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Meet the Member Gary Wise, W8EEY

Amateur Radio has followed Gary through his life and career.

Gary was born and raised in Midland, MI - the home of Dow Chemical. An avid short wave listener, he got interested Amateur Radio in a Junior High School electronics shop class. During that time he built a Lafayette Radio "Explore Aired" three-tube regenerative short wave radio. He got his first Amateur Radio license in 1969 as WN8GAJ - a two year Novice license. But he let it lapse. In High School he also got his Second Class FCC Radiotelephone license. His scouting Explorer group was dedicated to ham radio and Paul Woodland W8EEY (SK) was his Elmer.

Graduating from high school in 1972, he went to college at Central Michigan University. He got his First Class FCC Radiotelephone license during his first year in college and so was able to work at radio and TV stations. He graduated in 1978 with a BS in Broadcasting.

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Gary Wise, W8EEY

Next Meeting July 9

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next regular meeting on July 9 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 at 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Tom Parsons, W4TEP, will present a program about net operations in emergencies. There were a lot of operations from the shelters, EOC, Red Cross, hospital, and other locations during the floods in 1999.

Map to the VFW in January Ham Chatter and on the Internet.

The next board meeting is set for July 30 at 7:30. The meeting is open to all members.

Mayor issues proclamation to promote Amateur Radio

Greenville Mayor Don Parrott recently issued a proclamation promoting Amateur Radio Week. Proclaiming the week of June 17-23 Amateur Radio Week, Parrott said Amateur Radio operators provide public assistance by providing emergency radio communications for the city and its residents.

The proclamation reads, "There are over 300 licensed radio operators in Greenville/Pitt County, and the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club has existed in the city for 35 years in service to our city."

The American Radio Relay League Field Day was held June 22-23 to practice communication skills.

Field Day 2002

WOW!

**4,704 points! 1,229 contacts!
The best we've done in recent years.**

There were new faces, not so new faces and some missing faces. It took real teamwork to pull it off - everyone played a crucial part in the success of the Field Day. We had about 35 hams plus their guests. There is the temptation to name individuals, but the risk is leaving someone out. Set up went well and if it hadn't have been for a certain canopy we probably would have been ready by 10:00 AM - it must have been



a sight much like Charlie Chaplin shuffling to get the canopy to butt up against the other one. Speaking of canopies, the rain again pointed out the problems with the gray canopy. Still speaking of canopies, John McCoy's philanthropic spirit benefited us with a new canopy with the right kind of roof. A major comfort factor on Saturday was the breeze and it stayed all day.

The location between Lowe's and the Carolina East Mall worked out well. That, and the affiliation with the Red Cross Hurricane Awareness Project, gave us more exposure. There's talk that

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President's Corner *Dave, KV4CN*

What a great first six months of 2002 for the club! Its going to be a case of "can you top this" for the second half. Great programs, good meeting attendance, new hams (congratulations), new members (welcome), NC QSO Party from VOA Site C, Dogwood Festival, QRP club project, and Field Day.

Field Day this year was a good one. Many thanks to Murray and everyone else who cooked, climbed, built, engineered, publicized, carried, towed, etc. We didn't snag a satellite, but there is always next year. Bernie's antennas did great. Bill, N3KKM gave us a taste of 6 meters and SSTV. Ken, N8FF went through loggers like paper towels. I'm starting to see T-shirts printed with "I survived logging for Ken on Field Day" (hi hi). Also thanks to John, K4KBB for the donation of the canopy (or is it a cottage?). It kept us dry during the evening showers. Murray has more on Field Day in this issue

We need ideas to continue this pace in the second half of the year. Please bring them to the next meeting or contact me directly. Murray conducts the new ham class, but I keep wondering if there is

interest in the club for a General Class license course. Let me know. One idea for Christmas time is a radio link to Santa Claus for children on the pediatric ward at PCMH. This will take a team to plan and cleverly execute. Let me know if you want to help.

The club continues to do well thanks to everyone. Lets keep it going and let the community know

Great programs, good meeting attendance, new hams, new members

that we exist.

