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## N4S Special Event Station at Boy Scout Camporee on April 25



Murray, K4MHM, (upper left) and Dave, KV4CN, (bottom left) demonstrating Amateur Radio to Scouts at Camp Bonner North at the 2008 Camporee

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club set up a station and materials at the annual Boy Scout Camporee at Camp Bonner North in Beaufort County. An all band antenna was installed in nearby trees by Dave LeMoine, KV4CN and Dave Langley, W4YDY, while Murray Merner, K4MHM, set up tables and radio equipment. He also had books on display along with some materials to give the scouts interested in Amateur Radio and the Radio Merit Badge requirements.

Dave and Dave finished up the radio setup while Murray was setting up the display and a sign near the road. We were in the Gold Area shelter that has electric outlets and is next to the road that scouts pass by going to their events. It's an ideal setup to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the young people and hopefully get

them interested in getting a license.

Stations in Europe and the USA were contacted on 20 and 40 meters. The Scouts that stopped by were given the opportunity to talk on the radio if they desired. Several Scouts took advantage of the opportunity and talked to stations in Florida and Montana. The operators at those stations were very happy to talk to them.

Murray also signed up one new member to BARC. Alex Bridgman, KJ4LMW, Winterville, received his license only 2 days earlier. Welcome to BARC Alex. We met many Scouts from Pitt County. BARC member, Tod LeMoine, KG4CCX, attending the Camporee, is Scoutmaster of Troop 30 in Greenville. His troop was camped nearby.

Murray spent a lot of time talking to the Scouts explaining Amateur Radio to them and the requirements for getting an Amateur Radio license and the Radio Merit Badge. It was amazing how many of the Scouts had never heard of Amateur Radio and became very interested when they found out you could talk to others anywhere in the world even if other types of communications were down.

The Boy Scouts of America are a very good source for Amateur Radio because they are taught to be leaders. They are trained in responsible citizenship, char-

## Next Meeting May 12

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

*The program will be by Mark Webb, head of the Coastal Carolina Search Team. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.*

*The next board meeting will be May 26 at 7:30 PM at 631-B Dickinson Avenue - entrance at back of the building. All members invited.*

## "Mac" McKnight, W4JIS, SK

Cleon J. McKnight, 90, passed away April 10, 2009. Mac was originally from Hamilton, KS. He retired from the VOA in Greenville after spending 16 years in Tangier, Morocco, the Philippines, Okinawa, Germany and Thailand. He served in the US Army Signal Corps during World War II.

Mac was an active member of BARC until a few years ago.

A private graveside service was held. Memorial contributions may be made to the St. James United Methodist Church, 2000 E. Sixth St., Greenville, NC 27858.

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio extends its condolences to his family.

acter development, and self-reliance through participation in a wide range of outdoor activities, educational programs, and, at older age levels, career-oriented programs in partnership with community organizations. The Eagle Scouts complete many community projects in churches, parks, etc. that have a lasting effect in our community. They are our future leaders.

## President's Corner, Bob Moore, N4USB

To start I would like to thank the members that participated in the Costal Carolina Search and Rescue exercise that the club supported on Sunday April 26, 2009 and to the members that participated in the MS Walk on Saturday May 2, 2009. Without the support and participation of our membership and the leadership exhibited by the members that organize our activities like these BARC's presences and standing in the community would be greatly diminished. I would like to extend to these members my thanks and a hardy well done.

Well it is home again and back to the grind stone. For those that tracked my travels through Europe, (Spain, France, Holland, Belgium, and Scotland) via APRS I hope you enjoyed this use of amateur radio as much as I did sending our position out to the world. The equipment I used for APRS was very simple. I used a Yaesu VX-6R and an Open Tracker kit that I assembled earlier this year. The three weeks I traveled by automobile every thing was simple but for the days I was in a hotel and 10 days I was on the River Cruise boat things were different. In the automobile I had a ready source of 12 volt power but on board the cruise boat it was different, the

