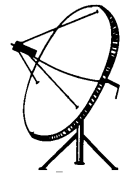




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WA4VTX Repeaters 146.655/444.300/147.330 PL 131.8 APRS 144.39

Next TAARS Meeting

Our next TAARS meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 16th, 2014, 7:30 PM at the COA Building "c" C109. Our dinner location is the Golden Coral at 6:00 PM.

Minutes

The club president, Dave AJ4NV, called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM. The minutes of the previous meeting, as posted on the TAARS website, were approved. The Treasurer's report was given by Herman NO4Y and approved.

Old Business

- Test session results from Oct 19th were reviewed, with 3 new Technicians and 1 General class operator.
- Christmas Party location will be Capt Bob's, December 11th, at 6:30 PM.
- Club agreed to spend \$150 for door prizes.

New Business

- Mike, KB4TOH, mentioned an additional group would like to join the linking system.
- Autopatch will be removed from Columbia repeater system.
- It was noted latest SERA Journal indicates Columbia and Elizabeth City repeaters are uncoordinated.
- Various discussion for a mini swap shop / local hamfest.

Attendance

David Sharber, AJ4NV; Albert Ryder, KI4BQI; Katina Ryder, KG4SPP; Joe Wallace, K4EIT; Tom Ponte, WB1CZX; Al Onley, K4VHV; Scruff Harrison, KK4SDL; Ron Thomas, N4WYR; Herman Cox, NO4Y; Cynthia Cox, KG4SPH; Champ Cox, K2IUN; Mike Cohoon, KB4TOH;

Ronnie Phippen, KD4VRI; Terry Simonds, WB4FXD.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at approximately 8:29 PM.

Need your license? Or an upgrade?

Our next testing session is scheduled for January 18th at 9 AM. The testing location is College of the Albemarle (COA), Room C109, located in building "C". All exam candidates must preregister, by contacting Herman Cox, NO4Y at no4y@arrl.net or (252) 562-2231.

Section Manager

North Carolina welcomes a new Section Manager, Karl Bowman, W4CHX, of Raleigh. Karl will be replacing Bill Morine, N2COP, in the near future. Bill decided not to seek an additional term. Details in the ARRL NC Section News, December 2013.

NC QSO Party and Contests

North Carolina QSO Party, 1500Z, Feb 23 to 0059Z, Feb 24.

North American QSO Party (SSB), 1800Z, Jan 18 to 0559Z, Jan 19 .

ARRL VHF Contest, 1900Z, Jan 18 to 0359Z, Jan 20.

CQ 160-Meter Contest (CW), 2200Z, Jan 24 to 2159Z, Jan 26.

Frostfest 2014

Reminder the Richmond Hamfest is scheduled for Saturday, February 1. The website is "frostfest.com".