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Brightleaf ARC Member, Bill Finch, W4EHF, 100 Years Old January 15!



Bill Finch, W4EHF

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club member, Bill Finch, **W4EHF**, will be 100 years old on January 15.

Bill first got his Class C license in 1935 at the age of 23 in Marion, SC and has kept his original call since that time. In 1939 he got his Class A license

which was grand fathered to Advanced which is his current license.

Bill has built many homebrew projects and many kits over the years. Also, he has been involved in the ARES and many nets in North Carolina. Living in Fayetteville for many years, he worked for the Army until he retired in 1975. After his wife passed away, he moved to Greenville to be near Bill, Jr. Bill, Jr, finally got interested in Amateur Radio and got his license in 2002 to become another active member of BARC. See more about **W4EHF** in the July 2000 issue of Ham Chatter.

An active runner and sports participant, Bill holds some running records in North Carolina. Several months ago, Bill was taking on 2 meter from his car to Bill, Jr. on his way for his weekly badminton game. Bill said he hoped that more would show up to play because the week before he had to play the whole two hours because they were short some players. I don't know many that could play a straight two hours!

At the January BARC meeting, there will be a birthday celebration for Bill.

Happy Birthday Bill.

Next Meeting

January 10, 2012

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on Tuesday, January 10 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Program will be Celebration of Bill Finch's 100th birthday. His birthday is January 15. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.

The next board meeting will be January 31 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Note new location for board meetings. All members invited.

BARC Ham of the Year John Prokop, N8MPX



John Prokop, was selected by his peers for the 2011 Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club **Ham of the Year**. John has been president of the club for the years 2010 and 2011. The plaque was presented to John at the Christmas party by Mike Langley, KD4MTT, BARC's most famous MC. John also received a plaque for his service to the club as President for the past two years.

Congratulations John!

Tower Climber - WA4DAN

Murray Adams, **WA4DAN**, BARC member, is featured in a blog at wral.com.

Ever wonder about tower climbers who install repeater equipment for us and maintain commercial gear too? The WRAL-TV blog from Raleigh has a nice profile of Murray Adams, **WA4DAN**, of

Adams Tower Services, including a slide show of what it's like to be thousands of feet in the air.

Pictures are shown of Murray climbing and checking out the Christmas lights on the studio tower in Raleigh. Check out the story at <http://www.wral.com/wral-tv/blogpost/10452048>

Sable Island CY0 DXpedition postponed

Email from Murray Adams, **WA4DAN**
December 30, 2011

Unfortunately, we had to postpone the Sable Island CY0 DXpedition due to the landing area on the island being under water. A winter storm with 20+ foot swells pushed water onto the sand "runway" on Wednesday evening. Al Wilson, the OIC on Sable, made an assessment of the landing area yesterday. Ron and I talked with Al and there was no possibility of a flight to the island in the next five days. After that, it would depend on how quickly the water would drain from the landing area and if any other storms affect the island. At that point, we decided to postpone the DXpedition.

Needless to say, we are extremely disappointed that we have had to postpone the DXpedition. We have learned firsthand there is really no season of the year that is ideal for flights. Late yesterday morning, we met with Ted of Maritime Air. Ted advised it has been the worst year he has experienced as far as scheduling flights. Maritime Air provides logistical

flight services to Environment Canada on the island.

Even though we are disappointed, we are not defeated. Maritime Air allowed us to store our gear to help facilitate our next attempt. We are discussing two options with the Sable Island station.