only power available was 220 volt ac. Well it was out to the streets of Amsterdam in search of a 220 volt ac to 12 volt dc power supply and no Radio Shack to shop in. Well after a day long search and asking store clerks if they knew where I could find such a power supply I found an electric supply store that carried what I needed and of course it was closed. Fortunately I was able to return the next day prior to boarding the river boat and acquire the needed power supply. Well that took care of the radio and a supply of 9 volt batteries took care of the power for the Open Tracker. One would think that 9 volt batteries in Europe must contain platinum based on their exorbitant price. I have heard comments that the APRS indicated that I seem to stop for refreshments often and for an extended period of time. Well so many wineries and bars and so little time. Over all it was a great trip and I was able to operate through repeaters and APRS in all countries that I visited as well as to demonstrate Amateur Radio to several people that were on the river boat cruise with us.

It is always nice to return home, I think, the grass, 4 acres worth, has not been cut in 5 weeks, the lawn mower broke after about 1 1/2 acres of cutting, a search and rescue exercise on the first Sunday back home, a BARC board meeting on the

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# Happy Birthday

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

- |    |       |                   |
|----|-------|-------------------|
| 14 | W4TEP | Tom Parson        |
| 19 | KB3KR | J. Lawry Bennetts |
| 22 | K4PBQ | Jeff Meyer        |
| 25 |       | Anna Edwards      |

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

## Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:



**Charlie Wells, K4SKI**

**Geraldine Sanchez, KJ4DMV**

Please inform Albert Sanchez, WA7FXB, [albertsanchez@suddenlink.net](mailto:albertsanchez@suddenlink.net) of any changes.

## Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **June 12**. 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:

- ◆ Photo ID (drivers license)
- ◆ Original Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Copy of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Original CSCE's
- ◆ Copy of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$15.00 (\$1 increase in 2009)
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

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

## NC ARES Internet

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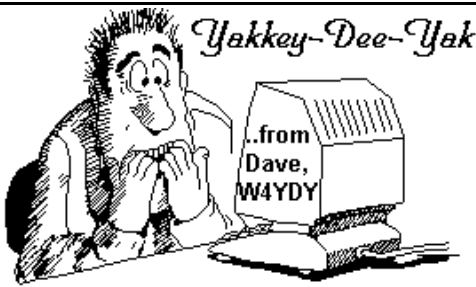
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<http://www.w4amc.com/hamfests.html>

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The club seems to be gearing up for a lot of activities this year. With members setting up stations for informing the public, assisting with community activities, having a raffle for a GPS and getting ready for Field Day, it's keeping members on the run. There are plenty of needs for volunteers. Volunteer and you will enjoy Amateur Radio a lot more.

On page four of this newsletter, there is an article about Danny Hampton, K4ITL, to be awarded "Ham of the Year" at the Dayton Hamvention this year. He was selected from a national list.

He is a big reason that the repeater linking system and many repeaters are on the air because of his experience and suggestions. He put up the first repeater in Raleigh around 1970 and it was

shortly afterwards that I bought a Regency HR-2A from him at his store. The 146.88 repeater sure helped pass the time on my 30 mile commute between North Raleigh and the radar site North of Benson.

I first talked to Danny in the late 1950's when he was still in high school in Kannapolis and later much more when he moved to Raleigh. When Hank Tribbley, W4JVP (SK), WNCT Chief Engineer, called me for some advice on a repeater, I told him I would contact Danny for his advice. Danny made some suggestions for the repeater. Hank, Heber Adams, W4GDF, and other hams in the Greenville area assembled the repeater and used my repeater call sign, WR4ACH, until their license came through. Hank asked me questions about the licensing since I had gone through the process. I suggested 147.09 because it was at WNCT, Channel 9. So Danny had his hand in the W4GDF repeater as he has done so for many in North Carolina. Congratulations Danny!

Pictures of Danny, Hank, Heber and others at a 1975 riverside gathering that Jack Edwards, W4DXJ (SK), had are on the club web site at <http://www.w4amc.com/w4dxj1975.html>. - W4YDY

## President's Corner

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next Tuesday, a meeting at the Eastern Branch EOC on Friday and the MS walk on Saturday. Wait a minute I am suppose to be retired. Well that what retirement is about being able to do the things that you want to do.

