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The President's Corner: Van N4ERM

CFARS ANNUAL SWAPFEST –

This is your opportunity to gather up all that stuff you THOUGHT you couldn't live without, but never used, and bring it to the Swapfest to sell... So that you can get some more stuff you might never use. Mark the date: Saturday, 12 August 2017, at the Cumberland County Shrine Club, 7040 Ramsey Street in Fayetteville. **Irv K3IRV** got a very nice plug for the Swapfest in the North Carolina State Director's Newsletter. Waytago, Irv! Maybe he can get the KnightLites to come along. We can reserve a table for them as well. Just need to call the boss, **David KR4OE** at (910) 624-1394. We'll start setting things up on Friday evening (yes, we'll need help), then open the operation ~6:30AM on Saturday (we'll REALLY need help then!). Bring your stuff to sell and bring money to buy others' stuff. See you there! And our own ARRL VE Coordinator **Pat N4UGH** and her loyal band of VEs will be conducting license testing during the Swapfest.

Possum Trotters on Ten-Ten –

The latest issue (July 2017) of *Ten-Ten International News* just hit my mail box. CFARS members and the Possum Trot Chapter absolutely dominated the contests. The list of world-wide winners of the Spring Digital QSO Party looks like roll-call at CFARS, as does the Spring CW QSO Party, with the Possum Trot Chapter finishing far-and-away in first place in each event. Congratulations all! And if you're not playing in the Ten-Ten QSO Parties, please consider joining and playing along with the other Possums!

NOMINATIONS FOR CFARS OFFICERS -

Our past president **Dale AK4YS** reminded me at our last meeting that it's probably time to start thinking of nominations for next year's CFARS officers. So start thinking. Nominations will be taken at October's meeting and elections during the November meeting.

UPCOMING STUFF

August

- 5 - 6 10-10 Summer Phone Contest
- 12 CFARS Swapfest / VE Testing
- 21 Monthly Meeting - Program: Tricks with your Antenna Analyzer **George KM4ODS**

September

- 1 - 3 Shelby Hamfest
- 18 Monthly Meeting

See you there! 73 de Van N4ERM

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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!



July 2017 Club Meeting Minutes

On July 17th the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by **Van N4ERM**. The meeting was held in Auditorium of the Science Building at Methodist University, Fayetteville, North Carolina. **Van N4ERM** led the *Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag*. **David KR4OE** led the invocation. The introductions were made in the normal CFARS manner.

A motion was made by **George KM4ODS**, seconded by **Kelly N4EWG**, to approve the minutes of the June 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: **Bill KU4W** sent in the repeater report. The 2 and 6 meter repeaters are up. The 2 meter repeater at the Soldier Support center is down, as is the 440 repeater. A party will be had Thursday to check out the repeaters.

Net Manager: **Chuck KJ4RV** reported check-ins are down for the month of June. Remember, these are our repeaters, if we don't use them somebody else might.

Membership: **David KR4OE** introduced **Greg Onachila K4IOE** and **Jim Roberts KM4RQW** to the club. They introduced themselves to the club. A motion was made by **Bonne KF4LVF**, seconded by **Kelly N4EWG**, to accept these folks as new member. By vote the motion carried. We now have 3 new members of the club.

Newsletter: **Mike KN4XP** our newsletter editor, is looking for articles from the club to put into the newsletter. Send your articles to him at cfars_newsletter@yahoo.com.

Health & Welfare: No report.

Swapfest: **David KR4OE** reminded everyone about the upcoming Swapfest (August 12 at the Cumberland County Shrine Club). Give him a call for tables. VE Testing will be held downstairs that very same day. Study hard, take the test and upgrade your license.

VE Testing: No report.

Field Day: No report.

Public Relations: No report.

Old Business: **Van N4ERM** recognized many of the folks for their efforts at Field Day. Special recognition was given to **Bob WA4WHV** who wasn't in charge and **George KM4ODS** for his efforts at the SSB station and was Deputy Not In Charge. **Paul K4PGM** did a great job with the GOTA station. **Ben KM4ODT** was our outstanding Safety Officer, **Chuck KJ4RV** captained the "Dream Team" at the CW station, **Bobbi N4KAY** and **Mike K4JWX** were everywhere running up contact numbers, **Van 2 KG4HYJ** was given kudos for power and making the satellite contacts with the able assistance of **Ferguson KK4MCY**. **Pete K4QFK** still needs assistance in taking down his tower. He will be back in October. **David KR4OE** mentioned how lucky we are to have the active group we have with our club and several of the clubs he is associated are struggling. **Bill KJ4OFD** told us there was a 70' Rhon 25 tower and antenna available in Southern Pines. It needs to be taken down and hauled off. Call Bill at 910-818-833. for details and particulars.

New Business: None.

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Program: **George KM4ODS** presented the numbers for Field Day. We made all of our bonus points and had good contact numbers as well. **Jim KI4YRH** gave a slide presentation from Field Day 2017.

Door Prize Drawing: **David KR4OE** held the door prize drawing. **Ferguson KK4MCY** won a Yaesu FT-65 dual band ht.

A motion was made by **Bonne N4EWG**, seconded by **Kelly N4EWG**, to adjourn the meeting. By vote the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. We had twenty eight (28) members and one (1) guest at the club meeting. The next meeting will be August 21, 2017.

Submitted by **Bill KJ4OFD**
CFARS Recorder

Upcoming Hamfests

August 12, 2017

CFARS Swapfest
Cumberland County Shrine Club
Fayetteville, North Carolina

September 1, 2017

Shelby Hamfest
Shelby, North Carolina
www.shelbyhamfest.org

September 9, 2017

Virginia Beach Hamfest
Virginia Beach, Virginia
vbhamfest.com

October 7, 2017

South Carolina Sectional Convention
Rockhill, South Carolina
www.ycars.org

November 11, 2017

Beachfest 2017
Conway, South Carolina
www.w4gs.org

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 cfars_newsletter@yahoo.com.

Items For Sale

Icom 2730 2MTR/440MTR - \$400
OPC-837 controller cable (11.4FT long), MBA-5 controller bracket, MBA-4 controller bracket,
DC power cord, HM-207 Mic and Manual

ALPHA DELTA DX-CC - \$ 85.00

Multi-band resonant dipole, Power rating – 1000 watts, 82 feet long
Bands - 80,40,20,15,10 Meters 17 with tuner

Contact Joe W3OJO
910 366 9674 or W3OJO@twc.com

19th Annual Old Fashioned

CFARS SwapFest

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

Saturday

August 12, 2017

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 K4KOE k4koe@ncarr.com
(910)634-1334

ARRL VE Testing: Pat K4HUGH patugh@aol.com
(910)637-6774

Set up begins at 8:00am. If you need tables please call or email for
advance. On the morning of the Swapfest call David K4KOE for tables.

Table Reservations recommended.
Full Catalog available on site **K4KOE**