We appreciate your interest in the DXpedition. We have received a lot of encouragement from DX'ers around the world. Continue to check the DXpedition website for updates.

www.cy0dxpedition.com

Ron **AA4VK**
Murray **WA4DAN**



Flight map to Sable Island

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held **Tuesday, Feb. 21** at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, 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/>



Happy Birthday

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

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| 2 | KD4AFL | Mac Manning |
| 3 | KJ4CDO | David Bowers |
| 6 | W4ESO | Frank Spencer |
| 6 | WB4YFM | Joe Scott |
| 9 | WA4MGU | Bob Schwemley |
| 12 | K4CRD | Richard Cox |
| 15 | W4EHF | Bill Finch - 100 |
| 16 | K4VBS | Ranny Chitwood |
| 26 | KJ4RGO | Tim McGuire |

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

Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

- Charlie Wells, K4SKI**
Tom Parsons, W4TEP
Bob Moore, N4USB
John Prokop, N8MPX
Dave Langley, W4YDY
Bill Finch, AI4TN
Phyllis Nobles, wife of WA4MOK

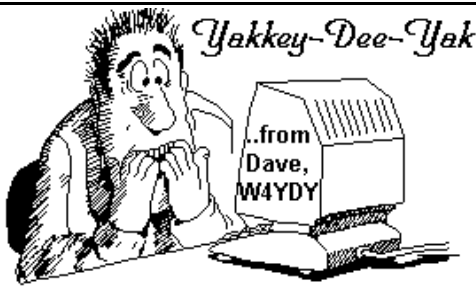


Please inform Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, campbellerecu@embarqmail.com of any changes.

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The new year for BARC will welcome some new officers of the club with Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, heading the club as President. Good programs are needed to keep the members interest and participation. Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, is Second Vice President and is the program chairman for 2012. Please help him with suggestions and maybe doing a program of interest to all. If anyone knows of members having medical problems, let John McCoy, **K4KBB**, know so he can get the information out to others.

Be sure to come out to the January club meeting to help Bill Finch, **W4EHF**, celebrate his 100th birthday.

The latter part of the year has not been too good for some members. Phyllis Nobles, wife of Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, had a heart operation in October and I understand that went fairly well. But she has problems with her lungs and has been having trouble breathing. She has been on a ventilator much of the time and is now trying to stay off of it gradually. Bernie reports she is doing better as time goes on but still have no idea when she will be well enough to go home.

Bernie, a Trustee on the BARC board this year, has been having a tough time spending almost all of his time with his wife in the hospital including spending most nights. He recently had a bad cold and his doctor told him to stay home for a few days to get his strength back and defeat the cold. His sister from Wilmington came up to stay with Phyllis for a few days. He does check his email regularly so he does communicate with the outside world. That hospital is pretty confining. <w44mok@embarqmail.com>.

December 2011 is not one that I want to do over. My back was injured almost 30 years ago and had back and leg pain problems from time to time. Three years ago, strained it badly again and did some rehab that helped. This time, strained it too much in October and had a

lot of pain. On Thanksgiving Day, my right leg gave out. Was still able to walk but very carefully. To make the story shorter, a week later after an MRI, the doctor said I needed an operation as soon as possible so I would not lose my ability to walk permanently. I was using a walker at that time.

The operation went well and my back pain is now gone but still have a nagging pain at times in my right leg. Also I will have to get my feeling back to normal in my right foot. I had no feeling there below my ankle before the operation. The feeling is back now but not completely. Spent 5 days in the hospital and 2 weeks at the Golden Living Center for rehab. I did get to spend Christmas Day at home with the family and returned home 2 days later. Will be using a walker for a while. Don't know when I will be able to get back to the club meetings again.

BARC Honorary Life member, Lucy Adams, **WA4BVH**, resides at Golden Living so we visited a few times. I had seen her a few times in the past year when I had time to go by and take her the Ham Chatter after I had picked them up. It is always a pleasure to talk with her and listen to some of her stories about hams she has known and experiences.

My wife and I visited once while I was there and Lucy told us an interesting story about going up the TV tower in Grifton with Heber, **W4GDF**, her late husband. She did not want to go up with Heber but she finally went up a little at the time until they were up over 500 feet. Heber had a call back so it was after midnight. Lucy said when she finally got her nerve up to look out, the lights of nearby cities were beautiful. Saw Murray, **WA4DAN**, and Lucy in the hallway before Christmas. She also told us a few stories about Murray and his first experience climbing towers! See Lucy's picture at the bottom of <<http://www.w4amc.com/w4dxj1975.html>>.

