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Field Day - June 25/26

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Tim Nelson, WA4TMN, SK



Tim Nelson, WA4TMN

Tim Nelson, WA4TMN, became a Silent Key (SK) May 6, 2011 after a long fight with cancer. He was 64. A memorial service was held at The Memorial Baptist Church officiated by Rev. Rick Bailey. A private burial with Masonic Rites was held prior to the memorial service.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Paula Bailey Nelson; son, Trey Hawkins and wife, Stacey, of Shreveport, LA; step-daughter, Michele Ward, of Morehead City; granddaughter, Mary-Stuart Bailey Ward; grandson, Chase Hawkins; sister, Donna Lang, of Columbia, SC; nephew, Nelson Lang; and niece, Jessica Lang."

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club extends its condolences to Paula and his family. - W4YDY

Editor's note: The November 2007 Meet the Member article is reprinted on page 4

Donations made to Hollis, KC3X and Sandy, K4SMT

Thank You from KC3X

Ever since the tornado came and God protected us both while the house totally disintegrated all around us, our lives are forever changed, not by the material loss but by the amazing friends we are so blessed to have.

Life has been insane from morning till night and we have worked to the point of total exhaustion. We know that times are hard for everyone and we are overwhelmed by your generosity and can never adequately thank you all for what you have done for us!

Hollis, KC3X & Sandy, K4SMT



Hollis Thigpen, KC3X, was interviewed by WCTI-12 near his destroyed home

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club and county hunter friends made donations to Hollis and Sandy Thigpen to help with some of the expenses generated by the April 16 Snow Hill tornado that destroyed their home and many possessions. More than 70 county

Next Meeting June 14, 2011

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on Tuesday, June 14 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Program will be by Terry Monday, K4ZYD, Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, and John McCoy, K4KBB, Field Day Co-chairmen. They will discuss plans for Field Day on June 25/26. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.

The next board meeting will be May 31 at 7:30 PM at 631-B Dickinson Avenue - entrance at back of the building. All members invited.

hunter operators donated well over \$5,000.

Robert Young, NC4RY, Tarheel Antenna founder, gave Hollis a model 200A-HP package valued at over \$500 at the May meeting.

The only radio that survived was the radio in his truck although the truck receive heavy damage but was repaired. The mobile antenna was destroyed.

Since the WCTI-12 video was posted on W4AMC.COM, in six weeks, there were over 2,300 viewings of the 2 minute video, more than 15 times more than any video on the web site that had been up for months. Also, twenty-eight pictures were posted about 2 weeks later and in 4 weeks, there were over 600 hits. The links were posted on the county hunter forum and in the ARRL ARES newsletter. See the video and pictures at w4amc.com.

Down East Hamfest Kinston, June 18

8 AM - 3 PM

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Lenoir Community College Gymnasium

Murray Merner, K4MHM, has antenna party

Murray Merner, **K4MHM**, had an antenna party on May 21 to remove his Mosley TA-33 Jr. and tower. He is moving to Raleigh for his retirement to be near his family.

Eight BARC members, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, Bill Dawson, **WA4SLC**, John Prokop, **N8MPX**, Jeffrey Meyer, **K4DKW**, Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD**, John McCoy, **K4KBB**, Bob Hanrahan, **AF4QY**, and Dave Langley, **W4YDY** arrived at 1 PM. Murray and his wife served lunch consisting of sub sandwiches, potato chips and sodas. After lunch, the work began.

Terry first climbed the tower and removed the TA-33 Jr. with help and a lot of advice from the ground! All went well with the antenna safely on the ground. Then Murray climbed the tower to help with separating the tower sections and lowering them to the crew on the ground.

Everyone had a good time with a lot of time for eyeball rag chewing during the lunch and while 'working'.

