AREDN Documentation for Mikrotik devices and Yealink telephones

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Flash Mikrotik devices

Preparations

The small Mikrotik box or square Access Point (AP) will henceforth be referred to as "target devices". Green are the notes for the AP.

Deactivate Wifi on the PC and copy the «Installation_Directory» a known place on your PC. Since all the necessary files for the target devices are available, you don't have to download anything else. Unless you want to check the newest version of the files on http://downloads.arednmesh.org/firmware/html/stable.html .

Unpack the target device, including the power supply and two short network cables. PoE (Y cable) for the AP.

Supply power to the target device.

Two files are required for an initial installation, BIN and ELF. As said, they are already in your directory. Both target devices need the same .elf file.

The name of the hap router is: RB912UAG-5HPnD and the .bin file has a 16M-ac in the name.

The name of the AP is: RBSXTsq-5HPnD and the file has a 16M with no ac in the name.

Then download the Tiny PXE Server (http://erwan.labalec.fr/tinypxeserver/pxesrv.zip), unpack it and save it in a directory (also available in the our directory).

Rename the .elf file to rb.elf and save it in the «Files» folder of the PXE server (overwrite if necessary). In our directory, this is already done.

Change PC to a fix IP address

Type

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ncpa.cpl
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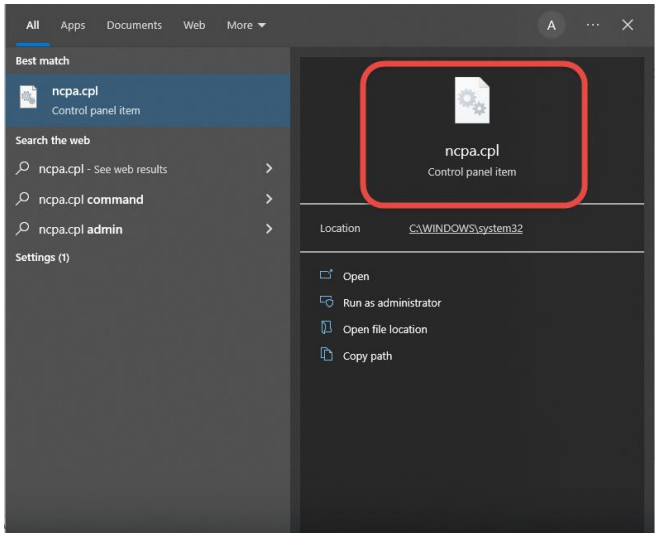
into Windows search



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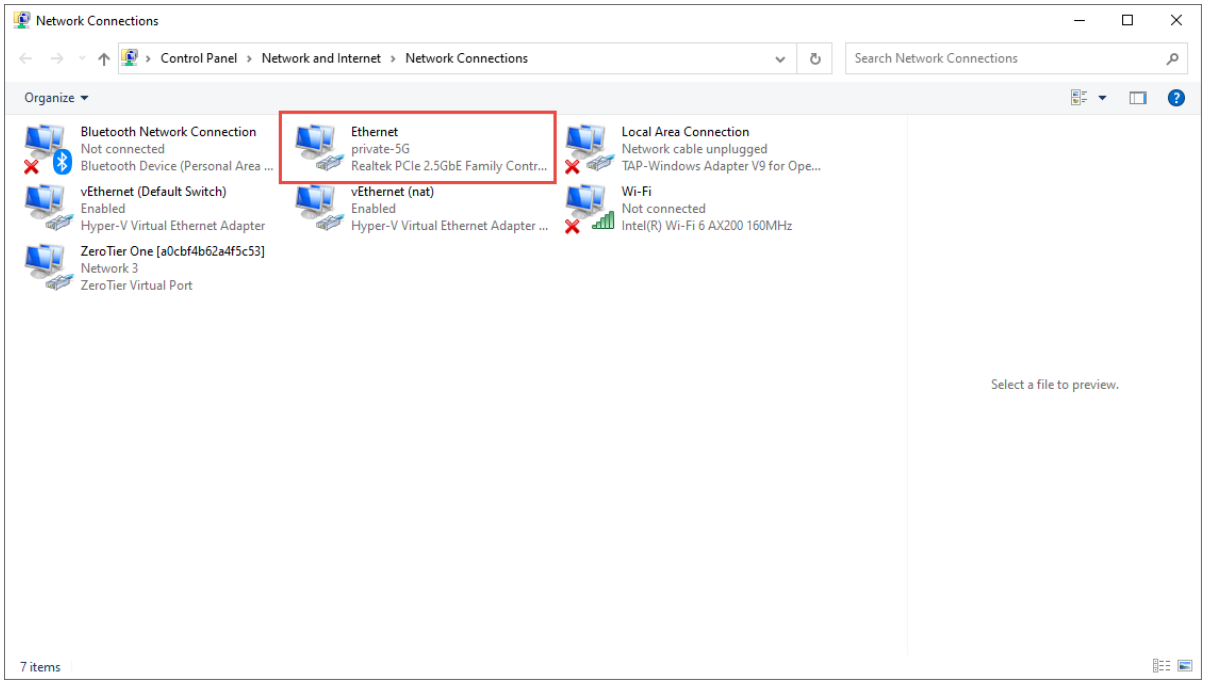

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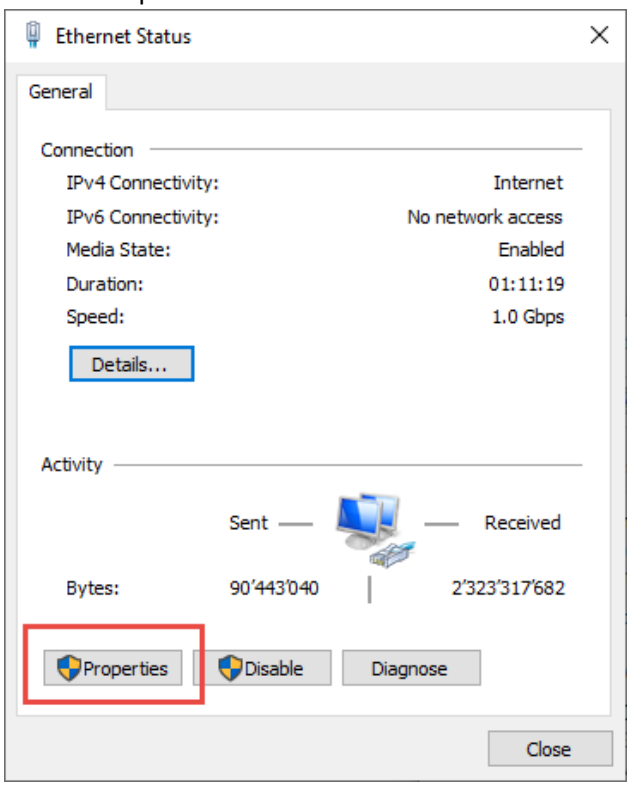

