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FIELD DAY 2011

June 25-26, 2011
 Methodist University
 Fayetteville, North Carolina

- Get ready for the big annual event in ham radio.
- Set up is Friday June 24 starting around 2:00 pm
- Take down is Sunday June 26
- Contest start time is Saturday at 1800Z
- Contest end time is Sunday at 1800Z
- **The picnic starts after take down is complete!**

May 2011 Club Meeting Minutes:

Mike Eagen, KØRRP

On May 16, 2011 at 7:30 pm in Clark Hall of Methodist University, **Dale, KI4WOH** called the CFARS club meeting to order. He led the group in the pledge of allegiance. The invocation was provided by **Elton, W4VGW**. The introductions of those in attendance were given in the usual way.

A motion to accept the minutes of the April 2011 club meeting was made by **Kelly, N4EWG** and second by **Don, KI4ZL**, and carried by a vote of the members present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Chuck, KJ4RV gave a report on income and expenses for April 2011. There was money in the bank.

Net Manager: Chuck, KJ4RV we could still use some help for calling the net. DO WE HAVE ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO BE A NET CONTROL??? Contact **Chuck, KJ4RV**.

The President's Corner:

Dale, KI4WOH

I wish to thank everyone our esteemed visitors for coming to the May meeting. It was a special pleasure to meet **Dr. Elton Hendricks, W4VGW**.



We are working on Field Day Planning and we need all your help to make this another successful year.

Please send us your suggestions and recommendations for Field Day along with topics for the meetings after Field Day.

See you at the June meeting.

Assignments for Field day:

- The HF CW station, operating/logging with
- The HF SSB station, operating/logging
- The Six meter station, operating/logging
- The GOTA station, operating/logging
- Satellite station/solar power
- Set up June 24 afternoon and take down June 26 afternoon
- Food catering/cooking with **Don, KI4ZL**
- Computer hook ups
- Generator hook up
- Education booth

Contact **Dale, KI4WOH** at dale.mohr@yahoo.com

CFARS Two-Meter Net Report

| Check-in's/avg. (Change from previous month) | Total min/avg. | Traffic |
|---|---------------------|-----------|
| 388/12.9 (-70/-1.9) | 568/18.9 (7/0.9) | 31 (4) |

Repeater: Bill, KU4W said that antennas were purchased and installation plans begun.

CFARS NEWS: Mike, KØRRP said that the April issue had been sent by e-mail shortly after the club meeting and several days later by postal mail. Members who haven't paid 2010 dues may not receive the NEWS until they have been cleared by **Chuck, KJ4RV**.

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Health & Welfare: Mya. No cards were sent out to sick folks but she mentioned that Don Clayton's xyl wasn't doing well.

Membership: Chuck, KJ4RV for **David, KR4OE** said that we are still looking to present **Robert Young, N4ANU** with the Life Time Membership Certificate but he hasn't been to a club meeting.

Advertising: Van, N4ERM introduced a new advertiser, J.E.B. Designs of Fayetteville. See their ad on page 5.

Field Day Coordinator: Dale, KI4WOH reminded everyone of the schedule of events. Setup will be Friday June 25 starting about 2:00 PM outside of the Science Building at Methodist University. The following morning will be continued setup activities starting early and lasting until the contest begins on Saturday June 26 at 2:00 PM (1800Z).

The contest is continuous and terminates on Sunday at 2:00 PM (1800Z). Take down immediately follows and the picnic will start about 3-3:30 PM. Please bring a dish for yourself and one other entrée. We need people to help with this great contest. See the various jobs that you can get involved on page 1 at the bottom.

Don, KI4ZL and **Jackie, KJ4XK** will be providing some dinner on Saturday at the Field Day site.

OLD BUSINESS:

Van, N4ERM reminded the club that the Hero's Welcome of Veterans to be held next November needs further definition from CFARS with respect to our participation. Should we set up a portable station at the Special Operations Museum? Make special QSL cards?

Also, **Van, N4ERM** is busy identifying the procedure to complete our tax-free status to the IRS. He has a long form that needs completion and will need some help in doing so.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim, KI4YRH told the members that there are crooks out there in parking lots with a digital device that counts signals. When an unaware car owner clicks his/her key locks to open or shut their car door, the device can copy the code and then use it for illegal purposes.

