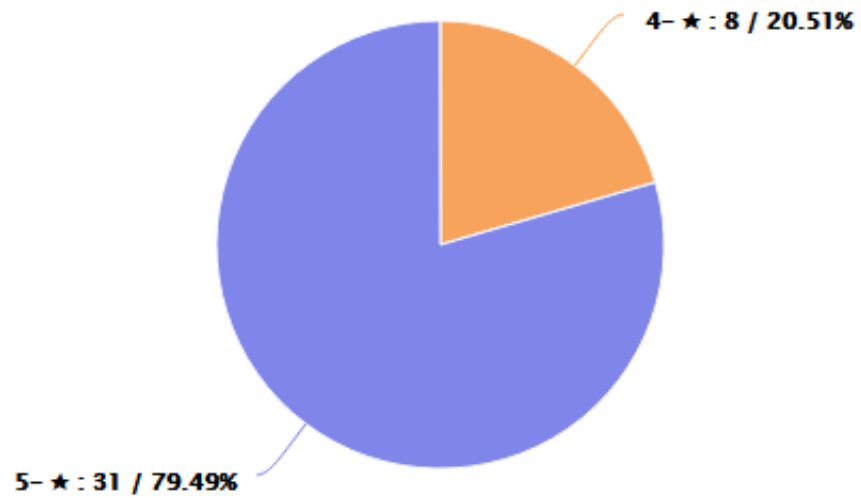


# Q1: Quality

Please rate the quality and applicability of our club meetings and presentations for what you are interested in learning about Amateur Radio . (5 Stars is Excellent)

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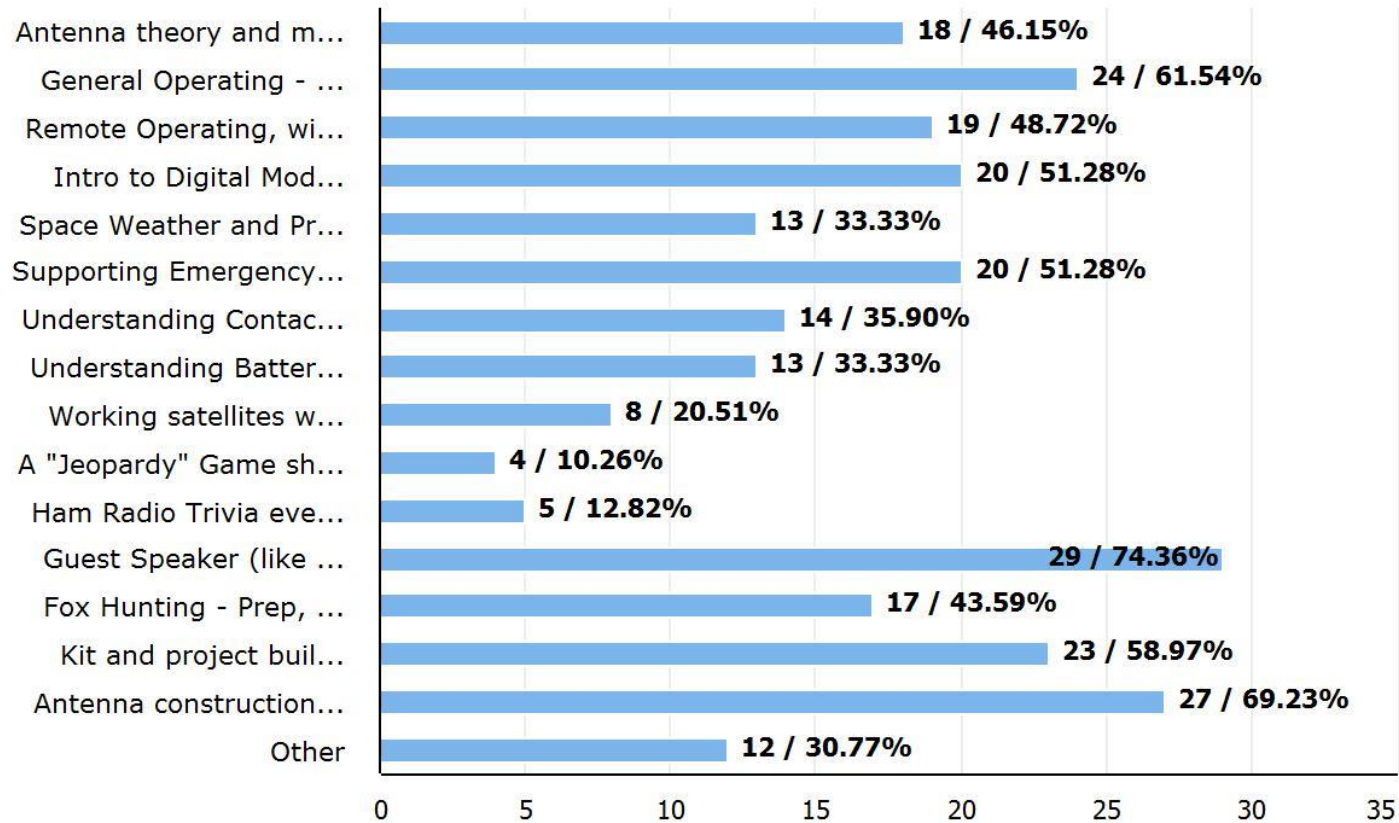
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# Q2: Activities

