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## 2005 Special Olympics of NC

Special Olympics North Carolina held their annual basketball tournament in Greenville for the second year in a row on March 19 and March 20. Amateur radio was again requested to provide communications between their headquarters at the Hilton and the 9 venues where the competitions were held.

A total of 29 amateur radio operators from 8 different counties volunteered a total of 426 hours of their time to help make this a successful ARES® event. Our effort was greatly appreciated by the people at Special Olympics. The event went smoothly and SONC attributed a lot of that success to our operators.

SONC has not decided where they will hold next year's tournament. Should they decide to make it three in a row in Greenville, we will look forward

to working with them again.

Not only was this event a lot of fun for everyone, it was also an excellent opportunity for us to practice using tactical call signs, as well as exercise our equipment in a non-emergency situation.

We would like to thank the following local BARC members for volunteering their time at the various stations: Richard Campbell, **KG4SNE**, Richard Cox, **KI4CRD**, Bill Dawson, **WA4SLC**, Doug Ferris, **K4ROK**, Paul Fletcher, **KS4YF**, Phillip Garrett, **KI4DLO**, Ken Graf, **N8FF**, Byron Highland, **K4BMH**, Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**, Dave LeMoine, **KV4CN**, Sandy McLaughlin, **KI4CRC**, Tom McLaughlin, **KE4NQP**, Murray Merner, **K4MHM**, Terry Monday, **KG4WEW**, Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, Bonnie Pulver, **KG4CZW**, Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**, Leland Tucker, **WB4RQG**, and Terry Zipes, **W4RCN**.

We are especially grateful to the volunteers who drove in from outside of Pitt County to participate in this event: Peter Herring **KG4RTU**, Robin Keller, **WA4WPD**, Dick Lewis, **N1VGY**, Ken Slough, **K7UGT** (BARC member), Chris Winner, **KF4AAU**, Fred Winner, **KE4LXW**, Melissa Winner, **KG4NVC**, Marty Young, **W4MY** (BARC member), and Les Zavadil, **W4FRA**. - **KG4CZV**



**Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW, and Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, have things under control at the Greenville SONC operation headquarters at the Hilton.**

## Next Meeting April 12

*The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on April 12 at 7:30 PM at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville.*

*The program will be about QSL cards and QSL bureaus*

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

*The next board meeting is set for April 26 at 7:30 PM. The meeting is open to all members.*

## Solaire Anywhere Portable Grill fundraiser

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club is holding another fundraiser. This year it will be the Solaire Anywhere Portable Grill that is valued at \$399. You will receive a chance for it for each \$1 donation. BARC members are asked to help sell and buy some tickets. For each 10 tickets sold, the seller will be given a chance for a drawing for an HT. It will be on display at the Raleigh hamfest with tickets on hand. Help with the ticket sales.

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# President's Corner

## Mike Langley, KD4MTT

I'd like to start by thanking all who helped to make the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament a success. It gave me great personal enjoyment to see the smiling faces of the athletes, families and other volunteers. I hope that SONC decides to return to Greenville next year so that I can have the opportunity to participate again.

A very special thank you to Dave Pulver, KG4CZV. Dave did an excellent job of scheduling our operators, providing directions to all the venues for the participants and supporting the needs of the Games Management Team.

We have several items on this month's agenda. Please take the time to participate whenever and wherever you can.

There will be a "trailer workday" beginning at noon on April 9<sup>th</sup> at Mark's Marine on NC 33E. We need to get the trailer ready for the Dogwood Festival and this is the only "free" Saturday we have before the event.

The statewide ARES meeting will be held at the state EOC on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> preceding the Raleigh Hamfest. Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, has a full meeting planned.

Don't forget the club table at the hamfest. We will be selling raffle tickets and members are welcome to put items out for sale or just come by and rest your feet.

Spend a few minutes helping at the table so that everyone can enjoy the day.

The big event of the month is the Dogwood Festival April 22-24. Preliminary setup will be on Friday night followed by two days of special event operation. The winning raffle ticket will be drawn after the close of the special event station Sunday afternoon. This has been a fun event for the past few years and an important part of the annual fund raiser. For it to be a success we need the help of the Club members. Please come out and support the event in whatever way that you can. **Don't forget that we must have ALL of the tickets accounted for before we can draw the winner.**

Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, is running a special event station during the Boy Scout Camporee at Camp Bonner North on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The station will be set up at the Gold area headquarters. This is a great opportunity to promote ham radio to the Scouts. Dave will be looking for some help. Please lend a hand if you can.