See you at the meeting!
73, Dave KV4CN



N8FF - Still going!

Anderson Power-Pole Connectors

Like many other states, North Carolina Emergency Management is standardizing on the PowerPole connector for radio power leads. We have an opportunity to obtain the connectors at a price below that available on the internet, but we need to know the quantity that you



need. It takes two (2) sets for one radio (one for the positive lead and one for the negative lead). The price per set is approximately \$0.72 or approximately \$1.50 per radio. Likely, the club will order in quantities of 100 and then resell to members (and non members). Whether we make some money for the club is up to majority consensus. Go to <http://www.powerwerx.com/powerpoles.html> for details on the connector. Their price is \$0.995 per set in quantities of 10 so 5 radios cost \$9.95 vs. approximately \$7.50 from us. Bernie, WA4MOK is our contact person. Please let Bernie or me know how many you want. We will discuss at the July meeting, but we must know the quantity to order by July 11. -
Dave, KV4CN



Happy Birthday

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club members birthdays in **July**.

- 12 KG4CZW Bonnie Pulver
- 13 W4SKI Charlie Wells
- 24 WA4MOK Bernie Nobles
- 29 W4YDY Dave Langley

Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - *WAYDY*

WA4PVO (SK)

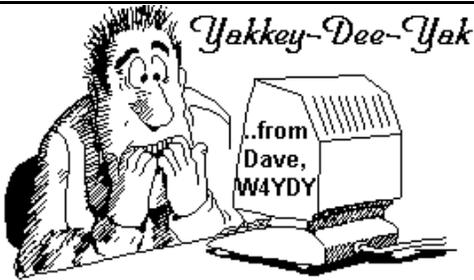
Dr. John Ross Shuping, 52, died June 6, 2002. He was a lifelong ham radio enthusiast, earning his first license at age 15. He was a board-certified neurologist and was an associate and partner at East Carolina Neurology Inc. for the past 21 years. Also he served as Clinical Professor of Medicine at the Brody School of Medicine.

The family suggests that anyone desiring to make a memorial contribution consider Dr. Shuping's interests: Eastern North Carolina Chapter Alzheimer's Association, 400 Oberlin Road, Suite 208, Raleigh, N.C. 27605; Public Radio East Foundation, 800 College Court, New Bern, N.C. 28562; or Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, 510 S. Washington St., Greenville, N.C. 27834.

BARC extends it's condolences to his family.

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Fall, 2002
TECHNICIAN LICENSE COURSE
BRIGHTLEAF AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Text: *Now You're Talking* (4th edition)

Class time: Start 9:15 a.m.

Course Coordinator: Murray Merner, K4MHM Phone: 757-3429

Location: Sheppard Memorial Library, Greenville

For those that were not at the BARC Field Day site this year, you missed a good one. With the activity we had at the radios this time, it looks like we could have used another station. Usually a station just sits there because there are not enough operators. This year as soon as someone got up, their place would be filled. The GOTA station is an excellent idea. It had much more activity than the Novice station of old. BARC had an advantage this year with a lot of new hams at their first Field Day and they seemed to have a good time learning the operations of contesting.

Thanks to John McCoy, **K4KBB**, for the very nice large tent he donated to the club. It is large and it kept the rain out. Also thanks to Ron Dale, **WD4JAD**, for a new American flag he donated to the club.

Thanks to the members for saving the club some stamp money. Starting with this issue, I'm sure you all know it costs thirty-seven cents to mail first class now. About a year ago, I was mailing out about 90 copies of Ham Chatter each month. Since we have starting publishing Ham Chatter on the Internet in the Adobe Reader PDF format, many of those that have Internet connections download it and print it out in the same format that is mailed. This month we will only mail out 51 copies! We have extra copies at the meetings if you want one. By getting in on the Internet, you also get it several days sooner. Ham Chatter goes online usually within hours of sending it to the printers. - *W4YDY*