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Choice	Selections	% All Question Responses	% All Survey Responses
Antenna theory and modeling using software	18	46.15%	46.15%
General Operating - DX, Special Events, WAS, WAC	24	61.54%	61.54%
Remote Operating, with emphasis on POTA (Parks on the Air)	19	48.72%	48.72%
Intro to Digital Modes (FT4, FT8, JS-8CALL, D-RATS, etc)	20	51.28%	51.28%
Space Weather and Propagation	13	33.33%	33.33%
Supporting Emergency Services (ARES, Intro to AUXCOM, MARS)	20	51.28%	51.28%
Understanding Contact Logging Software	14	35.90%	35.90%
Understanding Batteries and battery technology	13	33.33%	33.33%
Working satellites with simple gear	8	20.51%	20.51%
A "Jeopardy" Game show all about Ham Radio - 3 contestants	4	10.26%	10.26%
Ham Radio Trivia event	5	12.82%	12.82%
Guest Speaker (like the Bob Heil event)	29	74.36%	74.36%
Fox Hunting - Prep, hunting, and practice [Event]	17	43.59%	43.59%
Kit and project building, soldering, fabricating [WORKSHOP]	23	58.97%	58.97%
Antenna construction and testing [WORKSHOP]	27	69.23%	69.23%
Other	12	30.77%	30.77%

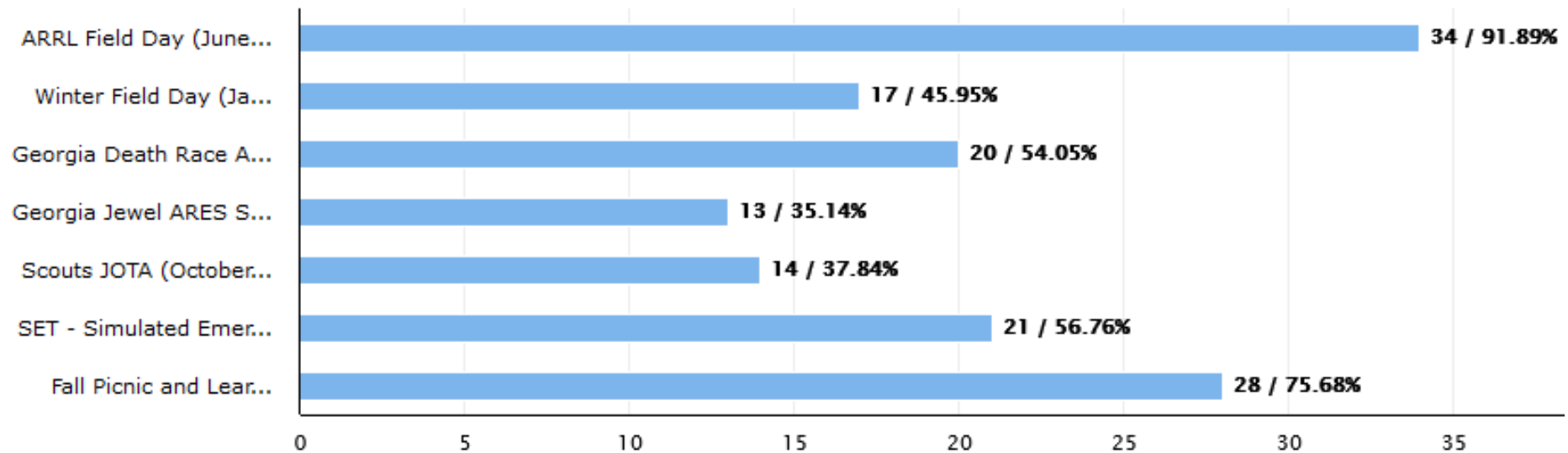
Other Item Mentioned	
1	Radio survey/reviews (preferred HT, Mobile, Base, UHF/VHF, HF); who can we talk to with experience with x radio?: HAM on a budget
2	Winlink Vara FM and HF
3	Z-Spot
4	Soldering
5	1. Transmitting&receiving sstv (over vhf, or otherwise), 2. Making antennas (other than efhw. maybe coils. traps.
6	use of signal generator and oscilloscope for testing
7	Possible prep classes for General exam
8	Amateur Radio Astronomy
9	Antenna theory; high output with low watts
10	Contesting

