

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday evening, July 18, 2022 in the Fellowship Hall of the Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

#### Call to Order

President Ron K4FET called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country. Will KN4OTA gave the invocation. Ron K4FET led the introductions in the usual CFARS fashion. We had 34 members present.

#### Minutes

Van N4ERM moved the minutes be accepted as published, Carl K4CFB seconded, there was no discussion and the motion carried.

#### Financial

David KO4RKR gave the Treasurers Report. We had money, we made money, we spent money, and we still have money in the checkbook.

#### Net Manager

Larry N4USB gave the Net Manager report.

#### Health and Welfare

Carl K4CFB gave the report on the Health and Welfare of the society members. He was not aware of any members that were ailing. There was some discussion regarding several of our members from earlier this year and how they were fareing.

#### Repeaters

Mike K4JWX reported that the repeaters were up and continuing to do fine business.

There is internet access to the repeaters, fans have been place to keep the repeaters cool.

There are a few issues with linking the repeaters with the various networks. He is aware that the repeaters callsign renewals are in August and is making the necessary actions.

#### Field Day

George KM4ODS will give his report later this meeting.

#### Membership

David KI4W had no new memberships to report. Remember, dues are due at the end of the year (December 31<sup>st</sup>), they are \$15 per year, and if you have not paid by March 31<sup>st</sup> of the year, you are no longer a voting member. Please see the Treasurer to pay your dues, or obtain an application to join the club.

#### Swapfest

David KI4W reminded all of the Swapfest August 13<sup>th</sup> at the Cumberland County Shrine Club. If you need tables call him. We have several vendors who will be returning this year. We will be setting up tables on Friday evening @ 5:00 pm. Please be there to assist him if possible.

#### VE Testing

Jim K4BUC has had several testing sessions recently and has passed a number of new ham radio operators. He will continue this at the Swapfest. Exam fee is \$15.00 (ca\$h).

#### Public Relations

Dale AK4YS said all was in order. A copy of the Up and Coming with article on our Field Day adventures is at the front table.

#### Newsletter

Mike KN4XP has asked that articles for inclusion to the newsletter be submitted to cfarsnews@gmail.com.

#### Website

Steve KI4EZL has asked that items for inclusion to the website be sent to him.

#### Possum Trot nets

Ron K4FET said that checkins to the net are running in the low 40's. Ron is stepping away from Possum Trot net on Mondays and needs replacement net controller for Monday mornings.

## SKYWARN

Hector KB4LOA told us a class was held in Hoke County last week and it went well.  
Contact him for more information about weather.

## ARRL Liaison

Not present, no report.

## OLD BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

The club needs QSL cards for Field Day. Pete K4QFK and Jim KI4YRH will make up and print cards for immediate use. Send George KM4ODS ideas, pictures, suggestions for QSL design for K4MN cards.

George KM4ODS and Ron K4FET will be at the Storage shed at 8:00 am Wednesday to arrange and inventory stuff and request assistance.

Help wanted to pick up and take to Cumberland County Shrine Club items to be placed on CFARS table for sale.

Jerry Cavalier N8BN needs assistance in moving and resetting his station.

David KI4W has been voluntold to chair the nominating committee for the coming year. All current officers will be stepping down at the end of this year. Contact David and/or other Past Presidents to submit yourself to be and officer of the club.

## MONKEY BUSINESS

Always

## PROGRAM

George KM4ODS gave a recap/critique of this past Field Day.

8342 points this year vs. @6800 last year.

We worked on our own power for all stations and needs this year.

Friday setup was ok. The major equipment was brought in and set up.

Saturday setup could have been much better. We need more folks to setup, but all was set up and ready in time for initial power checks.

Operations showed we need more operators at the microphones/keyers/computers. We had some down time due to lack of operators. We need operators to put themselves on the schedule and to work their schedule. We need old hams to come and operate. We need new hams to come to field day and operate. We need visitors (we had six visitors to operate).

Hector KB4LOA presented George KM4ODS with an Elmer Award (already framed and ready for hanging) for his assistance, guidance, advice, and know-how.

Things for next year: another shelter, another 8' table, CHAIRS, and coax for hex beams and loop antennae.

## DOOR PRIZES

David KI4W held the door prize drawing. George KM4ODS won the special prize drawing (for those who were present at Field Day) which was a Yaesu FT-7900 R/E radio. George will present this to the operator from Field Day who posted the most points. This radio was donated by Becky Ward, XYL of Chuck Ward KJ4RV (SK).

Rick N1GNF won a 2m circular array VHF antenna.

Ron K4FET and Pete K4QFK won blueberries donated by Larry N4USB.

Hector KB4LOA won a code key from KJ4RV (SK)

Jeremy KN4JUY won a VHF/UHF mobile antenna

David KO4RKR won a box of Arduino pieces and parts

Jeremiah KO4VRM won book Amateur Radio Unsung Heros

Ferguson KK4MCY won a battery charger

Don K4SFA won a monitor

David K4FXC, Ed N4ESA, Will KN4OTA, Norm K4MGZ all won hanks of 550 Paracord

## Adjournment

Having all the fun to be had, Ron K4FET adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm. Our next get together will be Swapfest on August 13, 2022 at the Cumberland County Shrine Club. Our next meeting will be here on August 15, 2022.

Submitted:

Bill Ivey, Jr., KJ4OFD, Recorder

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K4FXC	K4JWX	K4MGZ	K4QFK	KB4LOA
KD2YNP	KI4W	KI4YRH	KJ4OFD	KK4MCY
KK4TBD	KM4ODS	KM4SUE	KN4JUY	KN4OTA
KN4YTA	KO4NON	KO4OXG	KO4RKR	KO4VEC
KO4VRM	N1GNF	N4ERM	N4ESA	N4USB
NC4GK	WA2COU	WO4ROG	WO4SFA	