I look forward to seeing everyone at this month's meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Please turn in any ticket money at the meeting so that we can get an accurate idea of ticket sales. Thanks again for all the good work that you do for BARC, ARES and amateur radio.

73's

Mike, KD4MTT

## Special Event Station N4S

Special Event Station, N4S, will be operating at the East Carolina Council Boy Scout Spring Camporee. Sponsored by (you guessed it) the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club. We will operate on Saturday, April 30 from 10 until 4 (with a lunch break) in the Gold Area (Pitt County District). Plan on coming down to Camp Bonner North just east of Washington, NC. We will be under a tin roof shelter with a concrete floor. AC power is available along with plenty of tree for antennas. More information at the March and April club meetings. Contact Dave LeMoine, KV4CN with any questions

## The Bootlegger

A bootlegger walks into a radio store and tells the salesman that he would like to buy the new HF rig over in the corner. The salesman says, "Sorry, we don't sell to bootleggers". He leaves, goes home, puts on a brown wig and sunglasses and goes back to the store and tells the salesman he wants to buy that new rig over in the corner. Sales guy says, "Sorry, we don't sell to bootleggers". Old boot asks, "How do you know I'm a bootlegger?" and the salesman replies, "Because that's not a rig, it's a microwave oven." - tnx ac6v.

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# Happy Birthday

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

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|----|--------|--------------|
| 3  | K4KBB  | John McCoy   |
| 7  | WB4FRB | Ray Black    |
| 12 | W4HM   | Walter Honea |

Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - W4YDY

## Well Wishes

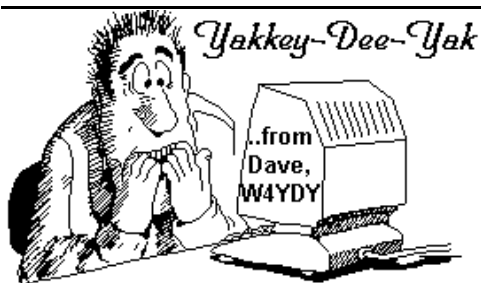
Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

Jeff Hardee, K4RJF

Bernice Turnage, WA4SLD

Please inform Bryon Highland, K4BMH, of any changes.





## FCC tells Vermont ham that fine is next step

The FCC has warned David J. Tolassi, WA1BHV (ex-KB1EVE), of Barre, Vermont, that he's risking a substantial fine if he continues to violate the conditions of his 2004 license renewal. After a series of "enforcement issues" relating to the operation of KB1EVE, the FCC renewed Tolassi's General class ticket in January 2004 on the condition that he refrain from 20-meter voice operation for three years. Following up on allegations that Tolassi had violated the prohibition, FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth wrote the licensee February 23.

"Information before the Commission indicates that you have violated the condition of your license by operating voice on the 20-meter amateur band," Hollingsworth said. "Please be advised that if the condition is violated again, you will be issued a monetary forfeiture (fine)." Hollingsworth noted that fines for such unauthorized operation typically range from \$4000 to \$7000.

In late 2003, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) referred Tolassi's renewal application to the Enforcement Bureau for review as a result of the "enforcement issues," which, Hollingsworth says, involved inappropriate on-the-air behavior. To resolve the situation, Tolassi agreed to stay off 20-meter phone until February 1, 2007, in exchange for having the FCC renew his license.

In 1999, Tolassi, formerly KC1ZQ, failed to pass the Advanced class examination after being summoned by the FCC for retesting, and his license class was downgraded to General. The FCC issued KB1EVE, a call sign appropriate for a General class licensee in March 2000. Tolassi obtained WA1BHV last May through the vanity call sign program. - via ARRL Letter Online 3/18/05

On the Friday before the hamfest, there are many dealers and flea market vendors set up. Most of the items I was looking for a couple of years ago were found on Friday before the crowds got big. They were all dealer items.

