



THE JUNKBOX



Newsletter of The Albemarle Amateur Radio Society

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Next TAARS Meeting

The next meeting will be the annual Christmas dinner. Date and time to be determined.

Minutes

The club president, Scruff K4SDL called the October meeting to order, approx. 7:35 PM.

The Treasurers Report was read and approved.

Nineteen (19) Amateur Radio Operators were present for the meeting.

Old Business

Two motions were passed: to buy one portable antenna system not to exceed \$300, and to donate \$250 to William Burden with Carolina Communications to show appreciation for all that he does for TAARS.

Discussion items included a starting 10M net for Techs and reviving digital Thursday. Also, KOPIR YouTube videos were recommended to learn about POTA and other ham topics.

Telegram has become a useful comms tool-download now!

New Business

Scruff displayed the new TAARS picture/flyer to be handed out at events.

The Emergency Response Plan was briefly mentioned. It was agreed to table subject until next meeting.

Testing Session Report:
(Provided by Herman)

We had 3 candidates registered for the October 20th testing session. Only 1 attended.

Congratulations to Tracy, KN4LXN of Moyock who upgraded to General.

Next TAARS VE testing Session is January 19th 2019. Contact Herman for more information.
No4y@arrl.net

Serving examiners were WB1CZX, KD4CEB, and NO4Y

2018 Field Day Score:

(Provided by Herman)

I'm happy to report TAARS was number 1 in NC in our category which was 2A commercial. In the entire 2A category we were 2nd in NC. Nationwide TAARS score was in the top 27 percent of all entries in 2A. According to QST, Field Day total QSO's were 1.18 million.

Fun was had by all at both the JOTA and POTA events in October. Thank you to everyone that volunteered their time to make both events successful.

Al gave a demonstration of TAARS new HF & 2M/440 Antenna.

PHISING ATTEMP: If you receive an email from Kerry-Kraus@ns.sympatico.ca Please Ignore!!! This is not his email.

Upcoming Events



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November 18th ARRL Sweepstakes Phone Contest info is available here

<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>

November 18th JARSfest in Benson, NC

<https://www.jars.net/information/Jarsfest2018.pdf>

December 1st Skywarn Recognition Day is a fun event, National Weather Services all over the US will be activated by amateurs. More information can be found here <https://www.weather.gov/crh/skywarnrecognition>

Attendance

Scruff Harrison K4SDL; Albert Onley, K4VHV; Kerry Kraus, KD4CEB; Steve Kelly, K1RLU; Herman Cox, NO4Y; Tom Ponte, WB1CZX; Tim Ward, N9FNI, Tracey Pajer, KN4LXN; Eric Forslund, N8XT, Rebecca Forslund, KN4IKV; Charlie Pencinger, KA2GXJ; Edgar Lambert, K4YF; Ronnie Pippen, K4VRI; Martin Drees, K1JET; Colmen Motes, KG4FSE; Kathy Taylor, KN4IKT; Greg Terranova, N4QLD; Joe Wallace, K4EIT; Wayne Arnold, KM4HJX.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 Local Time.



POTA Event at Dismal Swamp State Park



Thom & Kerry making contacts