# CAPE FEAR AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2024

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday, September 16, 2024, in the Fellowship Hall of Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

President David Winfree 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 25 members and guests present. Chris KR4I moved August's minutes be approved, Mike KC4ABE seconded, and the motion carried.

## PROGRAM

Joe Kabbes, professor at UNC FSU introduced himself with interest to establish a relationship with CFARS for educating students at FSU. Joe runs a STEAM event on Saturday afternoons with middle and high school students at FSU.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- DURING MEETING
  - Treasurer: Mike KC4ABE gave the financial report.
  - Health and Welfare: N4BEL, Steve KA4CZL was hospitalized, now back home.
  - Event Coordinator: Rod KQ4FNO:
    - Sep 28 Singletary Lake State Park CFARS meetup, contact David WD4NC if you are going to ensure there is adequate food, if you do not RSVP, do not plan to eat.
    - December 7 Pearl Harbor Day at 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.

## • **REPORTS TO RECORDER**

- Membership: KI4W, no report.
- Net Manager: Larry N4USB,

August net report:

718 check ins for an average of 23.6

1011 minutes for an average of 32.6

29 pieces of traffic.

- Possum Trot net: Greg NC4GK, PT net continues 5:00am to 7:00am.
- Repeaters: David K4FXC, repeaters are working well as of last check.
- 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 or historical stories to put on the website send them to him. jbuccieri@twc.com
- VE Coordinator: Jim K4BUC, next VE test session will be October 12 at Peace Presbyterian Church. Bring an FRN number.
- Public Relations: Hector KB4LOA, continue posting ham radio and club activity on the CFARS Facebook page.
- Swap fest: David KI4W, CFARS 25<sup>TH</sup> anniversary Swapfest will be next year.
- ARRL representative: David K4FXC is still working with the ARRL.
- Contest Coordinator: Juan NK2MC gave a list of upcoming contests.
- Emergency Coordinator: Jeremiah KO4VRM, Greg NC4GK, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday night is Skywarn night.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Discussion of NC QSO Party Bonus Station. David WO4ROG presented a Q&A of CFARS operating as one of the NCQSOP bonus stations. Dale AK4YS MOTIONED that CFARS operate as the bonus station for the next NCQSOP, Don WO4SFA seconded, and the motion carried unopposed. If and when CFARS is selected for operating as a bonus station K4MN will not be able to compete, although individuals may operate individually, not under K4MN.
- Eatin' Meetin' meal Smithfield's BBQ, Don WO4SFA motioned for club to pay half the cost of everyone's plate for food to come from Smithfield's. Norman K4MGZ seconded, and the motion carried. Tickets will be \$7.
- Travis N4BEL motioned that the official title of the ham of the year award be "Chuck Ward Ham of the Year Award." Don WO4SFA seconded. Motion carried.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Raffle tickets available for the Hamclock. Tickets \$2 or 3 for \$5.
- Chuck Ward Ham of the Year award votes were taken.
- Hector KB4LOA discussed development of the CFARS Contest Club. This is not a separate club, but an element within CFARS. Hector will organize participants for contests.
- Van N4ERM brought many publications to distribute to whoever would like one.
- October meeting will be officer elections.
- Rod KQ4FNO announced that the club is now set up with Zelle to accept donations, dues payments, purchase raffle tickets, and Eatin' Meetin' tickets.

## **DOOR PRIZES**

Jeremy won a set of GMRS radios.

Bill KE4DER won an ammo can. Chris KR4I won an aluminum clipboard. Hector KB4LOA won an MRE. Bill KE4DER won a 10m whip antenna. Don WO4SFA won a 6m whip antenna. Don WO4SFA won a Yuengling glass.

#### 50/50 DRAWING

\$52 collected, Don WO4SFA had the winning ticket of \$26 and donated it back to the club by buying Hamclock tickets.

### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44PM. There were 25 members and guests present. Norman K4MGZ motioned to adjourn.

Submitted: Jeremy Gilchrist KN4JUY, Recorder.

KB4LOA	KF4KFL	WD4NC	KO4EHI	N4BEL	KQ4FNO
WP4TGK	KC4ABE	KE4DER	KQ4IIX	W4HDF	K4QFK
K4BUC	K4MGZ	KK4MCY	N4ERM	AK4YS	WO4SFA
KO4VEC	KJ4OFD	KR4I	WP4PRX	KN4JUY	

Joe Kabbes Jerry Sattracker (sp?)