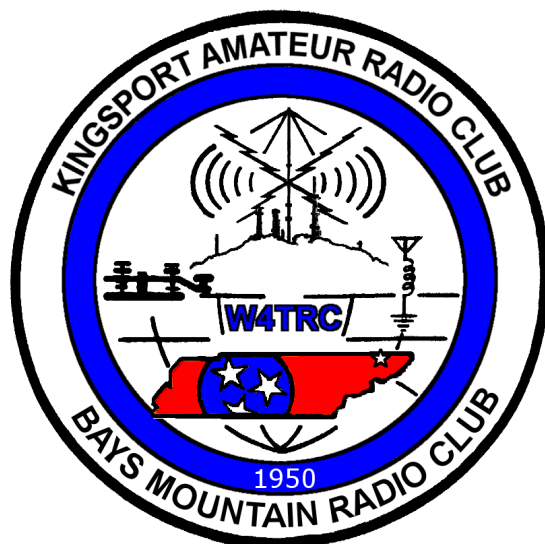


ZERO BEAT



November 2017

As this is the season to nominate and elect officers for next year, Bob Watts, Rick Johnson and John Williams were selected to to represent the club as the Nominating Committee. Anyone wishing to run for office is encouraged to contact one of these club members. Although nominations are announced at the November club meeting, any club member is welcome to submit their name for consideration up until the vote held at the December Christmas Dinner.

A new Constitution and By-Laws has been sent to each club member within the KARC. Club members are encouraged to address any questions to the officers before the club meeting by phone or email so as not to tie up the business portion unnecessarily. We *will* have a program at the meeting and any questions not answered before the program will be addressed after the program. The new Constitution and By-Laws are more current; the current documents were written in 2004 and 2005. The vote on the new documents will take place at the December Christmas Dinner.

Jason McCord, WX4XW, has stepped down as your Sullivan County Coordinator for Northeast Tennessee District 7 Skywarn so that he can pursue other areas within Amateur Radio. He has served the county and district for many years as a member and part of the leadership. Jason would like to thank everyone for

participating, progress, and all the alliances he has made through this position. If you would be interested in filling this position, please contact Erik McCord at wx4et@icloud.com.

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"I trust Erik and team will find a replacement as soon as possible. I enjoyed serving the community and being part of the Skywarn team."

73 WX4XW,
Jason J. McCord

Are you interested in QRP (low power radio)? John Williams and Larry Dale have had "QRP in the Park" at the Steele Creek Park and did well with contacts. The plan for next time is to have two teams at two different parks and use HF, VHF and UHF for contacts. If you are interested in "QRP in the Park" please contact John Williams.

Have you been on a SOTA (Summits on the Air) with David Gulley? How about John Williams? These fellows have some time to spend with you and are First Class Mentors when you involve them in a SOTA trip. Engage with one of them at the next club meeting!

We have been invited to participate in Winter Field Day with the Johnson City Club and Northeast Tennessee District Seven Skywarn. At the September club meeting we voted to join with them in the support of this annual event. Although it is important that each club maintain it's uniqueness and personality, it is just as important to enjoy close ties with other clubs in the area. That way we can support each other in events that incorporate the Tri-City Area. The dates of the event are January 27 and 28. Location will be forthcoming.

Are you aware of public events where we as Amateur Radio Operators can be of assistance? As times change and our culture changes we need to aggressively look for new avenues to serve our community in service. Bring your ideas to the next club meeting.

The November Program will be presented by Wayne Swihart on MARS (Military Auxiliary Radio System). Come learn how the military uses this communications medium and how it benefits the civilian public.

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W4TRC 146.970 MHz REPEATER INFORMATION:

Location is on Bays Mountain, Kingsport, TN

2 Meter repeater: 146.970 MHz, (-) PL Tone, 123.0 Hz.

440 Repeater: 443.325 Mhz. (+), PL Tone, 123.0 Hz.

33Cm. Repeater: 927.025 Mhz. (-) PL Tone 123.0 Hz.

50-watt Packet Station Frequency, 145.050 MHz, and the Alias is BaysND.

