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FEBRUARY 2008

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. Thursday February 14 2008. Come early (6:30PM) and eat or ragchew. The Meeting Starts at 7:00 PM. All ICARS members and Families are encouraged to attend!

**Iredell County Amateur Radio Society Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2008**

The Iredell County Amateur Radio Society met January 10, 2008 at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Rick McClure KE4TEP called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. There were twelve (12) attending – nine (9) members and three (3) visitors.

Minutes – A motion that the minutes as published be approved was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer John Lamson WB4WRY was absent and Secretary Jim Hoke W4ONS read the written report that was prepared by the outgoing Treasurer Matthew Carbone K4NYP.

Previous Balance.....	\$247.60
Checks written.....	0.00
Deposits.....	0.00
Ending Balance.....	\$247.60

A motion that the report be accepted was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business – At the November 8, 2007 meeting, President Rick KE4TEP appointed Ralph Sparrow N4ACF, John Lamson WB4WRY, and John Yarbrough KR4RO to serve on the Audit and Budget Committees. Due to the absence of John WB4WRY and John KR4RO, Rick appointed Dennis White N4WHK and Don Summers W4DON to serve along with Ralph Sparrow N4ACF. The committee met before the meeting and reported that they discovered a twenty (20) cent error in arithmetic in the 2007 accounting report. The ending balance should be \$247.60 and not \$247.40. This figure ties with the December 31, 2007 bank statement.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Audit Committee's report.

The committee submitted a proposed budget for 2008 as follows;

Dues		\$650
Insurance	\$145	
Field Day Park	40	
Field Day Food	70	
Postage	20	
Memorial	50	
SERA Dues	20	
Ham of the Year	45	
Repairs	200	

Total	\$590	\$650
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A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2008 budget.

Banner – The need for a banner to use for Walk America, Field Day exercises, and other times when ICARS will be visible at public functions has been discussed previously. There is need for action and it is proposed that a vote be taken at the February meeting as to the banner's design and whether to proceed. It could be used at Walk America the second week in March. A motion was made and seconded to include a notice in the Iredell Wireless calling attention to this vote.

Technical Committee – The desense problem continues with the repeater. The Technical Committee recommends that we should first replace the antenna and if that does not solve the problem, then the transmission line will be replaced. Don W4DON gave a broad report of several antennas that are available to replace the existing repeater antenna. In order that he might narrow his search for an antenna, Don requested that those present set a maximum amount for the cost. Based on the available data, those present suggested a maximum cost for the antenna to be \$300. Rick stated he would like to set a goal to take care of this problem by the end of the first quarter. A vote will be taken at the February meeting as to how to proceed. A notice will be placed in the Iredell Wireless to alert everyone of the proposed vote.

ARES – Dennis N4WHK reported that the number of check-ins to the ARES net continues to be very low.

New Business – Field Day exercises. Dennis N4WHK is the Field Day chairman. Don W4DON reported that Parks and Recreation will let him know by Monday whether there will be any problem allowing ICARS to use McClure Park as in the past. Tim KC4MJC will take care of logging and Rick KE4TEP will be PR man unless there is another volunteer. Rick will be security guard again and spend the night with the equipment.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 14, 2008 at Julia's Tally House at 7:00 PM. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Secretary, Jim Hoke, CPBE, W4ONS

ICARS
FM and HF Nets
February 2008
 Please sign up for one or more dates.
Net Manager: W4DON

2m FM Net 2100 L 146.685		10m CW Net 2000 L 28.150		10m SSB Net 2100 L 28.468	
Date	NCS	Date	NCS	Date	NCS
		2	WB4WRY	2	W4DON
6	KF4AEX	9	WB4WRY	9	KE4TEP
13	KC4MJC	16	WB4WRY	16	AG4AU
20	KC4MJC	23	W4DON	23	N4ACF
27	KE4TEP				

If you're unable to call your Net find a replacement NCS.
 NCS please give a 5 minute notice before net time. Call your Net on time.

ARES Training Net each Monday at 2100 L

Items of interest from the January ICARS Meeting

Both items taken from the Minutes of the January 10 2008 meeting.

By Jim Hoke, W4ONS Secretary

(Thanks Jim. KC4MJC)

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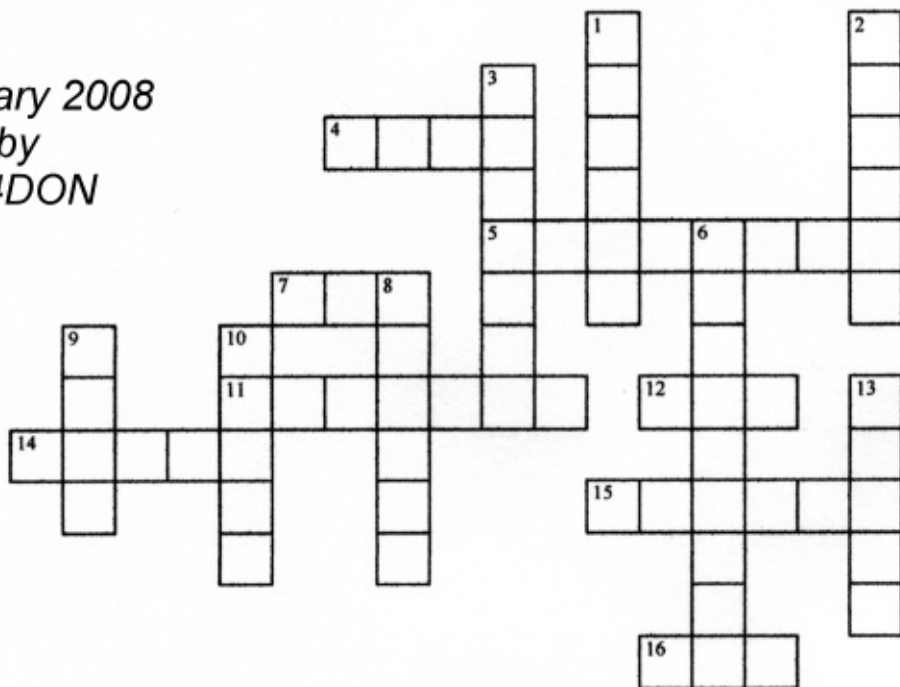
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Anyone having designs for the banner, bring them to the meeting

Thursday for consideration. Tim KC4MJC

UNITS, COMPONENTS & ELEMENTS

February 2008
by
W4DON



ACROSS

- 4 LIMITS
- 5 BOARD
- 7 RESISTANCE
- 11 TRANSISTOR
- 12 LIGHT
- 14 FET
- 15 CAPACITOR
- 16 CONTACTS

DOWN

- 1 CURRENT
- 2 SWITCH
- 3 TUBE
- 6 HIGH-LOW
- 8 WAVELENGTH
- 9 LINE
- 10 INDUCTANCE
- 13 CAPACITANCE

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