

# *IREDELL WIRELESS*

Newsletter

W4SNC 146.685- Repeater

Published monthly as a service to the Iredell County Amateur Radio Community  
By the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society (ICARS)  
P.O. Box 142 Statesville NC 28687

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President: Rick McClure, KE4TEP~~Vice-President, Dennis White N4WHK  
Secretary: Jim Hoke, W4ONS~~Treasurer: John Lamson, WB4WRY  
Members-at-Large: Don Summers, W4DON~~Tim Misenheimer, KC4MJC

Wireless Editor, Tim Misenheimer KC4MJC

## **MAY 2008**

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. Thursday May 8, 2008. Come early (6:30PM) and eat or rag chew. The Meeting Starts at 7:00 PM.  
*All ICARS members and Families are encouraged to attend!*

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

The Iredell county Amateur Radio Society met at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Rick McClure, KE4TEP called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and asked everyone to introduce themselves. There were eleven (11) attending – nine (9) members and two (2) visitors.

**Minutes** – A motion to approve the March 13, 2008 minutes as published was made and seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – In the absence of Treasurer, John WB4WRY, Secretary, JimW4ONS read John's written report dated April 10, 2008.

Beginning Balance.....	\$509.80
Deposits Donation.....	\$100.00
Dues.....	\$24.00
Check written.....	None
Ending Balance.....	\$633.80

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

**Old Business** –

**Walk America March of Dimes** -- Dennis N4WHK reported that even though we had rain, the event was held. Six (6) hams participated. Everything proceeded as planned. In addition to serving the community, everyone had fun.

**ARES** – Dennis N4WHK Nothing new to report. He stated that he plans to put together an e-mail to send to members and other interested parties. This e-mail will serve to bring everyone up to speed regarding ARES activities. The next meeting is set for the fourth Monday of April.

**Web Site** – Tim KC4MJC said the web site is now working as planned. The address is simply [www.w4snc.org](http://www.w4snc.org).

**Technical** – Tim KC4MJC reported in the absence of Don W4DON. The desense problem is still present. The replacement antenna has been received but not installed. During windy conditions one evening, there appeared to be a much more severe problem. Due to many concerns including but not limited to RF radiation from the WSIC tower, TV station, and unknown others, it is agreed that we must hire a professional climber who is knowledgeable and capable of dealing with these problems. The need to find another suitable site must be explored.

**Field Day** – Set up will be the same as last year. Set up is scheduled for Friday, June 27, starting at 2:00PM.

**Insurance** -- At the March 13, 2008 meeting, Secretary Jim W4ONS was directed to contact our insurance agent and increase the ICARS liability insurance to \$1,000,000 each occurrence/ \$2,000,000 aggregate with an annual premium of \$158. Jim reported that this change has been made and became effective March 19, 2008.

**IRS Tax exempt 501 (c) (3) Status** – Secretary Jim W4ONS reported that he has filed the required annual Form 990-N electronic notice (e-Postcard). The IRS has notified us that our filing was accepted March 25, 2008. This is a new procedure and the deadline for ICARS to file each year is May 15.

Larry WD4LXC reported Journey's would be pleased for us to demonstrate amateur radio for the residents. Plans are for those who wish to participate will gather at Journey's 8:00AM Saturday, April 26, 2008. The plans are to set up an operating station with either a wire antenna or a tower and beam. Rick said he will send an e-mail with details to confirm the plans.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 8, 2008 at Julia's Tally House at 7:00PM. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46PM.

Secretary Jim Hoke, CPBE, W4ONS

2008 Dues Paid by:

AC4AS, AG4AU, K4NYP, KC4DBZ-W, KC4MJC, KD4IIQ, KE4ERH, KE4TEP, KG4DKN, KI4CGY, KI4YV, N4KYV, N4ACF, N4WHK, N8RDP, N9JL, W4DON-L, W4ONS, WA8JC2, WB4WRY, WD4LXC, Robert Sholders

Please print out the enclosed ICARS Membership Application form and pass it along to someone who has expressed interest in joining our club. Print extras!

PLEASE HAVE ALL SUBMISSIONS FOR THE **JUNE** IREDELL WIRELESS TO ME BY **JUNE 6 2008**. THANKS

**ICARS  
FM and HF Nets  
2008**

**May**

*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
		3	WB4WRY - John	3	KE4TEP- Rick
7	N4KYV - Kevin	10	W4DON - Don	10	N4ACF - Ralph
14	KE4TEP - Rick	17	WB4WRY - John	17	W4DON - Don
21	KC4MJC - Tim	24	WB4WRY - John	24	KF4AEX - Russ
28	W4ONS - Jim	31	WB4WRY - John	31	N4ACF - Ralph

*"Thank you for volunteering"*

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ARES Training Net each Monday at 2100 L

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**  
**into the**  
**IREDELL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**  
**P.O.BOX 142**  
**Statesville, NC 28687**

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Call sign (if licensed): \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Copy of my License is attached: ( ) Yes

Applicant's age: (check one) ( ) – under 18 ( ) – over 18

Type of membership applied for: (check one)

( ) **Regular** - Member holding a valid FCC amateur license, or who has expressed a significant interest in amateur radio communication and who has paid Society membership Dues, Fee and assessments in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws. Only Regular members shall have voting privileges.