Orientation Sep 14	Murray Merner, K4MHM
Session 1 Sep 21	Chapter 5: Basic Electrical Principles Murray Merner, K4MHM
Session 2 Oct 5	Chapter: 6: Circuit Components Bill Dawson, WA4SLC
Session 3 Oct 19	Chapter 7: Practical Circuits John McCoy, K4KBB
Session 4 Nov 2	Chapter 8: Amateur Radio Signals and Emissions Bill Dawson, WA4SLC
Session 5 Nov 16	Chapter 3: Radio Wave Propagation Gary Gasperini, AF4XV
Exam Nov 23	Chapter 10: Radio Frequency Radiation Safety Dave Langley, W4YDY
	Chapter 9: Choosing an Antenna (2 hours) Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK
	Chapter 1: Federal Communications Commission Rules Wayne Ross, WD4JPQ
	Chapter 2: Operating an Amateur Radio Station Chapter 4: Amateur Radio Practices David LeMoine, KV4CN
	Open to the public Volunteer Examiners Tom Parsons, W4TEP



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Meet the Member, Gary Wise, W8EEY

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In Midland, MI he worked for Dow Corning in their corporate TV dept. He then went to work for a local public TV station; and then to a NBC affiliate (WNEM-TV) in Saginaw as a Maintenance Engineer. The Society of Broadcast Engineers certifies Gary as Senior Radio and TV Broadcast Engineer. In 1986 he got his Advanced Class license as KE8NW at the encouragement of Greg Surma, K8GL. While in Saginaw he knew our own Ken Graf, N8FF (there - it's a small world in Amateur Radio!).

His VOA career started in Saginaw. He read about VOA and applied for a Field Engineering position. His first assignment was in Greenville, NC in 1988, and he stayed about a year, during which time he joined BARC. He got his Extra Class license in 1989. (In 1989 Gary taught the theory part of the BARC ham course with Br. Simon Jaworski, KQ2V, who taught the code.)

After Greenville, he was assigned to Liberia where he was EL2DB, Munich as DJ0KR, Tangier, Morocco as CN8NW and Sri Lanka as 4S7GWG and then back to Greenville in September 2000, where he is the VOA Station Manager. He rejoined BARC in 2001. He

took his Elmer's old callsign just this year.

His equipment is a Kenwood TS 850 S with a Heathkit SB 1000 amplifier. He has Yaesu and Icom handhelds and a Standard mobile rig in his car. Antennas are Hy Gain TH-6 Jr and a Gap Challenger vertical for HF and a discone for VHF and UHF.

Other interests include computers and digital photography

Gary has two children: Wendy (20) is a junior at Western Michigan University, and son Phillip (18) will be a freshman there this year. He also has a world-traveling dog -- a Moroccan mix named Chupi, who is 8 years old.

Gary notes that VOA-Greenville is to celebrate its 40-year anniversary in Feb, 2003 and he is interested in having a BARC special event station - let's do it!

While not quite full circle, Gary is back where he started if you just consider VOA and BARC. We hope the old faces and the new ones will make you feel at home and look forward to your involvement with the club. Gary's story shows you never have to be far from Amateur Radio - *we're everywhere* - and that you can go home again. Welcome back. - *K4MHM*

Gary is back where he started...

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on August 16. Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Tom Parsons, W4TEP, 355-2815, tparsons@greenvillenc.com. Please bring the following:

- ◆ Photo ID (drivers license)
- ◆ Original Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Copy of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Original CSCE's
- ◆ Copy of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$10.00
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

BARC VE Session Results 6/21/02

Two examinees were successful at the June session. Jay Frantz, KG4SWD, from Cary passed element 4 and Bryan Weil from Greenville passed element 2 and received his new call, KG4UAZ, on June 28. Bryan also joined BARC and he looks forward to participating in the BARC activities.

VE's assisting Tom Parsons, W4TEP, VE liaison, were Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, Murray Merner, K4MHM, Gerry Clayton, K4IDD, and Dave Langley, W4YDY.

