

CARS CARRIER

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

January 2017 Newsletter

CARS Web Site --- <http://www.wa4usn.org>

CARS meets the second Monday of each month at the Golden Corral near Tanger Mall.

Our next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM, Monday, Jan. 9, 2017



DUES FOR THE YEAR AUGUST 1, 2016 – JULY 31, 2017 ARE PAST DUE

\$20.00/Year, \$10.00 for each additional member in the same household. Please make check payable to CARS. You may pay at the meeting or mail to membership chairman: **Bryce Myers, K4LXF, 2630 Dellwood Ave., North Charleston, SC 29405-6814**

FROM YOUR VICE PRESIDENT

Hopefully everybody had a good Christmas, and will get on the air often in 2017. The club has made operating days on the Yorktown a predictable thing, and maybe we'll do some more to exercise the communications trailer. You don't realize how much there is to learn until you're put into a new situation, so take these opportunities to learn. The Palmetto Scholars Academy K4PSA club just licensed two more students in support of their International Space Station contact scheduled for February. Listen for these kids on the air, and work the club Friday afternoons on the repeaters.

73, Tom, AJ4UQ

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Happy New Year everyone. Welcome to 2017. With the New Year new things and events will occur.

January and February are historically famous for lots of rain and cold weather, making for ice storms which can knock out power for hours or days so make sure you have food and fun stuffs

in case power goes out. Also now is a great time to obtain spare batteries for flashlights and lanterns. School will start back soon, watch for the little ones waiting for the busses. We also have the Charleston Marathon on January 14, 2017 to provide communications and test our new gear and skills in the field away from our nice warm radio shacks. Because of supporting the Marathon there will be NO Charleston County ARES meeting in January.

February is Hamfest!!! Get your lists ready for February 4th. Make sure to get the stuff Santa forgot or didn't think you needed or just what stuff you want.

There are a goodly number of new call signs on the airwaves. Welcome the new hams to this great hobby and make them feel welcome. Also we always need more members for ARES so recruit your friends and mention emergency preparedness to them.

I need everyone's input or opinion on the following subjects:

1. A suggestion of a Low Country ARES meeting. All 3 counties, Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester counties. How often to have a three county meeting? And a location.
2. Training topics that ARES members would like to attend?
3. Projects to make or demonstrate to members for use or training?

A training class for weather spotting is being sponsored by the Charleston County Emergency Management Division and the Weather Service:

March 16, 2017, 1800L to 2000L
Lonnie Hamilton Bldg.
4045 Bridge View Dr.

For registration information contact me and I will provide it to you. SkyWarn does help the Weather Service so give it some thought.

And last, another Technician class is scheduled for March 4 and 5, 2017 at the VA Hospital, Let your friends know.

73, Rick, N8BKN

OCT. FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Checking Balance - 10/1/16	\$4,262.12
Cash Receipts:	
Dues	380.00
Memberships	60.00
Raffle Proceeds - no Raffle	
Cash Disbursements:	
AT&T - October	(86.73)
Memorial: John Crockett	(25.00)
Ending Checking Balance - 10/31/16	\$4,590.39

NOV. FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Checking Balance - 11/1/16	\$4,590.39
Cash Receipts:	
Dues	485.00
Memberships	100.00
Raffle Proceeds	32.00
Cash Disbursements:	
Paulette Harrison - CARS Picnic	(82.41)
Flowers - John Crockett Memorial	(113.93)
Jenny Myers - Office Supplies	(67.04)
Postage	(47.00)
Jim Armstrong - CARS Banner	(347.20)
Warren Richey - Business Cards	(40.22)
AT&T - November	(87.20)
ARRL - 1 Membership	(47.00)
Ending Checking Balance - 11/30/16	\$4,375.39

Charlotte, KJ4PLX

MINUTES of NOV. MEETING **Charleston Amateur Radio Society**

Club Meeting at Golden Corral near Tanger Mall,
Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Due to Golden Corral having a special dinner, we couldn't have the regular meeting scheduled for Monday November 14th. Hopefully back to the regular second Monday of each month starting again next year.

MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society Meeting was called to order by President Jenny Myers, WA4NGV, at 7:08 PM on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the Golden Corral in N. Charleston, SC.