BARC is going to miss Murray because he helped in so many ways with the club. As former President, First Vice President, Secretary, Board Trustee, VE and Ham Chatter Contributing Editor and



Murray, K4MHM, and Terry, K4ZYD, remove top section of tower and lower it to the ground. Photo by W4YDY

awards for Ham of the Year (twice), Elmer of the Year (3 times), OM of the Year and Field Day Chairman (4 times), you can see why he will be missed greatly by the club. He attended Boy Scout events and festivals. He also received a BARC Special Services Plaque in 2003. - **W4YDY**

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **June 10**. Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Ted Bertrand, **K14PWX**, 756-3734. bertrandf@ecu.edu. Please bring the following **required**:

- ◆ **Photo ID** (drivers license)
- ◆ **Original** Amateur Radio License
- ◆ **Copy** of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ **Original** CSCE's
- ◆ **Copy** of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$15.00 .
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.
- ◆ SS Number will be needed if you don't have an FRN number.

Go to <http://www.w4amc.com/barcinfo.html#VE> for more information.

NC ARES Internet

<http://www.ncarrl.org/ares/>

Pitt County ARES

<http://www.pittares.com/>



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Happy Birthday

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

11 KJ4GDR	Stanley Barney
11 WA4SLC	Bill Dawson
12	Lindalee Hanrahan
15 AI4TN	Bill Finch, Jr.
17 K4IDD	Gerry Clayton
24 K4KCS	Paul Copeland
27 W4JNC*	Richard Campbell
28 KB7L	Thomas Styron

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

* **New call sign - KG4SNE is now W4JNC**

Well Wishes

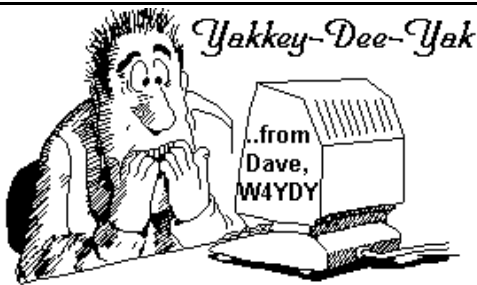
Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

Charlie Wells, K4SKI
Tom Parsons, W4TEP
Bob Moore, N4USB
John Prokop, N8MPX



Please inform Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, campbellerecu@embarqmail.com of any changes.

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Yakkey-Dee-Yak

FEMA Administrator Calls Amateur Radio "The Last Line of Defense"

In an FCC forum on earthquake communications preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate described the Amateur Radio operator as "the ultimate backup, the originators of what we call social media." The forum-- held May 3 at FCC Headquarters in Washington, DC -- brought together officials from the White House, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the United States Geological Survey (USGS), FEMA, the FCC and the private sector. Fugate and FCC Bureau of Public Safety and Homeland Security Chief Jamie Barnett gave the opening remarks.

Later in the forum, Fugate spoke more on Amateur Radio. "During the initial communications out of Haiti, volunteers using assigned frequencies that they are allocated, their own equipment, their own money, nobody pays them, were the first ones oftentimes getting word out in the critical first hours and first days as the rest of the systems came back up," he told the forum. "I think that there is a tendency because we have done so much to build infrastructure and resiliency in all our other systems, we have tended to dismiss that role 'When Everything Else Fails.' Amateur Radio oftentimes is our last line of defense."

Fugate said that he thinks "we get so sophisticated and we have gotten so used to the reliability and resilience in our wireless and wired and our broadcast industry and all of our public safety communications, that we can never fathom that they'll fail. They do. They have. They will. I think a strong Amateur Radio community [needs to be] plugged into these plans. Yes, most of the time they're going to be bored, because a lot of the time, there's not a lot they're going to be doing that other people aren't doing with Twitter and Facebook and everything else. But when you need Amateur Radio, you really need them."

You can watch a video of the forum on YouTube. Fugate's remarks begin at 18:55. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzx-kv0li_Y
Via [ARRL.ORG](http://www.arrl.org)

Card checking availability at the Down East Hamfest, Kinston, June 18

Bill McDowell, K4CIA, DXCC Field Checker, North Carolina, will be checking DX cards at the Down East Hamfest on June 18th at Kinston, NC.

DXCC as well as CQ Awards can be checked. Bill can also do WAS, WAC, and VUCC.. Please bring all paperwork properly filled out and cards sorted as applicable.