Sunday Night Informational Net on 146.970 at 8:30 P.M. EST

For More Information on the KARC/BMRC and Amateur Radio, Visit our Club Website at www.w4trc.org

For More Amateur Radio News, Visit the American Radio Relay League Website at www.arrl.org

Kingsport/Bays Mountain Radio Clubs' Officers 2017

Larry Dale: KD4FTN, KARC/BMRC President,

George DeVault Jr.: W3KPT, Vice President

Rickey Johnson: WB4RLJ, KARC Secretary

Dave Stevens: WB4DES, KARC Treasurer / BMRC Treasurer,

Secretary Ken Klotz W4IJK Club Repeater License Trustee

Rick Light: KG4WZG, BMRC Vice President Dave Stevens:
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A.R.E.S.

Walt Baldree, K4YCP, West Sullivan County ARES® Coordinator

Net Schedules (as off 1/21/2017)

Kingsport Amateur Radio Club/Bays Mountain Radio Club weekly two-meter net, Sunday night at 8:30 p.m., on the W4TRC repeater at 146.970 MHz. The net includes ARES® check-ins and an opportunity to sell, buy and/or swap equipment.

The Boone Trail ARES®/RACES Net is held each Monday night at 8:30 pm on the 146.820 MHz KF4VTM repeater. A C4FM digital Fusion net is held on Wednesday evenings at 8pm.

The Carter County Amateur Radio Association (CCARA) repeater is WR4CC on 145.290 MHz, with a tone of 103.5. The club holds a net every Monday evening on their repeater at 8:00 PM.

The Johnson County Net is Monday at 9:00 PM on 145.290 MHz with a 103.5 tone or direct on 146.610 MHz with the same tone (103.5). 6-meter Net every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. The Net is at 53.330 MHz, and the repeater has a tone of 103.5.

Johnson City Amateur Radio Association's Net is held on Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. on the 146.790 MHz Repeater. Tone is 131.8 with a negative offset. This net is not held on the 3rd Tuesday, the night of the JCARA's monthly meeting.

Bristol Amateur Radio Club's 2 Meter net meets every Tuesday night at 9:00 PM on the 146.070/670 Bristol Repeater.

Mountain Empire Amateur Radio Society's 440-net, Wednesday at 9:00 p.m., on the 443.00 Repeater. Everyone is invited to check in.

Unicoi County Amateur Radio Association's Net, Thursday at 8 pm on 147.270 MHz. Except for the first Thursday of the month which is the Club Meeting.

SKYWARN Net, Thursday at 9:00 p.m., on the 146.700 MHz Repeater.

Area Amateur Radio Clubs/Organizations Meetings

Bristol Amateur Radio Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 pm in the Conference Center at the Bristol Memorial Medical Center. Take exit 74 off Interstate 81 in Tennessee. For more information, email w4ud@qsl.net

Carter County Amateur Radio Association meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at 805 Highway 91, Elizabethton, TN (0.5 miles past the 2nd traffic light on Hwy 91 or 3.5 miles from Hwy 19E on the left side of the highway). For more information go to the Club's web page at <http://www.wr4cc.org>

Johnson City Amateur Radio Association meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Washington Co/Johnson City EMS Training Building 296 Wesley Street Johnson City, TN 37601. Contact JCARA, 240 Hartman Road, Jonesborough, TN, 37659.

Kingsport Amateur Radio Club/Bays Mountain Radio Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Toy Reid Eastman Employee Center, South Wilcox Drive, Kingsport, TN, unless meeting changes are made due to Eastman related activities. For more information email w4ijk1@gmail.com .

The Mountain Empire Amateur Radio Society (MEARS) meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., at Washington County Public Library in Abingdon, VA, with possible exceptions in November and December. For more information, visit their website at http://www.home.earthlink.net/~mears_arrl/

Scott County (VA) Amateur Radio Society meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., at the EOC Building behind and under the Lonesome Pine Regional Library, Gate City, VA. For more information, email Jeff K4LMP at k4lmp@k4lmp.org

Unicoi County Amateur Radio Association will be moving the meetings to Maple Grove Restaurant in Unicoi. This change will take place Feb. 5, 2015. The weekly ARES nets will change to Thursday evenings at 8pm as of Thursday December 11, 2014. For more information contact Ken Johnson at w3gfmkj@gmail.com

Johnson County Amateur Radio/Ares club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Johnson County Hospital Conference Room. For more information contact Danny Herman at K4DHT@dannyherman.com

WX4TN Northeast Tennessee District 7 SKYWARN meets every last Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at the Crossroads Christian Church; 1300 Suncrest Dr.; Gray, TN in the Lower Auditorium. www.skywarn7.org For more information contact Erik McCord (WX4ET), District Coordinator at dc7skywarn@gmail.com