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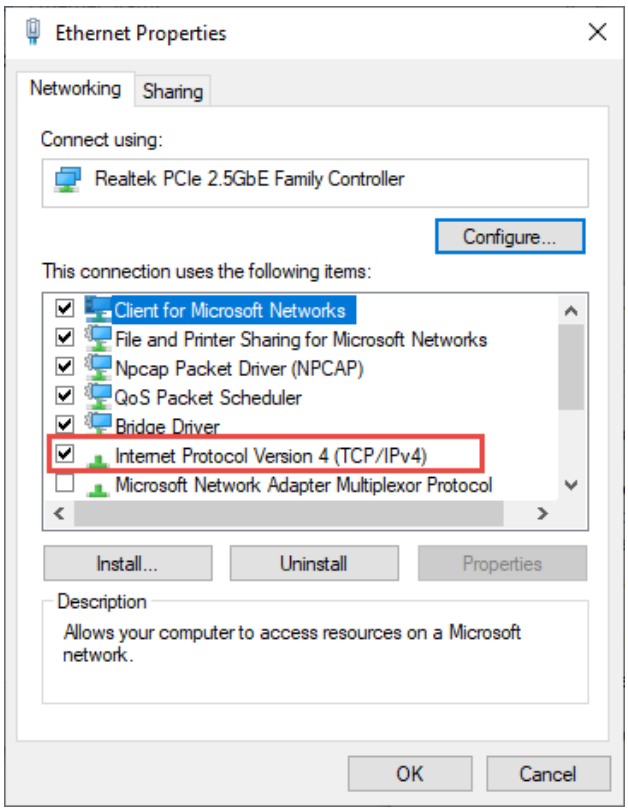
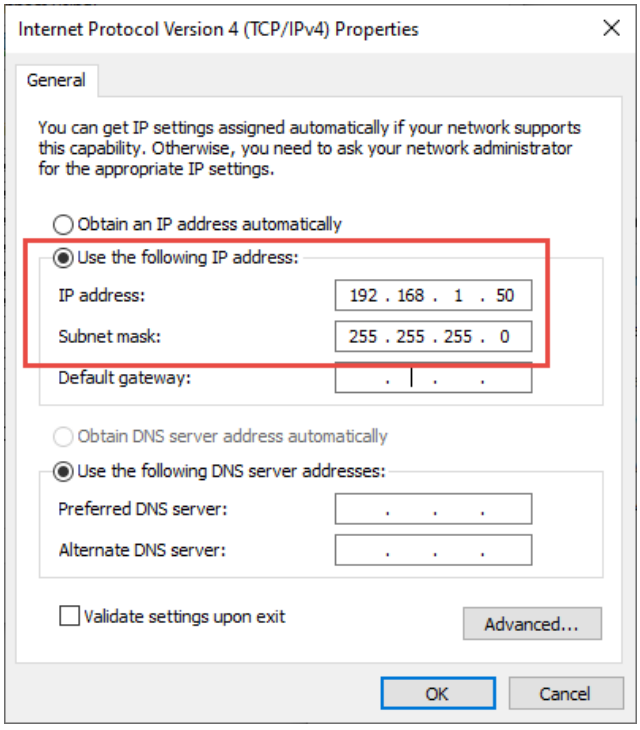


Input IP address 192.168.1.50:

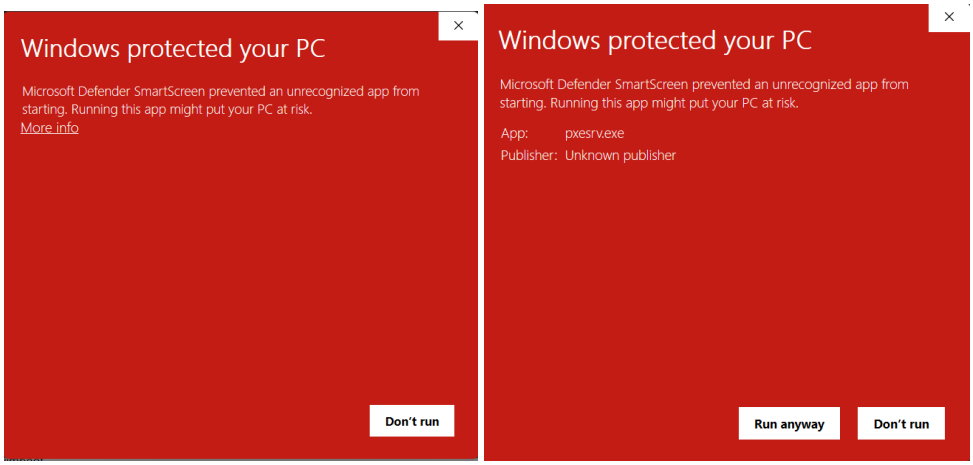


Flash elf file to target device

Connect port 1 of the hap router (labelled with Internet) to the PC, supply the router with power and wait until the top red LED is off and the green LED above with the number 1 flickers. Possibly Windows detects a new network. Then a larger blue window will appear on the right side of the screen mentioning the new network. Confirm with OK. The whole thing takes about 3 minutes.

Do the same with the AP. Use the PoE injector (Y-cable) for power supply. The power supply unit of the router also works here (both are 24V).

Start Tiny PXE Server (double click on the pxesrv.exe file in the «pxesrv» directory). You might get this warning:



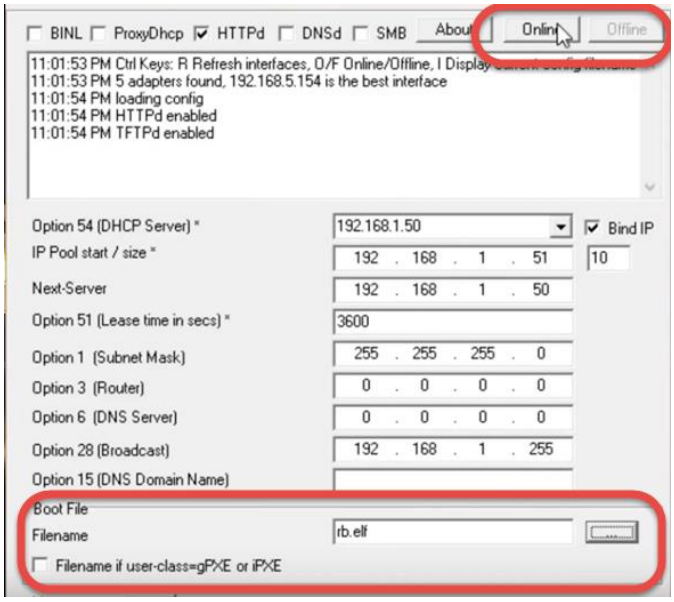
Press «More info» and let the program run.

Now de-energize the target device (pull the power cable).

In the Tiny PXE Server window, select the IP address entered on the Ethernet adapter from the drop-down box (192.168.1.50). If this IP address cannot be selected, close the Tiny PXE Server and start it again. If it still doesn't work, check the IP4 adapter settings and start again.

Find and select rb.elf in the «Boot File» section. This file can be found in the «…\pxesrv\files» folder.

Uncheck «Filename if user class...». No further settings are necessary.



Now switch the Tiny PXE Server to «Online» in the upper right corner.

Then press the reset button in the target device with a pointed object (e.g. paper clip or toothpick) and then plug in the power cable to the target device. Check the log window. Immediately after the bottom line says "Do ReadFile:rb.elf ……" release the reset button and switch the Tiny PXE Server

to "Offline". This procedure takes about 20 seconds. The target device now boots with the AREDN firmware. Don't keep the reset button pressed for too long or you'll have to start over!

Switch the Ethernet adapter on the PC back to «automatic IP address». Plug the Ethernet cable into port 2 on your router. After about 2 minutes the process should be finished.

With the AP, the Ethernet cable remains in the only socket. The rest is the same

Optional: Check with ipconfig whether our PC has received «local.mesh».

Flash AREDN Firmware

Now open browser and enter 192.168.1.1. The picture should look something like this.

If not, back to start

Now let's install the actual firmware on the target device.

Click on setup and enter username/password:

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User: root
Passwort: hsmm
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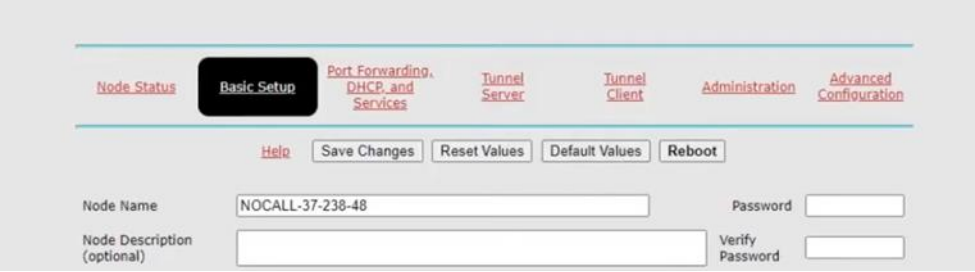
The following view appears:



Click on «Administration»

Now uncheck «Keep current setup» (or similar) and select the firmware.

Names of the files as discussed above (file names similar to «aredn-3.22.12.0-ar71xx-mikrotik-rb-nor-flash-16M-ac-squashfs-sysupgrade.bin»):

The router's filename contains a 16M-ac .

The filename of the AP contains a 16M with no ac.