Elton, W4VGW thanked several CFARS members for their help in erecting an antenna at his house. He said that he was going to a hamfest for the first time and it was the top one in ham radio - the Dayton Hamvention. He also mentioned that he was observing the 60th anniversary of his novice call sign.

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Query the CFARS Elmer:

1. What are the 4 classes needed for the NC State ARES Emergency Coordinator?
2. Who is the North Carolina ARRL 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.

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

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Dale, KI4WOH introduced Reggie Lewis from Neondawg Computers who is willing and able to create a CFARS Web site. The domain CFARS.org is still available. The final cost will be calculated once we have the site up and running. His company's Web URL is: <http://neondawg.com>

Van, N4ERM and **Don, KI4ZL** motioned and second that CFARS reimburse Reggie \$50 for his efforts. The motion carried. Reggie asked for help with content and will depend on CFARS members for information to place on the site.

Program: Dale, KI4WOH

There was discussion on the various activities we want to do for Field Day and who will be responsible. See page 1 for a list of jobs.

CFARS Meetings

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

Projected Programs for 2011

| | | |
|--------------|---|-----------------|
| January 18 | Antenna Stories | William, KD4DCR |
| February 15 | Surprise! | Gene, N4ANV |
| March 15 | Digital Mode, Pt. II | Jerry, KA4ULH |
| April 19 | Jeff Orrock from National Weather Service | |
| May 17 | Field Day Planning | Dale, KI4WOH |
| June 21 | Field Day— Final Prep | Dale, KI4WOH |
| | Vehicle Installations | Bill, KJ4OFD |
| July 19 | Field Day Slide Show | Kelly, N4EWG |
| August 16 | Eat'n Meet'n at the Golden Corral | |
| September 20 | QRP | Chuck, KJ4RV |
| October 18 | Show'n Tell | CFARS members |
| November 15 | Election - New Officers | Leighton, KN4ZZ |
| December ? | Christmas Eat'n Meet'n | Leighton, KN4ZZ |

Amateur Radio License VE Testing Schedule 2011

VE testing and location are confirmed for 2010. 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:

June 11, 2011
August 6, 2011
October 8, 2011

Door Prize: Kelly, N4EWG coordinated the drawing won by **William, K4KMI** who got a Pittsburg 17 piece nut driver set.

A motion was made and second by unknown persons to adjourn that was carried by the members present.

Attendance: 26
ARRL members: 20
Guests: 4

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Rick & Elise Smith

<http://www.cgls.net>

customer@cgls.net

CFARS Items for Sale:

Cushcraft 2 meter yagi antennas
Each Cushcraft A148-10S with stacking boom and phasing harness. Asking price is \$130.00
Lee Giddens, KM4GQ, 910-797-3781

Yaesu FT-2600M two meter mobile radio with manual and mounting bracket \$65.00.
Diamond SX-200 swr/power meter 1.8mhz to 200mhz new in box with manual \$70.00.
Dentron Jr. Monitor Antenna Tuner \$50.00.
Kenwood SP-31 Speaker \$65.00.
13 inch color tv with remote \$15.00.
David KR4OE, kr4oe@nc.rr.com, 910-624-1394

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 over-time Alarm. Wide 25 kHz and Narrow 12.5 kHz capable; Cloneable with optional cable.



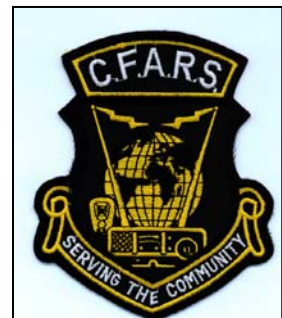
Accessories:

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.



Hamfest Calendar:

Dayton Hamvention
Dayton Amateur Radio Association
Dayton, OH
May 20-22, 2011
<http://www.hamvention.org/>

DurHamFest
Durham FM Association
Bahama, NC
May 28, 2011
<http://dfma.org>

Springfest
Chesapeake Amateur Radio Service
Franklin Amateur Radio Club
Chesapeake, VA
June 11, 2011
<http://w4car.org>

Winston-Salem Classic Hamfest
Forsyth Amateur Radio Club
Winston-Salem-Salem, NC
June 11, 2011
<http://Classic2011.w4nc.org>

Bronco Club Pig Pickin' Picnic & Tailgating
Franklin Amateur Radio Club
Franklin, VA
June 11, 2011
<http://www.qrz.com/db/wf4rc>

Manassas Hamfest
Ole Virginia Hams
Manassas, VA
June 12, 2011
<http://www.w4ovh.net>

21st Annual Down East Hamfest
Down East Hamfest Assoc.
Kinston, NC
June 18, 2011
www.downeasthamfest.org

J.E.B. Designs of Fayetteville has developed an attractive line of inexpensive embroidered and printed clothing for the discerning members of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society.