Feel free to contact Bill with any questions via email or phone: k4cia at earthlink dot net or 919-846-2317

FCC Seeks to Raise the Fee for Vanity Call Signs

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on May 3, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. Currently, a vanity call sign costs \$13.30 and is good for 10 years; the new fee, if the FCC plan goes through, will go up to \$14.20 for 10 years, an increase of 90 cents. The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934 (as amended) to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new term. Instructions on how to comment on this NPRM are available on the FCC Web site.

The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 14 years of the current program -- from a low of \$11.70 in 2007 to a high of \$70 (as first proposed in the FCC's 1994 Report and Order). In 2007, the Commission lowered the fee from \$20.80 to \$11.70. The FCC said it anticipates some 14,600 Amateur Radio vanity call sign "payment units" or applications during the next fiscal year, collecting \$207,320 in fees from the program.

More at <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-raise-the-fee-for-vanity-call-signs>.

Via [ARRL.ORG](http://www.arrl.org)

Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, of Omaha, Nebraska, passed away April 13. He was 100. In 1935, Meyerson, founded Wholesale Radio Laboratories -- the forerunner to World Radio Labs (WRL) -- in Council Bluffs, Iowa. I use to get their catalogs and it was like a Christmas catalog to hams.

My first transmitter was a used Harvey-Well TBS-50D that was purchased from WRL and arrived in Aurora, NC on 12/24/52 via Railway Express. The first QSO was on 12/25/52 by WN4YDY on the 80 meter CW band to WN4YHI in Fremont. We had many contacts after that.

My CW speed came up from about 3 wpm that day to 18 wpm 3 1/2 months later. That was less than 3 contacts a day. Operating is one of the best ways to increase code speed.

A Hallicrafters SX-71 was ordered from an Allied Radio catalog from Chicago about a year earlier. The transmitter and receiver were purchased while I was in high school cleaning out my 'bank account' and with help from my parents!

On page 5 of this newsletter, there is an article about Radio Shack wanting info from hams about DIY parts and what they can add. Now it's hard to find parts needed in construction projects as in the past.

Did you know that Radio Shack use to sell Amateur Radio equipment including receivers and transmitters.? In the 1950s, it was a one-store retail and mail-order operation in the heart of downtown Boston. My first SSB receiver, a Collins 75A-4 and a Hallicrafters HT-32 SSB transmitter were bought via telephone calls from the Boston Radio Shack store in the spring and summer of 1956. W4YDY became the first Amateur Radio station in Raleigh and Wake County to go on SSB. It was exciting and a lot of operators were happy to see the transition. But some were very unhappy to hear that 'Donald Duck' sound in the area. - W4YDY

Tim Nelson, WA4TMN, SK, May 6, 2011

The following is a reprint of the September 2007 Meet the Member article.



Tim Nelson, **WA4TMN**, has come on the Amateur Radio scene with a bang, already passing two license exams, getting a vanity call with his initials, active in Field Day and getting involved on other BARC activities in just a couple of months. He has volunteered to be the Associate Editor of Ham Chatter.

He has been interested in Amateur Radio since about 12 years of age but never focused on the hobby long enough to take license exam. Professional assignments in past year regenerated his interest in ham radio because of the contribution to emergency service. He attended BARC meeting in April of this year and was impressed with the group and several members who encouraged him to get his license and become involved. He purchased the study guide and passed the first exam in June 2007. Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX, Joel Muhaluk, KI4LMY, and Murray Merner, K4MHM, all jumped in to help him get his shack up and running with loaned equipment (club rig). He attended Field Day for two days and felt it was a great experience. He was able to meet other club members and it increased his overall excitement about a new hobby. He decided that weekend to begin studying for the General class license. He passed that exam on August 17th and it was posted on the FCC site on the 21st. He has lot of progress in a short period of time. He said, "As many have said, the

sky is the limit in terms of areas of interest and equipment. It depends on how much money one wants to put into equipment and how much time one wants to devote to the hobby. The aspect that is most appealing to me is the services we provide 'when all else fails'."