As stated earlier, I will continue to do the BARC web site as the club so desires. But I do want to give up the editor's job on Ham Chatter. Someone please step up. I will help in the transition.

Thanks to the BARC members who visited and sent cards while I was in the hospital and rehab facility. Also, I got several get well cards and well wishes on the county hunter forum from county hunters from all over the United States.

Due to my inability to drive and pick up and distribute Ham Chatter, Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, will cover for me. Thanks very much Richard. - **W4YDY**

Happy New Year!

2012 Membership Dues

It's that time of the year once again. Membership dues for BARC are due

January 1. Membership dues are as follows and are the same as 2011:

Regular Member	\$20.00
Family Member	\$2.00
Associate Member (Non-Licensed)	\$5.00
Life Member	\$0.00
New Hams: 18 and younger (1 st year)	\$5.00
New Hams: 19 and older (1 st year)	\$10.00

If you have changes, we are requesting that you send the application form in, so that we can have your correct information on file. The form can be downloaded at <http://www.w4amc.com/application.pdf>.

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

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 8387
Greenville, NC 27835

Those who have not renewed their dues by March 1, 2012 will be removed from the roster and the Ham Chatter mailing list. Membership will be reinstated upon receipt of 2012 dues.

If there are any questions concerning membership status or dues, please contact Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, (2010 Treasurer) at <bertrandb@ecu.edu> or (252) 756-3734. Thank you for your continued support and participation in BARC.

Hams Help Save the Life of Fellow Ham



Ron Jones, KB6UF, Kentwood, LA
Picture taken in Greenville, NC by W4YDY

Editors Note: Ron, KB6UF, a county hunter, passed through Pitt County on October 22, 2008, I had a chance to meet him after he spent the night with Hollis Thigpen, KC3X, in Snow Hill. Ron was passing through this area putting out North Carolina counties for the county hunters. Ron and I met at Bojangles near Lowe's HW.

As of this writing, I have had 767 contacts with Ron since early 2001 in 419 counties and 36 states. He has contacted me in 23 different counties. He does a great job putting out the rare counties in Louisiana and nearby states.

Following is a story from the ARES December E-letter of a recent experience Ron had while traveling in California. It's a good reason for having an HF mobile installation. - W4YDY

It was 10:00 PM as I reached for the power button of my ham radio and call it a night. Just before my finger touched the switch I heard a faint call -- someone was lost and needed help. Naturally, I would stick around to hear more. After all, this is one of those rare moments many hams live for.

Ron, KB6UF, was not only lost in the Sierra Nevada mountains but also stuck. While driving alone from Louisiana to California to visit his grandkids for the Thanksgiving holiday the 68 year old missed the exit where he was scheduled to stay at a hotel. So he turned to his GPS. It instructed Ron to turn here and go there. The road turned into a gravel road and Ron knew something was wrong. "I felt like I was going in circles," he later said. He was 8 miles from the main road.

Pitched black and no street lights for miles, Ron hit a ditch. The front wheels of his small truck were in the air and it was clear he was going nowhere fast. He checked his cell phone. No cells. He has a 2 meter radio in his truck. No answers on any local repeaters. He turned to 40 meters, remembering there are

usually a bunch of hams on 7.195 MHz.

Within minutes, multiple hams were offering advice; use the low gear, fill in the hole with brush and sand, rock the truck back and forth. Somebody asked if Ron's GPS was working. It was. Ron gave out his coordinates over the air. Now as many as 100 hams monitoring the frequency knew Ron's exact location: in the hills near Mono Lake, California, near the Nevada-California border.

Dave, N5SDO in New Mexico stepped up and became net control. Everyone including Ron can hear Dave. Dave assessed Ron's predicament by asking pertinent questions: Are you alone? How much fuel do you have? Do you have food or water? Is there somebody we can call for you? Ron gave Dave an 800 number to the Sheriff's office. Dave tried the 800 number but it was a non-functioning number.

