

CAPE FEAR AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 2024

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday, February 19, 2024, in the Fellowship Hall of Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

President David Winfree WO4ROG called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. Bill KE4DER gave the invocation. David WO4ROG led the introductions in the usual CFARS fashion. There were 39 members and guests present. Tim KO4VEC moved February's minutes be approved, Bill KE4DER seconded, and the motion carried.

PROGRAM

Nancy KB2TNR gave a presentation on RARSFest.

Greg NC4GK gave an AAR on the NC QSOP.

Paul K4PGM gave a presentation on HamClock. (PowerPoint deck is on CFARS Facebook page).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Treasurer: Mike KC4ABE gave the financial report.
- Membership: David KI4W reminded that dues should be paid by March 31 for renewals.
Two members were presented for membership. Gary Wilson, KQ4OCU; Gabriel Napoli, Alan Sealey.
- Health and Welfare: Any information on those ill please communicate to Nina KN4KUL.
- Net Manager: Larry N4USB gave the net report.
- Possum Trot net: Greg NC4GK, Net will remain 5:00am to 7:00am, Greg NC4GK will cover first hour on Thursday mornings.
- Repeaters: David K4FXC, repeaters are healthy, 440 repeater is back on the air.
- Newsletter: Any submissions please send to Mike KN4XP by end of month, ideally in Microsoft Word format. cfarsnews@gmail.com
- Web Site: Any submissions please send to Jim K4BUC. Jim asked that anyone having pictures to put on the website send them to him. jbuccieri@twc.com
- VE Coordinator: Jim K4BUC, next VE test session will be August 10th at the Cumberland County Shrine Club during the Swapfest. Bring an FRN number. At March session, there were 7 new technicians and one upgrade to Extra.
- Public Relations: Hector KB4LOA, post your ham radio activity on the CFARS Facebook page.
- Swap fest: David KI4W, planning for this year's 25th anniversary Swapfest. 2nd Saturday in August.
- ARRL representative: David K4FXC is working with ARRL.
- Event Coordinator: Rod KQ4FNO,

- April 20- Planned POTA activity at Carver’s Creek State Park, with SARC.
- May 18- Fox hunt with SARC location TBD.
- Contest Coordinator: Juan NK2MC, call Juan.
- Skywarn Coordinator: Jeremiah KO4VRM, Greg NC4GK, Skywarn class May 20, 2024 at Peace Presbyterian Church MEETING STARTS AT 7:00PM!
- Emergency Coordinator: Jim K4BUC, no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Insurance for repeaters and club radios will cost \$210/year. Tabled for next month for further research.

NEW BUSINESS

Youth on the Air net with Vicky, AD3I event Thursday nights 6:30PM. Hams are invited to join on Echolink node #141327 (W4PSC-R) to talk with children interested in amateur radio.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are 42 tickets remaining for the Anytone triband radio.

Certificate of appreciation was presented for Don WO4SFA for providing sites for club events at Hope Mills Greenway, SFA, Veteran’s Park.

Coins from NC4XL to CFARS and David WO4SFA for 50 and 500 contacts with NC4XL.

Pete K4QFK, added a good story on bringing a live possum to the “Judge” of the PT net.

DOOR PRIZES

Jeremy KN4JUY won a 6m antenna, Samuel WP4PRX won a pelican case, Pete K4QFK won a pelican case, Samuel WP4PRX won a 10m antenna, Tristan W9BUS won a bag of black walnuts, Don KO4IHM won a Case pocketknife.

50/50 DRAWING

\$102 collected. Bill KE4DER had the winning ticket of \$51, which was donated back to the club.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:09PM. There were 39 members and guests present. Paul K4PGM motioned to adjourn.

Submitted: Jeremy Gilchrist KN4JUY, Recorder.

K4BUC	KN4KUL	KQ4FNO	KB4LOA	N4USB	K4PGM
KB2TNR	N4BEL	KQ4BVV	KO4VRM	WP4PRX	KE4DER
WO4ROG	KO4EHI	KN4OHI	NC4GK	KO4VEC	KQ4HDF
KK4MCY	KI4W	K4FXC	WA2COU	W9BUS	K4TTN
KK4TNO	NK2MC	KO4IHM	WO4SFA	KQ4OCU	K4QFK
KN4JUY	KC4ABE				

Gary Bell
Gabe Napoli
Bill Wiggs
Everett Perry
CJ Owens
Robert Nigham
Alan Sealey