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## The President's Corner:

#### Dale AK4YS

Greetings to CFARS and Ham Radio Friends

Welcome and a pleasure to see everyone at the meeting.

I am proud to welcome tow new members, Mark KK4NUA and Andrew KK4MCY.

Many thanks to **Tripp KJ4BKC** for the APRS presentation. It was interesting to learn a new tool for Amateurs to use. APRS is a valuable tool during an emergency situation.



The club had a great time with the NC QSO Party. Thanks to all that came out and participated, from the setup, operating and tear down. It was a great time for all and a learning event for new hams.

Looking forward to March and seeing new faces at the meeting. Bring a friend with you!

73 de Dale AK4YS

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## February 2013 Club Meeting Minutes:

On February 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. **Bob WA4WHV** led the invocation. **Dale AK4YS** led the introductions in the normal CFARS style.

**Jim KI4YRH**, made a motion to accept the minutes for January, seconded by **Kelly N4EWG**. 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. CFARS has bills for insurance \$650 and donation to Methodist University \$350 are due.

Repeater; Bill KU4W 10-10 SSB logs have been submitted. The 2 meter repeater is looking good. The controller was taken out and so far everything looks good. The 440 repeater needs new coax. The coax will be change out with the help of someone to climb the tower. The 6 meter repeater is doing fine. The 146.31/91 repeater is working good at Womack Army Hospital. Many of the items donated to the club by AJ W4EJK SK, have been sole. A few items remain

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 reminded club members dues are due by March 31st. He presented new member packets to Mark Cooper KK4NUA and Andrew Ferguson KK4MCY. They expressed their appreciation for assistance from the club. Bill KU4W, made a motion, seconded by George KE4HW, to accept Marc and Andrew into CFARS. By vote the motion carried.

**Swapfest: David KR4OE** told us that Methodist University building where the swapfest has been held isn't available this year. The Cumberland County Shrine Club was available for the date at a cost of \$275. VE testing will be held there also.

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#### **CFARS Officers**

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CFARS Club Meeting
Location Change

The March and April Club meetings will be held in the Science Building Room 222

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Bill **KU4W**, made a motion, seconded by **Jim KI4YRH**, to accept the change of venue. By vote the motion carried.

Emergency Coordinator: Steve KK4EYN. Van N4ERM found some vests at Ollie's and picked them up for club use. Steve KK4EYN, made a motion, seconded by Tripp KJ4VKD, to purchase additional vests. By vote the motion carried. The vests are stored in the repeater room. Van N4ERM will be reimbursed for the vests purchased.

**VE Testing: Dale AK4YS** told us the next testing session will be March 2nd at the science building. The change is due to the Charlotte Hamfest.

ARRL Bulletins: Dale AK4YS told the club that in mid March on the Last Man Standing, Tim Allen will be operating ARS KA0XTT on the show. Mping is a smart phone utility that allows the public to input weather reports to NOAA. The ARRL website has several amateur radio related videos online.

**Public Relations: Irv K3IRV** is the new public relations coordinator for CFARS. He has sent information about CFARS and activities to newspapers and television stations.

**Old Business: Van N4ERM** spoke about several items from the estate of **AJ W4EK SK**.

NC QSO Party::This event will be held on Sunday from 10am to 8pm. Two cabins have been rented at Smith Lake Recreation Center for the club to use. Cabin C will be the operating station. Cabin D will be a listening station. Bob WA4WHV has made several dual band dipoles for the event. A sign up sheet was passed around for interested parties to sign up for various operating time. \$132 rental fees were paid for the weekend. Jim KI4YRH, made a motion, seconded by Bill KU4W to reimburse the rental fees. By vote the motion carried.

**New Business:** The MS Walk April 21st at Honeycutt Park. Sign in is at 1pm. We need 6

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hams to man this event. More on the walk will be presented at the March meeting.

**Program: Tripp KJ4BKD** gave a presentation on APRS.

**Door Prize: Kelly N4EWG** held the door prize drawing. **George KE4HW** won a blanket and a travel alarm clock.

**Bill KU4W** made a motion, seconded by **Kelly N4EWG**, that the meeting be adjourned. By vote the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2040 hours.

## **Upcoming Hamfests**

March 30......Rarsfest, Raleigh, NC

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!

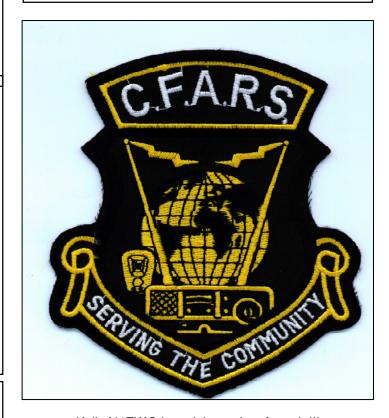
CFARS Newsletter needs your input. Is there something you would like to see in the newsletter?

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**

	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

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 (910)624-1394

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!!!