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## Meet the Member, Jeff Meyer, K4DKW



**Jeff Meyer, K4DKW**

Jeff Meyer, K4DKW, has been nominated for BARC Treasure for 2015. The election will be held at the November meeting.

Jeff now lives in Greenville but was originally from Farmington Hills, Michigan. He has also lived in Farmington, Plymouth, & Tecumseh, Michigan.

He has held 3 previous call signs: K4PBQ, N8AHA and WD8KCK. He describes his Amateur Radio experience as follows. "I started as a CB'er in the late sixties, with some local friends, and wanted to have a signal that could get out more than a few miles. One of those friends had an Uncle that was a ham, who lived close by so I went over to meet him and find out about Ham Radio. I rang the doorbell and he came to the door. When I introduced myself and expressed an interest in the hobby, he wasn't the least interested in talking to me. I continued to be interested and went to the local Heathkit retail store, on Eight Mile road, and since they sold ham gear I asked about any local classes. They said that the local Jewish Community Center had classes in the Fall. So I contacted them, took and passed the

Novice & General there and the rest is history. Sometimes perseverance pays off and it did for me."

Jeff's equipment consists of a Yaesu FT757GXII and Moseley Pro57B. He has a Kenwood TS120S & Little Tareel 2 for mobile operations. He is currently doing some SSB, but very interested in adding digital capability and getting back into CW, since he finally got the PRO57B up and operating well.

He participates at Field Day and helping others. Some of his awards and activities because of Amateur Radio are DXCC, WAC, WAS, PSHR, RCC. He is a past Net Manager & NCS for both the Michigan Traffic Net (MTN) and the South Eastern Michigan Traffic Net (SEMTN), Public Information Officer for the Oakland County ARPSC, ARES & SKYWARN in both Michigan & North Carolina. Several commendations including from the City of Oak Park and the LaCED for assistance in the Mexican earthquake of 1985 and several others.

Jeff has a B.B.A. from Western Michigan University with Major in Management & Dual Minors in Finance & General Business.

He has been a McDonald's manager, bank Teller, hospital groundskeeper, medical records file clerk, mail room supervisor, and doing Purchasing, in one role or another since 1984. Currently, Jeff is a Purchasing Specialist at East Carolina University in the Materials Management department with the assigned responsibility for IT.

Jeff has been married to Kim since 1983 and they have a daughter Stephanie, 26, at the Washington University in St. Louis and a son Jimmy, 23, who

## Next Meeting – October 14, 2014

*The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its regular meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, October 14, at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Program will be Breakout sessions. 1) Installing new filters in FT-897Ds. 2) Demonstration use of club radios and Rigblaster Pro for digital modes. 3) Bring your HT and instruction book for assistance in setting up frequencies and tones for repeaters. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.*

*The next Board Meeting will be October 28 at 7:30 at the Offices of Monday & Monday, (CPA), Suite D, East Victoria Court. All members invited.*

is a fulltime Master auto mechanic and a Lieutenant at Eastern Pines Fire & Rescue.

His final comments: "As I didn't grow up in a family of the mechanically inclined, I had to learn much to get the Extra Class license with the vast majority of being new and for the first time. After my initial experience of encountering a ham who had no interest in being an ambassador for the hobby, I am especially interested in helping others avoid that experience. I am always interested in learning new things and am in the process of upgrading my station to incorporate digital and regain my skills as a CW op, so I can put those skills to work on the next FD. I am also interested in helping with ideas for club meetings so we can help everyone find and enjoy the varied facets that ham radio contains." - W4YDY

**Maysville Hamfest  
October 12**

## BARC 2015 Officer Nominations

The Nominating Committee nominated the following for BARC 2015 Officers to the membership at the regular meeting on September 9.

President: Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**  
 1st VP: Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD**  
 2nd VP: John McCoy, **K4KBB**  
 Secretary: Erv Davis, **KK4HHY**  
 Treasurer: Jeff Meyer, **K4DKW**  
 2 Trustees: Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**  
 and Morris Lewis, **AK4MU**

The club members accepted the nominations and the nominations were closed at the meeting adjournment.

If any club member is interested in an office, let the nominating committee know. Members may run for an office on a write-in ballot. Ballots will be printed for the November election if there are additions. The nominating committee will have to know at least a week before the November 11 meeting so ballots can be printed if there will be write-in candidates.

Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, John McCoy, **K4KBB**, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, and Dave Langley, **W4YDY** are on the Nominating Committee.



# Happy Birthday

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

- 7 **KI4BYU** Elizabeth Ballenger
- 28 **K4BMH** Byron Highland
- 31 **K4ZYD** Terry Monday

Additions or corrections to W4YDY

## New hams: Want to work some DX?

If you'd like to work some easy DX, two great opportunities are coming up. The CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest is on October 25-26 and the CW contest is on November 29-30. These are probably the two largest DX contests of the year, with thousands of participants trying to work as many people as possible - they need you as much or more than you want them. There is very little split frequency operation except on 40m SSB.

There are many big contest stations with big equipment and big antennas - they can hear your 100 watts if you are relatively in the clear. The "trick" is propagation and time. The first contest night (Friday) is really tough for small stations on 20m and down - lots of pileups of 1500 watt stations. You do not have to enter the contest to make a contact, but you will need to send the correct contest exchange - for us, "59 zero5" or "595" on ssb and "5nn 5" on cw (we are in CQ Zone 5).

If you want to use logging software or especially if you want to enter the contest, Google "N1MM" and look at his contest logging software. It is one of the best and the price is right (free). If your rig is connected to a computer, it has a number of really neat features. Read the manual (at least for the parts you intend to use), and check about a week before the contest for any updates. It is easy to export your log in the Cabrillo format required for entering logs in the contest. You also should read the contest rules in CQ or on their website.

Most of all, have some fun! If the propagation gods are with us, it can be great fun. - Gerry, **K4IDD**

## Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

**Charlie Wells, K4SKI**

**Tom Parsons, W4TEP**

Please inform John McCoy, **K4KBB**, **k4kbb** @ [earthlink.net](mailto:earthlink.net) of any changes.



## Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held **Tuesday, October 21** at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Email [barc @ w4amc.com](mailto:barc@w4amc.com). Walk-ins welcome. 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.

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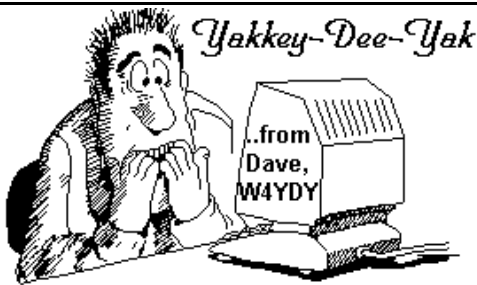
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On the next page, there is an article about the Radio Shack money problems. We all hope that Radio Shack will survive and not shut down like Circuit City did.

My first experience with Radio Shack was in 1957 when I bought a Collins 75A4 receiver in May and a month later in late June bought a Hallicrafters HT-32 SSB transmitter from them. I lived in Raleigh at that time. At that time, Radio Shack had two stores, Boston, MA and New Haven, CT. The Boston store was the main store and they advertised Amateur Radio equipment in QST and CQ. Radio Shack sold all of the main brands of Amateur Radio equipment and accessories.

In 1957, Radio Shack was not part of Tandy. They purchased it in 1962.

Phone calls were made to the manager of the Boston store and the deal was made for the 75A4 receiver. Some of the older hams in Greenville may remember Gordon (Mac) McCaray, K4BGD, (SK). He and I were close friends and he knew the fellow that ran the Boston store. So we made the phone call to make the purchase.

When I got the HT-32 SSB transmitter, I went on the air with it on June 22, 1957, the **first SSB station in Raleigh and Wake County!** There were a lot of AM'ers that didn't like the 'Donald Duck' sound and the old receivers didn't either. There wasn't an easy or quick way for them to 'decode' the 'garble' on the old receivers! I almost got run out of town!



The picture shows the new re-

ceiver and transmitter set up in Florida while on vacation a few days after I got the transmitter in June 1957. I still have the Johnson Matchbox on top of the Collins speaker. Still great equipment.

They also put out a great catalog. It was like Christmas when thumbing thought it. The old catalogs are online at [http://www.radioshackcatalogs.com/catalog\\_directory.html](http://www.radioshackcatalogs.com/catalog_directory.html).