In closing I have just a few words to say and six of them are Field Day, Field Day, Field Day, it will be upon us before you know it. If you have assisted before, volunteer again, if you have not participated before, volunteer to assist this year, there is not a single assignment that you can not successfully accomplish. Contact Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, and make yourself available to assist the club in having a successful Field Day again this year.

73,

**Bob, N4USB**

## 2009 BARC Raffle Tickets Available

The drawing for the 2009 BARC Raffle will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2008 at Field Day. All raffle tickets cost \$1.00.

As with our other fundraisers in the past, the purpose is to acquire sufficient funds to keep our equipment up to date and stored properly.

For the second year in a row, the grand prize will be a Garmin GPS Device valued at \$350.00.

Raffle tickets are available now. If you didn't pick up some tickets at the last club meeting, you can either get them from me at the next club meeting, or you can contact me by e-mail ([kg4czv@gmail.com](mailto:kg4czv@gmail.com)) or phone (353-7161).

Money is due either when you pick the tickets up or when you turn the tickets back in. Any unsold tickets should also be turned in before the drawing on Field Day.

Thank you all for helping make this years raffle another successful event.

*Dave, KG4CZV*

**Ham Chatter # 144, 12 Years!  
By W4YDY - hint hint**

## April VE Session Results

Two candidates were successful in passing the Technician Class Amateur Radio exams at the April 17 BARC VE session. They were Ryan Hall, KJ4LMD,



Applicants taking the exams while VE Liaison Tom Parsons, W4TEP, watches.



VE's grading the exams. Standing is Gerry, K4IDD, while Tom, W4TEP, does the paper work and Murray, K4MHM, and Byron, K4BMH, grades exams.

an ECU student from Edenton, NC and Richard Robinson, KJ4LMC, from Aulander, NC. The new call signs were posted on the FCC web site on the afternoon of 4/22/09 and were effective on that date. Ryan also joined BARC. BARC congratulates Ryan and Richard and

welcomes Ryan to the club.

The VE's were VE Liaison Tom Parsons, W4TEP, Murray Merner, K4MHM, Dave Langley, W4YDY and Byron Highland, K4BMH.

The next regular VE session will be June 12, 2009.

## Next ARES Meeting MS Walk

The next Pitt County ARES meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at the offices of Glennon Bittan Investments at 631-B Dickinson Avenue in Greenville. All ARES members are invited to attend. The meeting will begin at 7:30 pm.

*Dave, KG4CZV*

## 2009 BARC Field Day

### Where:

This year BARC is holding our annual Field Day at 1801 East Arlington Blvd, in Greenville. This is located at the corner of Arlington Blvd and Turnbury Drive, next to the Wendy's, just north of Firetower Road.

### When:

Set up: starting at 7:00 am on Saturday, June 27, 2009.

**Operations:** Beginning at 2:00 pm on Saturday and ending 24 hours later at 2:00 pm on Sunday.

### Why:

There are many reasons why we enjoy Field Day. It gives us a chance to:

- Spend social time with each other
- Set up and operate the club equipment
- Talk with many other amateurs that are doing the same thing we are
- Set up and experiment with different modes of communications
- Share a wonderful dinner as a group

If you are interested in helping out with planning this year's Field Day, please contact Dave Pulver, KG4CZV at [kg4czv@gmail.com](mailto:kg4czv@gmail.com).

See you at Field Day.

*Dave, KG4CZV*

On Saturday, May 2, Greenville played host to the MS Walk on the ECU Campus. Amateur Radio provided communications for the 4 mile walking route. The event was attended by hundreds of participants. This was the 4th year that we provided communications for this event.

Pitt County ARES members participating were Paul Fletcher, KS4YF; Byron Highland, K4BMH; Bob Moore, N4USB; Joel Muhaluk, KI4LMY; Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW; Dave Pulver KG4CZV; Albert Sanchez, WA7FXB; and Gerrie Sanchez, KJ4DMV

The event was run using handheld equipment, as well as tactical call signs. This served as an exercise for future emergency communications deployments.

