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## Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, awarded BARC Ham of the Year at annual Christmas Party



Mike Langley, KD4MTT, BARC President presents the 2004 BARC Ham of the Year plaque to Bernie, WA4MOK at the BARC Christmas party

Approximately fifty attended the annual BARC Christmas Party on December 14. Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, received the BARC Ham of the Year

Award Plaque for 2004. John McCoy, K4KBB, was chosen OM of the Year, Bonnie Pulver, KG4ZCW, YL of the Year, Richard Cox, KI4CRD, New Ham of the Year and Bob Moore, N4USB, Elmer of the Year. Voting was by secret ballot by members at the November meeting. Certificates were also presented to others that contributed to the operation of the club.

At the end of the award ceremonies, there was a 50-50 drawing won by Bobbie Parsons, wife of W4TEP. Mike then held door prize drawings of items that can be used for emergencies. The prizes were donated by Mark's Marine. Thanks Mike. Also others with lucky tickets took home the table center plants.

Before the award ceremonies, everyone enjoyed the great food brought in by the members and guests. Drinks and tableware were arranged by Bonnie, KG4ZCW, and Dave Pulver, KG4ZCV.

## Next Meeting January 11

*The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on January 11 at 7:30 PM at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville.*

*The program will be about contesting and will be presented by Dave LeMoine, KV4CN.*

*All members, families and guests are invited to attend.*

*The next board meeting is set for January 25 at 7:30 PM. The meeting is open to all members.*

## December VE Session results

At the December 17 VE session, there were five successful applicants to take exams. Peter Van Houten, KG4WEZ, passed the code test and is now a General.

Four became new Technicians and received their call signs on December 23. They are Peter Watson, KI4IFY, Washington, Anne Taylor Cole, KI4IFV, Raleigh, Daniel Smith, KI4IFW, Raleigh, and Daden A Wolfe Jr, KI4IFX, Chocowinity.

Tom Parsons, W4TEP, VE Liaison, was assisted by Bob Moore, N4USB, Murray Merner, K4MHM, and Gerry Clayton, K4IDD.

## Extra License Class Query

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio is contemplating offering an Extra Class License class in the future. The class format will be similar to the Technician class in that it will be offered in a classroom using a DVD video format. If interest justifies the class the materials will be purchased and the class offered in a location that can provide the necessary DVD and video equipment.



If you are interested in an Extra Class License course please notify Licensing Class Coordinator Robert Moore at (252) 524 4003 or by email at n4usb@earthlink.net or by post at P.O. Box 1122, Grifton, NC 28530-1122.

## President's Corner - Mike Langley, KD4MTT

It is amazing just how fast the New Years seem to come at my stage of life. When I try to look back it seems all a blur. The world is moving so fast around us that it is hard to keep up.

As we bring 2004 to a close and begin to prepare for 2005 some things seem inevitable: reflections on things past, resolutions for change in the New Year, taxes and budgets.

As the fireworks explode in Sydney Harbor or the big ball drops in Times Square, millions will rejoice in the wonder of seeing a fresh year begin. But millions more will see only pain, suffering and death around them. Whether their homes are in war-torn countries such as Afghanistan or Iraq or in the Far Eastern countries that were recently devastated by the tsunami, survivors will also reflect on the past and worry about the future. I believe that no matter where we live in the world, we are not that different.

As I reflect on the year past, I am thankful for all of the support received from the Ham Radio community. The many events that Brightleaf and A.R.E.S. (registered trademark, blah, blah) undertook were only made possible through the efforts of countless individuals and their families. I am thankful that when called upon you were willing and prepared to come forward and help. You bring professionalism to a "hobby", and I look forward

to the opportunity to serve with you in the coming year.

As we make our New Year's resolutions please take the time to include our great hobby. In addition to loosing weight, exercising more, reducing alcohol consumption (popular after year ending revelry), making better grades, and all those things that we hear the "regular" people talk about, include Amateur Radio. My resolutions (in no particular order) include upgrading to Extra so that I can be of more service to BARC as a Volunteer Examiner, expanding my contribution to the public service as part of ARES and MARS, and trying to educate the people around me about Ham Radio. Watch Ham Chatter to see how well I succeed!

As for taxes, I'm not a very

good source of information. The one thing that I can recommend is making donations to non-profit organizations. With the number and magnitude of calamities this year, there is a huge need for help around the world. And don't forget, BARC is a tax-deductible non-profit organization.

