

CARS CARRIER

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

May 2019 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, May. 13, 2019



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Coming up next month is Museum Ships Weekend, June 1-2. Saturday we'll put the Yorktown (WA4USN) on the air, and then Sunday will be the Laffey (NT4HI) and the Clamagore (NJ4DU). Activating the ships for Museum Ships Weekend is always a fun time with a good chance of getting involved in a pileup. Whether it's your first time on HF, or if you're an old pro, come on out to the Yorktown and help get the ships on the air.

June also means Field Day! The Yorktown is a great place to enjoy Field Day, and it's a great opportunity to find out how to get radios set up and transmitting on alternative power sources. Maybe the bike will even come back out this year. Make your plans to join us for one or both of these June events.

Feel free to send me any comments, suggestions and/or questions to CARSinfo@wa4usn.org, or to my personal email, eugenemah@gmail.com

73

Eugene, AB4UG

FROM YOUR VICE PRESIDENT

No input provided this month

73, Tom, AJ4UQ

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Another month closer to Hurricane season time to start preparing now.

Upcoming Events:

May 4, 2019 0900 to 1300 James Island Lowe's store parking lot.

June 1, 2019 0900 to 1300 Dorchester County Expo. Lowe's store parking lot 8900 Dorchester Rd.

June 21, 22, 23, 2019 ARRL Field day

Other operating events:

May 10,11,12, 2019 MARS Cross band operations on Yorktown in club room.

June 1,2, 2019 Museum Ships from Yorktown in club room

All of these events are great fun and practice for emergency communications. Remember all of your plans will have some problems and need modifications on the fly. Practicing will reveal big problems for future solving and little problems will be exposed and actions taken to repair or override them.

Charleston County Annual certification full scale exercise will be:

June 5, 2019 from 0800 to 1700 approx.
 For us hams and ARES members this is a communications tasking so expect the calling of an emergency net, check-ins, and potential simulated deployments and assignments. Every year we have supported Emergency Management and they appreciate your efforts and professional performance.

On June 8, 2019 the South Carolina Emergency Management Department will be doing a full scale Communications exercise. The County EOC will be manned by ARES people and expect an emergency net, check-ins and simulated deployments.

Every chance to work with each other and the first responders gives each of us an opportunity to gain trust and skills from each other. Hope to see everyone helping with what they can do.

Spring time has provided some severe weather around the state and given the SkyWarn system a workout. Along with severe weather Hams think about repairing winters damage to installed antennas and thinking about building and installing new antennas. Make sure you are safe and more experienced antenna workers help the hams who need the help. Remember hams helping other hams is part of what makes this hobby fun.

Low Country ARES net is every Sunday evening at 2000 local time on the linked low country repeaters so please try and check in. It will teach patience and the skills of net operations. At 2020 the local network does link in to the SCHEART system for the South Carolina ARES net. We are located in Emergency Management Area 5 and the SC net control takes check-ins by county so just listen for your county and check in. Remember also that the Low Country ARES net is getting between 25 and 30 check-ins so when we link in to the State net remember to allow a second for the repeaters to link up and then call "net control" un key and make sure no one is talking then key up and give your call sign slowly so it can be heard, written down, and

acknowledged. This procedure will minimize "Doubling" on the network.

Until next month 73
Rick Valentine N8BKN

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT

April 20, 2019

Checking Bal Feb 28, 2019 \$7,349.56

Cash Receipts - March

Raffle Proceeds	69.00
Dues	530.00
Memberships	260.00
Total Receipts	859.00

Cash Disbursements - March

ARRL – 1 Membership	(47.00)
Bank Fee	(5.00)
U.S. Postal Service 1 year box rent	(106.00)
Pinckney Carter Insurance	(258.00)
Total Disbursements	(416.00)

Checking Bal March 31, 2018 \$7,792.56

Charlotte, KJ4PLX

MINUTES of the APRIL. MEETING

Charleston Amateur Radio Society
Club Meeting at Golden Corral near Tanger
Mall,

Monday, April. 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM

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Charleston Amateur Radio Society, Inc.