I thought about that non-working 800 number for a second. Maybe the Sheriff's office discontinued the 800 service due to budget cuts, so I Googled the 800 number and found the local dispatch number to Mono Lake Sheriff's office in California. I called it. I had to explain I'm a ham radio operator in Chicago and I'm monitoring a man stranded and lost in hills near Mono Lake. The dispatcher said she would bring this info to her sergeant. Ten minutes later the sergeant returned my call. I quickly explained what had been happening over the past 90 minutes. "Does he need a tow or is this a search and rescue?," asked the sheriff. I relayed the question to Dave who then asked Ron. Ron said he was requesting an officer. As soon as the sheriff heard "requesting an officer" he said someone will be there in 30 minutes.

When Ron announced on the radio he could see the lights of the sheriff's car approaching, many hams monitoring the frequency cheered on air. Working together Ron doubled the nylon rope the sheriff had in an attempt to pull Ron's small truck out of the ditch. The rope snapped. Luckily, there was a piece long enough to triple fold the line and that proved strong enough to pull Ron's vehicle free. Again, hams cheered on the air as Ron was following the Sheriff back to town.

The sheriff said, "It's a good thing you had that radio otherwise we would have found you in the Spring. Nobody comes up here this time of year."

HF was the only way Ron was able to get help. Thank goodness he had a good HF mobile or he might have been out there for days (or longer). Several comments were heard stating "that does it, I was thinking about putting an HF rig in the mobile but now I'm convinced and going to do it" after listening in that night.

Thanks to all the hams that helped a fellow ham in need, especially Dave N5SDO in New Mexico, Nick W9ZXT in Illinois, Jerry N0VXE in Colorado, Dan KD0LYK in Kansas and Dave W7DBS in Nevada and of course the Mono Lake Sheriff's Office. -- Henry Schleichkorn, K9KDE, Chicago, Illinois henry@k9kde.com

Via The ARES E-Letter for December 21, 2011

Ron arrived back home on January 1, 2012.

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: Acer Model D255E, 10.1" screen with carrying case. --\$200.00 N455 Processor 1GB DDR memory, 250GB hard drive, 3 USB ports, 1 VGA, Head phone and microphone ports, Microsoft Home & Student 2007 loaded, Yaesu FT 897/857, FT8800R software loaded --\$200.00. Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, w4amok@embarqmail.com

WANTED: AB577 military mast system. Does anyone have one of these in reasonable condition (able to put up an antenna without major problems) that is no longer needed? Please contact Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD** 756-4102. gclayton4@suddenlink.net


December VE session results

Three applicants attended the December 20 BARC VE session and all were successful and the FCC database was updated on 12/29/11. Matthew McMahon, **N2RPO**, Greenville, upgraded to Amateur Extra. Joseph Jeansonne, **KK4FYK**, Farmville, and Nicholas Zedlar, **KK4FYL**, Hampstead, both received new Technician licenses and new call signs. Congratulations to all.

The VE's that attended were VE Liaison Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD**, Byron Highland, **K4BMH**, Bob Moore, **N4USB**, Thomas Styron, **KB7L**, and Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, attending his first VE session as an examiner.

The next regular VE session will be February 21, 2012.

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BARC Meeting Minutes - December 2011

The following awards were given at the BARC Christmas party in December.



Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS**, is presented the **YL of the Year** certificate by Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**.

