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The President's Corner: David KR4OE

Field Day has come and gone and I sure hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. We sure had another good one and the weather cooperated and it did not rain on our parade. A big thank you to **Paul K4PGM** and all the others who played leadership roles in pulling off another successful *CFARS Field Day*. We always seem to learn something new every Field Day and this one was no exception. This is why CFARS puts on such a great Field Day year after year as we capitalize on the positives and learn from the negatives. **George KM4ODS** is busy putting together our packet to be submitted to the ARRL and he will have a summary at the next meeting and **Jim KI4YRH** will have the Field Day photos for our enjoyment as well.

Now that Field Day is over we turn our attention to the next big CFARS event and that comes in August. *The 20th Annual Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society Swapfest* will be August 11 from 8:00am until noon at the Cumberland County Shrine Club. It is hard to believe twenty years have gone by since the first one. For those of you who do not know the reason why a couple of us got together and hatched this idea of a CFARS Swapfest I will clue you in. As you know the Shelby Hamfest is held every year on Labor Day weekend. Well CFARS always has a couple of spaces rented in the flea market area of the hamfest in Shelby and what would happen is that on Saturday morning we would place our items we had for sale on our tables. After putting our items on the table we would buy from each other and take the items right back to Fayetteville. So our thinking was why not have a hamfest here where we could sell our items to each other here or to anyone else and then take the proceeds to Shelby and buy more stuff. You can never have enough ham stuff. The Swapfest was originally held at Methodist University but over the years we lost that location due to scheduling conflicts with the university so about five years ago we moved to the Cumberland County Shrine Club. We are fortunate to have the building manager of the Shrine Club as one of our members who came to the rescue when we lost our location. A big thanks to **Bill KJ4OFD**. If you need tables for the Swapfest let me know and I will get you on the list.

I hope you all will come out and support your local hamfest.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting and at the Swapfest next month.

73 de David KR4OE ... _._

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Club Repeaters

(PL 100 Hz)

K4MN
 2 m 146.910/146.310
 70 cm 444.400/449.400

K4MN
 6 m 53.810/52.810

WA4FLR
 2 m 147.330/147.930

Club Membership

Dues

CFARS club membership dues are due and payable in January each year. CFARS does offer you the option to pay your dues no later than March. Yearly dues are \$15.00. CFARS offers a lifetime membership option for \$150.00. If your dues are not paid by March you will not be a voting member of the club. The right to vote on issues for the club comes with club membership.



CFARS Club Patches are available for purchase. Contact **Chuck KJ4RV** for your patch today!

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June 2018 Club Meeting Minutes

On June 18th the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society meeting was held in the Auditorium of the Science Building at Methodist University, Fayetteville, North Carolina at 7:30pm. President **David KR4OE** opened the meeting and welcomed all for coming. **David KR4OE** led the *Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag*. **Gene N4ANV** led the invocation. **David KR4OE** led the introductions in the usual CFARS manner.

A motion was made by **George KM4ODS**, seconded by **Marty W4MLW**, to approve the minutes of the May meeting. By vote the motion carried.



COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: **Chuck KJ4RV** gave the treasurer's report. We collected some money and we are still solvent.

Repeater: No report.

Net Manager: **Chuck KJ4RV** reported we gained check-ins and times per net from last month. We have a lot of new members. Remember, these are our repeaters, if we don't use them somebody else might.

Membership: **David KR4OE** presented new members to the club. **William Dunlap KN4LBD** and **Chris Jones N4CDJ** introduced themselves. A motion was made by **Marty W4MLW**, seconded by **Gene N4ANV**, to accept them as new members. By vote the motion carried.

Newsletter: No report..

Health & Welfare: No report.

Swapfest: **David KR4OE** reminded us that the CFARS Swapfest will be August 11 at the Cumberland County Shrine Club. Get your stuff ready to sell/swap/trade.

VE Testing: The next VE Testing session will be held on June 9th.

Emergency Coordinator: **Mike K4JWX** is working with the county for us to move to Highsmith Rainey Hospital.

Field Day: **Paul K4PGM** will honch the Field Day for us this year. The following people will take care of the following tasks: **Kelly N4EWG** will be doing the Public Information table, **Bill KJ4OFD** will pass message traffic, **Chuck KJ4RV** will head the CW station, **Paul** will head the SSB and GOTA Station, **Bonne KF4LVF** will take care of the VHF Station, **Van KG6HYJ** will take on the power distribution and generator, and **Fred N4ZCG** will copy the bulletins. **Marty K4MLW** indicated that there were several places we left points on the table last year: we need children to get on the radio and make contacts, we need to send invitations to join us for Field Day on Social Media, and we need to set up a PR table..

Public Relations: **Marty K4MLW** reported on Public Relations. He has arranged for media coverage for Field Day, for City and County commissioners to visit us, and for the Fayetteville Observer to cover us as well. He said we still need to have persons under 18 to operate the stations for field day for us to gain points.

Old Business: **David KR4OE** reported he has not spoken with the Facilities Director at Methodist University regarding the tower removal but has left a voicemail and is awaiting a return call. This is in limbo until the University has the opportunity to move their radio systems to their new site, once this is done, they will

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contact us to remove the tower. **Van N4ERM** deferred to **Chuck KJ4RV** the *FOUNDRY* organization classes given last month. They plan to have another class in the future and would like for us to participate. **Van KG6HYG** has changed the motor on the trailer, and is finishing repairs to the same. He will be picking up the generator to get it ready for Field Day.

