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Amateur Radio Club, Inc.



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President's Corner

Hi All,

This is October and there is a lot to do before the end of the year. The election committee is in the process of contacting members to run for club officers for the 2015 year. Contact Paul (N4CE) or George (WA4LTY) if you want to be on the ballot for the November election. You will need to let them know before this October meeting. We have a guest from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory to present a program for our October Meeting. Due to the fact he lives in Winston Salem we are going to have the program first so he can leave and return home. Also, we will have a brief program by Bill (N8KSG) with the results of the Technical Committee meeting earlier this month on the results of the voting for the 146.85 repeater and some of the possible recommendations. This will be an important meeting and with a guest speaker, a interesting meeting, so I hope to see a big crowd. Jamey(K4RVJ) is working with Fran Lewis, Mike Lewis' (KD4CSJ) widow to dispose of his radio equipment. Looking to have a list and prices for club members soon if anyone is interested.

73
Furman

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About the Newsletter : *This newsletter is published monthly by and for the members of the Rockingham County Amateur Radio Club. Computer/inter-net users should be able to click on the website links that are usually underlined. Please advise me of any change of address or mail preference. Please have all articles to me by the 2nd Tuesday of each month.*

73 (KF4LIK) Michael, your editor.



Skywarn Weather Spotters (and all amateur radio operators) encountering severe weather, are encouraged to monitor and make reports. The Skywarn website is: <http://www.skywarn.org> . For a guide to reporting weather, see the website: <http://www.wx4rnk.org/guide.html> .



Rockingham County AUXCOMM/ARES website: <http://www.rc-aa.org/>



NOAA WEATHER RADIO BANDS

CHANNELS-FREQUENCIES-S.A.M.E. Codes

162.400 MHz WXL42 WINSTON-SALEM NWS PIEDMONT AREA
Rockingham County, N.C. SAME code: 037157

162.475 MHz WXL60 BLACKSBURG NWS ROCKINGHAM COUNTY
Rockingham County, N.C. SAME code: 037157

162.550 MHz WXL58 RALEIGH NWS PIEDMONT & CENTRAL N.C.

All stations listed for travel (in MHz):

162.400	162.425	162.450	162.475	162.500	162.525	162.550
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A nation-wide network of radio stations broadcast continuous weather information from nearby National Weather Service (NWS) offices. You can get weather 24 hours a day. NOAA weather radios are the best way to receive warnings from the NWS. It is best to have a battery back-up and Specific Area Message Encoder (SAME) that will alert you when a watch or warning is issued for Rockingham County, N.C. (037157). Other SAME numbers can be found at: nws.noaa.gov/nwr/indexnw.htm or by calling: 1-888-NWS-SAME (1-888-697-7263). Complete information is at NOAA's website: weather.gov/nwr or nws.noaa.gov/nwr For current weather forecasts on the inter-net, go to NOAA's National Weather Service website: weather.gov . You can use the following URLs to access your weather forecast on a mobile device: mobile.weather.gov or cell.weather.gov .

Dial-A-Forecast is 919-515-8209 (option 2) for Greensboro, Winston, Salem, and High Point.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RCARC Meeting

The RCARC usually meets the 3rd Tuesday night of the month at the Red Cross Building located between Reidsville and Eden on Highway 14 at 7:00PM. The October 2014 meeting will be held on October the 21st, at 7pm. The December 2014 (quarterly) meeting will be held on the second Saturday, December the 13th, from 6pm to 9pm at the Sirloin House on Highway 14 in Eden.

Greensboro Amateur Radio Association Annual Open House

Greensboro Amateur Radio Association (GARA) will be holding its Annual Open House on Saturday, October 11, 2014 at the Hinshaw United Methodist Church, 4501 High Point Road, Greensboro. The Open House starts with Amateur Radio license testing at 9 AM with exhibits opening at 10 AM and closing at 4 PM. Admission to the exhibits is free.

Some of the exhibits are: a DSTAR booth where visitors will be able to talk to other DSTAR stations around the world; QRP HF booth where visitors will be able to get on the air; and PSK31 station.

There will also be information booths on; how to become an amateur radio operator; Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), and Amateur Radio supports the Red Cross.

There will be a refreshment stand run by the church where visitors will have the opportunity to purchase chips, soft drinks, and hot dogs. All proceeds from the refreshment stand will go to Hinshaw United Methodist Church charities.

