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The President's Corner:

Dale AK4YS

It was a pleasure to see everyone at the March meeting. We added a new member **Reggie KK4NJC** to the club. Reggie runs out website and is doing a great job!



We are working to add new and exciting topics for the meetings. We had a great time at the meeting!

I want to remind all members of the MS Walk on April 21st. Don't forget Skywarn at the meeting April 15th. The meeting will be held in the science building.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting!

73 de **Dale AK4YS**

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March 2013 Club Meeting Minutes:

On March 18th the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by **Dale AK4YS**. **Dale AK4YS** led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Bill KE4DER** led the invocation. **Dale AK4YS** led the introductions in the normal CFARS style.

Bonnie KF4LVH, made a motion to accept the minutes for February, seconded by **Jim KI4YRH**. By vote the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer; Chuck, KJ4RV gave a report on income and expenses. We are OK! Club dues are due before March 31st.

Repeater; Bill KU4W reminded us the 10-10 contest was coming up. The 440 repeater filters were sent back to the manufacturer for repair, refurb or replacement. Noise is coming back on the 2 meter repeater. Bill recommended a new filter be purchased dependent on price.

Health & Welfare; No report.

Net Manager; Chuck, KJ4RV told us that with the cold weather both check-ins and net times have increased.

Membership; David KR4OE told us we had 96 members at the end of 2012. Currently we have 74 who have renewed their membership. 43 people still need to pay their club dues. A membership packet was presented to Reggie KK4NJC. **Jim KI4YRH**, made a motion, seconded by **Bonnie KF4LVH**, to accept **Reggie** into CFARS. By vote the motion carried. **Reggie** expressed his thanks for becoming a member of the club.

Field Day; Dale AK4YS told us the field day packet is in. Dates for field day are June 22 - 23. We need suggestions for where to hold Field Day due to a building and a parking lot are now on our old field day site. The stretch of ground by the Admin Building along Ramsey street were recommended and the park of Blanton road. We need ideas on a way to raise money for the event. .

Emergency Coordinator: Steve KK4EYN was in

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CFARS Club Meeting

Location Change

The April Club meeting

will be held in the Science Building Room 222

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class tonight. He sent word that vests were available at Northern Tools. Shelter access was discussed. There are 7 shelters of which 5 are at schools. **David KR4OE** said he could gain access to the locations. **Van N4ERM** and **Irv K3IRV** indicated they would be available to access and check out the shelters.

VE Testing: Next testing session will be held on May 11th in the Science Building Room 222 at Methodist University.

Notes of Interest: **Dale AK4YS** told us of the Last Man Standing, where Tim Allen, will have an amateur radio station depicted. The ARRL has indicated that the current solar cycle may have a double peak.

Old Business: The NC QSO Party committee sent a letter saying **K4MN** was one of the premier NC QSO sites.

NC QSO Party: Things to consider

- Operate +/- 10 KHz from published freqs
- Operate only in General portion of band
- Teams of 3 Operators (Operator, Logger and HMIC)
- Gawkers at a minimum, keep voices down
- Proper use of phonetic alphabet
- Simple antennas are better
- Call sign published in advance
- Call signs/desired freqs put out on 2m for operators to work from home stations
- Items necessary for operation were available from those at the site
- Preparation/site evaluation prior to event

New Business: Establish a liaison between CFARS and the Red Cross. Check with Moore County ARS for more information. The MS Walk will be held April 21st. 6 Operators needed to help out with the event. Contact **Dale AK4YS** for more information. **Jim KI4YRH** reminded us that Skywarn training will be held in April. 25 people are needed for this training. It will be open to the public as well.

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Program: Gene N1SOB talked about the 80 foot free-standing tower he built with David K4KMI. Bonnie KF4LVF discussed Grid Squares. Chuck KJ4RV discussed beverage antennas. Elton W4VGW and Van N4ERM are heading to the Dayton Havention on May 15. They are going for the QRP program. Call if you would like to join in.

Door Prize: Kelly N4EWG held the door prize drawing. **Van N4ERM** won and returned the prize for a future drawing.

Bonnie KF4LVF made a motion, seconded by **Jim KI4YRH**, that the meeting be adjourned. By vote the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2025hours.

Upcoming Hamfests

- April 20.....Catawba Valley, Morganton, NC
- 27.....Down East Hamfest, Kinston, NC

- June 8.....Winston Salem Classic Hamfest

- July 20.....Mid-Summer Swapfest
Cary, NC
- 27.....WCARS Hamfest
Waynesville, NC

- October 13.....Mayesville Hamfest
Mayesville, NC

CFARS on Facebook

Log into Facebook and check out the CFARS page. The newsletter is posted there along with other items of interest to club members!

CFARS Newsletter needs your input. Is there something you would like to see in the newsletter?

Submissions should be emailed to:
Cfars_newsletter@yahoo.com

CFARS Finances

Individuals have expressed concerns about our financial information being accessed via electronic media eavesdropping. This might be possible because of the email delivery now used to supply the newsletter to many of the club members. To avoid this possibility the club financial information will no longer be published in the newsletter and we will continue to present a financial information report at each monthly club meeting.