Introductions: There were 34 people present.

Secretary's Minutes: Warren, KK4EVI

The October 2016 meeting minutes were published in the November 2016 CARS Carrier. A motion was made to accept the minutes as published, the motion was seconded, and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte, KJ4PLX

The September 2016 Financial Report was published in the November 2016 newsletter and accepted as information.

Museum Ships: Tom, AJ4UQ

Nothing to report.

Field Day: Jim, KW4UL

Saturday November 19 from 1:00 PM to about 3:00 PM the Yorktown radio room will be open for operations.

Races: Doug, KU4OC

No report.

Hamfest Report: Greg, KI4TVA

Plan on attending the Charleston Hamfest on Feb. 4, 2017. More information to follow.

Repeater Report: Bryce, K4LXF

The 441.575 repeater is still not linking up with the state wide system and now the 147.105?

Membership: Bryce, K4LXF

Another reminder that Yearly dues are past due.

New applications for membership:

First Reading: Andrew Sharp N2IVY
Denise O'Neill KM4YTM
Donald Kilpatrick KM4YTJ

Second Reading: Kimberly Metcalf KM4VUN
Jack Munn Jr. KM4VUM

Associate membership: Carol Kilpatrick (working on getting licensed)

New second reading members and Associate member were voted on and welcomed into the Club.

Emergency Prep: Rick, N8BKN, Charleston; John, W4HNK, Dorchester; Linda, KJ4EUV, Berkeley

Next Charleston ARES meeting - on November 19th at the Public Service Building on Dorchester road, about 09:00 AM.

Another storm on the horizon.. Invest 90L.. Not much chance of hitting Charleston.

Nets: John, KK4KBQ

Newcomers Net: meets on Thursdays at 8:00 PM. If you are interested in trying to conduct a net, send John, KK4KBQ, a note and he will get you the information. John is also looking for more participation and Net Controllers to help out.

ARES Net: meets at Sunday 8:00 PM. Local area 5 meets from 8:00 - 8:20 PM then joins the statewide link up at 8:20 PM. The State Wide Net has a problem. The Wallace repeater is not linking into the system. You may need to switch to the Awendaw 146.760 Repeater or the Wallace 147.105 Repeater, until repairs are made.

SKYWARN Net: Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 9:00 PM on the linked repeater systems.

Newsletter/Website: John, WA4GPS
Nothing new.

Education & VE Testing: Sheila, KT4YW

The next scheduled exam will be 09:00 AM on December 10th. Looking at having the test at the Tall Pines Baptist Church. The church is located on 645 Treeland Drive, near the American Biker store.

School Programs: Alene, KG4NKD - DuBose Middle School Radio Club - K4DMS

No report.

Communications Trailer: Willie, WB4SOG
No report.

Old Business:

New CARS Club banner finished.. Jim KK4WWJ finished under budget..

Picnic went well with about 80 people showing up.

New Business:

Thank you letters from the Waltz family, "Pogo".

Announcements:

The Christmas Party will be held at the Harbor Breeze again this year. The party will be on December 12th at 7:00 PM. The price looks to be about \$15.00 per person again this year, depending on final cost.

There are several paperback books and old QST magazines on the table, free to a good home.

Drawing:

Denise, KM4YTM, won the drawing for a one-year ARRL membership.

There being no further business, a motion was made, seconded and passed to close the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Warren, KK4EVI

MINUTES of DEC. MEETING

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

Club Meeting held at the Harbor Breeze on Patriots Point Rd, Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society Meeting was called to order by President Jenny Myers, WA4NGV, at 7:00 PM on Monday, December 12, 2016 at the Harbor Breeze in Charleston, SC.

Races: Doug, KU4OC

Doug talked about the Charleston Marathon, to be held January 14, 2017. Would like lots of Hams to support the Run. The Run should cover the same route as last year. Tom, AJ4UQ, will create a sign up sheet for the website.

Membership: Bryce, K4LXF

Applications for regular membership:

First Reading: Richard Kennington, KM4YYG

Second Reading: Andrew Sharp N2IVY
Denise O'Neill KM4YTM
Donald Kilpatrick KM4YTJ

Associate membership: William Lupton (working on getting licensed)

New second reading members and Associate member were voted on and welcomed into the Club.

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