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## The President's Corner:

Dale, KI4WOH

Happy New Year!.

Another year and I wish to thank the club for sticking together another year.

I want to welcome our new members Tripp KJ4BKD and absentia William W3GTY. Welcome to CFARS.



I know we will have an exciting year and hope to challenge all and for everyone to find something new they feel they have learned this year. My goal is to try and do something new so we don't get complacent. I want to wish everyone a Blessed New Year and an exciting New Year with CFARS.

73 Dale KI4WOH

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### January 2012 Club Meeting Minutes:

William McNeil, KD4DCR

**Dale, KI4WOH** called the CFARS club meeting to order. He called for an abbreviated meeting

The invocation was provided by Gene, N4ANV.

A motion was made to accept the December minutes by **Gene**, **N4ANV**. It was seconded by **Pat**, **N4UGH** and confirmed by a vote of the members present.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer; Chuck, KJ4RV** gave a report on income and expenses for December 2011. There was money in the bank. "We're solvent".

**Repeater; Bill, KU4W** Bill KU4W gave the repeater report, He mentioned also that several guys helped out with repeater antenna work.

Leighton, KN4ZZ has stepped up to help Bill out with the repeaters. Go Leighton!

The 440 repeater transmitter is out, repairs are being investigated for economic feasibility or replacement.

Van N4ERM motioned approving Bill and Leighton to spend up to \$800 to fix or repair the 440 repeater. Gene N4ANV seconded, vote passed.

Van N4ERM also mentioned the possibility of ARRL insurance covering some or all of the repairs.

2 Meter repeater: primary repeater still being tweaked, so we're still on backup.

Net Manager; Chuck, KJ4RV If you would like to be a Net Control? Contact Chuck, KJ4RV.

CFARS Two-Meter Net Report			
Check-in's/avg. (Change from previous month)	Total min/avg.	Traffic	
Nov 368/11.8	538/17.4	27	
Dec 382/12.3	529/17	25	

2011 Totals:

QNI 4702/12.9 OTC 327

QND 6646/18.2 (110 hrs and 45 minutes)

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#### **CFARS Officers**

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Field Day; Dale, KI4WOH Working on Next year.

David KR4OE gave the membership report, introduced two new members.

In absentia William W3GTY present Thomas (Tripp) KJ4BKD

Bill KU4W motioned they be accepted into the club, Leighton KN4ZZ seconded.

Dale KI4WOH called for a vote, it passed. Welcome new guys!

Welcome the new Officers for 2012:

President, Dale Mohr, KI4WOH

Vice President, Leighton Bunce, KN4ZZ



Treasurer, Chuck Ward, KJ4RV



Reporter, William McNeil, KD4DCR

The Health & Welfare report was made by Mya



**David KR40E** informed us that our 2012 swapfest is listed on ARRL's board.

Van N4ERM followed up on insurance info, county ems antenna, and talked about a \$5 five channel voice recorder he found.

**Dale, K14WOH** Club position open; we need a Newsletter Editor, club Emergency Coordinator, Public Relations and a member to check on ARRL bulletins for us. Anyone interested please ask.

The program was held by **Gene N4ANV**. The subject was the new ARRL Diamond DXCC Challenge in celebration of the 75th anniversary of ARRL's DXCC program.

Pat N4UGH gave the VE testing report, 'we tested 6, 5 passed' Way to go guys!

Kelly held the door prize drawing, Gene N1SOB won a right nice set of combination wrenches.

Bill KU4W motioned we close, Jackie KJ4XK seconded The vote was held, and passed.

See ya'll next month!

Submitted by William, KD4DCR

### **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.

### 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

### **CFARS** needs YOU!

- KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP CURRENT
- Promote amateur radio each time you get the chance
- · People see what you do more than what you say
- Be a good example of what amateur radio is and should be

CFARS members hoisting the mast for HF communication at *Hero's Homecoming* near the Special Operations Museum.



### **CFARS Meetings**

Club meetings are normally held on the 3rd Monday of each month on the campus of Methodist University

# Meeting Locations for 2012

January 16 Clark Hall February 20 Clark Hall

March 19 Science Auditorium Rm 222 April 16 Science Auditorium Rm 222

May 15 Location TBA

June 18 Location TBA Field Day

June 22-24 Field Day

July 16 August 20 September 17 October 15 November 19

December 17 Eat'n Meet'n

# Amateur Radio License VE Testing Schedule 2012

VE testing and location are confirmed for 2011. Testing takes place in the Science Building on the Methodist University Campus in rooms S-222 & S-207. The schedule is arranged and confirmed by **Pat**, **N4UGH**, n4ughpat@aol.com. Bring a handheld calculator, a photocopy or original current FCC issued license, and \$15 for the exam fee.

Check-in begins at 0900 Testing begins at 0930

The following Saturdays are scheduled: March 17, June 9, August 4, and October 13



Ham radio -Calling home from Vietnam sign at the CFARS operating Special Event site.













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#### CFARS Items for Sale:

- A4S Cushcraft Tribander with a 40 meter add on, \$300
- 2 meter cross beam 12 element \$75
- 440 10 element beam \$30
- Antron 99 vertical 450
- ICOM dual band mobile \$225
- AT 180 auto tuner \$300
- Eagle One 34 ft collapsible HF vertical \$100
- ICOM mobile/base \$950
- Heil Prose for ICOM radios \$100
- SX600 Diamond SWR/watt meter \$75
- MFJ 1118 deluxe high current power strip \$50
- Complete package \$2100
- Contact Joe 910-366-9674 or w3ojo@nc.rr.com
- 2 Cushcraft HF antennas, the R-6000 and MA5V multi band beam, Yaesu 450 rotor/control box/cable for \$600.
- See David Bloomfield, KF4VPB
- 910-424-7049 or 850-6670

# Harry's Electronics

Harry is the local dealer for the \$119.99 Wouxun KG-UVD1P dual band handheld radio. This includes antenna, 1300 mah. Li-ion battery, drop-in charger and belt clip. FCC certified, capable of 2M/440, FRS, GMRS, MUR and Maritime no modification. Tested to factory specifications and programmed prior to delivery.

#### Features include:

- Coverage: V-136-174 Mhz.
   U-400-480 Mhz. FM; 128
   Memory Channels;
- Power VHF 5W/1W, UHF 4W/1W; <.2uv Sensitivity.
- DTMF with encode/decode CTCSS and DCS Beep alert for both tx and rx;
- Selectable Voice announcement of menu and channel functions
- Bright LED flashlight function; VOX capable; Transmit overtime Alarm. Wide 25 kHz and Narrow 12.5 kHz capable; Cloneable with optional cable.



#### Accessories:

1700 mah Li-Ion Battery - \$18.99; Leatherette carry case - \$7.99; DC-Charge cable w/Cig Plug - \$6.99, Speaker-Mike - \$15.99; USB Programming Cable & Software - \$14.99; Extra Belt Clip - \$5.99; SMA Antenna Adapter - \$5.99

Harry also carries a full line of 11 meter communications equipment and a variety of scanners for both analog and digital trunking systems. A selection of antennas and installation material is also available as well as his over 35 years of experience in the field.

Harry's Electronics 3529 Gillespie Street (Hwy 301) Fayetteville, NC 28306-9265 Phone: (910) 425-7503

The attractive CFARS embroidered patch (shown) is available from **Chuck, KJ4RV**, CFARS Treasurer, for \$5.00

