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### **The President's Corner: Ron K4FET**

The clock keeps ticking, and here it is, time to submit my final president's report. Seems like we just had a meeting, so there isn't a lot to cover.

The Eating Meeting is going to be here before we know it, and rumor has it that there are a lot of great prizes up for grabs. However, to win them, you must be there and have bought tickets. This is where mathematics enters the picture; the more tickets you buy, the greater your odds are of walking home with one of those great prizes.

And it wouldn't be a president's message if I didn't harp on a couple of my pet peeves. I guess it boils down to participation. We are still waiting for someone to step up for the Santa net. That is truly a piece of cake that will leave you with a smile on your face.

The constitution review/rewrite is still languishing; finalizing a site for Field Day as well as reserving the cabins for the NC State QSO party, we are still waiting on input for new QSL cards, and we are in dire need of a Public Information Coordinator, as well as a review of the entire body of Coordinators.

Next is net participation. I believe the PT net and the evening net are both approaching all-time lows in participation. Granted, the Grim Reaper has taken its toll on participants, coupled with personality issues, and that sort of says it all. The myopic concept involved in not checking into a particular NCS operator is immature to the point of being inconceivably mind-boggling. The only impact that really has is to undermine the long-established traditions of the nets themselves. That is happening on a regular basis, and you know who you are. In associations, teams, clubs, etc., tradition is the glue that holds them together. Take personalities out of the equation, and move on for the benefit of the club. We will all be richer for it.

There, that is out of the way. In closing, I can truthfully say I have enjoyed my tenure as your president and am looking forward to passing the baton to the new administration.

73's, and best wishes to all.

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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

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### November 2022 Club Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday evening, November 21st, 2022, in the Fellowship Hall of the Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

President Ron Dahle 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 29 members and guests present.



Don WO4SFA moved the minutes be approved as published on the website, second by Carl K4CFB and the motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer:** David KO4RKR gave the Treasurer's Report. We had money, we made money, we spent money, and we still have money in the checkbook.

**Net Manager:** Larry N4USB reported the net times and check-ins were up slightly from last month.

**Health & Welfare:** Carl N4CFB sent flowers for George Liepins KE4HW (SK) funeral and sent cards to the family of Fred Deem N4ZCG (SK). Carl asked that if anyone in the club knows of anybody that is ill or SK to report to him.

**Repeaters:** No report.

**Field Day:** George KM4ODS gave the report for Field Day scoring. CFARS scored 9th in the nation, 2nd in our division, and 1st in North Carolina.

**Membership:** No report. It is time to pay your annual dues of \$15.00.

**Contesting:** No report.

**VE Coordinator:** Jim K4BUC discussed upcoming test sessions.

**Swapfest:** No report.

**Public Relations:** Dale AK4YS nothing to report.

**Newsletter:** Any submissions please send to Mike KN4XP. [cfarsnews@gmail.com](mailto:cfarsnews@gmail.com)

**Web Site:** Steve KI4EZL has asked that items for inclusion to the website be sent to him. [cfarswebbie@gmail.com](mailto:cfarswebbie@gmail.com)

**ARRL Liaison:** No report.

**Possum Trot Net:** Ron K4FET reported that Walter KG4JOK has been covering Fridays and that Ron K4FET will continue calling the net on Mondays.

**Skywarn:** Hector KB4LOA reported announced that 23 December will be Skywarn day on HF.

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**Old Business** - George KM4ODS is still looking for input for K4MN QSL cards. Ron K4FET working on new membership certificates.

**New Business** - Club needs to research external speakers for go boxes. George KM4ODS motioned for club to run Santa net recommended date 23 December 2022. K4FET seconded. Need operator to call the Santa Net. Need to reserve cabins for the NC QSO party on 26 February 2023. George KM4ODS discussed and distributed a club calendar for next year. Hector KB4LOA discussed a program schedule for 2023, gave ideas for guidelines for programs.

**Program** - None.

**Door Prizes:** Will KN4OTA won a multitool, Greg Robles won a 2M mobile radio, Rick N1GNF won an SWR meter and an analog VOM, Larry N4USB won an MFJ speaker and a copy of the 1993 ARRL handbook. Jeremy KN4JUY won two pair of dog bone insulators, Billy won an audio mixer and a fly fishing class, George KM4ODS won a multitool, Don WO4SFA won a weather radio alarm clock, Norman K4MGZ won a computer speaker and a bag of black walnuts, Ron K4FET won an ARRL logbook, Lani KQ4BVV won a computer speaker, Hector KB4LOA won a bag of pecans, Greg Robles won a speaker sound bar.

**Announcements:** None

**Adjournment:** Carl K4CFB motioned to close the meeting, Laird WA2COU seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. Next month's meeting will be held at Southern Coals on 19 December 2022. Bring wives and/or girlfriends. Please make sure to turn in menu selection to Marty W4MLW carolinapretzel@yahoo.com no later than 7 December. There were 26 members and 3 guests present.

Submitted: Jeremy Gilchrist KN4JUY  
Recorder



**CFARS Nets**

*Upcoming Hamfests*

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

March 10-11, 2023  
 Charlotte Hamfest  
 Concord, North Carolina  
[charlottehamfest.org](http://charlottehamfest.org)

April 8, 2023  
 Rarsfest  
 Raleigh, North Carolina  
[rarsfest.org](http://rarsfest.org)

**CFARS VE Testing**

The CFARS VE team, led by Jim K4BUC, will once again be administering VE exams in 2023. Here is the scheduled exam sessions.

Date	Location	Time
January 14 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM
March 18 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM
August 12 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Cumberland County Shrine Club 7040 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28311	9:00AM
October 14 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM

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

**Menu for CFARS Eating Meeting  
12/19/2022 @ 7PM Southern Coals  
Restaurant. 3319-C Raeford Rd.**

**Please mark your selections. Email to Marty W4MLW at [carolinapretzel@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinapretzel@yahoo.com) by 12/7/2022**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign \_\_\_\_\_

**Pick Your Meat**

Chicken Breast  
Leg Quarter  
Pulled Pork  
Brisket+ **\$2.00 upcharge**

**Prices are as follow:**

1 meat  
2 sides  
Dessert  
Bread  
Drink \$11.00

**Pick Your Sides**

Mac and Cheese  
Baked Beans  
Green Beans  
Collards  
Potato Salad  
Cole Slaw

2 Meats  
2 sides  
Dessert  
Bread  
Drink \$15.00

**Pick Your Bread**

Cornbread  
Dinner Roll

1 Meats  
3 Sides  
Dessert  
Bread  
Drink \$13.50

**Dessert**

Banana Pudding

2 Meats  
3 sides  
Dessert  
Bread  
Drink \$17.00