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### The President's Corner:

*Dale AK4YS*

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to CFARS and our amateur radio friends!!!

This has been quite a year. I hope everyone has been blessed in one way or another,

I enjoyed the fellowship at the Eatin' Meetin'. I had fun seeing the presents being handed out. Our friends enjoyed the good Golden Corral food. Looking forward to the New Year!

I wish to thank everyone first of all for allowing me to serve you. My wish to everyone is a blessing for the new year of Health. Prosperity and Good Propagation and Good DX.

See you in next year.

73 de Dale AK4YS



### December 2013 Club Meeting Minutes:

On December 16th the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by **Dale AK4YS**. The meeting was held at Golden Corral on Ramsey Street in Fayetteville, North Carolina. **Dale AK4YS** welcomed everybody to the December Eatin' Meetin. led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Irv K3IRV** led the invocation. **Dale AK4YS** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Dale AK4YS** led the introductions in the normal CFARS style.

**Chuck KJ4RV**, made a motion to accept the minutes, for November, seconded by **Jim KI4YRH**. By vote the motion passed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer: Chuck, KJ4RV** gave a report on income and expenses. We still have money!

**Repeater: Bill KU4W** reported on the club repeaters. The repeaters are working. Additional work could be continuing weather permitting.

**Health & Welfare:** No report.

**Net Manager: Chuck, KJ4RV** reported on the nets. Net times are down slightly. The nets are ours to enjoy. Participate when you can.

**Membership:** No report.

**VE Testing:** No report.

**Old Business: Van N4ERM** discussed the NC QSO Party which will be held the second week of February. **Van N4ERM** has rented the same cabins used for the QSO Party. **Irv K3IRV** has arranged for us to be up in the EOC also.

**New Business: Dale AK4YS** has set up the meeting dates with Methodist University. Meetings and VE testing will be published on the club web site. The January program will be on digital modes. **Van N4ERM** and **Bill N3GTY** will present the program. Digital modes will be demonstrated. Pictures of the officers for 2014 were take and are suitable for publishing on the club web site. **Bill N3GTY** called for us to renew our club membership

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### 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

### Items For Sale

Ameritron AL-572 Amplifier	\$900
Ameritron ATR-30 Antenna Tuner	\$300
MFJ-868 1.8—30 mhz SWR/Watt meter	\$ 80
MFJ-704 Low Pass Filter	\$ 30
Antenna Rope 100 Feet	\$ 3

Contact David KR4OE  
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Little Tarheel II Antenna with LTMT-1	\$300
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Contact Mike KN4XP  
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From the Estate of Bill W4EHF who passed away in July at the age of 101.

Icom IC-725 HF Transceiver	\$ 295
Icom IC-756 Pro HF Transceiver	\$1100
Icom IC-756 Pro II HF Transceiver	\$1300
Yaesu FT-270 R/E Vhf Transceiver	\$ 95
MFJ-949E Deluxe Versa Tuner	\$ 100

Equipment is in like new condition. It includes mikes and cables.

Contact Bill Finch AI4TN  
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with 10-10 international. By vote the motion passed. **Kelly N4EWG** thanked everyone for their participation in the PT Net.

**Door Prize: Kelly N4EWG** passed out the door prizes. Funds have run out for purchasing door prizes.

Meeting adjourned at 2006 hours.

### Upcoming Hamfests

January	11	Greenwood SC Hamfest Greenwood, SC
	11	Winston Salem Winter First-Fest Winston Salem, NC
March	7	Charlotte Hamfest Concord, NC
April	19	RARSfest Raleigh, NC State Fairgrounds

### NC Section News

**Karl Bowman W4CHX** of Raleigh, North Carolina was the only nominee for the ARRL NC Section Manager.

He is an emeritus faculty member at the NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine. He is the co-owner of Bowman Animal Hospital and Cat Clinic with his wife **Gale K4GCB**.