# Q3: Events

Indicate your interest in being involved in the following events:

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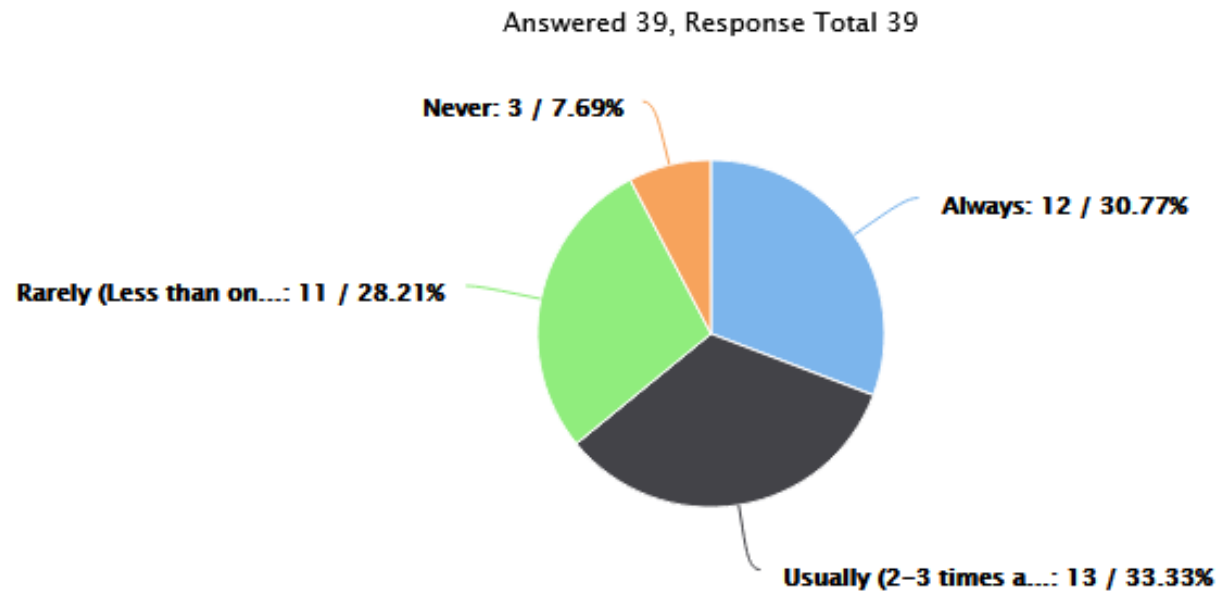
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# Q5: Repeater Participation

What is your participation in the weekly nets on the club repeater?



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# Q6: What do they like?

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## What do like or enjoy MOST about the club and club events?

Active members and activities

Technical presentations

I enjoy the fellowship with other hams learning about changes in ham radio.

Fellowship with fellow Hams and talking about what we are working on.