Ham of the Year- John Prokop, **N8MPX**
New Ham of the Year- Al Mullis, **K4GOE**
YL of the Year- Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS**
OM of the Year- Dave Langley, **W4YDY**
Elmer of the Year- John McCoy, **K4KBB**

Certificates:

Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX** - VE Coordinator
 Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD** - VE
 Byron Highland, **K4BMH** - VE
 Dave Langley, **W4YDY** - VE
 Murray Merner, **K4MHM** - VE
 Bob Moore, **K4USB** - VE
 Thomas Styron, **KB7L** - VE

John McCoy, **K4KBB** - Field Day Co-Chair
 Terry Monday, **K4ZYD** - Field Day Co-Chair

Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK** - Field Day Co-Chair

Tom Parsons, **W4TEP** - Club Call Trustee

Pat Williams, **KG4NSC** - Public Relations

Taylor Millar, **W4WTM** - Publicity

Dave Langley, **W4YDY** - Ham Chatter and Web Site Editor

Certificates to 2011 Officers:

John Prokop, **N8MPX** - President
 Richard Campbell, **W4JNC** - 1st Vice President
 John McCoy, **K4KBB** - 2nd Vice President
 Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS** - Secretary
 Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX** - Treasurer
 Dave Langley, **W4YDY** - Trustee
 Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV** - Trustee

Introduction of 2012 Officers:

Richard Campbell, **W4JNC** - President
 John McCoy, **K4KBB** - 1st Vice President
 Terry Monday, **K4ZYD** - 2nd Vice President
 Brenda Bertrand, **KJ4GDS** - Secretary
 Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX** - Treasurer
 Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK** - Trustee
 John Prokop, **N8MPX** - Trustee

BARC Board Minutes - December 2011

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting
 Tuesday, December 27, 2007, 7:30 pm
 Office of Glennon Bittan Investments in Greenville

Attendance: John Prokop, **N8MPX**; Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**; John McCoy, **K4KBB**; Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**; Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**; and Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was given.

Minutes: The minutes from the November Board Meeting were approved as printed in the December Ham Chatter.

Health & Welfare: Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, is scheduled to come home from back surgery on 12/28. Phyllis Nobles, wife of Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, is still in the hospital following surgery. Bill Finch Jr., **AI4TN**, is also dealing with some medical issues.

Ham Chatter: Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, has resigned as editor of Ham Chatter, but will attempt to put together a January newsletter while a replacement can be found.

Publicity: Taylor Millar has arranged to have notice for the

January meeting published in The Daily Reflector on January 8.

Public Service: The following individuals participated in the Reindeer Dash for Cash on December 4: Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, Mike Langley, b, John McCoy, **K4KBB** and Josh Steele, **KB3VKH**. Thanks to Josh for heading up the effort.

Programs: January – Celebration of Bill Finch's 100th birthday; February – Radios in Aviation; March – Robert Young of Tar Heel Antennas. If you would like a program done on a particular subject, please contact Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**.

New Business: Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**, made the board aware that the site that has been used for Field Day since 2006 will likely not be available this year. The main criteria that will help decide the location for the 2012 Field Day will be whether or not Field Day will remain open to the public or not. This will be determined by the membership at a subsequent meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, Substitute minute taker

ARRL Launches New DIY Campaign

The ARRL Public Relations Department has released the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) suite of interrelated promotional materials aimed at exposing the growing Do It Yourself/Maker community to Amateur Radio opportunities. The DIY movement is nothing new to Amateur Radio. For more than a century, hams have been working in basements and attics, taking things apart and putting them back together in new ways, just for the fun of it. Meanwhile, there has been a growing population of DIY hobbyists who do not know about the opportunities of Amateur Radio. "Maker Faires" have popped up in several areas of the country, from New York to Los Angeles, and according to ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, look suspiciously like ham radio conventions.

"The DIY crowd is as diverse as hams," Pitts explained. "Many are into computer programming, using new computer chips and open-source electronics prototyping platforms, such as Arduino that are based on flexible, easy-to-use hardware and software. They are artists, designers, hobbyists and anyone interested in creating interactive objects and applications. DIYers work with everything from wood and clothing, to energy and chemistry projects, with many interested in robotics."