**Karl W4CHX** has served at President of RARS. Welcome **Karl W4CHX** as the 17th ARRL NC Section Manager.

**Bill Morine N2COP** decided not to run for an additional term as Section Manager.

### 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.

### 2014 CFARS Programs

Irv K3IRV is working on setting up programs for the CFARS club meetings. If you have any suggestions please contact him.

#### January Program

Digital modes beyond RTTY will be presented by Bill N3GTY and Van N4ERM. This program will include demonstrations on digital modes.



CFARS Club patches are available for purchase for \$5. See Kelly N4EWG to get your patch today!!!!

**Field Day Performance Analysis  
For  
The Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Score</b>	<b>Total QSO's</b>	<b>National Ranking</b>	<b>Roanoke Section Ranking</b>	<b>North Carolina Ranking</b>
2013	6044	1397	38th / 398	8th / 35	3rd / 16
2012	5788	1404	56th / 408	7th / 37	3rd / 17
2011	5818	1427	55th / 387	6th / 31	2nd / 13
2010	6190	1567	34th / 424	4th / 38	2nd / 18
2009	6670	1853	43rd / 440	5th / 37	3rd / 16
2008	6710	1940	32nd / 441	4th / 33	2nd / 16
2007	7550	2293	20th / 475	2nd / 42	2nd / 20
2006	8788	2738	17th / 452	1st / 41	1st / 20

**NC QSO Party**

CFARS will set up again this year for the NC QSO Party at Smith Lake Recreation Center. Van N4ERM has reserved two (2) cabins for operations. The EOC will also be open for operation. Mark your calendar for Sunday February 23, 2014.

Come out and help CFARS capture first place for Club Station - In State again this year!!!!

**CFARS to Sponsor  
Top Score Canada  
NC QSO Party**

CFARS will sponsor the Top Score Canada award in the NC QSO Party. The sponsorship is in honor of Fred New KN4SS (SK) who our former Canadian member. CFARS knows Fred would have thought this to be a keen idea.

Raleigh Amateur Radio Society sponsors the NC QSO Party. RARS was very receptive to CFARS sponsoring the Top Score Canada award.

**North Carolina QSO Party  
Lessons Learned**

- Operate close to the recommended frequencies (+/- 10 KHz) published in the QSO Party information.
- Operate in the General portion of band/mode
- QSO Party recommended frequencies  
CW - 3.540, 7.040, 14.040, 21.040, 50.040, 144.040  
SSB - 3.860, 7.260, 14.260, 21.360, 50.160 (SSB)  
52.040 (FM), 144.260 (SSB), 146.580 (FM)
- Teams should consist of three (3) operators. One person to operate, one person to log and one experienced person to provide guidance
- Observers should be kept to a minimum to reduce interference to the operators
- When it comes to antennas simple is usually better
- Call signs of "Special Value" stations should be announced in advance so that stations can search Reverse Beacon Network or DX Reflector sites to spot them
- Frequently announce the callsign, frequency and mode of the CFARS contest station on 2 meters
- We can't have too much "stuff" in the field. Power cords, jumpers, solder and other items
- Recon the station location is a great benefit for antennas and other issues that might arise



**Ten—Ten International  
SSB Contest**

The Ten-Ten International Single Side Band Contest will be held February 1-2. The contest will start at 0001 Zulu on Saturday. The contest will start Friday night at 8:00pm local time. It runs through Sunday. With ten meters opening up the contest should be a lot of fun. It will be cold outside so get on the air and play a little of world radio. CFARS has done well in this contest over the years. If we can get enough operators on the air we can once again place well as the Possom Trot Chapter. We will use the 2 meter repeater to coordinate additional contacts. Logs need to be submitted to Bill KU4W once the contest ends. For more information contact Bill KU4W at 910-875-4334. See you on 10!!!!

**2014 CFARS Officers**

**Vice President Tripp KJ4BKD, President Dale AK4YS, Recorder Bill N3GTY and Secretary/Treasurer  
Chuck KJ4RV**

**2014 CFARS December Eatin' Meetin'**