Comradery

Exposure to new areas of technical knowledge

The Presentations

Always something to learn; very down to earth; effective leadership and engaged membership

Outstanding Leadership focused on the members, education, and comradery

N/A - I have not been around as often as I'd like this year

Fellowship and monthly classes and activities

Topics at meetings, Field Day, Social Events like the Christmas Party

The speakers every month and hands on activity

I've learned so much in the year I've been a HAM. The club has been a huge help in what I've learned. I also enjoy the companionship of like-minded people.

Training Opportunities through programs

Workshops and monthly program

comrade-ship and the help that everone offers

The oppportunity for learning

The people.

fellowship and the chance to engage mentors

Great and welcoming people

the friendly atmosphere

The members

The meetings and events when I can attend are always great.

Fellowship and learning from all the long time hams

The great members and we do things

The participation and the people are really great! It is the highlight of the month

For me, fellowship

Learning from the experienced members & the Leadership team

Always learning something

The people and chance to learn.

Wealth of knowledge with members who don't mind taking the time to share and answer questions.

Educational portion.

The people

The comraderie and synergy of the club members





# Q7: What can we do better

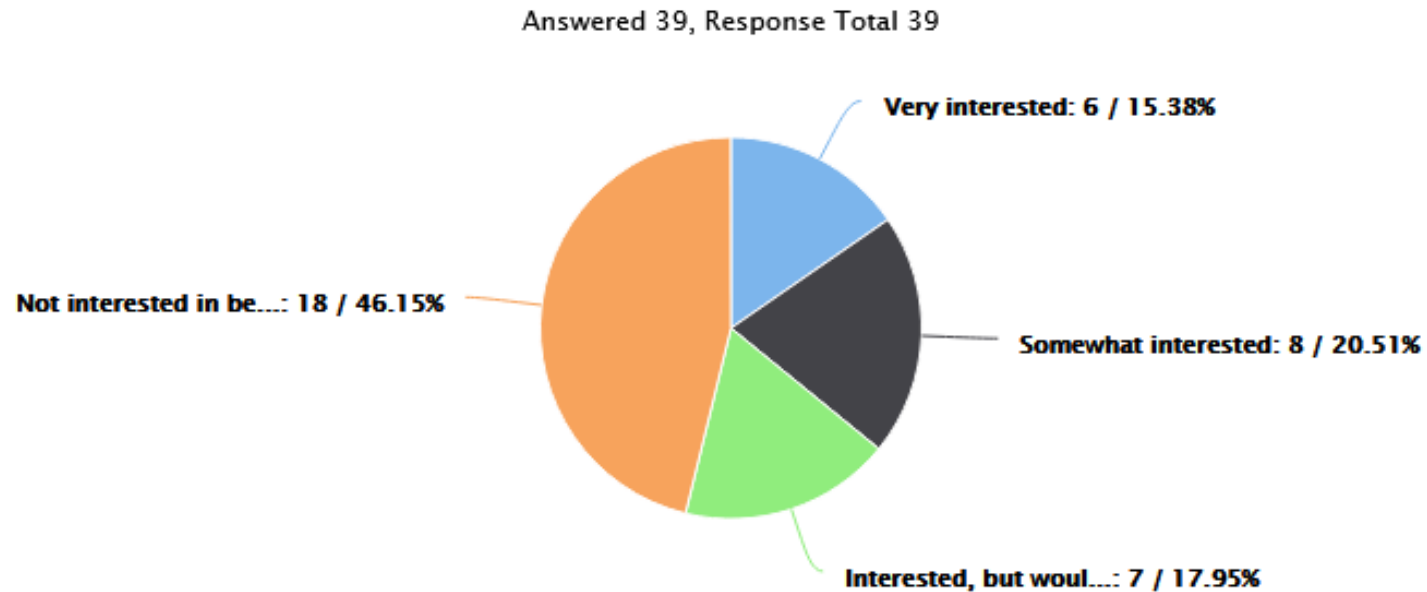
<b>What do you feel are things we can improve about the club and club meetings?</b>
More chances to just meet and talk with the other members
Round table discussions, give everyone the chance to talk and ask questions.
We have filled our room. Some people don't like crowding. Is that an issue?
We are getting large enough that we might need to consider a PA system.
I'd like to see some HF contacts made at the meeting or following the meeting.
Publish a Roster. Automate renewals via an email reminder with a credit card link.
Would love to see an organized and publicized Elmer system
N/A - I have not been around as often as I'd like this year
improve the screen and power point for better visibility and clarity
It seems to work very well
Does anyone contact our members that have stopped participating in our meeting and nets?
Not being locked out of our meeting while it's snowing
Just maintain the present quality we have obtained.
More practical applications
I think they're fine as is. The only thing I can suggest is every meeting we have a presentation for the first hour (as we do), with something hands on in a new additional hour afterwards (like we've done with soldering, efhw build, etc - just now make that part of the normal monthly itinerary). Wouldn't have to be or feel mandatory like part of the meeting, optional like the prior ones have felt. And they don't have to be planned and organized like those, can be something impromptu by a member or SIG (hey let me show you my morserino and let's play with it, let's build an oscillator kit, let's talk - and do - a cw pota contact). I know maker and pota SIGs can get say let's meet up any time, but might be more interesting if it's part of the club meeting.
occasional coffee and donuts / croissants / small pastries

