# Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society News

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The President's Corner: David WD4NC

Hello Club!

Last month's meeting was amazing. We had 52 members there for our election meeting. It was great seeing that many at the meeting and seeing the parking lot fill up.

Here is a run down on your old and new officers. President: WD4NC/David VP: Rod/KQ4FNO Treasure: Mike / KC4ABE Recorder: Chris /KR4I

We all look forward to working for the club and doing all we can to make it bigger and better.

I would like to give a huge shout out to Jeremy/ KB4D for all he has done for the club and how he was tasked with keeping me doing right things right. Jeremy has been the Club Recorder for the last two years and has done an amazing job. He has been to all the club events and ran the SSB station for Field Day. I never had to worry about a job getting down if he was heading it up. Thank you very much Jeremy for what you have done and given to the club.

Chris / KR4I is coming in to fill those shoes and I have no doubt that he will do a great job. Jeremy is working with him to teach him the ropes and get him ready for the job. Please welcome him aboard when you see him and give Jeremy a big handshake and thank him for the work he has put in for the club.

We are working at keeping the club busy. Our next outing will be down to the USS North Carolina. This will happen December the 7th for Pearl Habor Day. Once again, we will get a chance to get on the Showboat and work with the Azalea Coast Ham radio club / AC4RC. We have the honor to run the NI4BK call sign, and we thank them very much for inviting us to help out. There is a Event page up for the trip on Face Book and we will be setting up Carpools as well. You do have to pay to get on the Ship.

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Dec 16th is our Meet and Eat. That will take place at the Church and meet up is 6:30, Set up crew will be there at 6 and we are looking for people to help with that. If you can get there early, please let me know. You must buy a Ticket if you want to eat. Tickets are on Sale for \$7 each. You need to buy your ticket before December the 1st. This is so we know how many are coming to eat. We will NOT be selling tickets on the day of the event. Get hold of Rod if you want to buy a ticket or buy one off the web site or the FB page. I look forward to seeing all of you at this event.

We will be presenting the Chuck Ward Ham of the Year award, doing a 50/50 drawing and 100% of the funds will go to the winner. David KI4W has been busy all year with the Raffle Table, and I am sure he is going to have some good stuff to win at the event.

Winter Field day comes up in Jan and we are getting ready for that as well. Don/ WO4SFA, Rod / KQ4FNO and I were out at the SFA Camp looking at the layout and getting things started. There is always something going on with CFARS. You just must want to be a part of it.

73's David Winfree, WD4NC



### From The Vice President Rod KQ4NFO

First, I would like to thank all of you that voted to keep me occupied in 2025. I will endeavor to provide a useful and helpful service to you all.

I hope you enjoy the new schedule for meetings. Time can now be spent on having more discussion, training and hopefully actually building something!

#### Upcoming events:

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, USS North Carolina to assist the Azealia Club. Please make sure you let David, WD4NC, know so we can organize transport, shifts and maybe food.

December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. CFARS' Eat and Greet Meeting. Doors open at 6:00PM at Peace Presbyterian Church (Fellowship Hall), meeting at 6:30 PM and food served after a SHORT Club meeting! Be there for Chuck Ward's Ham of the Year Award, great Door Prizes and excellent fellowship. REMEMBER to purchase a ticket from me, Rod KQ4FNO, or you will be unable to eat. You can reach me at my email, <u>kq4fno@gmail.com</u>, by phone at (910)977-0248, and pay by Zelle on the website or Facebook. Your tickets will be available to you either at dinner or during the month, as we arrange it.

January 25<sup>th</sup> to January 26<sup>th</sup> is Winter Field Day. Thanks to the kind help from Don Talbot, WO4SFA, we will be using the Special Forces Association Chapter I-XVIII, located at 1509 Zinnia Court. This is located just behind FayettevilleAirport and can be reached from Doc Bennett Road or Elizabethtown Road. Google maps has it listed, so no problem. I will have some maps available at the November Meeting. This is a quiet (RF) location, and we have done well here before. February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The NC QSO Party. I will just leave that here as plans for this are still up in the air.

As always, continue to practice radio operation in the manner that suits YOU! POTA is great, and one of my favorites although I need far more activations! SOTA is definitely out of my ballpark as it entails hiking up hills, and that is no longer possible at my tender years. BOTA, Beaches on the Air is far more conducive to my lifestyle. Contesting, for those looking to improve DX contacts or handling, or breaking, pileups. The Club has done well so far, and I look forward to better things from us.

If you have suggestions as to Classes, demonstrations, or activities, please call me and let me know. I am willing to look at almost everything and if it improves the Club then we can do it! (Time permitting!!!!) Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

DE KQ4FNO, Rod.

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Club Repeaters					
	(PL 100 Hz)				
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

#### Club Membership

#### Dues

CFARS club membership dues are due and payable in January each year. CFARS does offer you the option to pay your dues no later than March. Yearly dues are \$20.00. CFARS offers a lifetime membership option for \$200.00. If your dues are not paid by March you will not be a voting member of the club. The right to vote on issues for the club comes with club membership. PO Box 36106, Fayetteville, NC 28303





## October 2024 Club Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday, October 21, 2024, in the Fellowship Hall of Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

President David WD4NC called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. Bill KE4DER gave the invocation. David WD4NC led the introductions in the usual CFARS fashion. There were 23 members and 2 guests



present. Ed N4ESA moved September's minutes be approved, Tim KO4VEC seconded, and the motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer:** Mike KC4ABE gave the financial report.

**Net Manager:** Larry N4USB gave the net report. September net report: 698 check ins for an average of 23.3, 949 minutes for an average of 31.6, 31 pieces of traffic.