( ) **Patron** - Member which is a recognized organization, institution, company, association, partnership or corporation which demonstrates interest in furthering the purpose and objectives of the Society. The submission of a completed application form signed by an authorized officer of the organization and payment of dues is required.

( ) **Honorary** - Member having no privileges, Dues, Fee or Assessments. (For dignitaries only)

**Dues** - That sum of money paid by all Regular, and Patron members to pay for yearly operating costs of the Society such as; insurance, printings, social, etc.

**Fee** - That sum of money paid by all Regular members holding a Technician or higher license and being 18 years or older, used to pay for the Repeater and its accessories and new additions in the future to the Society Equipment Inventory when approved.

**Dues and Fee:** (Check appropriate item according to the type membership you chose.)

**Regular Member:**

( ) – Non-licensed member under 18 years of age, \$12.00 per year Dues. No Fee.

( ) – Non-licensed member over 18 years of age, \$24.00 per year Dues. No Fee.

( ) – Technician or higher under 18 years of age, \$12.00 per year Dues. No Fee

( ) – Technician or higher over 18 years of age, \$24.00 per year Dues and a one time only Fee of \$30.00; which may be paid in 12 equal monthly installments of \$2.50.

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**Patron Member:**

( ) - \$15.00 per year Dues. No Fee.

**Honorary Member:**

( ) - No Dues, Fees. or Assessments.

**Dues Prorate Policy:**

Dues are payable in January of each year, but if you join in the course of a year the following rates apply till the following January when Dues become due in full amount.

If I join in \_\_\_\_\_ my Dues will be \_\_\_\_\_ dollars submitted with Application:  
(month)

January	\$24	July	\$12
February	\$22	August	\$10
March	\$20	September	\$8
April	\$18	October	\$6
May	\$16	November	\$4
June	\$14	December	\$2

**Statement of understanding:**

I have received and read a current copy of the "Articles of Organization and By-Laws" for the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society (ICARS) and fully understand all articles and sections therein. I also agree to abide by the current Federal Communications Commissions "Rules and Regulations" governing the Amateur Radio Service.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Pledge:** For payment of Fee: (You must check one and sign below)

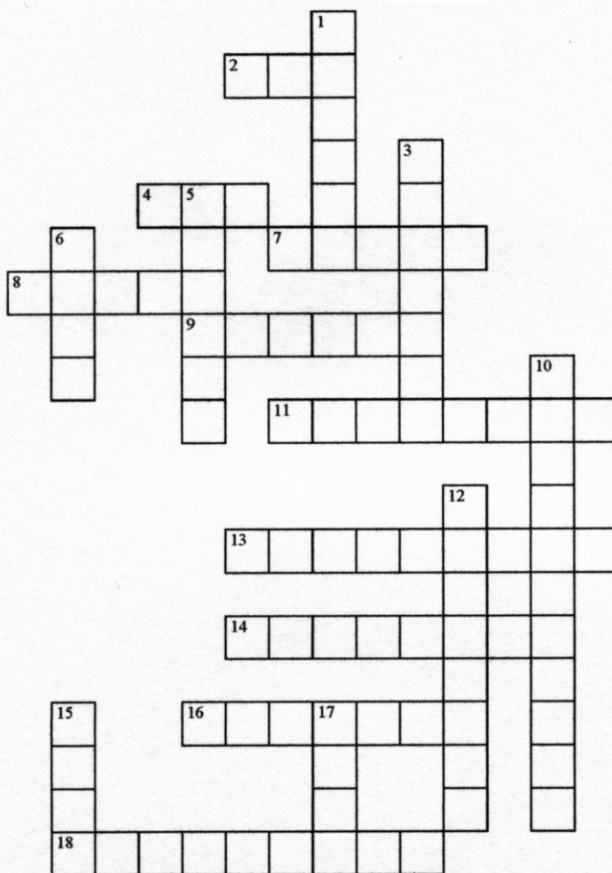
- ( ) -Technician or higher applicant 18 years of age or over. Upon acceptance into the Society I agree to pay the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society a onetime Fee of thirty dollars (\$30).
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This \$30 Fee may be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) each.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# X-wOrd Puzzle

## f Antenna Terms



### ACROSS

- 2 Inverted
- 4 1.5:1
- 7 "L"
- 8 Cloud-warmer
- 9 Bi-directional
- 11 Omni-directional
- 13 "Z"
- 14 XC = XL
- 16 1, 2 OR 3 Curtain(s)
- 18 Non-conductor

### DOWN

- 1 SO-239
- 3 "I"
- 5 Off-center-fed
- 6 Unbalanced
- 10 "C"
- 12 Twin-lead
- 15 Japanese inventor
- 17 Antenna support

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