CC&R bill attracts additional cosponsors

CC&R bill attracts additional cosponsors The bill now in Congress aimed at providing relief to amateurs faced with private deed covenants, conditions and restrictions--CC&Rs--in erecting antennas has gained additional cosponsors. Freshman Rep Steve Israel (D-NY) introduced the "Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act" on May 14. The measure--HR 4720--would require private land-use regulators--such as homeowners' associations--to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communication consistent with the PRB-1 limited federal preemption. PRB-1 now applies only to states and municipalities. Rep Greg Walden, WB7OCE (R-OR) and Rep Pete Sessions (R-TX) signed on as original cosponsors of HR 4720. Since its introduction, the bill also has attracted additional cosponsors--Rep J.D. Hayworth (R-AZ), Rep Patrick Tiberi (R-OH), Rep Patsy Mink (D-HI), Rep Ken Calvert (R-CA), Rep Rick Boucher (D-VA), Rep Joseph Hoeffel (D-PA) and Rep John Duncan Jr (R-TN). Visit the US House of Representatives "Write Your Representative Service" Web page <<http://www.house.gov/writerep/>> for information on how to contact your representative. The ARRL requests those writing or e-mailing members of Congress--whether or not they are supporting this legislation--to copy ARRL on their correspondence--via e-mail to ccr-bill@arrl.org or via US Mail to CC&R Bill, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Correspondents should include the bill number, HR 4720, as well as their name and address on all correspondence. - *via ARRL Letter Online 6/28/02*

ARRL Outgoing QSL Service tops one million cards for 2002

ARRL Outgoing QSL Service Manager Martin Cook, N1FOC, reports that, as of June 14, the bureau had mailed 1,016,100 cards to various incoming QSL bureaus in other countries. Cook says the number represents an increase of 89,700 cards over the date one year ago. - *via ARRL Letter Online 6/28/02*

BARC 2002 Field Day activities



Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, and Al Joyner, W4WAJ, putting the finishing touches on the Mosley beam.



Doug Ferris, K4ROK, checking the engine generator behind the Sheriff's communications van.



BARC members and families enjoying the Saturday evening meal.



Tod LeMoine, KG4CCX, at the GOTA station, Scott LeMoine, KG4PZQ, at the HF station and Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, at the logging computer.



Ken Graf, N8FF, working CW and Murray Merner, K4MHM, logging. Ken operated for over 16 hours going through many loggers.



Murray, K4MHM, and Tod, KG4CCX, prying Ken, N8FF, from his operating position. Most equipment was already dissembled! **Many more pictures on the Internet!**

Florida man convicted of deliberate interference, unlicensed operation

A Florida CBer accused of jamming Amateur Radio operations and transmitting without a license was convicted in federal court June 19 on eight misdemeanor counts. Willam Flippo of Jupiter was found guilty of four counts of operating without a license and four counts of deliberate and malicious interference. The jury deliberated about 30 minutes.

Federal District Court Judge Daniel T.K. Hurley noted that, while the charges were misdemeanors, it was important that the amateur airwaves be free of interference in the event of an emergency. He ordered that Flippo, 60, remain in custody and undergo a psychiatric evaluation prior to sentencing.

The prosecutor in the case, Neil Karabdil, credited members of the Amateur Radio community with bringing Flippo to justice. The list included 1999 ARRL International Humanitarian Award winner Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, who helped the FCC gather evidence in the case; Bert Morschi, AG4BV; Palm Beach County Emergency Coordinator Dave Messinger, N4QPM; and Chuck Mulligan, N4SDW.

"This is a very good day for Amateur Radio, and a very good day for justice," Petzolt said following the trial. "Let the word go out that we will not tolerate this sort of thing on our frequencies, and you will be caught." Petzolt cited local amateurs and the efforts of the FCC, including Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth "and everyone else who kept the faith," for helping to bring the case to a successful conclusion.

"Never give up and never surrender," Petzolt advised those facing similar malicious interference situations. "If you do, they win."