**Health & Welfare:** KN4KUL, N4BEL, card was sent to Mike KN4XP, for the passing of his father. Keep the following in your prayers, KQ4QEM Alan, and KN4KUL Nina.

**Repeaters:** David K4FXC, repeaters are working well as of the last check.

Field Day: No report.

**Membership:** David KI4W, Mike KN4XP motioned Jerry Schrecker KZ4MD, Steven KQ4QWH, Mark KQ4NTM, and Tracy KF4KFL be accepted as members, Tim W4HDF seconded and the motion carried.

**Contesting:** Hector KB4LOA, ARRL sweepstakes will be in November, ARRL 10m contest is in December.

**VE Coordinator:** Jim K4BUC, next VE test session will be January 11, 2025 at Peace Presbyterian Church. Bring an FRN number.

Swapfest: David KI4W announced the CFARS 2th anniversary Swapfest will be held in 2025.

**Public Relations:** Hector KB4LOA, continue posting ham radio and club activity on the CFARS Facebook page.

**Newsletter:** Any submissions please send to Mike KN4XP by end of month, ideally in Microsoft Word format. <u>cfarsnews@gmail.com</u>

**Web Site:** Any submissions please send to Jim K4BUC. Jim asked that anyone having pictures to put on the website send them to him. <u>jbuccieri@twc.com</u>

**ARRL Liaison:** David K4FXC is still working with the ARRL.

**Possum Trot Net:** Greg NC4GK, September had a high of 41 check ins, a low of 29 check ins, with an average of 35 check ins on the PT net.

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Skywarn: No report.

**Event Coordinator:** Rod KQ4FNO, December 7 Pearl Harbor Day at USS NC Battleship. POC David WD4NC. December 16 6:00PM Eatin' Meetin' at Peace Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. Setup will be 6:00PM, food served at 6:30PM. Pearl Harbor Day at the NC Battleship...POC David WD4NC. December 16th Eatin' Meetin" at Peace Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. Setup will be at 6 pm with food served at 6:30 pm.

**Emergency Coordinator:** Jeremiah KO4VRM, Greg NC4GK, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday night is Skywarn night.

**Old Business:** STEAM program with Joe Kabbes is in the works. Joe updated us that he is working on it and expects to push it in the spring. Rod KQ4FNO updated that the ARRL has accepted our application for a grant for the STEAM work and grants will be announced in several months.

#### New Business: None.

**Program:** Officer Elections:

Nominations from the floor-

David KI4W asked for nominations from the floor for the office of President, there were none. David KI4W motioned that nominations for President be closed, Tim W4HDF seconded. David KI4W asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Vice President, there were none. David KI4W motioned that nominations for VP be closed, Norman K4MGZ seconded. David KI4W asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Secretary/Treasurer, there were none. David KI4W motioned that nominations for Secretary/Treasurer be closed, Tim W4HDF seconded. David KI4W asked for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer be closed, Tim W4HDF seconded. David KI4W asked for nominations from the floor for the office of Recorder, there were none. David KI4W asked for nominations for Recorder be closed, Tim W4HDF seconded.

Nominations from the committee-

David presented the slate of officers suggested by the past presidents committee, with David WD4NC as President, Rod KQ4FNO as Vice President, Mike KC4ABE as Secretary/Treasurer, and Chris KR4I as Recorder. David KI4W motioned that nominations for all officers be closed. Tim W4HDF seconded.

David WD4NC asked for a volunteer for the position of auditor in compliance with the constitution; Ed N4ESA volunteered to be the club auditor.

**Door Prize Drawing:** Steve KA4CZL won a crimper. Bob KL7NL won an ammo can. Hector KB4LOA won a piece of coax. Fergie KK4MCY won a pair of shoes. Bill KE4DER won a RadioShack radio. Larry N4USB won a piece of coax. Hector KB4LOA won a piece of coax. Rod KQ4FNO won a set of insulators and a phone case. Mike KN4XP won a piece of coax. Steve KA4CZL won a piece of coax. Bill KE4DER won a piece of CAT6. Chris KR4I won a glass decanter.

**50/50 Drawing:** \$58 collected, Rod KQ4NFO had the winning ticket of \$290 and donated it back to the club.

**Announcements:** Mike Moose (former member) introduced himself. Rod-23 hamclock tickets have been sold. Sold 19 dinner tickets- deadline is for purchasing Eatin' Meetin' tickets is December 1. David WD4NC reported that the club had a good time at Singletary Lake State Park. David WD4NC reported that the club had a good impromptu EMCOMM exercise last month. There will be a desert contest at the Eatin' Meetin', bring a good desert!

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**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm. There were 44 members and 8 guests present. Norman K4MGZ motioned to adjourn.

Submitted: Jeremy Gilchrist KN4JUY Recorder

CFARS Nets					
Net	Day (s)	Time Local	Band / Freq		
Evening Net	Daily	1900	146.910 Repeater		
Possum Trot	M - F	0500 - 0700	146.910 Repeater		
ADY Net	M - F	0810	SSB 3.855		
CW Fix Net	Tues / Thurs	0730	CW 3.555		
DMR Net	Sunday	2000	TGIF 910 Talkgroup		

# Upcoming Hamfests

November 17, 2024 Jarsfest Benson, North Carolina jars.net

# **CFARS VE Testing**

The 2025 VE exams will take place at one of these two locations - as noted.

Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey Street Fayetteville, NC 28301

Cumberland County Shrine Club 7040 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville NC 28311

Dates: January 11, 2025 - Peace Presbyterian Church March 15, 2025 - Peace Presbyterian Church August 9, 2025 - Cumberland County Shrine Club October 11, 2025 - Peace Presbyterian Church

Jim K4BUC