I still enjoy browsing through the old catalogs at the now antique equipment and parts. There are over 200 pages of electronic equipment and parts. A D104 microphone sold for \$17.61 and now the used ones sell for \$100 or more at hamfest flea markets. I couldn't afford that when I first got on the air when I was in high school, so I went the cheaper route and got a JT-30 for \$9.97. I still have it! I also wanted to own a D104 because they were so popular and my cousin, W4QI, (SK) had one. Thanks to Charlie Wells, K4SKI, I now have one. Charlie's son drove Charlie by my house one day and had me meet him. Charlie didn't get out of the car but handed his D104 out the window to me. Thanks again Charlie. - W4YDY

## FCC Enforcement Bureau Warns Two Hams for Failing to Identify Properly



The FCC Enforcement Bureau has released Warning Notice letters it sent in July to two radio amateur, advising them that it monitored transmissions in which they failed to identify properly. The Bureau posted the correspondence earlier this month on its Amateur Radio Service Enforcement Actions web page. The two notices from FCC Enforcement Bureau Special Counsel Laura L. Smith, both dated July 21, contain essentially the same language.

In a Warning Notice to Gary E. Davis, W1IT, of Inman, South Carolina, Smith told Davis that he was monitored on July 15 and 16 at the FCC's High Frequency Direction Finding Center (HFDFC) in Maryland, failing to properly identify while operating on 7.185 MHz. "[Y]ou were heard by a Commission employee operating your Amateur Radio station for 20 minutes without identifying in a timely manner," Smith wrote. "The Commission employee used direction-finding equipment and confirmed the transmissions were coming from your location."

Smith pointed out that Section 97.119(a) of the Amateur Service Rules requires each amateur station to "transmit its assigned call sign on its transmitting channel at the end of each communication, and at least every 10 minutes during a communication."

In a nearly identically worded Warning Notice to John J. Krajewski, KB3MZQ, of Newark, Delaware, Smith said the HFDFC also had monitored transmissions by him on July 15 and 16, on 7.185 MHz, in which he failed to identify

properly.

Smith said the FCC had "recorded the offending transmissions" in both instances and offered to make copies available to Davis and Krajewski. She further advised Davis and Krajewski that recurring "operation of this type" after receipt of the warning letters, could subject them to "severe penalties, including license revocation, monetary forfeiture (fines), or a modification proceeding to restrict the frequencies upon which you may operate."

In 2006, in response to a Petition for Rule Making, the FCC declined to modify its Amateur Service station identification rules. The petition received some 100 comments. In dismissing the petition the following year, the FCC concluded that the changes requested were "neither necessary nor supported by the Amateur Radio community," and that the failure-to-identify problem "would be better addressed by enforcement of the present rule, rather than a rule change."

09/08/2014

## No Easy Answers for RadioShack's Slow, Downward Slide

Back in the day, Radio Shack employees would answer the phone by saying, "You've got questions, we've got answers." But Radio Shack now seems stumped, and the "B" word is looming ever larger as the retailer — once a go-to shop for electronic components and, at one point, even Amateur Radio and shortwave receivers — casts about for a white knight. Last March, in the wake of a substantial drop in holiday sales and a big fourth-quarter loss, the Fort Worth, Texas-based Radio Shack announced plans to close 1100 of its outlets, leaving the chain with 4000 stores, including more than 900 dealer franchises. The last quarter was more of the same.

According to CNNMoney, though, the retailer has only been able to shutter 200 of those shops — because it costs a lot of money even to close locations, and Radio Shack has none to spare. It's already bleeding cash — some \$149 million just this year — in its struggle to board up unprofitable locations and keep its head above the rising waters, and, as CNNMoney reported, credit rating agency Moody's expects the company's bank account to run dry within another 12 months. One Wall Street analyst already has warned of impending bankruptcy, and Forbes.com reported this week that the retailer itself has confirmed the likelihood of a Chapter 7 or Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing, if it cannot find a buyer or restructure its debt.



**RadioShack®**

The troubled electronics retailer continues to actively seek a substantial cash infusion, which, CNNMoney speculated, could come from its single largest investor, hedge fund Standard General, which owns nearly 10 percent of the company. Radio Shack also has been negotiating with lenders, bondholders, shareholders, and landlords about a financial turnaround plan.