According to Petzolt, who testified in the trial, Flippo primarily had targeted the Jupiter Tequesta Repeater Group for jamming and regularly interfered with amateur operations, especially on 10 and 2 meters, over an approxi-

mately three-year period. Following up on the amateurs' complaints, personnel from the FCC's Tampa District Office visited the Jupiter area at least twice in 1999 and reported tracking the offending signals to Flippo's residence.

Known as "Rabbit Ears" within the CB community, Flippo was arrested by federal authorities in July 2000. He already faces a \$20,000 fine levied in 1999 for unlicensed operation, willful and malicious interference to Amateur Radio communications, and failure to let the FCC inspect his radio equipment.



Flippo was trying to undermine his own trial--Flippo, then still free on \$100,000 bond, drove himself to the hospital June 13 claiming he'd suffered a stroke. He was released the following day. Hurley recessed the trial but took the unusual step of revoking Flippo's bond June 17 after a physician told the judge that medical tests determined that Flippo had not had a stroke.

Hurley said he was concerned that Flippo might not return to court for his sentencing hearing and ordered him returned to jail. Flippo reportedly hung his head after the jury returned a guilty verdict on the second count. He had no comment for a reporter as he was led back to jail.

Sentencing could take place in about a month. According to the FCC, Flippo faces a maximum penalty of eight years in prison--one year on each count. He also could be fined up to \$80,000. - *Via ARRL Letter Online 6/21/02*

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White House greets Amateur Radio operators

President George W. Bush has sent his greetings to all Amateur Radio operators, acknowledging their role in emergency communications and in generating international goodwill. The White House letter came as hams in the US marked Amateur Radio Week June 17-23 and got ready to participate in ARRL Field Day--an emergency preparedness exercise.

"I salute amateur radio operators for your work on behalf of public safety officials," the President said. "I also commend your interest in communicating with persons in other parts of the world and learning about other cultures and countries. Your involvement builds understanding and goodwill around the globe."

For the first time, Field Day will be open to participation by amateurs throughout the Americas and the Caribbean.

The President's letter acknowledged ham radio's "important role in emergency communications, assisting law enforcement personnel and other emergency services as they carry out their responsibilities."

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, expressed his delight at the presidential communication. "I'm extremely pleased that the president has decided to recognize the accomplishments of Amateur Radio operators throughout America," he said. "Amateur Radio is a real asset to America, and even more so after September 11."

President Bush said First Lady Laura Bush "joins me in sending our best wishes."

Governors in several states have issued proclamations designating Amateur Radio Week or Amateur Radio Month. - *Via ARRL Letter Online 6/21/02*



Field Day 2002

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the Red Cross may schedule it in the future on our Field Day date.

A challenge has usually been the antennas. The diversified and willing manpower got the antennas up without too much trouble. The tower fastened to the trailer worked well and even some antenna experimentation went on.

All the radios were in constant use which is important for a successful Field Day. We had new Technician



Brother Simon Jaworski, KQ2V, visiting BARC Field Day

Course graduates and new hams (one just passed the Technician Test the night before) and new members. More experienced hams were teaching the newer, less experienced ones. It was a good sight to see. We even had a ham from Kinston whose club was not doing Field Day. The use of the rigs brings up the importance of scheduling operators - if you don't sign up for a time you may not get on when you want. We also have to remember to let others have a chance to operate. Another solution would be to add another rig, but it would not alleviate the need to schedule operators. A prime concern of mine was with was going to happen over night because no one signed up ahead of time - not to worry we were covered. Loggers hung in there. The computer screens may have been hard to read in day light, but the computer program and its multi user format worked great. The new earphones and turner were a good investment too.

What would a Field Day be without food. We, as a group, decided on chicken and chicken we had. It was great

tasting and there was plenty of it. The side dishes were delicious.

A perennial problem has been how to display our brochures and flyers. A display board was constructed which allowed us to display all we had and it disassembles and lays flat. During the Field Day we had three people let us know of their interest in a class and one ham joined the club.

In violation of my own concern about naming names, I would like to mention two people: Br Simon, KQ2V who visited us with his nephew. Simon looked good and it's always enjoyable to talk with him. The other person is Ken Graf, N8FF, who made over 700 CW contacts and since they count double they made up a big part of our score. He worked from about 8:00 PM to 12:00 noon.