The monthly Club Meeting was held at the **Golden Corral** at

4968 Centre Pointe Dr. in North Charleston 29418

Monday April 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM

1. MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society, Inc. Meeting was called to order by the President Eugene Mah, AB4UG, at 7:00 PM on Monday April 8, 2019 at the **Golden Corral** in North Charleston, SC.

Introductions:

There were about 35 members and guest present.

Secretary's Minutes: Warren, KK4EVI

The March 2019 meeting minutes were published in the April 2019 CARS Carrier. A motion was made to accept the minutes as published, the motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte, KJ4PLX

The February 2019 Financial Reports were published in the April 2019 newsletter and accepted as information.

Museum Ships on the air: Tom, AJ4UQ + Jim, KW4UL

Museum Ships scheduled for 1st weekend in June

Field Day: Tom, AJ4UQ + Jim, KW4UL

Jim, KW4UL, asked for \$500.00, to spend on food and gas for this years Field Day. Voted on and approved

Races: Doug, KU4OC + Tom K4WJC

Doug, KU4OC, wanted to thank everyone for their effort towards the Cooper River Bridge Run.

Tom, K4WJC, received a thank you card from the Cystic Fibrosis Bike Ride for CARS support of the Bike Run

Hamfest Report: Steve, KE4THX

No report

Repeater Report: Bryce K4LXF –

Repeaters seem to be working Okay

Membership: Bryce, K4LXF.

Applications for regular membership:

First Reading: Dan Myers KC0FXP

Second Reading:

Emergency Prep:

Charleston: Rick, N8BKN – ARES Team meets on 3rd Saturday of the month

Next ARES meeting on April 20th at the St. Andrews Public Service Building at 09:00 AM

A revised ARES/RACES Tactical Communications Plan is out. Revision date 3/26/2019.

Dorchester: John W4HNC – Meets on 2nd Saturday of the month, at the EOC.

Berkeley: Linda KJ4EVV - Meet on last Saturday of the month. Their website w4brk

Nets:

Newcomers Net 2 Mtrs gets on the air on Thursdays at 8:00 PM. If you are interested in trying to conduct a net, send **Don KK4WWV**, a note and he will get you the information. **Tom, WW1JTA**, is helping Don by becoming the Newcomers Net, Net Controller occasionally. Don is still looking for more participation and additional Net Controllers to help out occasionally.

ARES Net 2 Mtrs airs on Sunday at 8:00 PM. Local area 5 meets from 8:00 - 8:20 PM, then joins up to the statewide link up at 8:20 PM. Repeaters are now linking so no need to switch frequencies.

SKYWARN Net 2 Mtrs Still meeting on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 9:00 PM on linked repeater systems. Will probably change to every Tuesday at 9:00 PM during hurricane season or severe weather.

SCHEART Net: 2 Mtrs will start Net every Thursday morning at 9:00 AM.

Newsletter / Website / Cars Carrier: Greg, KG4GEK –
No report

Education & VE Testing: Sheila, KT4YW

The next scheduled VE testing should be April 13th at 9:00 AM at the Tall Pines Baptist Church. The church is located on 645 Treeland Drive, near the American Biker store.

School Programs: Alene, KG4NKD – K4DMS -

School Clubs: Tom, AJ4UQ – K4PSA-

Listen on 40 meters around 4:00 PM for school contacts

Communications Trailer: Willie, WB4SOG:

No Report

Old Business:

New Business:

Tom, K4WJC looking for Ham support again this year for the Saturday April 13 Spring Century

Bike ride. 4 or 5 have signed up already and would like at least 10 more to sign up

Would like additional Ham support for the LOWVELO Bike Ride for Hollings Cancer Center on

November 2nd. May want to use the trailer. Voted on and approved

Jenny, WA4NGV asked for repayment to cover cost of Postage Stamps. Voted on and approved

Announcements:

Drawing:

Petit, KN4MJB won the drawing for a one-year ARRL membership.

Being no further business, at 7:32 PM, a motion was made, seconded and passed to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Warren, KK4EVI.