Radio Shack CEO Joseph Magnacca said in a statement on September 11 that while the company was making progress in its turn-around efforts, "we are actively exploring options for overhauling our balance sheet and are in advanced discussions with a number of parties." A filing the retailer submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) this

week was far more blunt. In short, it said that if Radio Shack cannot sell the firm, partner with another company, or restructure its debt, "we may not have enough cash and working capital to fund our operations beyond the very near term, which raises substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern." And if Plan A does not work out, the retailer told the SEC, "we would likely be required to liquidate under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code."

Ironically, Radio Shack's stock price initially rose on the news, before dropping below the \$1 mark. It was off nearly 25 percent since the beginning of the week.

Radio Shack once offered entry-level short-wave receivers, Citizens Band gear, a wide array of discrete components — including transistors, resistors, and capacitors — and, for a time, a fairly popular 2 meter hand-held transceiver and two different models of 10 meter single-band transceivers. It failed in its effort to market a dualband VHF/UHF hand-held radio, however. Over the years, Radio Shack has offered fewer discrete components in its brick-and-mortar stores, moving that stock and other products to its online outlet, as it shifted its marketing focus to cell phones, consumer electronics, and various battery-operated gadgets. - *via arrl.org 09/11/2014*

*See Yakkey-Dee-Yak from Dave on page 3 for more about Radio Shack.*

## New \$21.40 Vanity Call Sign Fee Now in Effect

The new Amateur Service vanity call sign regulatory fee of \$21.40 became effective on September 11. The FCC released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (R&O) on August 29, in which it recalculated the fee to \$21.40 for the 10-year license term. The \$5.30 increase



represents the largest vanity fee hike in many years. In past years, new vanity fees

did not become effective until 30 days after their publication in The Federal Register, which occurred on September 11.

The FCC reported there were 11,500 "payment units" in FY 2014, and that the vanity program generated an estimated \$230,230 in FY 2013

revenue. The Commission estimated that it would collect nearly \$246,100 in FY 2014

vanity call sign fees.

The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable when applying for a new vanity call sign or when renewing any vanity call sign designated as "HV" in the FCC's ULS database.

As of October 1, 2013, the Commission no longer accepts checks — including cashier's checks — for the payment of regulatory fees. All payments must now be made by online ACH payment, online credit card, or via wire transfer. Any other form of payment will be rejected and returned to the applicant. - *via arrl.org 09/15/2014*

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*NOTE: Commercial rates on page 7.*


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# BARC Meeting Minutes - September 2014

## BARC Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 9/9/14

**Call to Order:** 7:30 PM

17 members were present.

**Minutes:** Approved

**Secretaries Report:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** N/A

**Equipment Report:** Motion to buy equipment passed

**VE Session:** Was held last month.

**Health and Welfare:** Gerry Clayton, K4IDD out sick.

**Ham Chatter:** N/A

**Publicity:** Announcement to be in Sunday Daily Reflector.

**Public Service:** None upcoming soon.

**Future Programs:** In planning

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

1) Doug Ferris, **K4ROK**, reported Shelby Hamfest well-attended

2) May start new ham class to teach operating

3) Club officer nominations being accepted. To vote at November meeting.

**Announcements:** Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, in fourth place in NC for **W1AW** Centennial QSOs with over 500 confirmed, over 600 total.

VOA Site A being sold to Beaufort County for Park.

**Program:** Update on NC Section, Karl Bowman, **W4CHX**, North Carolina ARRL Section Manager

**Adjournment:** 9:00 PM

**Respectfully submitted by:**

*Erv Davis, KK4HHY*

## BARC Board Meeting Minutes - September 2014



### BARC Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 9/30/14

**Call to Order:** 7:30 PM

7 members were present. Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD**, Erv Davis, **KK4HHY**, Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, Morris Lewis, **AK4MU**, John McCoy, **K4KBB**, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**

**Secretaries Report:** No report

**Treasurer's Report:** Bought equipment and paid insurance premium.

**Equipment Report:** Bought Dunstar filters for FT-897D x3, Rigblaster Pro, Band pass Filter for 10 m, Triplexer.

**VE Session:** No session this month. Next VE session to be held October 21, 2014.

**Health and Welfare:** No report

**Ham Chatter:** In preparation this week.

**Publicity:** No report

**Public Service:** Reindeer Dash coming up December 7<sup>th</sup>. Club is not participating in upcoming scouts JOTA event October 18-19, but individuals encouraged to participate.