This is an excellent opportunity to show off you radio hobby to your family and friends or for you to catch up on what is going on in the Amateur Radio Hobby.

Tom Bertolino, KB1P
President GARA

JARSFEST 2014

On Sunday, November the 16th, 2014 the Johnston Amateur Radio Society will be hosting an ARRL Hamfest at the American Legion Complex located on 605 North Wall Street, Benson, NC 27504. Website: <http://jars.net> Talk-In: 147.270+ / 146.970- Public Contact: Michael Callam (KD4UJC) 1916B Stricklands Crossroads Road Four Oaks, NC 27524. Phone: 919-934-9623. Email: jarsmember@yahoo.com

BREAKFASTS

HENRY POLLOCK MEMORIAL BREAKFAST
TUESDAY - 7:00am, The Farmer's Table, Reidsville
THURSDAY - 7:00am, Sanitary Cafe, Reidsville

VEC TESTING

The regularly scheduled VEC testing is held on the last Saturday of each odd-numbered month at the Eden branch of the Rockingham County Library located at: 598 S. Pierce St., Eden, NC. Registration begins at 9am, testing starts at 9:30am. The next VEC testing will be on the 29th of November, 2014.

AREA NETS

Monday 8:00PM Southside 2-meter net 146.700 MHz 107.2 tone

The Virginia Southside net meeting is held each week. Quite a few of our Virginia members check into this net. The repeater should be accessible to most of us. It is used to provide net business and for announcements. Let's support our neighbors up north.

Monday 8:30PM RCARC 2-meter net 146.850 MHz 103.5 tone

This club net is a weekly meeting for announcements, business, and comments. We will use **147.345 MHz, 103.5 tone** if the 146.850 is unavailable. Please make it a priority to check into our net.

**Thursday 8:30PM Rockingham Co. AUXCOMM/ARES Net
147.345 MHz 103.5**

Bored with just checking into a net? Join us! Actual Training Every Net.

OTHER AREA NETS

Sunday 8:00pm	Sherrills Ford, NC	50.150, no tone
Sunday 8:30pm	Southern Alamance Net	146.670, no tone
Sunday 9:00pm	Greensboro News & Info Net	45.150, 100 Hz
Sunday 9:00pm	Southeastern D-Star Weather Net	REF002A
Sunday 9:30pm	Central NC Traffic Net	146.820, no tone
Monday 8:00pm	Randolph County Net	147.255, no tone
Monday 9:00pm	Lynchburg, VA	50.400, no tone
Tuesday 8:00pm	Sandlappers, Lexington, SC	50.250, no tone
Tuesday 8:00pm	Burlington ARES Net	146.670, no tone
Tuesday 8:30pm	Triad Skywarn Net	147.255, no tone
Tuesday 9:00pm	N.C. D-Star Net (W4GSO) REF054C	442.86250
Wednesday 8:00pm	Roanoke Amateur Club Net	146.985, 107.5Hz
Wednesday 8:30pm	Forsyth County ARES Net	145.470, 100 Hz
Wednesday 8:45pm	Greensboro Amateur Society Net	145.250, 88.5 Hz
Thursday 8:00pm	Pink Hill, NC	50.200, no tone
Thursday 9:00pm	Guilford County ARES Net	145.150, no tone
Saturday 8:00am	Wake Forest, NC	50.200, no tone

Daily Nets

5:30am	Possum Trot Net	147.225 no tone
8:00am	Richmond 6 Meter Net	50.215 no tone
2:30pm	Vag-A-Bon Net	145.470 100 Hz
7:30pm	Tarheel Emergency Net (ARES)	3.923 lsb

Past Events

7th Annual Belews Lake Sprint Triathlon Volunteers

There were only three photos that Tim (WD4GXD) was able to snap during the triathlon.

Participating from ARES/AUXCOMM were:

Terry Mosser – KF4KPM

Grant Brown - N8ICS

Mike Mansfield - WA3RFE (& his sidekick)

Tim Walker - WD4GXD

Ralph Newcomb - N4RFX

Paul Patterson - N4CE

Tim Yarbrough - KF4HHG



New Hams

The new Technicians that recently passed their test at our last VE Testing session are Tamara - KM4ENF, Ralph Carter - KM4ENG and Raymond Herndon - KM4ENE.