New Business: **Pete K4QFK** thanked all who assisted in taking down his tower. He is looking for a new home for his old tower. **Van N4ERM** is hoping to have t-shirts ready for those who ordered them for Field Day.

Program: **Paul K4PGM** is the head honcho for Field Day this year. The following people will take care of the following tasks: **Kelly N4EWG** will be doing the Public Information table, **Bill KJ4OFD** will pass message traffic, **Chuck KJ4RV** will head the CW station, **Paul** will head the SSB Station, **Bonne KF4LVF** will take care of the VHF Station, **Van KG6HYJ** will take care of the power and **Fred N4ZCG** will copy the bulletins. **Marty W4MLW** indicated that there were several places we left points on the table last year: we need children to get on the radio and make contacts, we need to send invitations to join us for Field Day on Social Media, and we need to set up a PR table. Paul is still looking for folks to volunteer for times to operate SSB and GOTA stations. There is a sign-up sheet on the website.

Door Prize Drawing: **Marty W4MLW** held the drawing. A Pelican case donated by **Carl K4CFB** was won by **Ben KM4ODT**, a **N4ERM** mystery gift (3/8 corded drill) was won by **Carl K4CFB**, a digital microphone donated by **Dan KW4BG** was won by **William KN4LBD**, a 4 port HDMI mixer was won by **Ben KM4ODT** and **Van KG6HYJ** won another multimeter. **Chuck KJ4RV** won a qrp triband antenna, **William KN4LBD** won a qrp long wire antenna and **Chris N4CDJ** won a homebrew 2m jpole.

A motion was made by **Kelly N4EWG**, seconded by **William KD4DCR**, to adjourn the meeting, By vote the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. We had thirty-two (32) members and tow (2) guests at the club meeting. The next club meeting will be June 18, 2018.

Submitted by **Bill KJ4OFD**
CFARS Recorder

Items for Sale

Kenwood TS-281a
2 meter mobile

\$100

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Calling for Newsletter Articles

CFARS needs your input to the newsletter. If you have installed a new antenna, mobile rig, made a piece of equipment, tried a new mode of operation or anything else related to amateur radio, take the time to write it up and include pictures. Each month the CFARS News needs your input. Somebody may be wanting to try something new and you just might be the one that spurs that interest or can help out a new or confused older ham. Newsletter articles and pictures can be emailed to cfarsnews@gmail.com.

Upcoming Hamfests

July 21, 2018

Mid Summer Swapfest
Cary, North Carolina
www.qsl.net/n4nc/

July 28, 2018

WCARS Hamfest
Waynesville, North Carolina
wcars.org

August 11, 2018

20th Annual Cape Fear ARS Swapfest
Fayetteville, North Carolina
cfarsnc.org

August 31, 2018

Shelby Hamfest
Shelby, North Carolina
shelbyhamfest.org

2018 Open Season 10-10 Results

| Top 10 | | | 4th Call Area | | |
|--------|--------|----|---------------|--------|----|
| 1 | KD5DE | 91 | 1 | KM4ODS | 91 |
| 1 | KM4ODS | 91 | 2 | KE4DEV | 90 |
| 2 | KE4DEV | 90 | 3 | N4ZCG | 90 |
| 3 | N4ZCG | 88 | 4 | AK4YS | 66 |
| 4 | AK4YS | 66 | 5 | KJ4RV | 57 |
| 5 | KJ4RV | 57 | 6 | KA5VZG | 40 |
| 6 | N3GTY | 47 | 7 | KJ4OFD | 32 |
| 7 | WA2HMM | 41 | 8 | KI4EZL | 23 |
| 8 | KA5VZG | 40 | 9 | N4ERM | 22 |
| 9 | K9DEB | 35 | 10 | KZ3T | 18 |
| 10 | KJ4OFD | 32 | 11 | KI4EZK | 12 |

Amateur radio enthusiasts come together at MU



Ham operators who have had their licenses for less than a year try contacting their peers at Methodist University during the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society Field Day.



Michael Mason, left, and Bobbi Boucher of Fayetteville try to reach other ham operators on a side band radio. The Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society, established in 1972, is holding its annual Field Day at Methodist University this weekend. Members of the club, which encompasses six counties, set up stations Saturday to reach out to other 'ham' operators via methods such as Morse Code, single side band and more. The club members often pitch in to help out with communications during natural disasters. The event is to conclude today at 2 p.m. [THOMAS POPE/THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER]



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20th Annual Ole Fashioned

CFARS SwapFest

Sponsored by the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society
Fayetteville, North Carolina

Saturday

August 11, 2016

8:00am to 12:00 noon

Cumberland County Shrine Club
7040 Ramsey St (US Hwy 401 N)

No Admission!! No Fee for Tables!!!
Please help us keep this event free
by placing a monetary contribution in
the donation box so we can cover the rent
on the building!!!

Talk-in: K4MN Repeater 146.910 (-) CTCSS 100Hz

VE Test Session Walk-ins Only Registration 9:00am Testing 9:30am

**Information and Table Reservations: David KR4OE kr4oe@nc.rr.com
(910)624-1394**

**ARRL VE Testing: Pat N4UGH n4ughpat@aol.com
(910)425-5994**

Set-up begins at 6:30am. If you need tables please call or email in advance. On the morning of the Swapfest see David KR4OE for tables.

**Table Reservations recommended.
*Tail Gating available - - also FREE!!!***