**Future Programs:** October: Breakout sessions. 1) Installing new filters in FT-897Ds. 2) Demonstration use of Rigblaster

Pro for digital modes. 3) Anyone needing help setting up your HT for local repeaters bring your HT to the club meeting.

**Old Business:** Write-in candidates for officers may be submitted up a week before the November meeting.

**New Business:** Possible future club meeting programs discussed.

**Adjournment:** 8:00 PM

**Respectfully submitted by:**

*Erv Davis, KK4HHY*

## Actor Tim Allen Gets His Ham Ticket For Real - KK6OTD



Actor and comedian Tim Allen now not only plays an Amateur Radio operator on television, he is one! Allen got his Technician license on September 4, but did not release the news until this week. In his weekly ABC comedy TV show "Last Man Standing," Allen's character Mike Baxter, is supposed to be **KA0XTT**, and the show has featured ham radio in some episodes.

"Last Man Standing" producer John Amodeo, **NN6JA**, told ARRL that the agreement with Allen was that "we would

not publicize his license until he approved it." Allen revealed to Tom Medlin, **W5KUB**, for one of Medlin's webcasts that he had passed his Technician license test but did not mention his call sign, Amodeo said. "Obviously, most hams are capable of finding Tim's call sign, if they feel the need," he conceded.

"We arranged for Tom Medlin to do a 'surprise' interview with the [ARRL VEC] VE team that administered Tim's test," Amodeo said. "They are Rob, **AA6RA**; Tim, **N6QJ**, and Julian, **N3JF**. ARRL VEC Staffer, Amanda Grimaldi, **KB1VUV**, helped us arrange the test."

More than 2 dozen members of the "Last Man Standing" crew — and now Allen, its star — have been inspired by the show's Amateur Radio component to get licensed. On September 28, the **K6H** "Hollywood Hamnado" special event station was on the air, with "Last Man Standing"

crew members at the helm. The Southern California-based PAPA Repeater System, in association with the Broadcast Employees Amateur Radio Society (BEARS) and Disney Emergency Amateur Radio Service (DEARS) sponsored the special event.

Amodeo said **K6H** went very well. "We had about 35 operators and guests on Stage 9 here at CBS Studio Center" he told ARRL. "All enjoyed being on the set of 'Last Man Standing.' Naturally, we brought in breakfast (bagels and donuts), lunch (sandwiches), and, at wrap, pizza. The feeling was like a Field Day and a mini Hamvention." Amodeo said that all six **K6H** stations had "continuous contacts from start to finish."

Most of the **K6H** event and several interview segments have been posted on Medlin's website <http://www.w5kub.com/>. - via [arll.org](http://arll.org) 09/30/2014

## Wisconsin Ham Dies in Fall from Tower



A Wisconsin radio amateur lost his life on September 16 as he was performing maintenance on the 100 foot tower of a fellow ham. Killed in the fall was 59-year-old James G. Linstedt, W9ZUC, of Eau Claire, who suc-

cumbed to injuries sustained after he fell 95 feet from a tower owned by Ronald Anderson, W9RMA, in Eagle Point, just outside of Chippewa Falls, on the shores of Lake Wisconsin. Linstedt was said to have been an experienced climber. Although he had been wearing an over-the-shoulder safety harness, he apparently had failed to secure himself to the tower before the mishap occurred.

Anderson, a former Chippewa County Sheriff, called authorities promptly.

Chippewa County Sheriff James Kowalczyk told the Leader-Telegram newspaper that Linstedt was wearing safety equipment, but did not use it. "When we use it for years, we get a little lax....," the newspaper quoted Kowalczyk as saying. "If he had used it, we wouldn't be investigating an accidental death." Kowalczyk said Linstedt had been strapped in before moving 10 feet up the tower, apparently without securing himself.

An active radio amateur, Linstedt was a member of the Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club and once served as the club's president. — Thanks to John Bigley, N7UR/Nevada Amateur Radio Newswire; media accounts - *Via arrl.org 09/20/2014*

## Amateur Radio is "Communications Superpower," IARU Region 1 Delegates are Told



European Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response Kristalina Georgieva told delegates to the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU Region 1) General Conference on September 22 that Amateur Radio is a reliable information tool that can save lives in disasters. In a statement read to the conference attendees on her behalf by the EC's Encho Gospodinov, Georgieva laid out a scenario in which all modern telecommunications and electrical power are knocked out, and no one can help the victims, because no one knows what has happened.