Tim had some comments on his equipment. "Yaesu 897 as base station. Leaning toward an 857 for mobile. Diamond UHF/VHF antenna; Bertrand made 6M dipole; and Hustler 5-BTV multiband vertical that was "willed" to me by Joel and Bernie. Interested in a 6M beam antenna to replace the dipole and eventually a tower and triband for HF. Since the Tarheel Antenna presentation at our last club meeting, I am seriously considering the Model 75 "Stubby" for mobile. I also purchased a Yaesu FT-60 handheld that I am delighted with. I keep it with me in the car and take it in the office each day."

He has really enjoyed the local nets on VHF and conversations on UHF. Now that he has greater privileges with the General license, he is looking forward to making DX contacts on HF. Tim is also interested in getting set up to do some data contacts and probably will give the PSK-31 a try in that regard.

Tim's club activities in his own words: "I have attended all the club meetings since April and it has been a real pleasure meeting everyone and developing relationships. I am very impressed with the special bond I feel and am seeing with active hams in our community and the region. Everyone seems eager to help new hams and several members have already demonstrated to me the importance of helping one another and serving the community in such a unique way. I have offered to serve as associate editor because I have some experience with editing and publishing a newsletter and see it as an opportunity to make a contribution to the club. I think Dave Langley does a superb job with the Ham Chatter and I look forward to learning from him and working with him." Looks like we have found our next *Ham Chatter* editor!

Tim has lived in Greenville since 1981. He grew up in Shreveport, Louisiana and he graduated from high

school in 1964. He has also lived in Ohio from 1972 to 1977 (Lancaster, Columbus, Millersburg, Dover). He joined the United States Marine Corps, served four years during the period 1968-1972 and was honorably discharged as a Sergeant (E-5). During that enlistment, he served 13 months in Okinawa and was fortunate that he did not see any combat in Vietnam. He did, however, lose a lot of good friends in that conflict, as he's sure many of you did. His dad served in the USMC during WWII.

Tim has an Undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice from East Carolina University and a Masters degree in Health Law/Risk Management from Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

He retired after thirty years in state law enforcement. After beginning a career with Ohio State Highway Patrol as a Trooper for four years he retired from the NC State Bureau of Investigation as an Assistant Special Agent in Charge. Tim began his second career with Pitt County Memorial Hospital immediately following retirement with state government in early 2002. Tim has thoroughly enjoyed working in the Division of Legal Affairs with assignments in Risk Management. Last year he was asked to serve as the Administrator of a new corporate Office of Public Safety. He has really enjoyed the challenge because much of his role involves interaction with police services at PCMH and six regional hospitals. The safety and security of the campus, employees, patients, and visitors is his primary focus each day.

Tim is married to Paula Bailey Nelson, who is originally from Hobgood in Halifax County. In 2002, she retired after 31 years of public school teaching in Pitt County. She is also an ECU alumni. She has a daughter, Michele, and a son, Trey. They have one grandson who is nearly eight years old. Tim has already spoke with him about becoming a ham! Paula and Tim are members of Memorial Baptist Church. He has been a Mason and a Shriner for over twenty years.

Tim will surely be a great addition to BARC. He has already proven that. - *WAYDY*

Radio Shack Looking for Suggestions for DIY Parts

Back in the day, Radio Shack was the first place many of us looked for parts. QST construction projects routinely referenced RS part numbers, and the Shack even sold 10 and 2 meter transceivers.

What goes around comes around, and Radio Shack is now looking for input from us, as members of the larger DIY community, on parts we'd like to see them carry. There's a video explaining what they're looking for, and a place to add comments. -- tnx Gary Mahan, N7IS

Video at: <http://blog.radioshack.com/post/2011/05/19/RadioShack-And-The-DIY-Community-You-Talked-Were-Listening.aspx> - via ARRL.ORG

Field Day - June 25/26



It's that time of the year again. Field Day is the most popular annual event for Amateur Radio clubs.

BARC Field Day co-chairmen, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, and John McCoy, **K4KBB**, will be pleased with anyone helping with the setup, teardown and operating. The contest exchange will be **4A NC** as there will be four main stations plus a VHF/UHF station and a GET-ON-THE-AIR (GOTA) station. The location is again next to Wendy's on Arlington Blvd. in the Bells Fork area. See FD videos at w4amc.com.