On the subject of budgets, the BARC budget will be presented for approval in February. Since we now have a CPA who "really likes budgets" make any suggestions that you have known quickly so that they can be included.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the club meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup> at the VFW on Mumford Road in Greenville. I trust that you had a Happy New Year!

73,

*Mike, KD4MTT*

### VE sessions for 2005

The BARC VE sessions for 2005 will be on the third Friday evening of the even months. The dates are as follows:

**February 18**      **April 15**  
**June 17**            **August 19**  
**October 21**        **December 16**

Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Tom Parsons, W4TEP, 355-2815. w4tep@arrl.net. Please bring the following:

- ◆ Photo ID (drivers license)
- ◆ Original Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Copy of Amateur Radio License
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- ◆ Test fee is \$14.00
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

### This Week in Amateur Radio Ticker (TWIAR)

The BARC web site now has a ticker on the home page with the latest news about Amateur Radio. If you see a story on the ticker that you would be interested in, click on the ticker and it will open another browser and display the story. It's a good way to keep up with late breaking news concerning Amateur Radio.

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*Happy  
Birthday*

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club members birthdays in **January**.

6	KF4RBJ	Joyce Griswell
11	KG4ODX	Bill Wheeler
12	KI4CRD	Richard Cox
15	W4EHF	Bill Finch
16	KG4WEU	David Cox
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Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - W4YDY

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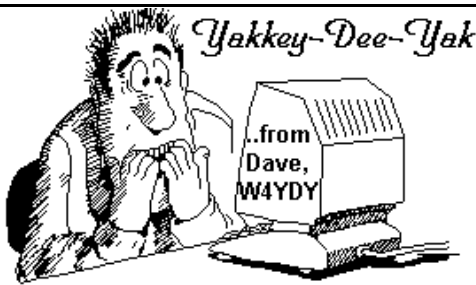
Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

**Jeff Hardee, K4RJF**

**Bernice Turnage, WA4SLD**

*Please inform Bryon Highland, K4BMH, of any changes.*





It's hard to believe that another year is gone and that the first decade of the 2000's is past the half way point! I hope that everyone had a great year and have another one coming up. I did all I could on New Years Day to help with a good new year and I hope everyone else did also. We had black eyed peas for good luck and collards for lots of green money! My problem is that there seems to be someone else out there that wants to get that money from me with all the bills coming in. By the way, the black eyed peas and collards were outstanding!

BARC had another successful year and we are all looking forward to another one. The new officers are jumping right in and hope to make BARC better than ever including getting more members to participate in the activities.

The Christmas party was one of the best attended of any that I know of. There were close to fifty at the party and all enjoyed the excellent food and companionship. Thanks to all that helped with the party and to all that brought the good food.

Just before the Christmas party, we spent a week at Disney World and had a good time but had tired feet and a very light pocket book when it was all over! Took about 400 pictures with the digital camera and about 3 1/2 hours of video. I don't know when I will get a chance to see it all. We really enjoyed the Christmas decorations and the attractions and rides.

I said I would not go on Splash Mountain and my 4 year old grandson called me "chicken" when he got off. It was his favorite ride and he wanted to go

again and again. I went on his second ride and he kept telling me that the big drop had not come yet. After the big drop, he said "Grand, the big drop is still ahead!" I think he was trying to fake me out. It was fun, but the riders in the front row got wet from the waist up. Guess who was in the front row! W4YDY!



## Time Magazine slams Amateur Radio!!!!

Seems Time Magazine has a beef with Amateur Radio. This week's issue (December 27) has an article on "blogs" on page 109. In the article the following sentence will surely grab the attention of Ham Radio operators and stamp collectors - "Before this year, blogs were a curiosity, a cult phenomenon, a faintly embarrassing hobby on the order of HAM RADIO and stamp collecting." writes TIME's Lev Grossman. Letters to the editor can be sent to [letters@time.com](mailto:letters@time.com).

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## 2005 Membership Dues

It's that time of the year once again. Membership dues for BARC will be due January 1, 2005. The 2005 membership roster will be published in the April or May 2003 Ham Chatter. Those who have not paid their dues will not be listed on the roster and will be removed from the Ham Chatter mailing list starting with the April issue. Membership dues are the same as they were in 2004, and are as follows:

Regular Member	\$20.00
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New Hams: 18 and younger (1 <sup>st</sup> year)	\$5.00
New Hams: 19 and older (1 <sup>st</sup> year)	\$10.00

Please mail your dues, along with the member application form to:

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We are requesting that you send the application form in so that we can have your correct information on file. The form on page 5 can be copied or downloaded from <http://www.qsl.net/w4amc/application.html>.