"Luckily, there is a last resort: The radio amateurs, the people who are the eyes and the ears of the world in time when all other information channels are silent," she said. "In short, you are the last technical miracle, which is independent, reliable information channel, which can transmit an important piece of news from any place in the world, any time, by anyone who knows how to operate this wonderful creature, called radio."

The 24th IARU Region 1 General Conference opened on September 21 in Albena, Bulgaria. It continued through Sep-

tember 26.

She said Amateur Radio's advantage is that it is independent of the conventional communications infrastructure. "A well-trained radioman with good equipment and ever-charged batteries can be a fantastic link between two villages, two countries or two continents," she said. "When organized in a Union, you are a communication superpower in time of total electronic darkness."

Georgieva said there are many examples in Amateur Radio's history of lives saved "because some of your members caught a signal from a village, a region or inaccessible place" calling for help. "We need your skills and services," she continued, "because we will have more and more disasters in the future."

"Local and national authorities count on you as the last bastion of reliable information," she continued. "Your professional skills and your humanitarian duties make you more than radio amateurs; you are truly needed guardians in time of troubles and I hope you will always stay as a pillar of hope and courage for all who are in danger."

IARU Region 1 includes Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and Northern Asia. The Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA) is hosting the Region 1 gathering. Regional general conferences are held every 3 years. The IARU Administrative Council will meet September 27-28, following the Region 1 General Conference.

## NETS VHF/UHF

- ◆ BARC Net, Mondays, 2000 on 147.09 MHz, W4GDF Repeater.
- ◆ Newport SkyWarn Tues. nights 2100E Grifton-146.685-88.5 tone Newport-145.450....  
IRLP 8561 links to Columbia Jacksonville-147.000- 88.5 tone Oriental-147.210-151.4 tone 444 Newport-444.825- 88.5 tone Swansboro-146.760- 88.5 tone Grantsboro-145 230 - 85.4 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.
- ◆ 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

## Pitt County Repeater Association

<http://www.pcra.us/>

**Greenville repeaters**

**147.09/69 - 145.35/144.75**

**444.8/449.8**

**All use 131.8 tone**

# BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 12. ....	Maysville Hamfest **	Dec 16. ....	BARC VE Session - Tuesday
Oct 14. ....	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	Dec 30. ....	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Oct 21. ....	BARC VE Session - Tuesday	Jan 3. ....	Ham Chatter <b>Deadline</b>
Oct 25/26. ....	CQ WW SSB DX Contest	Jan 3/4. ....	ARRL RTTY Roundup
Oct 28. ....	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Jan 13. ....	<b>Regular Meeting</b>
Nov 1. ....	Ham Chatter <b>Deadline</b>	Jan 23/25. ....	CQ WW CW 160 Contest
Nov 1/2. ....	ARRL CW Sweepstakes	Jan 27. ....	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Nov 11. ....	<b>Regular Meeting</b> - Elections	Jan 31. ....	Ham Chatter <b>Deadline</b>
Nov 15/16. ....	ARRL SSB Sweepstakes	Feb 10. ....	<b>Regular Meeting</b>
Nov 16. ....	Benson Hamfest **	Feb 14/15. ....	CQ WPX RTTY Contest
Nov 25. ....	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Feb 17. ....	BARC VE Session - Tuesday
Nov 29. ....	Ham Chatter <b>Deadline</b>	Feb 20/22. ....	CQ WW SSB 160 Contest
Nov 29/30. ....	CQ WW CW DX Contest	Feb 21/22. ....	ARRL CW DX Contest
Dec 6/7. ....	ARRL 160 Meter Contest	Feb 24. ....	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Dec 9. ....	<b>Christmas Party</b> - Awards		<b>Regular Meeting</b> - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Dec 13/14. ....	ARRL 10 Meter Contest		<b>Board Meeting</b> - Last Tuesday @ 7:30 PM <span style="float: right;">**Hamfests</span>

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

**W 1 V O A - W 4 A M C - W 4 U H S**



Next Meeting  
October 14, 2014

**October 2014**

To:



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