CAPE FEAR AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 2023

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday, March 20, 2023, in the Fellowship Hall of the Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

President Dale Mohr AK4YS called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. Larry N4USB gave the invocation. Dale AK4YS led the introductions in the usual CFARS fashion. There were 42 members and guests present. Van N4ERM moved February’s minutes be approved, Paul K4PGM seconded, and the motion carried.

Greg NC4GK gave an after action review of the NC QSO party, SSB station made 773 QSOs, CW station made 488 QSOs. Appreciation given for David WO4ROG donating two coffee makers, Hector KB4LOA and Dale AK4YS’s planning, Bill KJ4OFD and Fergie KK4MCY for setting up tower, David K4FXC brought computers for logging and all who pitched in for set up and tear down.

Hector KB4LOA reviewed the “CFARS Farewell to Winter” event at Carver’s Creek State Park, the event was a success with many activating their first park with the Parks On The Air program.

Hector KB4LOA had a program on Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation.

Certificate of recognition given to George KM4ODS for leading the 10-10 International PT chapter. Certificate of recognitions were presented to Paul K4PGM, David WO4ROG, and Dom NC4XL for being VE’s and to Nina KN4KUL, Jeremy KN4JUY, and Fergie KK4MCY for their first park activation.

**CFARS CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

* **April 15 “Brunch N Radio” at the John E. Pechmann Fishing Education Center** (7489 Raeford Road, Fayetteville, N.C. 28304).
* **April 16 ARRL SSB Rookie Roundup at David WO4ROG’s QTH.** (volunteering to host max of 5 at his QTH-coordinate with him first).
* **May 13 0900-1700 Singletary Lake State Park activation and Meet and Greet.** (6707 N.C. 53 E., Kelly, NC 28448)
* **Date TBD Fox Hunt**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

* Treasurer: Bill KJ4OFD gave the financial report.
* Net Manager: Larry N4USB gave the net statistics.
* Repeaters: Mike K4JWX and David K4FXC repeaters are working well. Greg NC4GK MOTIONED to extend the 440 repeater’s connection to 10PM. Motion carried.
* Membership: David KI4W MOTIONED to accept new members not present and mail their certificates. The motion was carried. Jim MOTIONED to approve Norman K4MGZ’s membership, and a membership certificate was presented.
* VE Coordinator: Next VE session will be August 12, 2023 at the Cumberland County Shrine Club.
* Swap fest: August 12, 2023.
* Newsletter: Any submissions please send to Mike KN4XP. cfarsnews@gmail.com
* Web Site: Any submissions please send to Dale AK4YS (now managing the website). cfarsncweb@gmail.com or mohrd57@gmail.com

**OLD BUSINESS**

* K4MN QSL cards have been purchased.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* George KM4ODS presented 10-10 Possum Trot Chapter membership certificates to WO4ROG, K4PGM, KJ4OFD, NC4GK, WO4SFA with 10-10 Possum Trot Chapter numbers.

**DOOR PRIZES**

Norman K4MGZ won a dual band mobile transceiver, George KM4ODS won a calendar, Jim KI4YRH won a Swiss army knife, Larry N4USB won a fishing kit and NC WRC information packet, Greg NC4GK won books, and Bob KK4TBD won 40m traps.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. There were 42 members and guests present. Jim K4BUC motioned to adjourn, Tim KO4VEC seconded.

Submitted: Jeremy Gilchrist KN4JUY, Recorder.

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N4ERM KN4UHI KI4YRH KN4KUL KO4VEC K4PGM

WO4ROG KI4W KN4JUY AK4YS K4BUC KE4DER

WO4SFA NC4GK KK4MCY NC4GK KK4MCY N1GNF

N4CDJ K4FCX AG4DQ N4ESA WA2COU N4KAY

K4JWX KO4VRM WA4WHV KO4UFT K4FMI KJ4OFD

KM4ODS

Keith

Tim

Brian

Pat

Billy

Ray