Click «Upload». The actual firmware is now loaded into the target device. The target device boots several times and it takes about 10 minutes.

Once the software has been installed, Windows can again bring up a blue window on the right-hand side.

Configure AREDN

Open the browser and enter the following line http://localnode.local.mesh:8080 (or 192.168.1.1)

If there is no answer, the process is not yet complete. Try again and again. If you still can't connect after 15 minutes, go back and start again.

The necessary settings can be made in this mask under «Basic Setup».

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User: root
Passwort: hsmm
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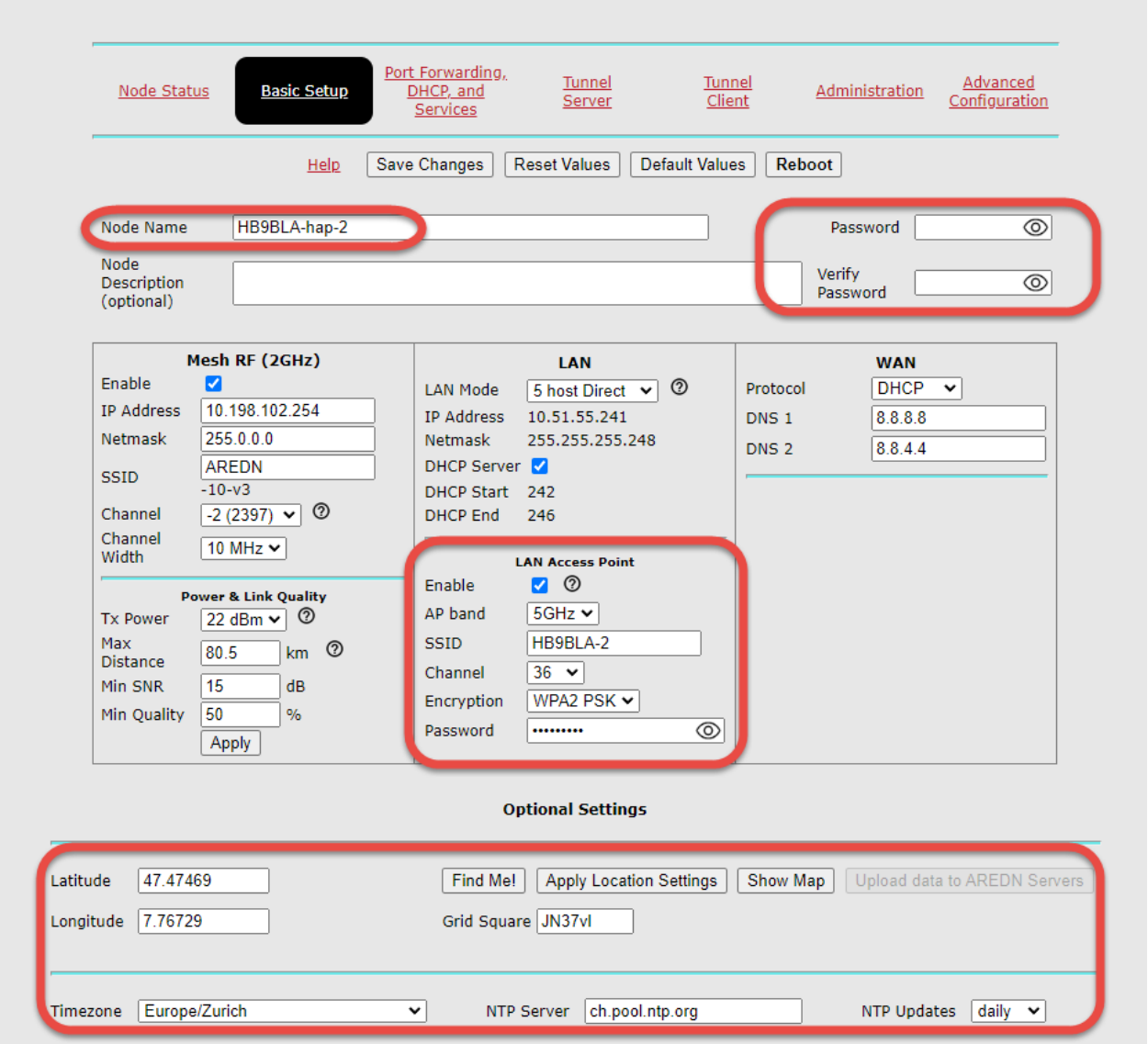


- A new password must be set before the first save, otherwise the changes will not be saved
- For node name please enter your call sign and an additional designation

Only on the hap router:

- Also enter your call sign for SSID and set a password. Remember this SSID name and the password, you will need it later to connect the WLAN. Tick «LAN Access Point»
- Fill in «Optional Settings»

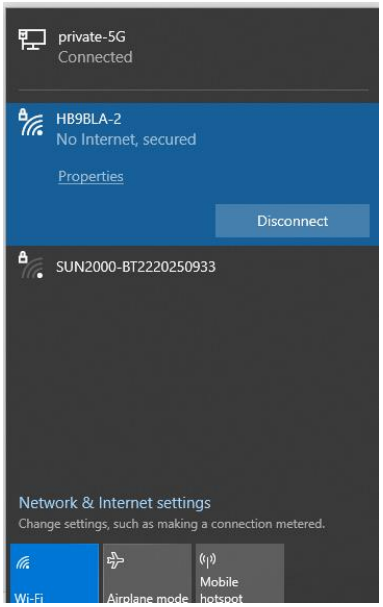
Then reboot the target device.

Set up a tunnel to the AREDN network (only necessary if you connect via Internet tunnel)

This chapter only applies to the hap router.

Connect port 1 (Internet) to the Internet.

From now on you can access the router via Wi-Fi from your PC by looking for the right WLAN and connecting your PC to the router:



You should get the tunnel data from your tunnel server responsible:

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Server: his server address
PwD: The password he assigned to your tunnel
Network: The address of your tunnel
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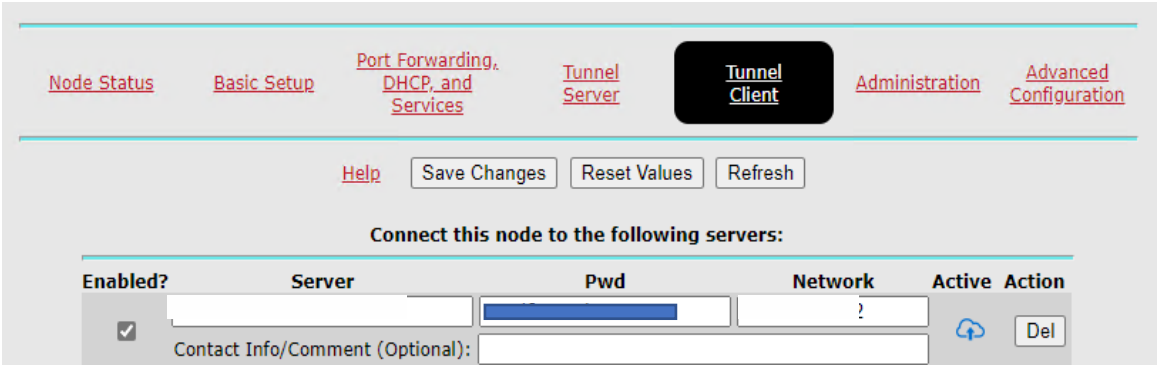
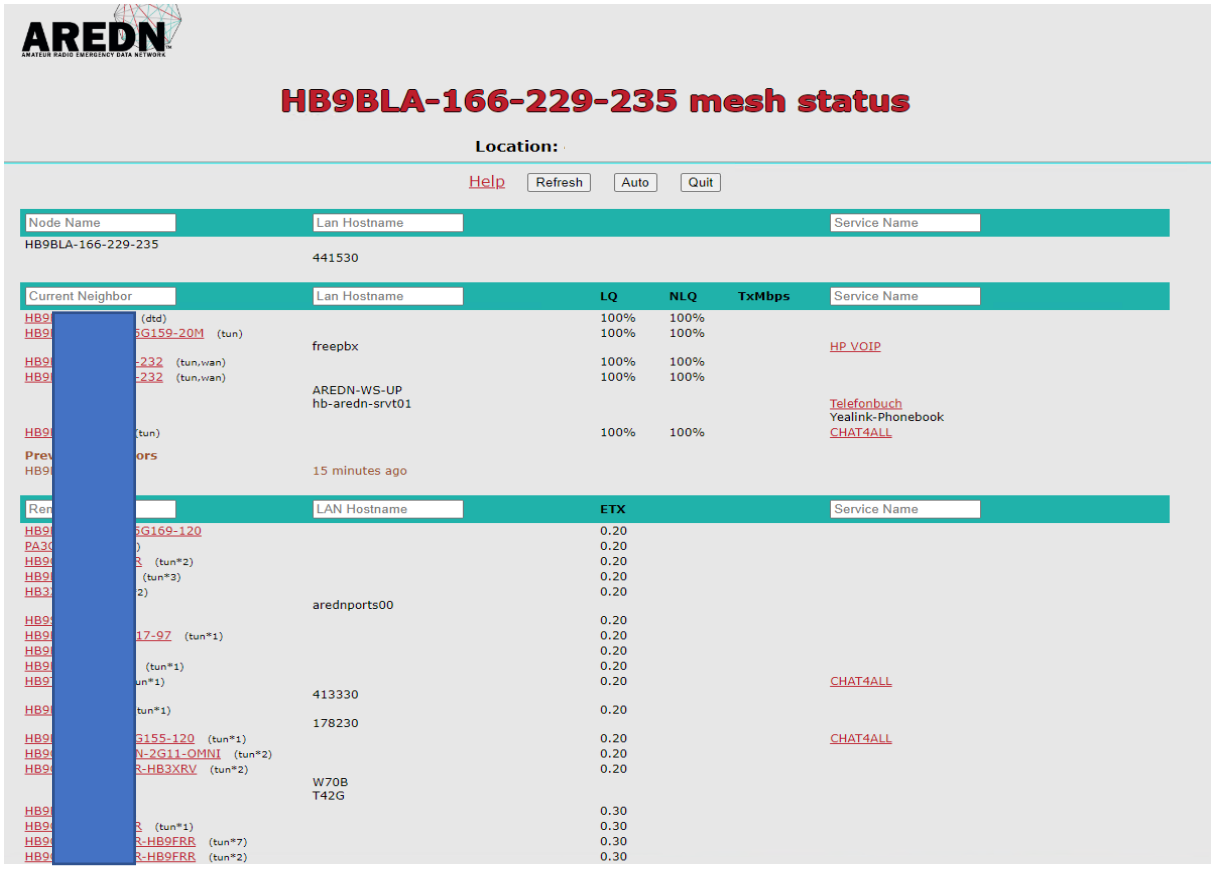


Tick «enable» and press «Save changes»

Your tunnel should be active after a short time (blue cloud with arrow).

You are now connected to the AREDN network. Go to «Node-Status» / «Mesh Status» and enjoy the success.



HB9BLA-166-229-235 mesh status

Location:

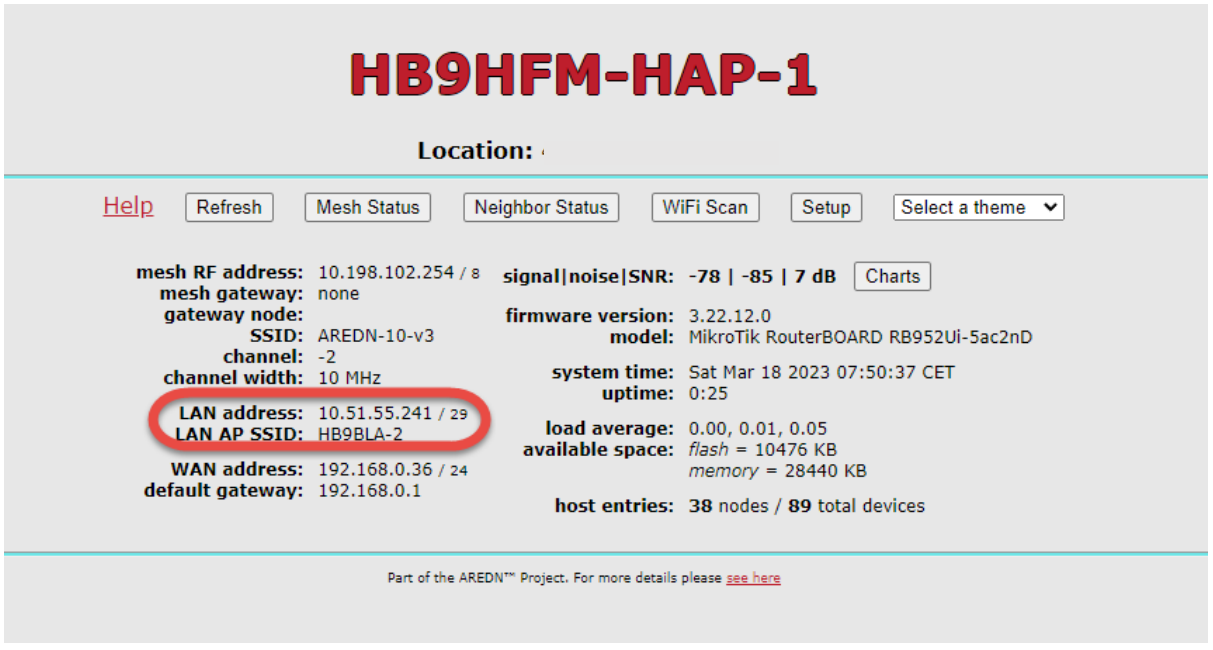
Help | Refresh | Auto | Quit

Node Name	Lan Hostname				Service Name
HB9BLA-166-229-235	441530				

Current Neighbor	Lan Hostname	LQ	NLQ	TxMbps	Service Name
HB9 (dtd)		100%	100%		
HB9 G159-20M (tun)		100%	100%		
	freepbx				HP VOIP
HB9 -232 (tun,wan)		100%	100%		
HB9 -232 (tun,wan)		100%	100%		
	AREDN-WS-UP				
	hb-aredn-srvt01				Telefonbuch
					Yealink-Phonebook
HB9 (tun)		100%	100%		CHAT4ALL
Prev ors					
HB9	15 minutes ago				

Rer	LAN Hostname	ETX	Service Name
HB9 G169-120		0.20	
PA3)		0.20	
HB9 R (tun*2)		0.20	
HB9 (tun*3)		0.20	
HB3 2)		0.20	
	arednports00		
HB9		0.20	
HB9 17-97 (tun*1)		0.20	
HB9		0.20	
HB9 (tun*1)		0.20	
HB9 un*1)		0.20	CHAT4ALL
	413330		
HB9 tun*1)		0.20	
	178230		
HB9 G155-120 (tun*1)		0.20	CHAT4ALL
HB9 N-2G11-OMNI (tun*2)		0.20	
HB9 R-HB3XRV (tun*2)		0.20	
	W70B		
	T42G		
HB9		0.30	
HB9 R (tun*1)		0.30	
HB9 R-HB9FRR (tun*7)		0.30	
HB9 R-HB9FRR (tun*2)		0.30	

Note the LAN address:



HB9HFM-HAP-1

Location:

Help | Refresh | Mesh Status | Neighbor Status | WiFi Scan | Setup | Select a theme

mesh RF address: 10.198.102.254 / 8
mesh gateway: none
gateway node:
SSID: AREDN-10-v3
channel: -2
channel width: 10 MHz
LAN address: 10.51.55.241 / 29
LAN AP SSID: HB9BLA-2
WAN address: 192.168.0.36 / 24
default gateway: 192.168.0.1