If anyone has any questions concerning their membership status or their dues, please call me at (252) 756-6019 (H), (252) 321-6007 (W) or e-mail me at [tamonday@earthlink.net](mailto:tamonday@earthlink.net). Thank you for your support and participation in BARC. Terry Monday, KG4WEW, BARC Treasurer

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## Morse requirement, license restructuring remain on FCC's radar



The ARRL does not anticipate the FCC will offer up any proposals on the Morse requirement and further restructuring of the Amateur Radio licensing system until sometime in mid-2005, possibly sooner. The FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau continues to review thousands of comments it received on 18 petitions for rule making--including one from the ARRL.

The various petitions called for eliminating or altering the Morse code requirement and changing other sections of the Amateur Service Part 97 rules, including further restructuring of the amateur licensing system.

In addition to agreeing on other changes affecting Amateur Radio, World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03), left the choice to require Morse proficiency for HF access up to individual countries, and several already have dropped Morse code as an examination requirement. That has not yet happened in the US.

Before the FCC adopts any changes in the Morse requirement and the license structure, it must complete its comment review, issue a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) reflecting its interpretation of consensus within the amateur community based on comments received and invite further comments on the NPRM. The FCC then will review

those comments before issuing a Report and Order that spells out any final rules. The ARRL does not anticipate any changes in the Morse requirement or in other Amateur Radio licensing requirements before 2006, possibly later.

While this rule making process is under way, no changes have been made in the Amateur Radio Service rules. The 5 WPM Morse code requirement (Element 1) to gain HF privileges in the US remains in place, and no proposed automatic upgrades or other rule changes have been put into effect. The ARRL has posted answers to frequently asked questions on its own restructuring proposals <<http://www.arrl.org/news/restructuring2/faq.html>>. - via ARRL Letter Online 12/24/04

## Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **February 18**. Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Tom Parsons, W4TEP, 355-2815. [w4tep@arrl.net](mailto:w4tep@arrl.net). Please bring the following:

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- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

## Email addresses

Please send me your new addresses so I can update my records. I need the correct addresses to notify members when the latest *Ham Chatter* goes online, important notifications and update the email roster on the web site. - W4YDY

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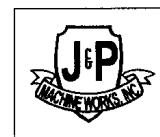
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New Hams Age: 18yrs. or younger - (First Year)	\$ 5.00
New Hams Age: 19yrs. or older - (First Year)	\$10.00
Regular Member	\$20.00
Family Member-(Living in same household with another member)	\$ 2.00

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# BARC Board Minutes - December 2004

December 28, 2004

Mike Langley, KD4MTT, called the meeting to order at 1945 EST. Attendees were: Mike Langley, KD4MTT, Dave Langley, W4YDY, Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, Terry Monday, KG4WEW, Byron Highland, K4BMH, John McCoy, K4KBB, and Richard Cox, KI4CRD.

**Secretary's Report**, Richard, KI4CRD, assumed the duties as Secretary of BARC.

**Treasury's Report**, Terry, KG4WEW, assumed duties as treasury of BARC. Handouts were passed out showing budget vs. actual income and expenses for the past two years. Our annual budget is due in February.

**Health & Welfare**: Byron, K4BMH, reports Jeff, K4RJH, was possibly at home now and continues to recover. Rick LaMonica, W4ZRA, may be going in for surgery, will follow up.

**Ham Chatter**: Dave, W4YDY, reported QSL is soliciting funds to keep the web site up and running. It was discussed and brought up that this item had been voted on at a regular meeting and passed, therefore Terry, KG4WEW, was asked to send a check for \$30.00 as a donation and it was decided this would be entered as a budget item in the future.

Mike, KD4MTT, raised the question of holding another raffle this year and stated that we were not obligated to go with the same model grill. Agreed that a raffle would be held and a grill would be the item.

Mike, KD4MTT, stated a need to follow up on paperwork for the Special Service Club appointed by ARRL. He also stated all equipment that was approved and ordered has arrived except the cases which he is still working on. The filters and cards for the radios have to be installed. The need was discussed for a

filter for the Antenna Analyzer to keep out the interference from other emissions during field days, etc. and will be brought up at the regular meeting.