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BARC Meeting Minutes - May 2011

BARC Meeting Minutes

Date: May 10, 2011

Call to Order: 7:36 PM

President John Prokop, **N8MPX**, opened the meeting.

There were 24 members present as recorded in the sign in book.

Pledge of Allegiance: was lead by John McCoy, **K4KBB**.

Minutes: The minutes from the April Board Meeting were approved as published in Ham Chatter.

Secretary's Report: Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS**, had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, gave the report. Further information regarding the Treasurer's Report is available to members upon request.

Equipment: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, had nothing to report.

VE: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, reported that the next VE session is on Friday, June 10 at 6:30 pm at St. Peter's School.

Health and Welfare: Richard Campbell, **KG4SNE**, reported that the Well Wishes are as published in the BARC newsletter. Richard voiced appreciation that Hollis Thigpen, **KC3X**, was in attendance.

Ham Chatter: Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, reported that the web-site has been updated with feature stories of Tim Nelson, **WA4TMN**, SK. May 6, 2011 and Hollis Thigpen, **KC3X**, whose home was recently destroyed by a tornado.

Publicity: Taylor Millar, **W4WTM**, reported that tonight's meeting was published in Sunday, May 8 Daily Reflector. An announcement for the June VE session will be published in Tuesday, June 7 Daily Reflector.

John Prokop, **N8MPX**, requested that an announcement be placed in the Daily Reflector about Field Day.

Pitt County ARES: Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**, requested attendees sign up for Monday night nets through July on the sign up sheet that he circulated.

Dave reported that on Thursday, May 19, a Pitt County ARES meeting will be held at 7:30 pm at the office of Peter Van Houten, **KG4WEZ**.

Dave reviewed what worked and areas for future improvement during the SkyWarn activation on April 16. During that activation, 22 people participated in the net.

Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, reported that the next ARES 1 & 2 meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 14 at the Golden Skillet in Plymouth.

Public Service: Paul Fletcher, **KS4YF**, reported that 7 hams provided radio service for the MS Walk on Saturday, April 30, including Doug Ferris, **K4ROK**, Paul Fletcher, **KS4YF**, John McCoy, **K4KBB**, McGuire family (Cheryl, **KJ4RGP**, Margaret, **KJ4RGQ**, and Tim, **KJ4RGO**), and Joel Muhulak, **KI4LMY**.

Future Programs: John McCoy, **K4KBB**, reported that Field Day will replace the June program.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Byron Highland, **K4BMH**, reported that Saturday, June 18 is Down East Hamfest. Contact Byron if you are interested in purchasing tickets to this event.

Murray Merner, **K4MHM**, reported that that the Down East emergency net control was today; 8 hospitals and 5 hams participated. This net control operates at 1200 hr the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Further, 4 additional hams and 8 non-hams expressed an interest in participating in the future.

Field Day: Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, lead the discussion with regard to Field Day planning.

Announcements: Nothing to report

50/50 Drawing Winner: Doug Ferris, **K4ROK**

Adjournment: 8:00 pm

Program: Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, introduced Robert Young, **NC4RY**, Founder and Past President of Tarheel antennas. Robert presented a program about mobile installs of antennas. A raffle drawing was held for 2 Tarheel antennas. The winners were Paul Fletcher, **KS4YF**, and Hollis Thigpen, **KC3X**. A fun time was had by all!

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Bertrand, KJ4GDS, Secretary

BARC Board Minutes - May 2011

BARC Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 31, 2011

Call to Order: 7:39 PM

Board Members Present: President John Prokop, **N8MPX**; 1st VP Richard Campbell, **KG4SNE**; 2nd VP John McCoy, **K4KBB**; Secretary Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS**; Treasurer Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**; Trustee Dave Langley, **W4YDY**

Others in Attendance: Taylor Millar, **W4WTM**, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**

Minutes: The minutes from the March Board Meeting were approved as published in Ham Chatter.

