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The President's Corner:

Dale AK4YS

I wish to thank all who came to an exciting meeting.

APARS was presented by Shawn K1RZZ. Thanks for an excellent presentation.

We still need to fill some much need CFARS jobs. We need you to come to the meetings and help out where you can.

We appreciate all of the hard work. No job is too small. We need more to help make CFARS great!

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Thanks to all who came out to the meeting! Keep working hard for the club.

Come see us in March at the club meeting!

73 de Dale AK4YS



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February 2014 Club Meeting Minutes:

On February 17th the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by **Tripp KJ4BKD**. The meeting was held in Clark Hall of Methodist University. **Tripp KJ4BKD** led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Elton W4VGW** led the invocation. **Tripp KJ4BKD** led the introductions in the normal CFARS style.

Bill KU4W, made a motion to accept the minutes for January, seconded by **Dale AK4YS**. By vote the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Chuck, KJ4RV gave a report on income and expenses. We are solvent! Monies came in from club dues. The cabins for the NC QSO Party have been paid for.

Repeater: Bill KU4W reported on the club repeaters. The 6 meter and 440 machines have work in progress. A volunteer is needed to climb the tower to work on the 6 meter repeater. The 146.91 machine still has noise on it sometimes. The 147.330 machine is working well.

Net Manager: Chuck, KJ4RV reported on the nets. Net participation is up from December. We had a total of 529 check-ins for the month. Average net time was 22.5 minutes.

Health & Welfare: Linda KC4SWY is out of the hospital and doing better.

Membership: David KR40E reminded members that 2014 club dues are due by march 31st. The official membership roster will be available in April.

Swapfest: David KR40E called this week to confirm the date of the Swapfest. It looks like it will be held the 2nd Saturday in August. More to come.

Field Day: We still need a volunteer for Coordinator. Field Day will be held the last full weekend in June. Setup for antennas will be Friday May 27. Field Day will be Saturday and Sunday May 28 - 29th.

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Club Repeaters

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

Items For Sale

Little Tarheel II Antenna with LTMT-1 \$300

Contact Mike KN4XP kn4xp@yahoo.com 910-489-3704

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 252-341-3189 finchwc@gmail.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.

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Emergency Coordinator: Steve KK4EYN had nothing new to report.

VE Testing: The next VE Test session will be held March 15, 2014 in the Science Building at Methodist University. Registration at 9:00 a.m. Bring the original and a copy of any CSCE and current amateur radio license. For more information contact **Pat N4UGH**.

Public Relations: Irv K3IRV has asked local radio stations to announce CFARS meetings. The announcement has been heard on 1490 AM and 103.1 FM.

Old Business: Bill N3GTY announced the CFARS 10-10 membership for K4MN has been renewed for 5 years. The next renewal will be in 2018. **Jim KI4YRH** announced the Skywarn meeting will be held in May. **Van N4ERM** reminded the club the NC QSO Party will be held this weekend. The cabin are rented. Preparations are being made to setup antennas. Each operator will have a choice of mode. A signup sheet was passed around. We need home stations to make contacts with CFARS. CW contacts are 2 points and SSB contact are worth 1 point each. The MS Walk is April 6, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. It should last between two and three hours.

Presentation: Shawn K1RZZ gave a presentation on APRS.

Door Prize: Van N4ERM and **Jim KI4YRH** donated prizes for the drawing. **Bill KD4DCR** won a repeater directory. **Chuck KJ4RV** won a multi-meter.

Bill KU4W made a motion, seconded by **Van N4ERM**, to adjourn the meeting. By vote the motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Upcoming Meeting and Programs

March 17 - County Hunting

April 21 - Satcom May 19 - Skywarn

June 16 - Field Day Preperation

July 21 - ARES/RACES

VE Testing

- March 15th at Methodist University Science Building. Registration 9:00 a.m.
- Contact Pat N4UGH for more information

Our very own **Hutch NK0S** will be operating in Lima Peru for two (2) weeks in the middle of March. Hutch will be operating as **OA4/NK0S**.

Upcoming Hamfests

March 7 Charlotte Hamfest Concord, NC

April 19 RARSfest Raleigh, NC

State Fairgrounds



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