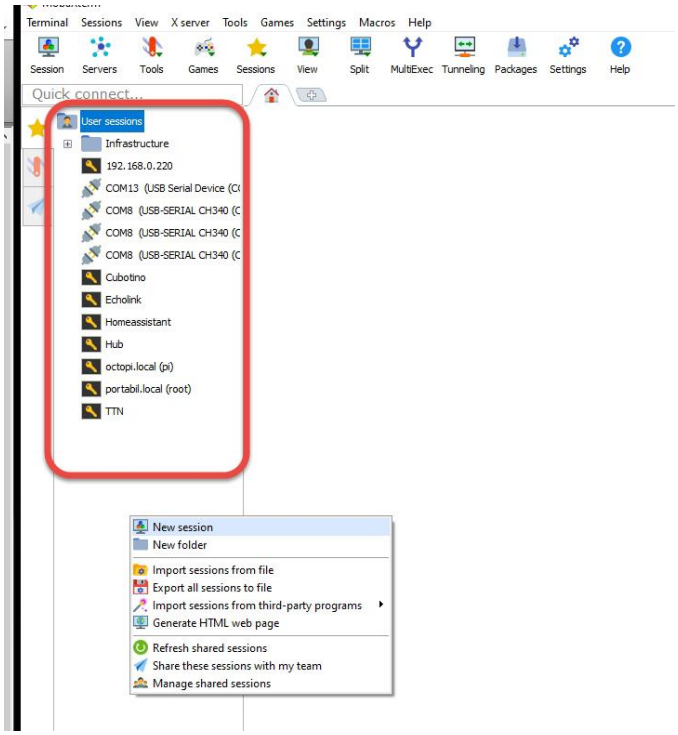
signal|noise|SNR: -78 | -85 | 7 dB Charts
firmware version: 3.22.12.0
model: MikroTik RouterBOARD RB952Ui-5ac2nD
system time: Sat Mar 18 2023 07:50:37 CET
uptime: 0:25
load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.05
available space: *flash* = 10476 KB
memory = 28440 KB
host entries: **38** nodes / **89** total devices

Part of the AREDN™ Project. For more details please see here

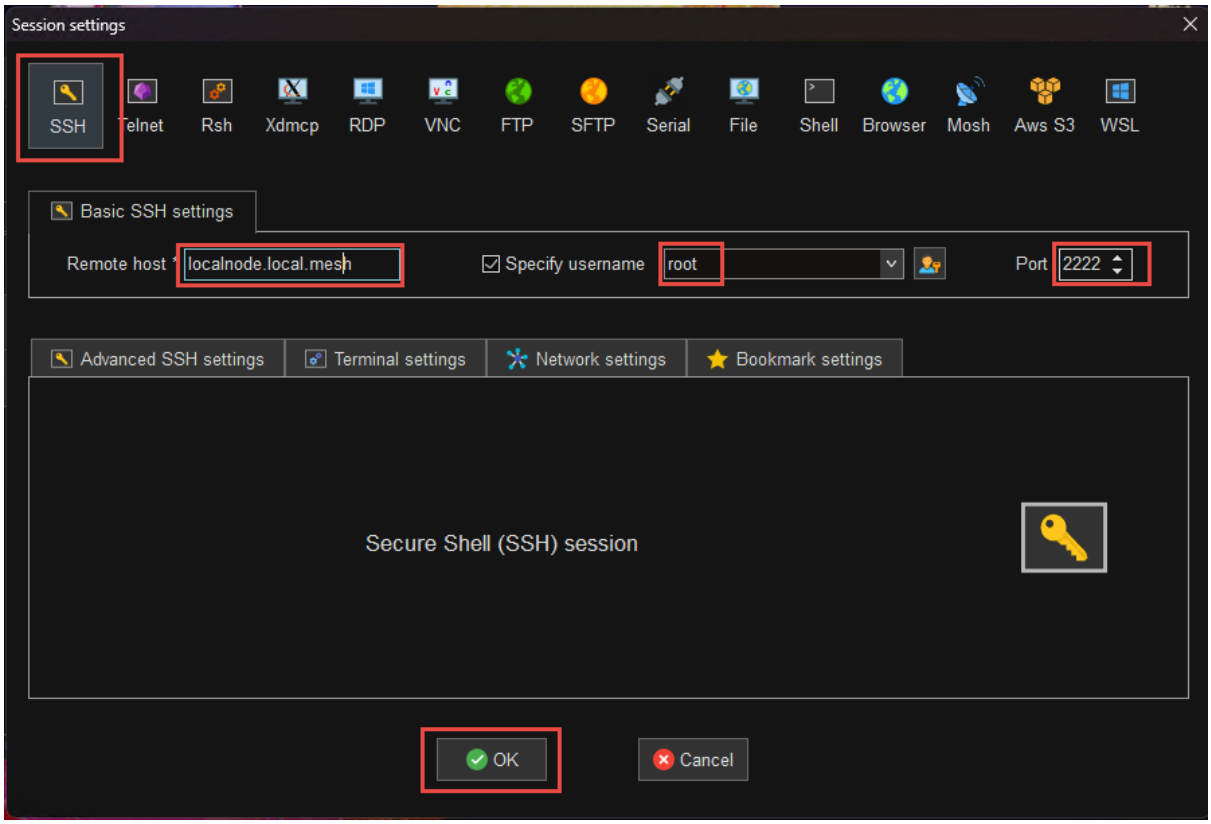
Setting up the phone book

Start MobaXterm (it is already in the folder).

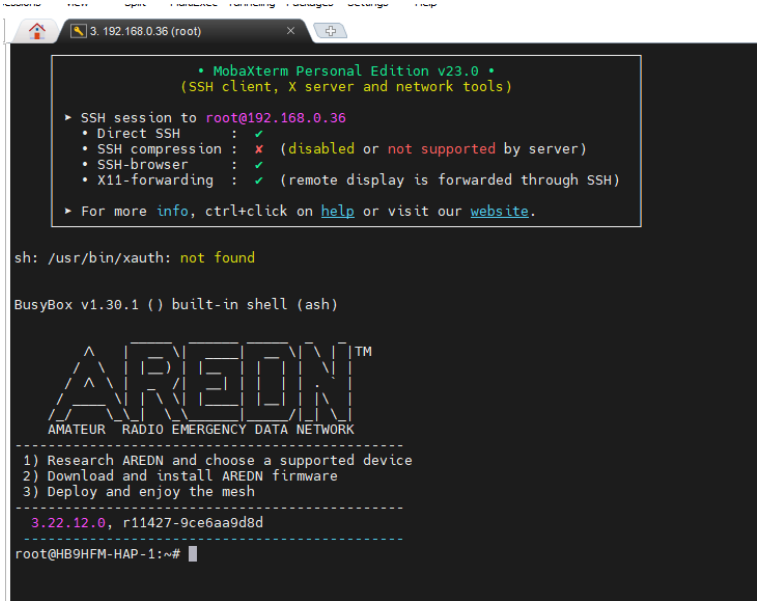
Press the right mouse button in the red framed area and press «New Session»



Fill in your router's address (localnode.local.mesh) and all other fields circled in red (port is 2222).
Press OK



After entering the password, you will see this screen:



Now enter this line (here with ctrl-C and in the MobaXterm window with ctrl-V):

```
curl -s -L http://hb-aredn-srvt01.local.mesh/phonebook/installpb.sh | sh
```

Press «Enter»

This command installs everything necessary.

Afterwards:

```
reboot
```

and wait a few minutes. Press R key until the prompt comes back.