If you have never been to the Shelby Hamfest, you should go at least once. Its been running for over 40 years and I have been to at least 25 of them. I don't know about the size of many hamfests but Dayton is the only one that I know about that is larger in driving range of this area. The main reason I enjoy the hamfests in North Carolina is that I always get to visit with many of my radio friends from the times I lived in Raleigh, Catawba County and Eastern North Carolina.

The Raleigh hamfest is Sunday, April 17 and it is one of the best ones in North Carolina. It's at the North Carolina State Fairground in the Jim Graham Building just West of Dorton Arena. You don't have to worry about rain because it is all inside the building with a large flea market. For those that want to take



**BARC members K4MHM, KD4MTT and WA4MOK at RARSfest in 2002**

their wife, who may not be interested in Amateur Radio, there is a very large free flea market at the fairgrounds also. You could spend a day there. The Cary Hamfest is on Saturday, July 17. It is a small hamfest, but I always enjoy it and have a good time because of many friends in the Raleigh area. The flea market has vendors inside and outside in a parking deck. It's much better than when the parking lot was in the sun!

Hope to see you at a hamfest soon! - W4YDY

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Also thanks to Vern Wenger of Batteries Plus and the two Radio Shack stores in Greenville for displaying and giving out free copies of *Ham Chatter*.

Some of you might have heard that the Shelby Hamfest might be cancelled this year. They were having some trouble with the renting of the Cleveland County Fairgrounds. Well, it got settled and the hamfest is scheduled for Labor Day weekend as usual at the fairgrounds. They had several offers of other locations before the fairgrounds were set again. The fairgrounds are rented for two weeks and many Amateur Radio operators take their campers there for up to two weeks. Several days before the official hamfest on Saturday and Sunday, there is a lot of activity with some of flea market set up.

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**BARC members enjoy presentation by Tarheel Antennas.**



**Robert Young, NC4ME**

is owner of Tarheel Antennas in Fuquay-Varina, NC. He talked about using proper metals and wire to use in grounding the parts of the vehicle together.

At the end of his presentation, Robert had a drawing and the lucky winner won a Little Tarheel I screwdriver antenna. Three guesses who won and the

Robert Young, NC4ME, presented an excellent program about mobile antennas and proper installation and grounding. Robert

first two don't count!

Before the meeting, BARC members entertained Robert at the Texas Steakhouse with about 12 enjoying the meal. But from reports received, Ken Graf, N8FF, enjoyed the occasion more than anyone else. He and the waitress became good friends! (Photos by K4KBB)



**Ken and his Texas Steakhouse friend**

**Next VE Session**

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **April 15**. 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
- ◆ Original CSCE's
- ◆ Copy of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$14.00
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

Be sure to bring **copies** of your Amateur Radio license and / or CSCE if upgrading.

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## President taps Commissioner Kevin J. Martin to head FCC

President George W. Bush announced his intention to designate Commissioner Kevin J. Martin to chair the FCC. He'll replace Michael K. Powell, who stepped down this month. Martin, 38, a North Carolina attorney with close White House ties, has served on the FCC since 2001. In congratulating Martin on his appointment, ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, also took the opportunity to refresh Martin's memory regarding Amateur Radio's stake in the broadband over power line (BPL) issue. Last July, Sumner and ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, met with Martin and aide Sam Feder to discuss their fears about radio interference from BPL systems. When the FCC unanimously adopted new BPL rules last October, Martin acknowledged Amateur Radio's concerns, said he would take them seriously, and expressed confidence that the Commission would take the necessary steps to address interference.

"Unfortunately, I must advise you that the Commission's record of addressing BPL interference has proved to be woefully inadequate," Sumner continued, citing continued BPL interference

complaints. "To date the Commission has not ordered a single BPL system to be shut down, despite the failure of BPL system operators to resolve interference," Sumner pointed out.

This week, the League renewed its complaint of ongoing BPL interference in Briarcliff Manor, New York, and filed a complaint with the Enforcement Bureau and the Office of Engineering and Technology outlining an ongoing BPL interference case in Irving, Texas (see below).

"The ARRL and the nation's radio amateurs are anxious for a sign that we can expect this sorry situation to be corrected under your leadership," Sumner concluded. Since he already sits on the FCC, Martin's appointment will not require US Senate confirmation.