I found out that I can function sleep deprived too; I slept from 3:00 AM to about 6:00 AM in my car. Earlier I had gone home about 8:00 PM and planned to return by 11:00, but when I went out to the car about 10:30 it wouldn't start and so needed a jump to get back to the site. The battery was later analyzed and found defective. The only other unfortunate experience was losing my sunglasses - if you see a pair of Raybans with a neck tether they may be mine.

We had some other help with the Field Day so I would like to extend the thanks of the BARC to: Jim's Porta Potty, Lowe's, Carolina East Mall, American Red Cross, Pitt County Sheriff Mac M a n n i n g , KD4AFL, and our own John McCoy. Thanks to Ron Dale, WD4JAD, for the donation of a new United States flag.

We pulled it off: made some contacts, had some fun, learned some things and more about each other, and did it safely. *Murray, K4MHM*

New Members

BARC has been privileged to have a jump in membership in the recent months. Hopefully no one will be left out but there are a few that have been licensed for some time and many that have just got their license in the past few months.

Taylor Millar, KG4SNC, Richard Campbell, KG4SNE, and Dean Morris, KG4SNF, all completed the last BARC class and after passing the FCC exams, they received their callsigns. Al Joyner, W4WAJ, (formerly KG4TPN), Billy All, N3KKM, and Mark Weil, KD4SRK, joined the club in June and Bryan Weil, KG4UAZ, (Marks brother) was successful at the June VE session and received his call on June 28. Tom McLaughlin, KE4NQP, from Walstonburg joined the club at the Field Day.

One reason Field Day was successful was the participation of the new members and their enthusiasm. Some of the members and the new members that have not had much experience or time to operate the high frequencies, kept the stations busy. The GOTO always had someone at the controls. With the enthusiasm of the new members, the club should get better and better.

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club welcomes the new members and look forward to a long and good experience with them. - *W4YDY*

Note: I hope I haven't left anyone out. Please let me know if I have. Blame it on ol' timers disease! (Yakkey-Dee-Yak)

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BARC Monthly Minutes - June 2002

BARC Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 11, 2002

7:30 pm at the Foreign Legion Hall

Meeting was opened by Dave LeMoine, KV4CN.

Members and visitors introduced themselves.

The previous minutes were approved. The secretary and treasurer gave their reports. United Way is offering a Gifts In Kind program that BARC has applied for. Two free tickets to the Cary Swapfest on July 20 will be given away as a door prize at the end of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

HEALTH AND WELFARE: Dr. John Ross Shuping, a local neurologist who was a Ham, WA4PVO, is now a silent key.

EQUIPMENT: Mike Langley, KD4MTT, reported. He showed recent purchases of equipment to the club. There was a work day held on June 8 to get the BARC trailer ready for Field Day. The generator to be used at Field Day was brought to the meeting and training sessions were held on operating and

maintaining the generator before and after the meeting. Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, announced that the club could purchase at just above cost, power pole connectors that are standardized by ARES.

PUBLICITY: Pat Williams, KG4NSC, reported. He discussed publicity for Field Day for TV, radio and newspapers. He sent invitations to Field Day out to many public officials.

VE SESSIONS: Tom Parsons, W4TEP, reported. The next session is scheduled for June 21 at St. Peter's Catholic School at 6:30 pm.

HAM CHATTER: Dave Langley, W4YDY, reported that the BARC membership roster is now listed on our website. If anyone does not want their address or phone number published on this roster, they need to speak with Dave. The Ham Chatter is now in color on the web site and many members are now choosing to download the newsletter or read it on line instead of receiving a hard copy through the mail. If you are interested in stopping your mail delivery of the Ham Chatter then please email Dave. This will save the club money and you will receive a better color copy of the newsletter.

HAM CLASS: Murray Merner, K4MHM, reported that the next class will most likely start in mid-September.

PATCHES: Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW, reported on ordering BARC patches. A sample was passed around from a company that had been narrowed down by price. It was agreed to have the patches made by this company.