Secretary's Report: Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS**, had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, gave the report. Further information regarding the Treasurer's Report is available to members upon request.

VE: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, announced that the next VE session is on Friday, June 10 at 6:30 pm at St. Peter's School.

Equipment: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, had nothing to report.

Health and Welfare: Richard Campbell, **KG4SNE**, reported that the Well Wishes are as published in the BARC newsletter.

Ham Chatter: Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, reported he has recently posted a new roster, so check it out!

Publicity: Taylor Millar, **W4WTM**, reported that announcement ads for the club meetings and VE sessions will be placed in the Daily Reflector, discussion ensued with regard to Field Day publicity.

Programs: John McCoy, **K4KBB**, reported that Field Day will be the June program, July - Mike Langley, **KD4MTT** (Preparedness), September - Vern Wenger (Batteries Plus), November - elections, December - Christmas party. Anyone with

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program ideas for August and October is encouraged to contact John.

Pitt County ARES/Public Service: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, discussed preparations with regard to Field Day.

Adjournment: 8.27 pm

Respectfully submitted by

Brenda Bertrand, KJ4GDS

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 (no spaces)

FOR SALE: Kenwood TS-850SAT sn 30mil. Original owner. Includes antenna tuner, manual, hand mike, power cord, original two packing boxes. Excellent physical and electronic condition, including display and panel lettering. Comes with Kenwood 1.8 ssb filter for 8.83 i.f. and matching Inrad 400 Hz CW filters in each i. f. (really impressive and the ones used in Sherwood's updated measurement of TS 850 performance). Also includes Donner mfg serial computer interface cable (replaces Kw 232 interface) and (possibly) an amp control cable and the remainder of the Kw bag of connector plugs. Still a high performance station. \$850 plus \$25 towards shipping/insurance to CONUS only. (No local shipping charge.) No trades. Price firm. US Postal money order only. Pictures if seriously interested. Contact via **K4IDD** (at) arrl dot net.

FOR SALE: 8 element 2 meter beam.

Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, Ph: 758-1244 Email: campbellerecu@embarqmail.com

FOR SALE: TS480SAT HF+6 good condition used very little.. Has all the cables and mike. Asking 750.00 obo Will meet to or deliver within 100 miles of Princeton NC

Heath Kit SB 201. Good cond. 2 572B tubes. Asking 500.00 obo

Dick Lewis **N1VGY** Ph: 919-333-6440

WANTED: Sony 2010 and a Kenwood RA-5 VHF/UHF Telescoping HT Antenna.

Neal, **NC4RR**, Ph: 946-3840, Email: nscsxrr@centurylink.net

MOVING SALE: Glen Martin Engineering RT-936 nine foot roof tower, fully assembled and on the ground. LR-8400 lightning rod kit, MA-1049 medium duty aluminum mast, KB-1100 sidearm, and a run of ground cable (50' to 75'), all never used. Prefer complete package sale. Over \$735 new.

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BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jun 10.....	BARC VE Session	Sep 3/4.....	Shelby Hamfest
Jun 14.....	Regular Meeting	Sep 13.....	Regular Meeting
Jun 18.....	Down East Hamfest Kinston	Sep 24/25.....	CQ WW RTTY Contest
Jun 25/26.....	ARRL Field Day	Sep 27.....	Board Meeting
Jun 28.....	Board Meeting	Sep 29.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Jun 30.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE	Oct 11.....	Regular Meeting
Jul 9.....	IARU HF World Championship	Oct 14.....	BARC VE Session
Jul 12.....	Regular Meeting	Oct 25.....	Board Meeting
Jul 16.....	Cary Midsummer Swapfest	Oct 27.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Jul 26.....	Board Meeting	Oct 29/30.....	CQ WW SSB DX Contest
Jul 28.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE	Nov 5/6.....	ARRL CW Sweepstakes
Aug 9.....	Regular Meeting	Nov 8.....	Regular Meeting
Aug 12.....	BARC VE Session	Dec 16.....	BARC VE Session
Aug 30.....	Board Meeting		
Sep 1.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE		

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

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