Considered the front-runner for the job, Martin said he was "deeply honored" to be tapped as the next FCC chairman. While Martin and Powell reportedly clashed over telephone deregulation and media ownership issues, they essentially were on the same page regarding the promotion of BPL. News accounts say that Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy, a

Republican and a BPL booster, is also planning to leave the FCC. Abernathy's now-notorious "broadband Nirvana" remarks about BPL drew sharp opposition from the amateur community.

BPL manufacturer Ambient Corporation promptly issued a news release hailing the appointment of Martin as "a vocal proponent" of BPL systems and citing segments of Martin's laudatory comments about the technology following the FCC's October 14, 2004, adoption of new BPL rules.

Sumner pointed out to Ambient, however, that its news release ignored some of Martin's other comments in his statement last fall, in which the commissioner acknowledged Amateur Radio operators' and broadcasters' interference worries and concluded, "I am confident that the Commission will continue to monitor these concerns and will take steps, where needed, to address interference problems going forward."

Sumner reminded Ambient that the League "already has called on Commissioner Martin to do exactly that." *Via ARRL Letter Online 3/18/05*

### 51st Annual Poisson d'Avril Contest 000Z - 1954Z Apr 1.

All bands, all modes: HF, VHF, UHF, WARC, IRLP, TCP/IP, and cellular/PCS bands. Categories: SO-Assisted (since anyone operating in this event clearly needs help), SO-No Radio, and MO-Multi Transmitters, MO-better. SO-NR entrants are limited to Internet connection bandwidth of 155 Mb/s or less. Dial-up entrants count as QRP, QRS, and QRU. Rover category; stations must only operate within 100 meters of grid corners, drive in circles and work only other rovers. Self-spotting is not permitted except in the SO-No Ethics category. Steroids are OK as long as your head doesn't explode during the contest period. Exchange: IP address or home address. Off-times must be at least 30 minutes long (OK...29...err...28, but that's our final offer) and will be clearly miscalculated by a chicken pecking at a keyboard. All QSOs must be confirmed by e-QSL and uploaded to LogJam of the World. Severe penalties for early withdrawal. Contacts

are worth whatever you put into them. Logs MUST be submitted electronically in real-time, unless you are located on the International Date Line, which we still cannot figure out. For more information: <http://wattamaroonuare.com>. Telepathic or carrier-pigeon entries will no longer be accepted although chicken in lemon sauce is nice with a vouvray. - *via ARRL Contest Rate Sheet for March 23, 2005*

### 442 Pitt County Amateur Radio Licenses

The following statistics were taken from the SAMS call book updated to March 27, 2005. 824,154 USA records were checked for Pitt County, NC. There are 442 licenses in Pitt County including 7 club licenses. Some of the licensees are now SK. Expired Calls numbered 44.

Licenses by class include 16 Novices, 213 Technician, 77 General, 40 Advanced and 44 Amateur Extra.

### Expedition 11 will put two hams aboard the ISS

The licensing in February of US Astronaut John Phillips, KE5DRY, will put two radio amateurs aboard the International Space Station (ISS) this spring. Heading the Expedition 11 crew will be space veteran and Russian cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR, who will be doing his second tour of duty aboard the ISS. Phillips' licensing eliminates complications for Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school group contacts. The FCC granted Phillips' new Technician ticket February 2. Phillips and Krikalev were scheduled to begin their six-month stay aboard the ISS in April. A seasoned space traveler, Phillips, who visited the ISS in 2001, will serve as flight engineer and as NASA ISS science officer during Expedition 11. Krikalev served as flight engineer on the very first ISS crew and did duty tours aboard the Russian Mir space station in the late 1980s and early 1990s. By the time his Expedition 11 stay is over, he'll have spent more time in space than any other human. - *via ARRL*

## BARC Meeting Minutes - March 2005

**BARC MONTHLY MEETING**  
**VFW HALL, MUMFORD RD.**  
**MARCH 8, 2005**

Mike Langley, KD4MTT, Club President called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked all attending to introduce themselves with name, call sign, and town. The roster book was passed around to record attendance. The minutes from last month was approved. Tonight we will reverse our program to give Robert time for his program and the trip back to Fuquay-Varina. After the presentation we will have our business meeting.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Richard, KI4CRD, reported receiving newsletters from other clubs.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Terry, KG4WEW, reported on expenditures and reminded all about dues.