Next command:

```
crontab -e
```

Check if this line exists (and delete duplicates)

```
*/30 * * * * curl --output /srv/tftp/phonebook.xml -O http://hb-aredn-srvt01.loc
*/60 * * * * curl -s -L http://hb-aredn-srvt01.local.mesh/phonebook/installpb.sh
```

Exit with ctrl-C

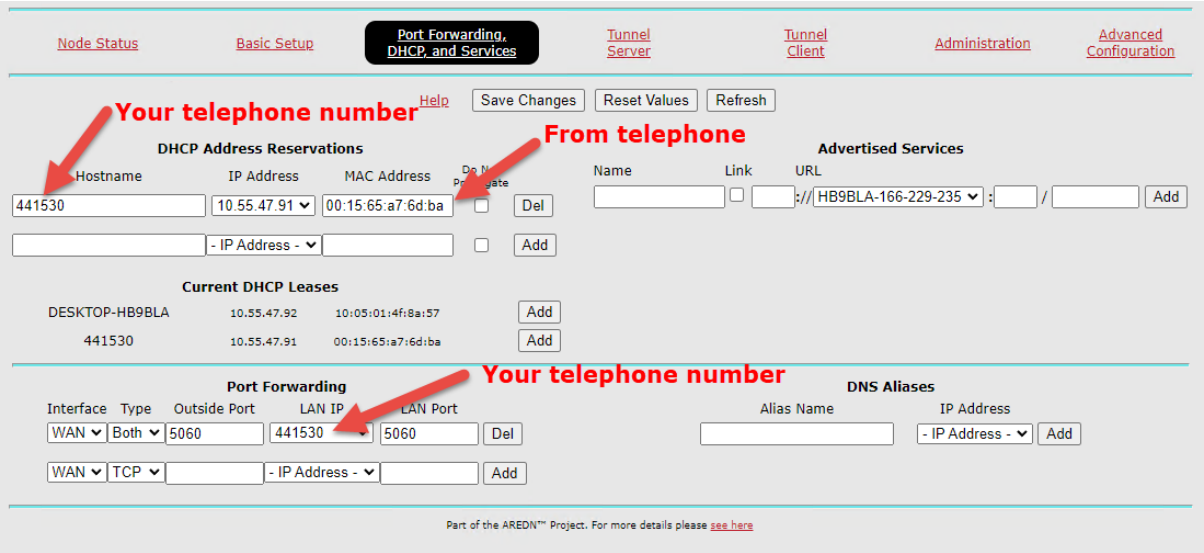
Your phone book stored on your target device will now update every 30 minutes. It's stored on your router if you lose connection to the main server.

You have to do this work for all devices you intend to connect a telephone to. Otherwise, your telephone will not get its phone book and you cannot dial direct.

Connect the phone to the router

Now connect your phone to the router and wait until it has received an IP address. Make a note of its MAC address («Menu» button on the phone and then «Info button»)

Go back to the router setup and go to port forwarding. Fill in everything as shown below:



Save changes.

The setup of the target device is now finished.

Yealink Telefon

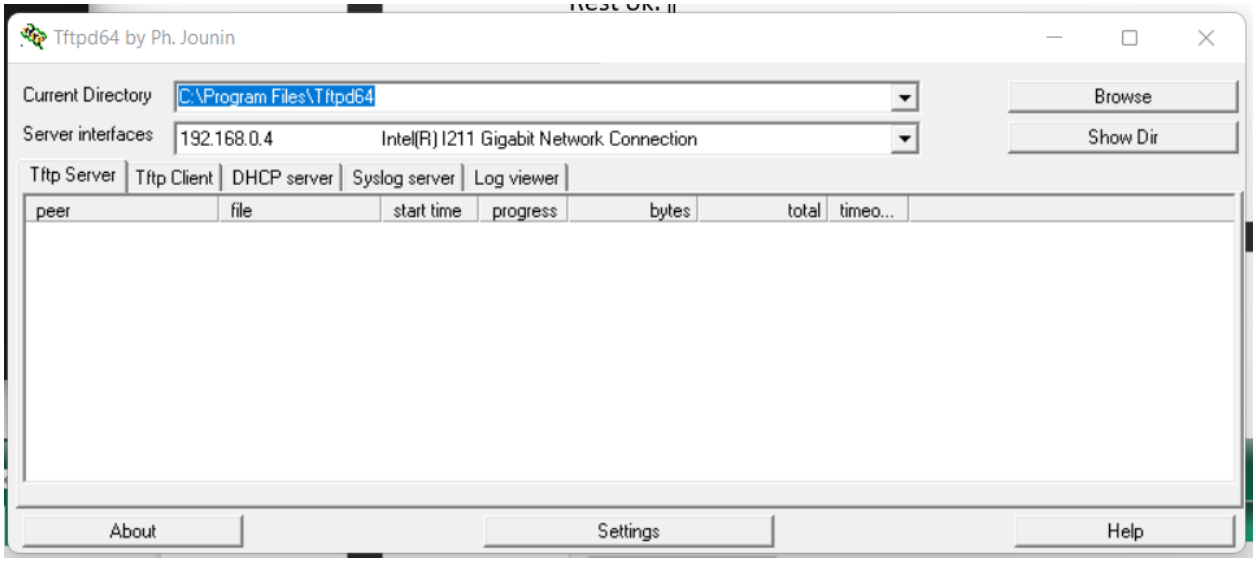
Flash

Continue to «Configure phone» if you already can access your phone's setup with admin/admin.

Download corresponding files from: http://yealink.provu.co.uk/fw/recovery/ or from the Yealink support site (https://support.yealink.com/en/portal/docList?archiveType=software&productCode=9f64db103d0b41be for the T46, for example)

Install and start TFTPd64. Chose the ethernet adapter of your PC and connect your telephone to the home network.

Chose directory with the downloaded files.



Power the Yealink with the speaker button pressed, wait till you can enter an IP address, and fill in the IP address of the tftp server (IP of PC above). Make sure you use a free IP address in the same subnet for the telephone (e.g. 192.168.0.230)

The telephone loads the files and updates.

Then do a factory reset by holding down the OK button for 10 seconds

Now you can continue with the standard setup in the next chapter

Configure phone

Enter the IP address of the telephone in the browser (to be found on the telephone under Menu→Status).

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Username: admin
Password: admin
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Set a new password if you want.

We now go through the individual menu items.

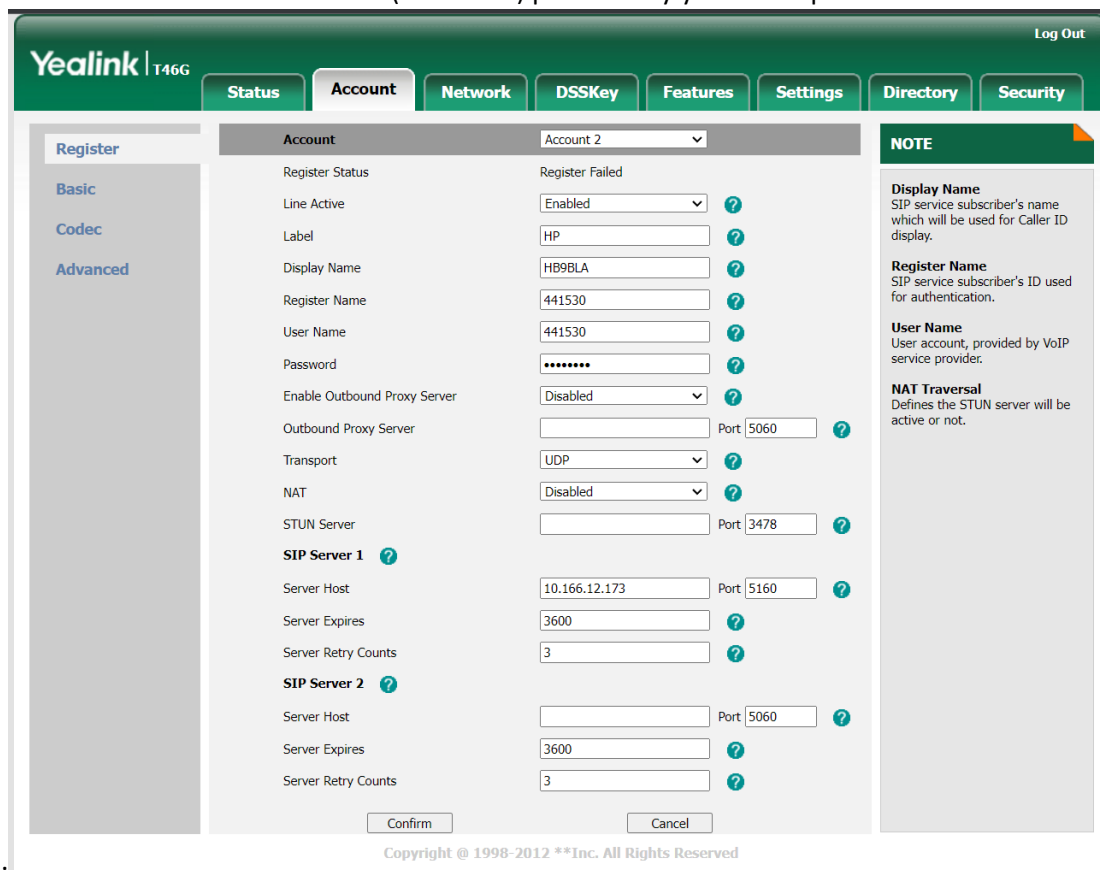
Accounts

The accounts are used to work with a PBX. The provider of the PBX has to enable your telephone number and provide you with the address and credentials.