1. The gear is similar to what is shown:
2. The jacket, embroidered with your name and callsign is \$25.00.
3. The polo, embroidered with your name and callsign is \$20.00.
4. The emergency reflective jacket is \$25.00.

Call Tracy at J.E.B. (910) 423-7676 to order.

J.E.B. Designs
3452 Black & Decker Road
Hope Mills, NC



13th Annual Ole Fashioned

CFARS SwapFest

Sponsored by the
Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society and Methodist University
Fayetteville, North Carolina

Saturday

August 6, 2011

8:00 am to 12:00 noon

To be held in the lobby of Reeves Auditorium on the campus of
Methodist University

Highway 401 North (5400 Ramsey St)

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

Testing will be held in the Science Building (look for the building with the tall tower behind Reeves Auditorium)

**Information: David KR4OE kr4oe@nc.rr.com
(910)624-1394**

**Testing: Pat N4UGH n4ughpat@aol.com
(910)425-8003**

Tail Gating available if you want to brave the heat

****Reeves Auditorium is handicapped accessible, air conditioned, and has a loading dock. Come on out and join the CFARS gang for a few hours of amateur radio fun and fellowship. It's all free!!!**

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The above photo was contributed by CFARS Member **Russ Shepherd, W4SKW**. Russ was a MARS operator at this station.

Russ also put us in contact with another 5th Special Forces Group MARS operator, **Chuck Saunders**, who ran a mobile MARS operation in Vietnam. Traveling from fire base to fire base, he provided phone patches back stateside. Chuck, whose call sign, WB4OJX, has lapsed, is studying to become an active Ham again.

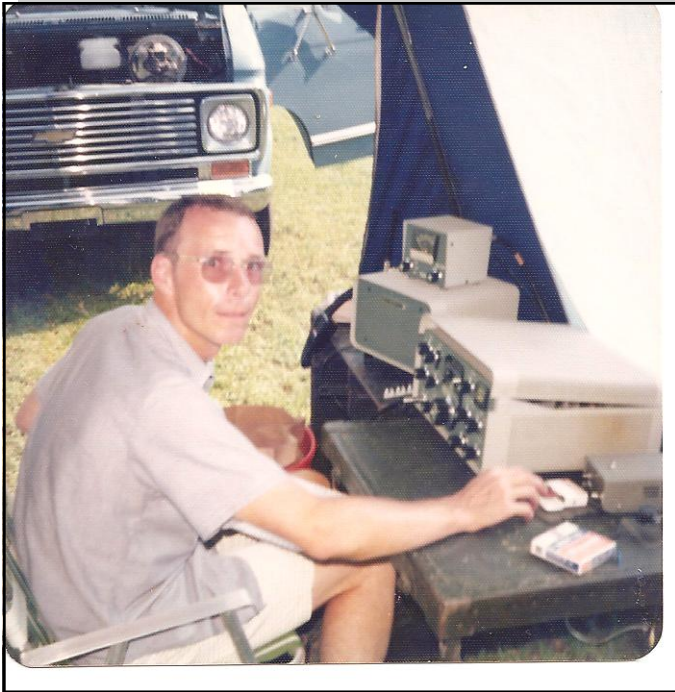
We'd like to hear from any former MARS operators or Hams who ran phone patch traffic for deployed service members. Our plan is to honor those who ran patches at the Heroes Homecoming celebration in Fayetteville, 4-13 November 2011. We will also activate station N4V (*North Carolinian's for Veterans*) during the period.

Is this something we would like to do as CFARS? Or is it best left to interested individuals?

Van, N4ERM

Field Day of yesteryear!

Can you guess who the operators are in these photos? What was the year? *Hint*: Some might still be CFARS members.



Field Day 2010 at Methodist University