NEW BUSINESS

ARES: Doug Ferris, K4ROK, reported. ARES registration forms are still available if you have not already registered. Onslow County had a simulated terrorist attack. Several members of ARES showed up to activate radios at PCMH. Help is needed in working on the antennas at the hospital. Walt Verdick, KA4WFS, donated a set of headphones to ARES.

FIELD DAY: Murray Merner presented a program on Field Day. Field Day is June 22 and 23. BARC will use the W4AMC call sign. The GOTA station will operate under NC4PC. BARC will be operating next to Lowes. The Red Cross will be having a Hurricane Aware-

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BARC Board Minutes - June 2002

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Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 25 at 7:30 pm

Tom Parsons, W4TEP, house at 2850 Firetower Road

Those in attendance: Dave LeMoine, KV4CN, Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW, Dave Langley, W4YDY, Murray Merner, K4MHM, Pat Williams, KG4NSC and Jeff Hardee, KG4HMF.

The secretary and treasurer's reports were given.

Committee Reports:

HEALTH AND WELFARE: A card was

sent to Mrs. Shuping on the loss of her husband.

EQUIPMENT: No report.

PUBLICITY: The publicity for Field Day was discussed. A new brochure and pamphlet display board was put to use for the first time at Field Day.

HAM CHATTER: 36 pictures of Field Day are posted on the BARC web site. Over 90 copies of Ham Chatter have been sent out in the past. Now that many members have opted to receive it via email, BARC is now sending out only about 50 copies.

VE SESSION: Two people passed their exams at the recent VE Session.

PATCHES: New BARC patches have been ordered. They will be for sale at following meetings for \$ 2.00 each or 3 for \$ 5.00. Shirts with our logo embroi-

dered on it and BARC logo pins are still being considered.

UNITED WAY: We have been contacted by the Gifts In Kind Pitt County Program of United Way. Bonnie, KG4CZW, will attend a meeting this week on how this program may benefit BARC.

POWER POLE CONNECTORS: There has been a definite interest in placing an order for ARES standardized power pole connectors for just above cost to sell to members. Please see an article elsewhere in this months Ham Chatter for more information.

Many ideas were generated for future programs and special events.

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Ham Ads

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For Sale:

Joe Aleksa, KQ4BN, SK, Estate.

1. Ten Tec Omni VI Plus Transceiver, \$1500, Power Supply PS 960, \$150, Ten Tec desk mike, \$40, all for \$1650.

2. Icom 820H, all mode 2M-440 transceiver, \$700, Icom SM6 mike, \$60 820H service manual, \$20 and SP-20 speaker with audio filters, \$150 or all for \$850.

3. Cushcraft R7 Vertical Antenna, \$200

4. Heathkit test equipment, IG-62 Color bar generator, IM-11 VTVM, IO-12 Oscilloscope.

Contact Dave Langley, W4YDY, 321-2525 or email w4ydy@arrl.net

For Sale:

Radio Shack **Digital Signal Processor** - Advanced digital audio signal processor using microprocessor-controlled dynamic notch filtering reducing noise and removing whistles, tones and whines. Has communications-type speaker, 5 watt audio amplifier and phone jack. Filter selection for: noise reduction, SSB and CW. Bandwidth selection: narrow, medium and wide. Separate volume control and power switch. Plugs into earphone or speaker jack. Original box with instructions and mounting brackets. Requires 12 VDC. Price: \$25.00 Murray, K4MHM, 757-3429.

For Sale:

Mosley Classic 33 \$100. The center part of the reflector was bent in hurricane Floyd. I worked on it and got it as straight as I could.

Bill Dawson, WA4SLC, 946-4760 or dawsonw@mail.ecu.edu

Left behind at Field Day

Brown plastic serving spoon. Contact owner.

Dave, KV4CN (no reward, sorry).

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ness Day also at that time in the parking lot of Lowes. A BARC information table will be at the Red Cross site directing interested people to where BARC is operating the radios. Members should sign up to work the radios at certain times so we can always have someone on every radio. Overnights are also needed. We will begin setting up at 7 am on Saturday and begin taking down at noon on Sunday.

Meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW

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FIELD DAY: Please see an article elsewhere in this Ham Chatter.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Any interested BARC members are invited to attend the July board meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, July 30th at 7:30 pm at Mark's Marine.

Respectfully submitted by

Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW

Cary Hamfest - 7/20

The 30th annual Cary mid-summer Swapfest will be on Saturday, July 20th, 2002. The location is the Downtown Cary Community Center (The Herb C. Young Community Center) at 404 North Academy Street, on the corner of North Academy and Chapel Hill Road, adjacent to the Town Hall Campus. Doors will open to the public at 8:00 AM, tickets at the door will be \$5.00. The indoor area is **AIR CONDITIONED!**

The Cary club would like to invite all interested parties to attend. Indoor table pre-registrations have gone fast this year, but as of early June there are still some spaces available, pre-registration priced at \$10.00 per table, \$4.00 per admission ticket. The pre-registration deadline is July 9th.

For more information, e-mail N4NC@arrl.net or k4iww@attglobal.net. The Cary club website is <http://www.qsl.net/n4nc/> and includes a link to an image of the pre-registration form. - W4KAZ

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NETS

VHF

- ◆ BARC Net, Mondays, 2000 on 147.09 MHz, W4GDF Repeater.
- ◆ Pitt County Emergency Communications Net, Mondays, 2100 on 147.09 MHz. (131.8 Hz Tone)
- ◆ Kinston Amateur Radio Society Net, 1,3,4 Tuesdays, 2000 hrs. on 145.47 MHz., W4OIX repeater in Kinston.
- ◆ Eastern North Carolina Traffic Net, Every night, 2030 on 146.685 MHz.
- ◆ New Bern Amateur Radio Club/ Eastern NC 220 Association for the WD4JMS & WA4DAN Net, Monday, 2000 on 146.61 and 224.84 MHz
- ◆ Wilson Amateur Radio Club Net, Monday 2030 on 146.76 MHz.
- ◆ Piedmont Coastal Traffic Net, Nightly 2030 on 146.88 MHz.
- ◆ Newport WFO SKYWARN Net, Tuesday, 2100 on 145.21 MHz
- ◆ Carteret County ARS (CCARS) Emergency Net, Tuesdays, 1930 on the Newport 145.45 (-) MHz.
- ◆ Coastal Emergency Linking Net, Wednesday, 2100 ET on Williamston 145.410 & 444.250, Columbia 146.835 & 443.300, Rocky Mount 147.120, Ahoskie 146.910, Franklin, VA 147.300, Farmville 145.270
- ◆ Beaufort County Emergency Communications Net, Thursday 2000 on 147.345 MHz. Preceded by Newsmen at 1930.

HF

- ◆ Tar Heel Emergency Communications Net on 3923 kHz Nightly 1930.

NTS CW Nets

- ◆ 3.695 2000 hours, slow speed (5-8 wpm) Carolinas Slow Net
- ◆ 3.573 1900 hours, high speed (20 wpm)
- ◆ 3.573 2200 hours, slow speed (12-14 wpm), South Carolina/North Carolina

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 9.	Regular Meeting	Aug 27.	Board Meeting
July 13-14	IARU HF Contest	Aug 31.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline
July 20.	Cary Hamfest	Aug 31– Sep 1.	Shelby Hamfest
July 20-21	CQ WW VHF Contest	Sep 10.	Regular Meeting
July 30.	Board Meeting	Sep 14-15	ARRL VHF QSO Party
Aug 3.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline	Sep 24.	Board Meeting
Aug 3-4	ARRL UHF Contest	Sep 28.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline
Aug 13.	Regular Meeting	Sep 28-29	VA Beach HF www.vahamfest.com
Aug 16.	BARC VE Session	Sep 28-29	CQ WW RTTY Contest

Regular Meeting - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Board Meeting - Last Tuesday @ 7:30 PM

BARC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 8:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
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