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22nd Annual Ole Fashioned

CFARS SwapFest

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

Saturday August 14, 2021

8:00am to 12:00 noon Cumberland County Shrine Club 7040 Ramsey St (US Hwy 401 N)

No Admission!! No Fee for Tables!!!

Please help us keep this event free
by placing a monetary contribution in
the donation box so we can cover the rent
on the building!!!

Talk-in: K4MN Repeater 146.910 (-) CTCSS 100Hz

VE Test Session Walk-ins Only Registration 9:00am Testing 9:30am

Information and Table Reservations: David KI4W kr4oe@nc.rr.com (910)624-1394

ARRL VE Testing: Pat N4UGH n4ughpat@aol.com (910)584-1801

Set-up begins at 6:30am. If you need tables please call or email in advance. On the morning of the Swapfest see David KI4W for tables.

Table Reservations recommended.

Tail Gating available - - also FREE!!!

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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 \$15.00. CFARS offers a lifetime membership option for \$150.00. 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



CFARS Club Patches are available for purchase. Contact **Chuck KJ4RV** for your patch today!



July 2021 Club Meeting Minutes

The July Monthly Meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at Peace Presbyterian Church at 3203 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC on Monday evening, July 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. We had 34 members and 4 guests present.

President Ron K4FET welcomed all for coming and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. Perry N4LBB gave the invocation. Ron K4FET led the introductions in the usual CFARS Fashion.



Ron K4FET asked if all had the opportunity to read the minutes of the last meeting. Marty W4MLW and George KM4ODS moved to accept the minutes as published and the minutes were accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Bill KJ4OFD gave the **Treasurer's Report.** We had money, we made money, we spent money, we have money remaining. The Club is solvent.

Net Manager: Bill KJ4OFD gave the Net Manager report.

May 880 QNI (28.4/net) 30 QTC 1212 QND (39.1/net) June 300 QNI (26.7/net) 24 QTC 1048 QND (34.9/net)

Health & Welfare: Carl K4CFB was not present for the Health and Welfare report, but did report there was nothing to report.

Repeater: Mike K4JWX gave the Repeater report. All the repeaters are up and doing fine business. The 6m repeater is still a work in progress.

Membership: David KI4W introduced our new members. Don Talbot KO4RKP introduced himself. David presented Life Membership Certificates to Ron K4FET and Dom NC4XL. A vote was taken and Don was accepted as a new member of CFARS.

Field Day: George KM4ODS said the Field Day exercise went well and is taking input from all participants for critique and comments. He reported that all materials had been submitted to ARRL. We made 1900 contacts and 6800 points for the event. George KM4ODS presented Certificates to Jeremy KE4JUY and Hector KB2LOA for their outstanding operator skills during Field Day.

Swapfest: David KI4W is still taking reservations for tables for Swapfest. Swapfest will be August 14, 2021 at the Cumberland County Shrine Club. Doors open at 6:00 am.

VE Testing: Pat N4UGH was not present for the VE Testing report. We will have a VE Test session at Swapfest on August 14, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am.

ARRL: Irv K3IRV was not present but reported that ARRL still has not posted when the proposed fees for licensing would begin, or how the fees would be collected.

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Emergency Coordinator: David KN4USW, Emergency Coordinator was not present. We will have shelter checks on August 3, 2021 at 9:30 am. See John KN4JDR for more information and to put yourself on the list to assist with the checks.

Public Relations: Marty W4MLW had nothing to report concerning Public Relations.

Newsletter: Mike KN4XP was not present, but welcomes input for the newsletter. He would like to add several columns of interest to the club. If you have anything you would like to add to the newsletter, email him.

Website: Steve KI4EZL was not present, but has updated the website with information and pictures submitted. He would also like to have input for the website.

Possum Trot Net: Ron K4FET reported the Possum Trot Net has been a little light last month, averaging between 45 and 50 checkins per net.

Old Business: None New Business: None.

Announcements: Ron K4FET had several comments regarding Emergency Coordinator and ARES/AUXCOMM. There was discussion from the floor.

Program: Ron Casey K4JDR and Butch KF4AUX were introduced and spoke about the Carolina 440 Nets. They explained who they were, passed out a list of the repeaters involved in Eastern North Carolina. There was discussion from the floor and Ron answered many questions.

