



# THE JUNKBOX



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### Next TAARS Meeting

Our next scheduled TAARS meeting is slated for Thursday, October 18th, at 7:30 at COA building "C" room C109. Our dinner location is the Golden Corral at 6pm.

### Minutes from the September Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Ron, N4WYR.

The minutes of the previous meeting and Treasurer's report were read and accepted as read.

Champ, K2IUN, noted that a pod cast on Radio Hertford Café about ARES would be held on October 1 at 9:45am. Champ, Greg, N4QLD and Tom, WB1CZX, would be interviewed.

The upcoming Technician class was discussed.

Two activities will be taking place on November 10<sup>th</sup>; a Boy Scout radio merit badge class and an ARES area 1 meeting at Columbia.

We also had a visitor and prospective member; Dave Sharber, N6XNZ, of Elizabeth City.

### Technician Class Pictures

Kerry sent along the following pictures from our technician class;



Instructors Zeb and Gene



## PERQUIMANS COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Following are pictures of the Perquimans County radio room at the EOC. All of the equipment was ordered by Ed, W4RVZ and purchased by the county. Included are 3 ICOM 2M/440 radios with power supplies. Ed set up two of the radios as “go-kits”. They can go to either the Perquimans County Middle School, which is a designated shelter or Central Communications, which does the dispatching for all Fire, EMS, Police and Sheriff’s Office in the county.

The third radio, which is not set up as a “go-kit” yet, can be sent to the Recreation Center, which is an alternate shelter. The Middle School and Central Communications have a designated area for the radios and dual-band antennas mounted on the roof. An additional antenna has yet to be installed at the Recreation Center.

The radio room has space for two operators and contains a dual-band Icom radio and an Icom 706 for HF, VHF or UHF as needed. The ‘706 works through an LDG automatic antenna tuner into 40 and 80 meter Isotron antennas. These were recently installed on our “tower” (read telephone pole), next to the EOC by Hertford’s electric company personnel. The county has Ed, W4RVZ, to thank for the installation and organization of the radio room.



Dual band radio with Ed’s well-traveled antenna analyzer



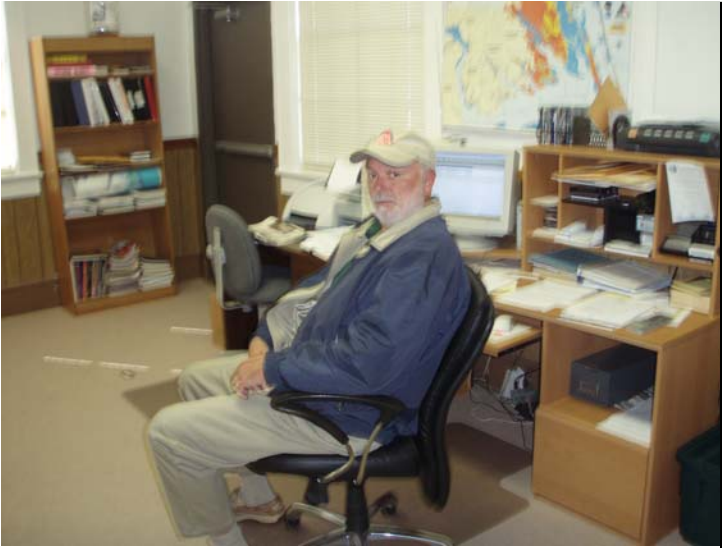
‘706 with LDG tuner



Operating positions with deluxe furniture

**TAARS Roster available online**

Just in case you didn't receive the email. TAARS roster is now available to members online. There is a link to the page from the club information page or you can use this URL <http://taars.us/Info.htm> If you don't have a login and password members may obtain one by sending a request to [taars@taars.us](mailto:taars@taars.us)



Jarvis Winslow, Emergency Management Coordinator,  
Checking for hurricanes (this is serious business)



Our antenna farm

**Upcoming Events**

Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> TAARS quarterly VE testing session.

Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> Last class for TAARS technician program

Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> TAARS end of class VE testing

Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> CERA meeting at Columbia  
<http://taars.us/cera/cera.html>

Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup> JARS Hamfest Benson NC  
<http://jars.net/JARSFEST.htm>