



# **HamTides Newsletter**

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**The next regular meeting of Tidelands will be held May 13, 2010 at 7PM at 1109 Bayou in LaMarque, TX. Doors usually open at 6:30PM.**

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**Tidelands weekly nets are each Tuesday evening at 8PM all licensed amateurs are welcome to join in on the net.**

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**The club meets each Saturday morning in Texas City at the City Cafe for breakfast at 7AM. Everyone is welcome to come join us.**

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*This being the first issue of the newsletter it will be kind of a short version of what is to come. The newsletter will be sent via e-mail each month. If you have any amateur related stories or information size permitting we will include it in the newsletter. We will also add a classified or swap section for amateur related gear or other items you may want to sell. You will need to send in your story or sale items by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding the next issue to be included.*

*Please send your item information to, [aa5oq@tidelands.org](mailto:aa5oq@tidelands.org)*

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**The club has completed several of its planned outings for 2010. SPAR winter field day January 30, 1<sup>st</sup> Aero Squadron special event March 06, Texas City disaster special event April 10. We still have several outings left this year!**

For a list of events see the TARS web site at, [www.tidelands.org](http://www.tidelands.org)

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Photo from SPAR winter field day in Texas City

L-R. James AA5OQ, Aaron KE5OBN, John KC5LAA.

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Tidelands will be participating in the ARRL field day again this year. We will be a one alpha station. We will set up on June 26 after breakfast, in Highland Bayou Park in LaMarque. Thanks again to Jim Rex, K5YYC for securing the park again this year.

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Photo from field day 2008

L-R. Wink N5ECE, Bill WA5WVP, Matt K5MJJ.

Everyone seems to have a good time at field day. A little operating and some good food and fellowship. I hope everyone gets a chance to join us this year.

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### **“HamFest”**

The hamfest will be held on Saturday July 10 at the Doyle Convention Center at 2010 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North in Texas City, TX. From 8AM till 2PM.

Please tell everyone about the hamfest and refer them to the TARS web site at, [www.tidelands.org](http://www.tidelands.org) for complete information. We will have a new attraction this year, Bob Walworth, N5ET will be there to check QSL cards for ARRL awards, DXCC, WAS, WAC, etc... You can get the applications for these awards on the ARRL site. We hope everyone can make it to the hamfest this year. We will have more about the hamfest at the next club meeting.

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My VE team and I still have regular exam sessions every third Saturday at 501 South Noble Rd. in Texas City. Sessions start at 9AM, testing fee is \$15.00. See the TARS web site or contact me at, [aa5oq@tidelands.org](mailto:aa5oq@tidelands.org) for more information.

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*73, Until next issue.*

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