Keep the meetings moving and don't let one person go on and on.,
get more participation of members at events
The club is doing great, hard to improve it, I wish I was closer to Woodstock, and and my weekends are often busy.
Nothing that I see
I think we need a portable sound system. It can be hard to hear sometimes.
shorter business meeting
Maybe we can do a few more club events like pota, fox hunt or grill outs.
I'm happy with the meeting format and topics so far
Not much. It's good.
Portions of the business meeting can be more concise giving extra program time.
Elmering
Labs
Maybe a periodic "Lab" session for members to bring their gear in for help.



# Q8: Willingness to present

Would you be willing to present on one of the topics mentioned in question 2?

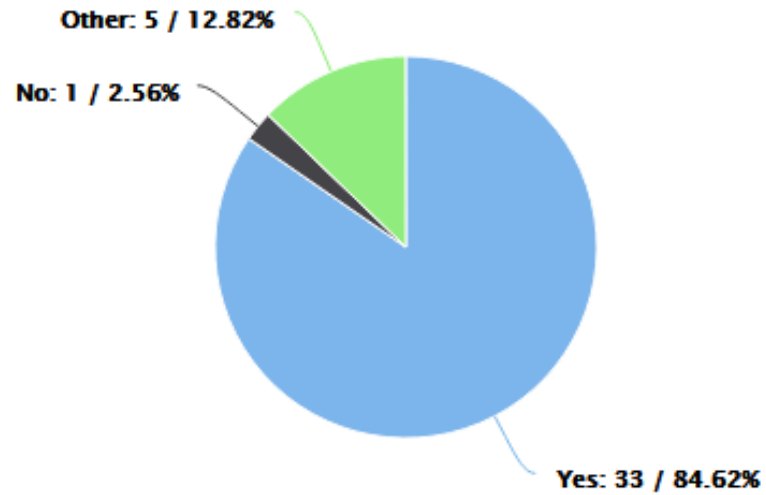


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# Q9: Participation

Are you willing to be a participant in making CARS the best amateur radio club in the Atlanta area?

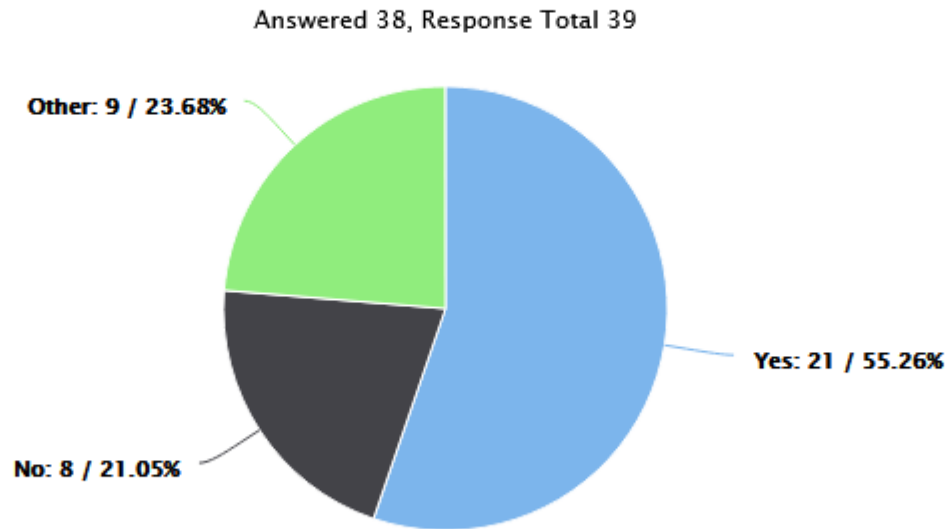
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# Q10: More Active Role in ATL area