**HEALTH AND WELFARE:** Byron, K4BMH, asked for reports

**EQUIPMENT:** Mike, KD4MTT, reported all equipment has been received and Bernie, WA4MOK, installed all filters and put into the cases that were purchased. Also N3PFJ logging software purchased, with a couple of meters for monitoring equipment during operations. Be thinking of equipment needs in the future.

**PUBLICITY:** Dogwood Festival has been noted in QST.

**EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS:** Bernie, WA4MOK, reported Area 3 & 4 meeting is March 26 in New Bern, location to be announced. State-wide meeting is April 16 in Raleigh, starting at 10:30am until around 2:00. Numerous speakers have been lined up. Hope to see you there.

Byron, K4BMH reported equipment for Pitt County has come in, or majority of it, and the need for a workday to get everything together.

**NC SPECIAL OLYMPICS:** Dave, KG4CZV, reported on the NC Special Olympics for Mar 19-20 and still have a need for more volunteers for relief.

**HAM CHATTER:** Dave, W4YDY, Red dots on address label mean dues are owed, and will not receive future mailings until paid.

**VE SESSIONS:** Tom, W4TEP, reported VE tests are now \$14.00. Next VE session will be April 16. They are given the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of all even months. Congratulations to our new "Hams".

**OLD BUSINESS:** Byron, W4BMH, reminded us the Dogwood Festival is coming up April 22-24 and we will operate as Special Station, single operating station, He also reported the grill, for the

fund raiser will be drawn. Mike, KD4MTT, stated he has set up an E-mail reflector for the club on Yahoo Groups. Go to Yahoo Groups and look up brightleafarc and follow instructions for joining the group. The NC QSO party was a great success and thanks to all who participated or supplied food.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Camporee coming up on 4/30. It was suggested that a movie screen be purchased for presentation and left up pending approval from our host the VFW. A backdoor raffle will be held after the Dogwood festival for a nice radio. This is at no cost to BARC and to enter is simple. For every ten tickets sold for the grill you get one entry, so the most entries will be 200. Good incentive to SELL TICKETS

**TONIGHT'S PROGRAM:** Robert Young, NC4ME, owner of Tarheel Antennas gave a very interesting and beneficial program about his antennas. He also held a drawing for a new antenna won by Byron, K4BMH, and Congratulations.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business the meeting adjourned about 9:30PM

Respectfully submitted by

*Richard Cox, KI4CRD*

## BARC Board Minutes - March 2005

**BARC BOARD MEETING**  
**March 29, 2005**

Mike Langley, KD4MTT, called the meeting to order at 1930 EST. Attendees were: Mike Langley, KD4MTT, Dave Langley, W4YDY, John McCoy, K4KBB, Byron Highland, K4BMH, Dan Drake, KG4ISO, and Richard Cox, KI4CRD.

**Secretary's Report:** Richard, KI4CRD, reported need for another key to Post Office to assist in receiving mail. Will check with Post Office to see who is on file for club.

**Treasury's Report:** No Report.

**Health & Welfare:** Byron, K4BMH, reported has not received word of anyone sick.

**Ham Chatter:** Dave, W4YDY, nothing

to report.

**ARES:** Statewide meeting Raleigh EOC building April 16<sup>th</sup>. Work progressing on new trailer.

**New Business:** Mike, KD4MTT, reported need to see what equipment the club needs. Possibly auto tuner, laminated operator instructors for equipment in jump kits, world map for showing locations contacted during field day for public viewing. It was suggested a speaker be mounted for Field Day so the public could hear what is being sent and received.

It was mentioned at last meeting the need for a projector screen to be mounted in the building for programs (with VFW approval).

A workday will be needed to prepare the trailer for the Dogwood Festival, and de-

cided on the afternoon of April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Scout Show on April 9<sup>th</sup> at Fairgrounds  
 Dogwood Festival on April 22-24. Need help for setting up Friday evening the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

RARS Fest on April 17<sup>th</sup> in Raleigh.

**Programs:** Dan, KG4ISO stated need for more programs for Sept thru the end of the year. Dave, W4YDY, will have April's program. See Dan, KG4ISO, if you would be willing to present a program.