Kelly N4EWG has club patches for sale!!!

Club Repeaters

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|-------|-----------------|
| | K4MN |
| 2 m | 146.910/146.310 |
| 70 cm | 444.400/449.400 |
| | W4EBM |
| 6 m | 53.810/52.810 |
| | WA4FLR |
| 2 m | 147.330/147.930 |

2013 NC QSO Party CFARS Style



10-10 International Digital Contest

The weekend of April 27th and 28th is the weekend for the **10-10 International Digital contest**. It starts at 8:00 PM Friday evening, or 0001z or UTC time, and UTC time is required in the logs. This contest runs all weekend, from 12:00 PM Friday till 2359z or 8:00 PM Sunday evening. It can be a lot of fun when the band is open and sometimes we do use the 14631/91 repeater to help keeping track of the openings on the band. If you do not have a 10-10 number, that would be a good weekend to do it because there should be plenty to pick from. You only need 10 contacts and the log information to get your own number and it is good for life. If anyone has any questions on the contest, just holler, someone will be glad to help or call **Bill KU4W**, phone number 910-28-6759.

10-10 International Winter SSB Contest Results

The fun has been had. The 10-10 International Winter SSB contest is history. Look out for the next contest that is upcoming.

In the 4th Call area

- KJ4RV 7th
- AK4YS 8th
- KR4OE 11th

Club Competition

- Possom Trot 14th

The Possom Trot chapter has a long history of placing high in 10-10. Jump on the air and help us claim the top spot once again!

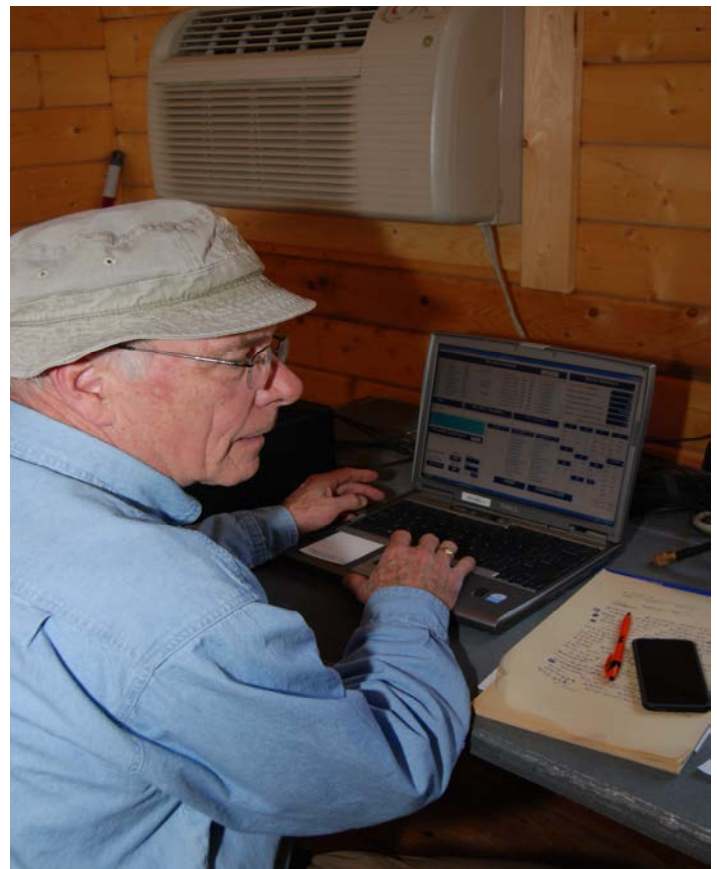
10-10 International CW Contest

May 4th and 5th, this is the 10-10 International CW contest. It runs from Friday evening at 8:00 PM thru Sunday evening at 8:00 PM and again all log times on the contest must be on UTC time, or zulu time. This is a fun contest because you can work the world, and the band should be wide open. This contest will also be followed on the 146.31/91 repeater, usually if someone hears a strange station, he will holler the frequency and call on the repeater. I hope everyone can come up on the band and work some, it is another fun time working all of these odd countries. Hope to catch you all on the band, 73 and see you there.

Upcoming CFARS Club Meetings

- April 15th
- May 20th
- June 17th
- July 15th

Talk-in frequency is the 146.91 (PL 100) repeater. Club meetings are held on the campus of Methodist University located on Ramsey Street



15th Annual Ole Fashioned

CFARS SwapFest

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

Saturday

August 3, 2013

8:00 am to 12:00noon

New Location for 2013

**Cumberland County Shrine Club
7040 Ramsey St (Highway 401 N)**

In 2014 we should return to Methodist University

No Admission!! No Fee for Tables!!
Donations to CFARS will be accepted

Talk-in: 146.910(100hz tone)

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

**Information and Table Reservations: David KR4OE kr4oe@nc.rr.com
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**Testing: Pat N4UGH n4ughpat@aol.com
(910)425-8003**

Set-up begins at 6:30am. If you need tables please call or email.

Tail Gating available if you want to brave the heat.

Come on out and join the CFARS gang for a few hours of amateur radio fun and fellowship. It's all free!!!