Bethany Coggins and Elizabeth Jones of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society pass along their thanks to all who participated for their time and effort. They also indicated that they plan to have the same event again next year, and look forward to our continued participation.

*Dave, KG4CZV*

## K4ITL named "Ham of the Year" by Dayton Hamvention



Wade D. "Danny" Hampton Jr., K4ITL, of Raleigh, North Carolina, is the architect of the Piedmont Coastal Repeater Network, established in the early 1970s, which today sports more

than 40 machines in North Carolina. The system is heavily used for public service work. Hampton has enhanced the network's utility with custom audio processing boards and RF components. The North Carolina Office of Emergency Management and SKYWARN have recognized the network's vital role in emergency communication. Recently, Hampton helped coordinate the development of a local hospital-based Amateur Radio emergency repeater system that ties 10 facilities together.

## Coastal Carolina Search Team Rescue

On Sunday, April 26, ARES members participated in a search exercise hosted by the Coastal Carolina Search Team, based in Bell Arthur. The mission was to find a mock victim who went missing. The Incident Commander for this exercise was a Sheriff Captain, who also had help from the Sheriff's ATV and horse team.

There were many lessons learned from this exercise, including limitations on working simplex, the need for clearer tactical call signs and the placement of a relay station, if needed.

Pitt County ARES members participating in this exercise were Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX; Paul Copeland, K4KCS; Mike Langley, KD4MTT; Murray Merner, K4MHM; and Bob Moore, N4USB.

The Coastal Carolina Search Team is planning multiple exercises this year. If you missed this exercise, but are interested in future ones, keep posted, as future dates will be announced.

*Dave, KG4CZV*

A ham since 1958, Hampton is Southeastern Repeater Association (SERA) technical committee chairman as well as ARRL North Carolina Section Technical Coordinator. "Danny's extensive knowledge of the two-way and broadcast radio industries in this state has enabled him to assist many repeater owners," said former North Carolina SM John Covington, W4CC. "His advice in resolving RFI problems between repeater and commercial services, and other technical matters, has been extremely valuable to the Section."

From the NWS Forecast Office in Raleigh web site, there is an article about Danny named NOAA Team Member of the Month (November 2004). "Danny Hampton went above and beyond the call of duty, literally, to repair a damaged NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards transmitter in Garner, NC.

Although the damage was extensive, Hampton, blind since birth, took it upon himself to ascend the 1,250-foot tower alone and retrieve the transmitter." More at the Raleigh NOAA web site.

BARC congratulates Danny on the much deserved honor.



## ARRL DXCC Desk Approves Two 2009 Operations



ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two 2009 operations have been approved for DXCC credit: Western Sahara (S04R) and North Cook Island (E51QQQ). "If you had cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk <dxcc@arrl.org> and you will be placed on the list for update," Moore said. - via ARRL Letter Online 5-1-09

# Ham Ads

*Ham Ads* will be run, free of charge in Ham Chatter for three months for each renewal. Ads must be received by the last week of the month to be included in the following issue. Send ads to: **Ham Chatter, PO Box 8387, Greenville, NC 27835, ATTN: Dave Langley** or email to: [barc@w4amc.com](mailto:barc@w4amc.com) (no spaces)

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# BARC Meeting Minutes - April 2009

BARC Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2009

**Call to Order:** Al Sanchez, WA7FXB, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tom Parsons, W4TEP. Introductions were made.

**Minutes:** Approved as published in the Ham Chatter

**Secretary's Report:** no report

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, gave the report. Further information is available to members upon request. He announced that BARC patches are available. They are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

**Health and welfare:** Byron Highland, K4BMH, reported that Mac McKnight, W4JIS passed away. He is a retiree from VA and was with the Signal Corp in WWII.

The board should consider whether BARC should contact families of silent keys to see if they can make notice to ARRL or to help in any way. Mike Langley, KD4MTT, will contact Mac McKnight's family. Al Sanchez, WA7FXB, announced that Gerri Sanchez, KJ6DMV, had surgery on her foot. The cast will stay on for 2 more weeks before it is removed.