**VE Session:** VE session to be held April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mike, KD4MTT, with no further business closed the meeting at 2035 EST

Respectfully submitted by

*Richard Cox, KI4CRD*

## ARRL VEs, number of sessions served now on League Web site



**Gerry Clayton, K4IDD, leader in BARC VE sessions served**

The ARRL Web site now makes it possible to access a list of ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) volunteer examiners (VEs) and the number of volunteer exam sessions each has served. The listings via the "VE Session Counts <<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/veparti.php>>" page are in alphanumeric call sign order according to VE location by state. Activity (count) is measured by being present and ready to serve--or providing service--at an ARRL/VEC-coordinated test session. "Celebrating 20 years of service, the VEC system enjoys a reputation of high integrity and is a prime example of a successful privatized licensing system," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ. "The VE Session Counts page serves to high-

light the accomplishments of the 25,000-plus current and actively accredited ARRL VEs."

According to the ARRL Web site, Gerry Clayton, K4IDD, leads all other BARC members with **54** sessions served. Gerry always leads with the administration of the Morse Code exams when the code exams are requested. Others listed on the ARRL Web site are Dave Langley, W4YDY, 53 sessions, Murray Merner, K4MHM, 42 sessions, Tom Parsons, W4TEP, 29, Byron Highland, K4BMH, 21, Bob Moore, N4USB, 21, Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, 13, Hollis Thigpen, KC3X, 4, Eric Christensen, KF4OTN, 1, Susan Langley-Jones, WA4AKB, 1.

These listings are for the ARRL VE Sessions served.

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- ◆ BARC Net, Mondays, 2000 on 147.09 MHz, W4GDF Repeater.
- ◆ Pitt County Emergency Communications Net, Mondays, 2100 on 147.09 MHz. (131.8 Hz Tone)
- ◆ Kinston Amateur Radio Society Net, 1,3,4 Tuesdays, 2000 hrs. on 145.47 MHz., W4OIX repeater in Kinston.
- ◆ Eastern North Carolina Traffic Net, Every night, 2030 on 146.685 MHz.
- ◆ Wilson Amateur Radio Club Net, Monday 2030 on 146.76 MHz.
- ◆ Piedmont Coastal Traffic Net, Nightly 2030 on 146.88 MHz.
- ◆ 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

## NC ARES Internet

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# Ham Ads

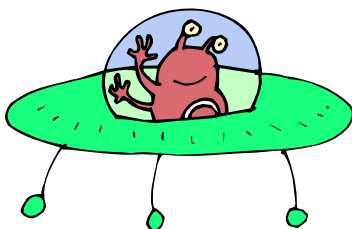
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**For Sale:** Kenwood TH-K2AT 2 meter handheld. Original battery, rubber duck & dual band antennae. BT-14 battery case with 6-AA batteries in it. Also it comes with another case with clip to carry radio in. Wall charger and mobile charger plus the original box and manual that came in the box. \$80 for everything.

Philip Garrett **KI4DLO**  
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**For Sale:** HP Scanjet 3500c digital flatbed scanner. 1200 dpi, 48 bit color. USB interface. Manuals. CD-ROM for PC (Windows 98 or higher) or Macintosh. Like new. \$50. Reason for selling - Got another one for Christmas. Dave Langley, W4YDY. Ph: 321-2525 or w4ydy@qsl.net.

## DX of the Third Kind - By AC6V



CQ CQ CQ DE Alpha Lima One Echo November

AL1EN This is WZ6UUU -- Ur call sounds phony to me -- What's ur QTH?

I'm on the White House Lawn Good Buddy!!!

# *BARC*

## *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Apr 12..... **Regular Meeting**  
 Apr 17..... RARS Fest, Raleigh  
 Apr 22-24..... Dogwood Festival, Farmville  
 Apr 26..... **Board Meeting**  
 Apr 30..... **Ham Chatter Deadline**  
 May 10..... **Regular Meeting**  
 May 28-29..... CQ WW CW WPX Contest

May 31..... **Board Meeting**  
 June 4..... **Ham Chatter Deadline**  
 June 7..... **Regular Meeting**  
 June 25-26..... **ARRL Field Day**

**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  
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*Next Meeting  
April 12*

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