Should CARS Club take a more active role in one or more of the local Ham Fests in 2023? This would involve volunteers to be involved in various activities of the Ham Fest as well as financial support.



## Answers to "Other"

Mixed on this - not sure if there would be a lot of return for the club
When I have more time available
Perhaps partner with neighboring clubs? KARC, NFARL, as examples.
Undecided
Not sure
Not sure.
I think we should discuss this, but yes, I'd be interested in helping.
I would like to see it and help
As long as we don't over extend ourselves.

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# Comments

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“You’re doing a great job - keep it up.”

“Great job so far, I am pleased to see the club grow and I am always amazed to see the number of very knowledgeable members we have. Need to get more of their knowledge to the club.”

“Great club. Good guys and good leadership.”

"Excellent year of programs and meetings. I have learned a lot and look forward to more technical stuff in 2023.”

“Great Club, great leadership, great people. Wish I had more time to commit.”

“Very grateful for 2022 leadership. Well done!”



# Comments -2

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“Continue the journey and rhythm. The format of the club meetings is extremely well-organized leaving time for education, socializing, and strengthening relationships. “

“I am very proud of our leadership team and their hard work that they put into each task they perform for the club. Thank you.”

“It is a very good club with excellent leadership. I'm thinking about being in the testing group.”

“It's hard for me to imagine a better club. So much is done so well.”

“Thank you for your time and passion. You all have worked hard in creating a great club. With your leadership it has expanded the club membership. I look forward to years of more growth and preserving the hobby of ham radio.”

“KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK.”



# Comments -3

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"I think this is the best leadership team yet. And I've seen 2 years of leadership teams, so I'm kind of an expert at it. I know we'll likely have a change next year but I wish this team would hang around another year."

"Club continues to move in a positive direction. When last active, there seemed to be only about 35 members. Now, many more people provide a lot more energy."

"Thanks for all that you do. I am new to amateur radio so its nice to have a local club. Perhaps once in a while, add to the agenda tips for new hams, or maybe a quick (15 - 30 minute) meeting after the meeting for new hams to ask questions and get operating tips in a smaller group."

# Comments -4

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“Great club, great people, and hope it continues to grow in 2023”

“Great job this year on what i felt was a fun and active year for the club.”

“I think the team is doing an excellent job. Very friendly! Wish there was more activity on the repeater besides net check-ins.”

“Truly appreciate the professionalism and superb organizational skills. “

“Perhaps a general and/or extra class for those looking to upgrade. Involvement with school stem (technician class?)”

“Great job. Thank you for your service. In my short time as a ham I’ve heard countless people complain about local clubs. Ours is one to be proud of and share. Keep up the good work.”

“Stay on this track!”





# Some Conclusions

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- Members seemed satisfied with 2022
- Antennas, digital modes, remote operating, project building gained the most points
- They want another guest speaker
- Hands-on activity was a theme
- ARES is important and cannot be left out
- Fall picnic was a hit! Second next to Field Day
- Winter Field Day interest is growing
- The club “atmosphere” is helping fuel the enthusiasm and participation
- Stay on track in 2023
- Finds ways to spread knowledge
- How can boost Thursday Net participation?
- The membership is undecided when it comes to working with other clubs on major events.
- Maybe try to increase participation in the presentations? Give people a chance to talk?

# What next?

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1. Distill the results into key objectives for the year as well as technical topics for each monthly meeting.
2. Begin to recruit speakers that can cover the topics we need. We can reach outside the club for some of these.
3. Come back to the membership with a Plan for 2023, much like we did last year.
4. Consider how Field Day can be used to meet some of the objectives. Make part of the planning.

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