**Ham Chatter:** Dave Langley, W4YDY, reported that there is a new roster on the website. There is also a new password.

**Public Information:** The Salem Car and Bike Fair has offered BARC to set up a display. It will be held on May 16 at the Salem United Methodist Church in Simpson. It is a chance for BARC to promote ham radio. Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, will look into this event.

**Volunteer Examiners:** Tom Parsons, W4TEP, announced that the next exam will be on Friday, April 18, at St. Peter's School at 6:30 pm.

**Equipment:** A motion was made by Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, and seconded to purchase a pass filter. It was approved.

**State ARES:** Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, announced that there will be a State ARES meeting on May 2. It will be at the State EOC at 10:00 am. Tom Brown will be the moderator. Three items are on the agenda to be discussed. 1. Hurricane season 2. Winlink in operation and the future of Winlink. 3. Earthquake Disaster Drill that will possibly be on June 23 and 24.

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, announced that the Hurricane Hunter Aircraft will be making two stops in NC. This is an event that occurs every other year. On May 6 it will be at RDU in the General Aviation Terminal. Tours will be from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. On May 7, the aircraft will be at Wilmington International Airport. The tours will be between 3 and 5:00 pm. A web site was announced for further information.

**Pitt County ARES:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, announced 2 events that need volunteers. Both offer training practice on emergency communications.

1. Coastal Carolina Search and Rescue will conduct an exercise on April 26 in Bell Arthur. Meet at 10:00 am on Sunday, April 26, 2009. BARC operators will accompany each search team and provide communications back to the base during the search for mock victims.

2. On May 2, 2009, there is the MS Walk in Greenville at the

Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium at 9:00 am. This is a public service event where BARC provides communications between rest stops, home base, last walker and a SAG vehicle to drive the course and help where needed.

**Old Business:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, reported that the fund raiser raffle will be held for a GPS-750. Tickets are available to sign out. Money and tickets are due by Field Day when the drawing will take place. Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, announced a Boy Scout Camporee will be held on April 25. BARC members will set up a station to share ham radio with the scouts. The call sign of N4S will be used. Directions to the Boy Scout camp are on the front page of the Ham Chatter.

**New Business:** Mike Langley, KD4MTT announced that the Veteran Motorcycle Groups will have an event for Give 2 The Troops on May 9. It will be held at the Greenville Main Office for the East Coast of North Carolina. Three of the BARC tents will be used. This was voted on by the board members available before the general meeting. There is a training opportunity to learn to put up the tents. For those interested, they should arrive at 7:00 am. Murray Merner, K4MHM, talked about the International Festival on April 28. It will be part of the PirateFest. It was discussed about the possibility of BARC putting up an information display.

**Announcements:** Murray Merner, K4MHM, announced that on Saturday, May 9, there is a radio control plane event. It will be held at the Frankie Coburn Airport. Billy All, N3KKM, announced that Carolina Skies will be offering an astronomy informational evening on April 18 at Bradford Creek. On May 2, there will be an astronomy Day at River Park North. All are invited to both events.

**50/50 Drawing Winner:** John Prokop, N8MPX, won the 50/50. He received \$ 18.00

**Program:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, gave the program on Pitt County ARES and also a Field Day preliminary.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm by Al Sanchez, WA7FXB.

Respectfully Submitted:

*Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW*

## BARC Board Minutes - April 2009

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club  
Board Meeting Minutes 4.28.09

President, Bob Moore, N4USB, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**Board Members Present:** President, Bob Moore, N4USB; 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Albert Sanchez WA7FXB; 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX; Treasurer, Dave Pulver, KG4CZV; Secretary, Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW; Trustee, John Prokop, N8MPX; Trustee, Terry Monday, K4ZYD.

**Others in Attendance:** Dave Langley, W4YDY; Pat Williams, KG4NSC; John McCoy K4KBB

**Minutes:** approved as published in Ham Chatter

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## BARC Board Minutes - April 2009

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**New Members Presented:** There were 4 new members that were presented and approved by the board. Billy All, N3KKM; Susan All, N3RAL; Ryan Hall, KJ4LMD and Alex Bridgman, KJ4LMW.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, gave the report, which is available to members upon request. Selling of raffle tickets has begun. The money can be turned in before or at Field Day. Patches are also being sold. Bob Moore, N4USB, and Albert Sanchez, WA7FXB, will meet with the bank to be added to the signature card. They will discuss with the bank who will be authorized to change the account information. Albert Sanchez, WA7FXB, proposed formally approving the treasurer's report at meetings. His proposal was not adopted by the Board.