If you only want to work with direct addressing, you do not need a PBX and also do not need to configure the account(s) and disable all.

Account 1:

Enter credentials and IP address (SIP server) provided by your PBX operator



HP Account

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Line Activity: Enabled
Label: Name of PBX (you are free to choose)
Display Name: Your callsign
Register name: Your telephone number
User Name: Given by the PBX Operator
Password: Given by the PBX operator
SIP server 1
Server Host: Given by the PBX Operator
port 5060 (default)
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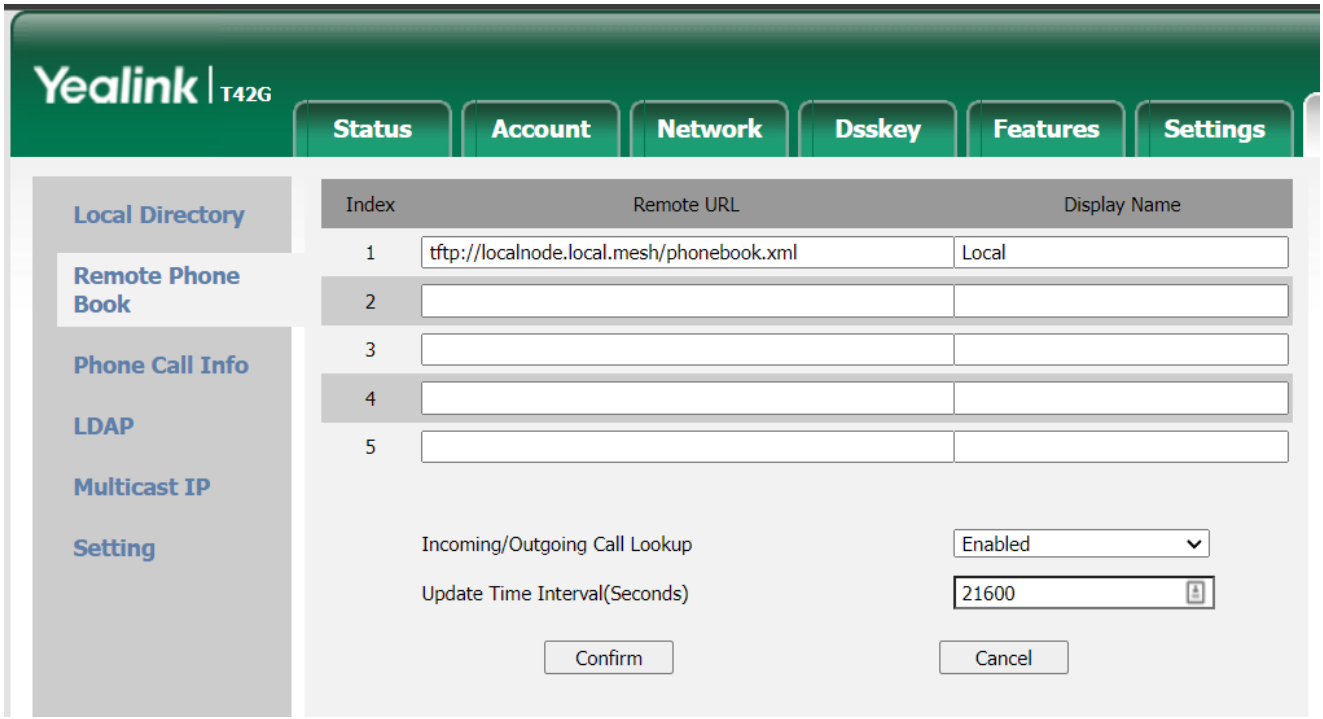
Rest ok. Press “confirm”

Directory

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tftp://localnode.local.mesh/phonebook.xml
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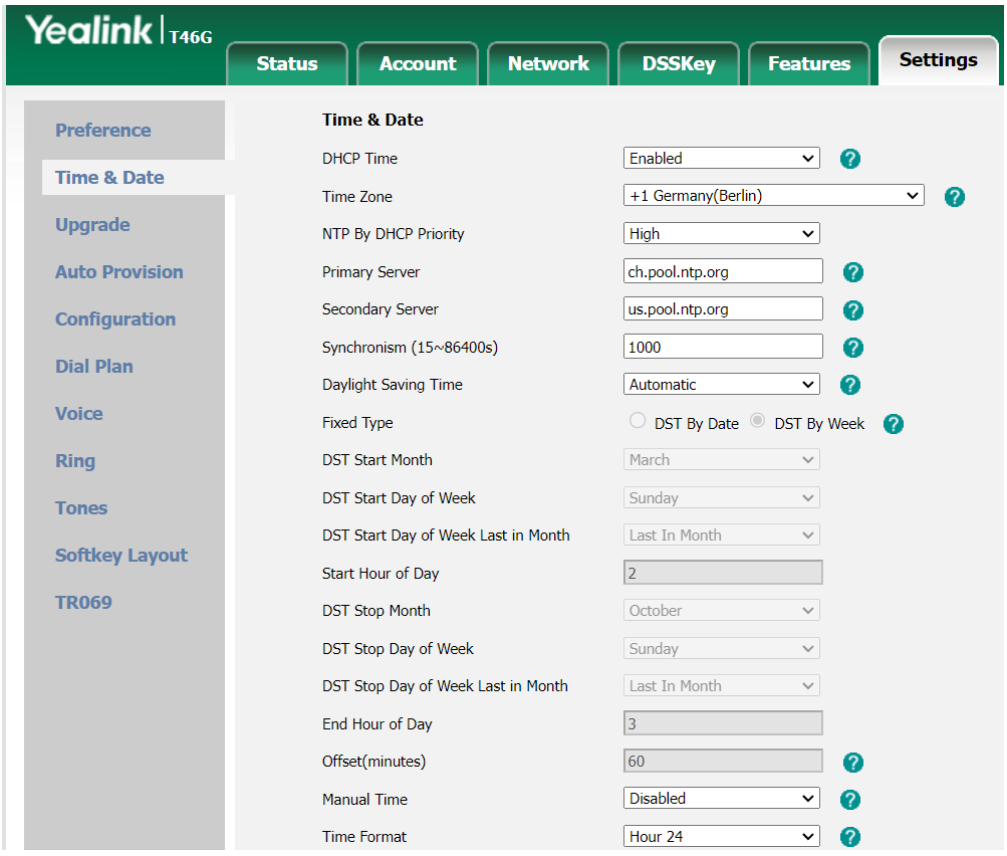
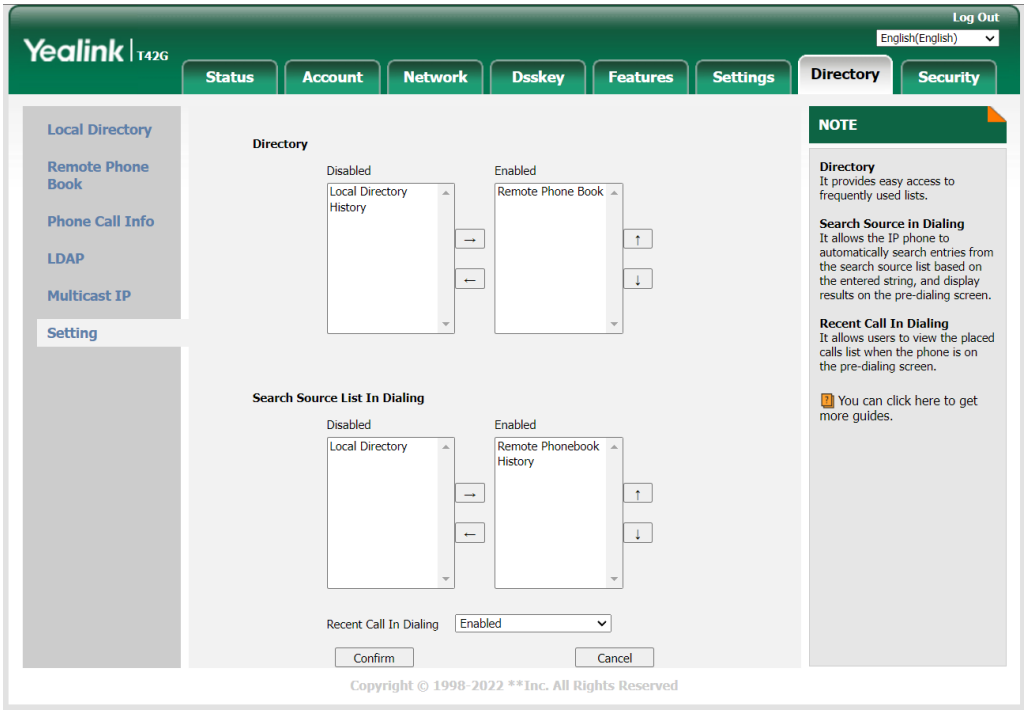
You can name your phone book as you wish.

