

April 2014 Club Meeting Minutes:

On April 21st 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. Elton W4VGW led the invocation. Dale AK4YS led the introductions in the normal CFARS style. Dale AK4YS thanked all who helped out with the MS Walk. It was a great success.

WB4ARC Dan, made a motion to accept the minutes for April with a correction of Tripp's call sign, seconded by Van N4ERM. By vote the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Chuck, KJ4RV gave a report on income and expenses. After payment of equipment insurance, PO Box rental and services rendered we are solvent!

Repeater: Bill KU4W reported issues with the 2 meter repeater have been addressed by Van N4ERM, Irv K3IRV and himself. The 146.910 machine has been replaced by a backup repeater to allow for in depth diagnostics. The 6 meter repeater has issues with the receive section. It may have to be sent out for repairs. The 440 machine interference is being looked into and its operating normally. He urged all to participate to make the Possom Trot chapter #1. Van N4ERM gave a diagnostic report of procedures involved in the recent repair attempts on the 146.910 repeater. The antenna and coax were tested with no issues. The problems we are having are internal to the repeater. Van N4ERM suggested we invest a maximum of \$400.00 to upgrade the power supply, battery and power distribution methods for the repeater with Anderson Power Pole equipment. Kelly, N4EWG, made a motion, seconded by Bill KU4W to upgrade the equipment not to exceed \$400.00. By vote the motion passed. Bill KU4W reminded all of the upcoming 10-10 digital contest.

Net Manager: Chuck, KJ4RV reported on the nets. Net time and traffic are up a bit from February. This has a lot to do with more days in the month of March.. We had a total of 517 check-ins for the

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The President's Corner:

Dale AK4YS

Greetings Fellow CFARS Friends!!!!

This year is going fast and we need your help.

We need to check out the field day equipment before field day. It's coming quickly. We need more help with net control stations. Step up and give it a try. Please volunteer to help out with field day.



Dick WB7OND gave a super presentation on satellite communications!

Welcome to the new members and visitors!

Looking forward to seeing you next month!!

73 de Dale AK4YS

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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



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



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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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month (16.5 check-ins per net). Total net time of 642 mintues (20.7 minutes per net).

Health & Welfare: No report.

Membership: **Chuck KJ4RV** mentioned our newest member **Scott Roberts KK4ZAU** who recently upgraded to General Class at the Raleigh hamfest. **Scott KK4ZAU** was presented his membership package and welcomed as a member.

Swapfest: Dale AK4YS told the membership the Swapfest will be held at the Shrine Hall. It will not conflict with any other hamfests.

Field Day: Dale AK4YS told the membership that field day setup will be Friday June 27th. Field day will be held the last weekend in June 28-29th this year. It will begin at 1800 UTC on Saturday and run through 2059 UTC Sunday. We need to get some members to check out the generator and antennas prior to field day. Irv K3IRV has made arrangements for the Mayor and Fire Chief to be our guest at field day. Irv K3IRV also told the club how Fred N4ZCG put together a very professional announcement for our club. Thanks **Fred N4ZCG!**

Emergency Coordinator: Van N4ERM reported that the antenna and coax were installed at the Kiwanis Club by Van KG6HYJ.

VE Testing: Chuck KJ4RV told the membership the next VE Testing Session will be held June 14th at Methodist University in the science building. Check-in wil be at 9:00 a.m. with testing starting at 09:30 a.m.

Public Relations: No report.

Old Business: Dale AK4YS reminded the membership about the Possom Trot 10-10 CW net which is scheduled Sunday at 1700 local time on 28.150 mhz. CFARS participated in the NC QSO Party again this year. CFARS won first place with a score of 85,170 points and 365 qso's. Thanks to all who assisted with operation and spotting. A job well don. A trophy was presented to the group at the Raleigh Hamfest on April 19th. A photo shoot was held after the meting with all who participated.

Presentation: Dick WB7OND gave a presentation on amateur radio satellites. The presentation will be posted on our web site <http://www.cfarsnc.org/> for al who are interested in the links for more information.

Door Prize: Van N4ERM, Elton W4VGW and Dan WB4ARC donated prizes for the drawing. Bill KU4W won a coffee cup, Van KG6HYJ won a rope chain saw and Dan WB4ARC won a tool kit.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

VE Testing

- June 14th at Methodist University in the Science Building. May
- Registration 9:00 a.m.
- Testing 09:30 a.m.
- Contact Pat N4UGH for more information June

Upcoming Hamfests

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| 24 | Durham Hamfest
Durham, NC |
| 7 | Winston-Salem Hamfest
Winston-Salem, NC |