To reach this growing group, the ARRL Public Relations Department has created an entirely new set of campaign materials for ARRL Public Information Officers, groups and individual hams to use in reaching out to the DIY/Maker community. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Dave Bell, W6AQ, were recruited to create the new video. Recruiting volunteers throughout 2011, the duo shot more than 65 hours of high-definition video, and then edited it down to a mere 8 minutes. Titled The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio, it shows ham-makers projects from around the country. You can watch it on the ARRL website or on YouTube.

"But a video alone cannot accomplish the goal of linking the viewers with ham radio," Pitts noted. We also crafted an auxiliary flier as a hand-out to go along with the video. A PowerPoint presentation and speaker's notes also are available. In addition, 'Ask Why I DIY with Ham Radio' buttons were made as a way to encourage informal conversations about our hobby with the non-hams we encounter. We even held a contest, asking hams to provide a scripted 30 second answer to the question 'What is Amateur Radio?' that 12 year old Chris Tate, KJ4UBL, of Burlington, North Carolina, took top honors."

The video is available on DVD discs, along with the printed handout from the ARRL. Find information about ordering or downloading these materials here. For high-definition MPEG versions of the video, please contact Pitts via e-mail (please be aware that this version is almost 500 megs). ARRL members can get a free 'Ask Why I DIY with Ham Radio' button at the ARRL table at larger hamfests and conventions while supplies last. - *via ARRL.COM*

Can I Have "Amateur Radio" for \$800, Alex?

If you were watching the popular television game show Jeopardy! -- where contestants have to answer in the form of a question -- on December 15, you might have noticed there was a question featuring Amateur Radio. In the first round, returning champ Boomie Aglietti was playing the category "Pastimes" when he encountered this "answer" worth \$800: "The FCC assigns call signs, like N8DNR, to use in this hobby." Aglietti answered correctly with "ham radio."

N8DNR is the call sign of Debbie Dorfman of West Bloomfield, Michigan. Debbie is the mother of Stephen Dorfman, N6DIW (SK). Stephen was a writer for Jeopardy! from 1984 until he passed away in 2004 at age 48 due to complications from cancer. According to the New York Times, Dorfman was Jeopardy!'s longest serving and most prolific writer, with more than 50,000 clues to his credit. As part of a team of writers, he won six Daytime Emmy Awards for special-class writing, given for shows that do not fit into traditional categories. On the Jeopardy! episode that aired January 3, 2008, another Dorfman call sign was featured -- this one of Stephen's father Neil -- also for \$800, in the category "If You're...": "...using a call sign like K8RX, you're engaged in this hobby." -- Thanks to Ed Parish, K1EP, for bringing this to our attention. - *via ARRL.COM*

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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, Thursdays @ 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

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- ◆ 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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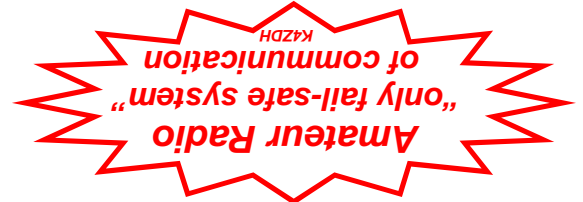
BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 7/8	ARRL RTTY Roundup	Mar 1.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Jan 10.....	Regular Meeting	Mar 3/4.....	ARRL SSB DX Contest
Jan 27/29.....	CQ WW CW 160M Contest	Mar 13.....	Regular Meeting
Jan 31.....	Board Meeting	Mar 24/25.....	CQ WW SSB WPX Contest
Feb 2.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE	Mar 27.....	Board Meeting
Feb 11/12.....	CQ WPX RTTY Contest	Mar 29.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Feb 14.....	Regular Meeting	Apr 10.....	Regular Meeting
Feb 18/19.....	ARRL CW DX Contest	Apr 17.....	BARC VE Session – TUESDAY
Feb 21.....	BARC VE Session – TUESDAY	Apr 24.....	Board Meeting
Feb 24/26.....	CQ WW SSB 160M Contest	Apr 26.....	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Feb 26/27.....	NC QSO Party		
Feb 28.....	Board Meeting		

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
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