**Health and welfare:** Albert Sanchez, WA7FXB, led discussion that in the case of a silent key, should the club contact the family and send a report to ARRL to list in QST. This would require a copy of the obituary or a death certificate. The Board voted that this should not be a club function.

**Programs:** Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX, reported that the May meeting will be Mark Webb from the Coastal Carolina Search Team. The June program will be on Field Day. The July program will be Emergency Preparedness.

**Ham Chatter:** Dave Langley, W4YDY, reported that the thickness of the paper for use in the Ham Chatter is not consistent. The printers are changing it according to what they have. There are less than 15 members receiving the Ham Chatter by mail instead of e-mail.

**Pitt County ARES:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, reported on the Sunday, April 26 exercise with the Coastal Carolina Search Team in Bell Arthur. On Saturday, May 2, is the MS walk. ARES will provide operators to man the rest stops, home base, to walk with the last walker and to drive the course in case of accidents. Members will meet at 900 am, with the walk officially beginning at 10:00 am and usually finishes around 11:45 am. Refreshments are provided. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year that BARC and ARES have assisted. A Pitt County ARES meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20 at 7:30 pm in the conference room at GBI.

**ARES:** Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, announced that the NOAA P3 Orion Hurricane Hunter will be in NC again. This event occurs once every two years. On May 6, it will be at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport in the General Aviation Terminal. On May 7, it will be at the Wilmington International Airport. At both sites the public tours are from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

**Public Service:** Pat Williams, KG4NSC, reported that BARC has received an invitation from the Car and Bike show at the Salem United Methodist Church in Simpson for May 16. It is a chance for BARC to promote ham radio. The church will furnish electricity. The show runs from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, Dave Langley, W4YDY and Pat Williams, KG4NSC will meet with them to discuss our role.

**Old Business:** Dave Langley, W4YDY, reported that BARC set up a station at the Boy Scout Camporee on April 25. He, Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, and Murray Merner, K4MHM, set up and operated a station to introduce ham radio to the Boy Scouts. Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, announced that Field Day is on June 27/28. The board voted on 3A plus GOTA.

**New Business:** On May 2, ARRL will present a webinar from 1:15 pm to 2:15 pm. It will be discussing legal issues for amateur radio organizations. Terry Monday, K4ZYD, will try to participate.

**Announcements:** There are now 88 BARC members. A flyer was received in the mail announcing an upcoming Hamfest in Manassas, VA on June 14, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

**Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW**

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## NETS

### VHF

- ◆ 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 2000 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 Ahoskie 145.13, Buxton 145.15, Columbia 146.835 & 443.30, Elizabeth City 146.655, Greenville, 145.35, Hertford 147.33, Williamston 145.41 & 444.25

### HF

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

### NTS CW Nets

- ◆ 3.571 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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# BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 12. .... Regular Meeting  
 May 26. .... Board Meeting  
**May 28** ..... **HAM CHATTER DEADLINE**  
 May 30/31. .... CQWW WPX CW Contest  
 Jun 9. .... Regular Meeting  
 Jun 12. .... BARC VE Session  
 Jun 27/28 ..... **ARRL Field Day**  
 Jun 30. .... Board Meeting  
**Jul 2** ..... **HAM CHATTER DEADLINE**  
 Jul 11/12. .... IARU HF World Championship

Jul 14. .... Regular Meeting  
 Jul 18. .... Cary Swapfest  
 Jul 18/19. .... CQWW VHF Contest  
 Jul 28. .... Board Meeting  
**Jul 30**. .... **HAM CHATTER DEADLINE**  
 Aug 11. .... Regular Meeting  
 Aug 14. .... BARC VE Session  
 Aug 25. .... Board Meeting  
**Aug 27** ..... **HAM CHATTER DEADLINE**

**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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May 12

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