Settings



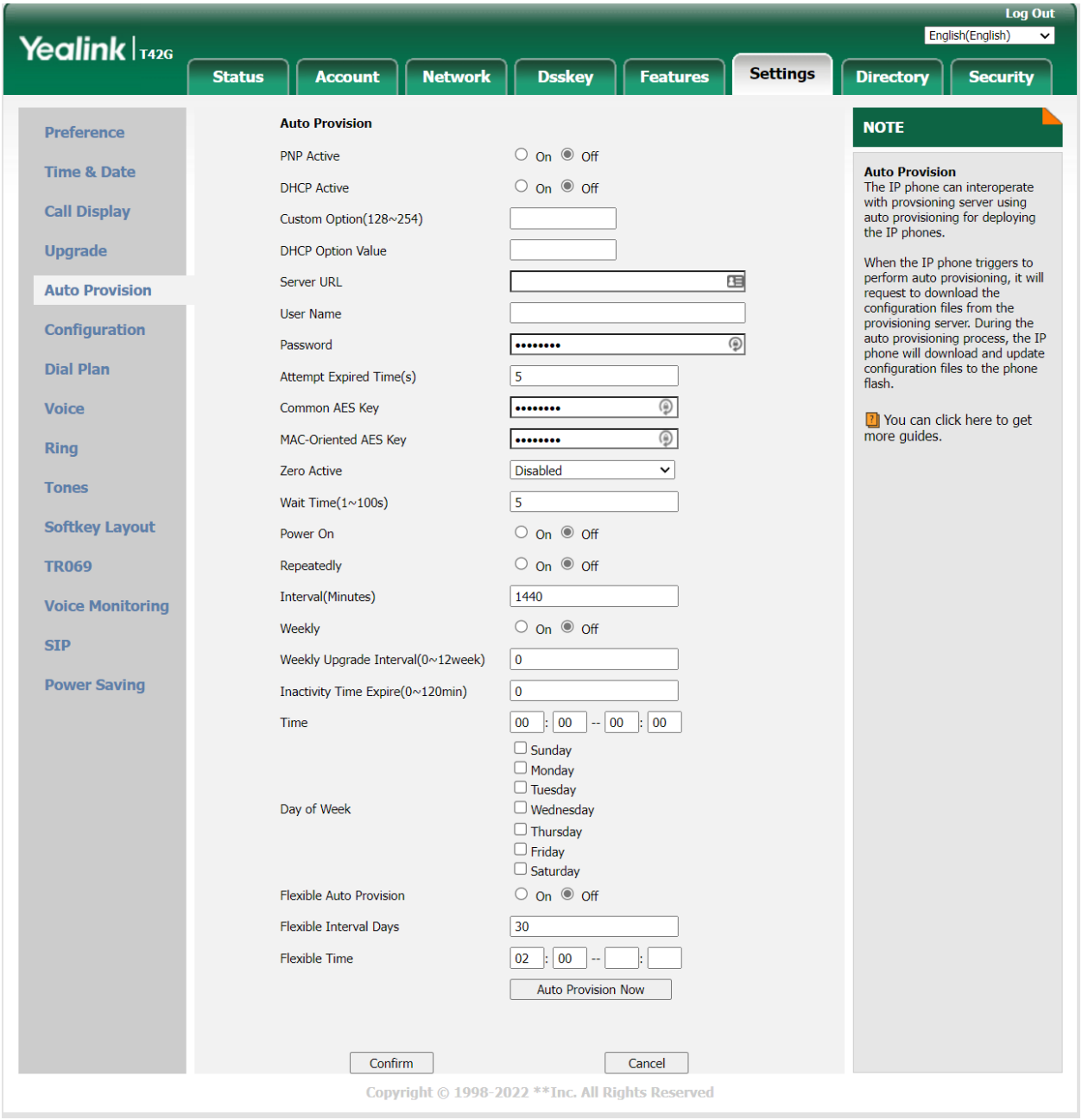
Chose the appropriate NTP server and time zone for your country

Directory



Integrate your remote phonebook. Otherwise it is not shown in the display

Autoprovisioning

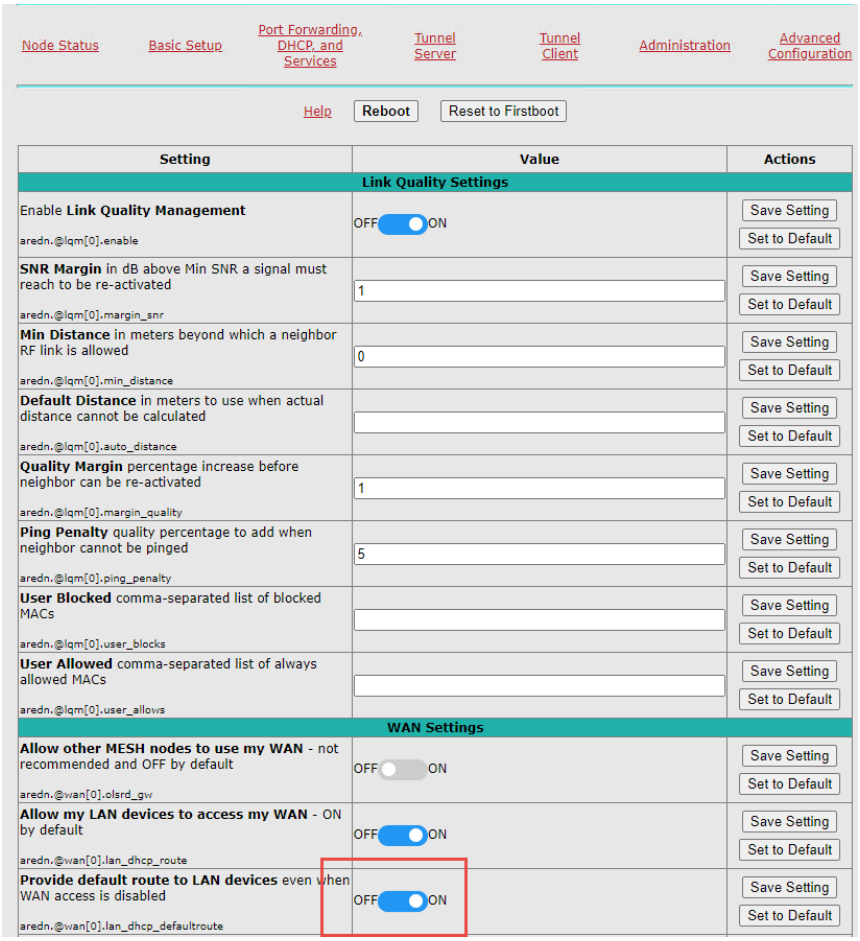


Set everything to “off”.

Now your phone is configured and you can make your first call.

Configure Access point for telephone usage

If you want to connect your telephone directly to an access point (without a hap router) you need to set “Provide default route to LAN devices” to on



Otherwise it will not work. This is not needed for the hap routers.