Door Prize Drawing: Marty W4MLW held the drawing. The winners were: Baufeng Radio UV5R HT donated by CFARS was won by Ferguson KK4MCY, Yaesu Logbook donated by David KI4W were won by Jason KO4OXG and Hector KB2LO, an ARRL HAM sticker donated by David KI4W was won by John KF4JDR, a QSL card holder donated by David KI4W was won by John KF4JDR, a 24" LG Monitor donated by Ben KM4ODT was won by Jeremy KE4JUY, a Messi & Paoloni T-Shirt donated by Hector KB2LOA was won by Bob WA4WHV, a General Class Complete Course donated by Hector KB4LOA was won by Larry N4USB, The Red-Neck Doesn't Fall Far From the Tree (Book) donated by Don KO4RKP, Beerfest (Movie) was donated by Don KO4RKP was won by Ron K4FET, a Transmitter Holster donated by Don KO4RKP, a Drawing of for those who participated in Field Day was held. A TYT DMR Dual Band Radio donated by CFARS was won by John KF4JDR.

Ron K4FET adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Submitted: Bill KJ4OFD CFARS Recorder

CFARS Reoccurring Nets				
Net	Day (s)	Time Local	Band / Fre- quency	
Evening Net	Daily	1900	146.910 Repeater	
Possum Trot	M-F	0500- 0700	146.910 Repeater	
ADY Net	M-F	0810	SSB 3.852	
CW Fix Net	Tues/ Thurs	0730	CW 3.555	
PTN 10-10	Tues	2000	CW 28.150	
PTN 10-10	Wed	2000	SSB 28.345	
DMR Net	Sunday	2000	TGIF 910 Talk- group	



CFARS VE Testing

The CFARS VE team will offer VE Testing in 2021.

Testing will be held at the following location:

Cumberland County Shrine Club 7040 Ramsey Street (US Hwy 401 N) Fayetteville, NC 28311-9322

Testing Dates
August 14th
October 9th

Please note that if anyone wants to test, they will need to get a FRN number first.

REMINDER: Exam Candidates are REQUIRED to register in the FCC CORES system and receive a Federal Registration Number (FRN) before exam day. Direct candidates to the FCC CORES User Account and Registration page: https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/user

Upcoming Hamfests

August 14 CFARS Swapfest Fayetteville, NC cfarsnc.org

September 3 Shelby Hamfest Shelby, NC shelbyhamfest.org

October 16 W4NC Fallfest Winston-Salem, NC w4nc.com

> November 21 Jarsfest Benson, NC jars.net

Parks on the Air (POTA) By Dom NC4XL



Continuation on Parks On The Air...

After you have registered at parksontheair.com the fun begins. It is important to go to the web site and read the frequently asked question section (FAQ). The FAQ section will answer many of your questions. The first thing you're going to do is become the Hunter. You can hunt parks from anywhere not limited to your home shack, mobile or even a friend's shack. Once you're registered, you'll see a spotting page (SPOT). The spotting page gives you an idea what stations are activating parks, their frequency and their park number. The spotting page will give you more information on the park.

While you are hunting you will want to keep a regular log of you contacts. You don't have to send your log in just keep it on your computer. If you hear people talking about logs remember those logs are from the activators. Activators must send in their logs for

you to get credit for working the park. Activator logs must be sent in a particular format for their call area representative. Our representative for 4 lands is k4parksontheair.com. If your call sign has a different number, regardless of the area you live in, your logs need to go to the proper location. Each area has its own representative.

When an activator sends in their log, this is how you can start following your activity. You will see your awards growth along with the chasing of all parks. Some people will wait to send in their logs. Some people will get their logs in quickly, which is what you want so you can see your totals go up faster. As a hunter, you have opportunities to earn many different types of awards. Your first hunter award is issued online for hunting ten (10) parks. We will talk later about activators and their awards.

As you know Mike KN4XP, David WO4ROG and I NC4XL are active with Parks on the Air. We are reaching out to those who have an interest in joining our ranks of Chasing and later Activating Parks.

Again this is a good time for you to get registered at Parks on the Air. By registering you will be in the database and your contacts will start accruing from the Activators. It won't be long and you will start seeing results and earning awards from your contacts. You will find good operators in this activity. You will get better and working low power stations. As time goes on you may decide to go out to activate a parks of your own. You will be able to enjoy the beautiful parks, game lands and wildlife management areas

Until next time, we will let you consider the thought of being the Hunter. Those parks are waiting for you to work them.

See you on the Parks on the Air spotting page.