John, K4KBB, reminded everyone to push the Food Lion MVP award program and you must sign up annually. This is income for the club.

A discussion was held on keeping members interested and active. A social was discussed and the need for a date that will not interfere with other activities. Discussed ways of raising the interest of others to become "Hams", such as the Pitt County School Projects for seniors. Dave KV4CN said he would contact someone and get some information.

Mike, KD4MTT, with no further business closed the meeting at 2050 EST

Respectfully submitted by  
*Richard Cox, KI4CRD*

## Major ISP tells FCC BPL not a "commercially viable alternative" to cable, DSL

Officials of Internet service provider EarthLink told the FCC that broadband over power line (BPL) cannot compete with the dominant cable or DSL technology today or in the near future. A BPL industry spokesperson subsequently criticized the ARRL apparently for reporting the company's statements. EarthLink President and CEO Garry Betty and other company officials met November 16 with FCC Chairman Michael Powell and Commission attorney Aaron Goldberger to deliver an ex parte presentation on several Wireline Competition Bureau and Common Carrier Bureau proceedings.

"EarthLink discussed that it has invested in and is in trials with several potential 'third wire' broadband transmission paths to the home, including WiFi, WiMax, MMDS and broadband over power lines," EarthLink Counsel Mark J. O'Connor informed FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch in a November 17 letter "However, EarthLink pointed out that cable and DSL still account for virtually all consumer broadband connections and that none of these alternative technologies offer a commercially viable alternative today or in the near future."

An EarthLink analysis indicated that BPL is the most expensive of the broadband technologies it evaluated. In a chart titled "Next generation broadband," EarthLink said that wireless and BPL "are not likely to be competitive in cost and performance with cable and DSL over the last mile to the home."

EarthLink judged as "not successful" one unspecified BPL technical trial using Amperion equipment in a "wireless/BPL combo." In discussing other trials using Ambient and Current Technologies equipment--in one of which EarthLink had invested--the ISP's assessment was that the high cost per household passed--\$125 in both instances--would require a better than 15 percent market penetration to attain a competitive cost.

EarthLink said its assessment determined that ADSL2+ technology is the "best option" and can offer VoIP as well as high-speed broadband (at 6 to 10 Mbps) and video over copper wire and using on-premise consumer equipment. The company also indicated that it plans to invest in ADSL2+ technology. The company's ex parte submission is available on the FCC Web site <[http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/prod/ecfs/retrieve.cgi?](http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/prod/ecfs/retrieve.cgi?native_or_pdf=pdf&id_document=6516883843)

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ARRL's reporting of EarthLink's submission to the FCC apparently struck a nerve at Ambient, with which EarthLink has a business relationship. In a classic case of shooting the messenger, Ambient CEO John J. Joyce took the League to task on behalf of the BPL industry in a statement posted via Market Wire on the CBS MarketWatch.com Web site <<http://cbs.marketwatch.com/tools/quotes/newsarticle.asp?guid={ABFA5879-0D B7-43C3-BA02-94071FAECC3D}&siteid=mktw&dist=nbs&symb=>>>. Joyce seemed to suggest that the League itself had provided the EarthLink information and was spinning the company's remarks to advantage.

Joyce said that 2005 promises to be "the year of BPL."

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said "The ARRL's report on the document was accurate in every way, and we stand by our report," he said. "The conclusions given are not ours, but EarthLink's. Anyone who wishes to do so can read the submission for themselves." - via *ARRL Letter Online 12/17/04*

## 2004 BARC Operation North Pole - KG4ISO

The club was well represented at Pitt County Memorial Hospital's pediatric unit during the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club "Operation North Pole". This is a special event aimed at connecting hospitalized children with Santa Clause via ham radio. There is an excellent article about this activity on the ARRL website titled "Bringing Santa to Kids via Ham radio" by Joe Moell (K0OV) of Orange County California, where it has been a 25 year tradition at Christmas time (Moell, 2001). Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club was unable to participate in 2003 because of the flu outbreak that restricted visitation to the hospital but this year was a success.

As you might imagine, attempting signal propagation to the North Pole using a VHF handheld at less than 1 watt requires very gifted and highly trained amateur radio operators. Once the appropriate frequency, schedule, and conditions have been met, the operator still has to manage to break through the pile up to talk to Santa, not to mention the malicious interference from the Grinch.

Fortunately many of the children in the age group that wish to talk to Santa had been discharged from the hospital. We did have one child participate which made it very worthwhile. She was able to communicate with Santa and a very special appearance from Mrs. Clause. Santa was of course in good spirits but was especially happy when he was asked about milk and cookies. Santa reported lots of snow at the North Pole and Mrs. Clause guaranteed us that Rudolph would have no problem leading the team despite possible bad weather. Interestingly, Santa has an HF antenna and rig on his sleigh and occasionally county hunts while he is mobile. The control operators were Murray Merner (K4MHM) and Dan Drake (KG4ISO). Technical assistance was provided by John McCoy (K4KBB) who helped with contacting Santa, and Bonnie Pulver (KG4CZW) who helped with contacting Mrs. Clause. - *Dan Drake, KG4ISO*

*Moell, J. (2001). Bringing Santa to kids via ham radio, 12 ways to make it better. Retrieved 12/10/04 from <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2001/12/06/1>*

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**For Sale:** Palstar AT1500CV 1.5 KW HF tuner. See Feb. 2003 QST for review and AES catalog for specs. Mint condition. \$180 (ASE price \$460). John, W4FA, 355-3415

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## Handheld outplays cell phone in accident's wake

When Storey County, Nevada, Emergency Coordinator Randy Davenport, KA4NMA, got into an automobile accident early on December 10, he sure was glad to have his 2-meter handheld transceiver along. "I was going down a side road and hit a sheet of ice," he reports. "I fishtailed into the other lane and nearly hit a car head on! But for some reason, my Ford Explorer turned sideways going down the road, and it did not roll over." Instead, he ended up sliding off the roadway into a creek, sustaining some injuries in the process. "I had no cell phone service, so I grabbed my HT and put out a call on 146.61," he said (the antenna for his 2-meter mobile was broken in the accident). Richard Foreman, KK7SL, an ARES Assistant Emergency Coordinator in Carson City, heard his distress call and dialed 911. "The fire and sheriff department was on the scene within minutes," Davenport said. "Lesson learned: Cell phones do not work everywhere. Always carry a 2-meter radio (or other band) of some sort--handheld with charged battery or mobile--for emergency communication." - *via ARRL Letter Online 12/24/04*

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- ◆ Eastern North Carolina Traffic Net, Every night, 2030 on 146.685 MHz.
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- ◆ Newport WFO SKYWARN Net, Tuesday, 2100 on 145.21 MHz
- ◆ Carteret County ARS (CCARS) Emergency Net, Tuesdays, 1930 on the Newport 145.45 (-) MHz.
- ◆ Coastal Emergency Linking Net, Wednesday, 2100 ET on Williamston 145.410 & 444.250, Columbia 146.835 & 443.300, Rocky Mount 147.120, Ahoskie 146.910, Franklin, VA 147.300, Farmville 145.270
- ◆ Beaufort County Emergency Communications Net, Thursday 2000 on 147.345 MHz. Preceded by Newsmen at 1930.

### HF

- ◆ Tar Heel Emergency Communications Net on 3923 kHz Nightly 1930.

### NTS CW Nets

- ◆ 3.695 2000 hours, slow speed (5-8 wpm) Carolinas Slow Net
- ◆ 3.573 1900 hours, high speed (20 wpm)
- ◆ 3.573 2200 hours, slow speed (12-14 wpm), South Carolina/North Carolina

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## ***CALENDAR OF EVENTS***

Jan 11 ..... **Regular Meeting**  
 Jan 25 ..... **Board Meeting**  
 Jan 29-30..... CQ WW CW 160M Contest  
 Jan 29-30..... ARRL VHF Sweepstakes  
 Jan 29 ..... ***Ham Chatter Deadline***  
 Feb 8 ..... **Regular Meeting**  
 Feb 12-13..... CQ WPX RTTY Contest  
 Feb 18 ..... **BARC VE Session**

Feb 19-20..... ARRL CW DX Contest  
 Feb 20 ..... Frostfest, Richmond VA  
 Feb 22 ..... **Board Meeting**  
 Feb 26 ..... ***Ham Chatter Deadline***  
 Feb 26-27..... CQ WW SSB 160M Contest  
 Mar 6 ..... DownEast Hamfest, Kinston  
 Apr 17..... RARSFest, Raleigh

**Regular Meeting** - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM  
**Board Meeting** - Last Tuesday @ 7:30 PM

BARC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 8:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone  
 PCEC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 9:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone  
 BRIGHTLEAF AMATEUR RADIO CLUB STATIONS

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***Next Meeting  
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