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Secretary: Greg Cason KJ4ENR~~Treasurer: John Lamson, WB4WRY
Members-at-Large: Tim Misenheimer, KC4MJC ~~Howard Hecht W1HO

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NOVEMBER 2009

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. November 12, 2009. 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
October 8, 2009

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 7:03pm. There were eighteen (18) attending – twelve (12) members and six (6) visitors. Rick asked everyone to introduce him or herself.

Minutes- A motion to approve the September 10, 2009 minutes, as published, was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – John Lamson, WB4WRY, presented and submitted a report dated October 8, 2009.

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

Technical – Don, W4DON, reported:

1. The cavaties were taken to the Ten-Tec Hamfest but did not sale.
2. Both of the MaxRad antennas were listed on EBay and sold. Don is waiting on the payment to arrive.
3. The gremlin persists on the repeater. It was suggested that perhaps the Shelby Amateur Radio Club could be invited to come up and attempt to locate the source of the interference since they are involved in fox-hunting.
4. MPE calculations have been done for the antennas that will be used for JOTA.

ARES – Dennis, N4WHK, reported:

1. The nationwide Simulated Emergency Test (SET) was held on October 3rd, and Dennis received positive comments from David Martin.
2. The Rowan county EC, Gary Lange, K4GHL, informed Dennis that they are trying to organize their SET for sometime in October or November and would like Iredell County to participate.
3. The state ARES meeting will be held on Saturday, October 17th, in Morganton.

Website – Tim, KC4MJC, reported:

1. The 2009 Field Day photos have been posted on the W4SNC.org website.

Old & New Business

Barney Wilborg, KL7HNY, submitted an application for membership into ICARS. A motion was made to accept Barney into the club. The motion was seconded and carried. Welcome to the club, Barney.

John Yarbrough, KR4RO, has re-joined ICARS. Welcome back , John.

Rick, Ralph and Dennis have agreed to serve on the Audit and Budget committees.

The Nominating Chair for the Executive Board and Member-at-Large positions is John, WB4WRY. The committee will also include Rick, KE4TEP and Ed, K4ELP.

The positions to be filled for 2010 are President, Vice President and one Member-at-Large position.

Per Jim, W4ONS, Membership applications are filed away after they are submitted and no one has access to the information. Perhaps Tim could interview applicants and post some info about members in the Iredell Wireless. Page 3 of the application could also be read during the regular club meeting so we all could learn about the applicant.

JOTA – Howard, W1HO reported:

1. ICARS has been invited to set up a Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) station at the Gemstone district's Jamboree that will occur at Allison Woods from Friday, October 16th till Sunday, October 18th. Three hundred scouts are anticipated.
2. Howard, Rick, Don and Dick made a site visit to Allison Woods for planning purposes.
3. Scout leaders are OK with allowing the scouts to send emails via Winlink.
4. Howard will setup an APRS station.
5. There is a possibility that Howard will attempt a satellite contact.
6. There will be four operating positions (75m SSB, 40m SSB, 40m CW, 20m SSB).
7. We will setup at the southern end of the runway.
8. Iredell County Emergency Management is loaning us emergency lighting with a diesel generator for the event in addition to the equipment for wireless internet access.
9. Setup will begin around noon on Friday, October 16.
10. We will have direct communications with EOC via a radio supplied by Raymond, KG4RZU.
11. We are expected to monitor the weather along with the shift supervisor at EOC.
12. Volunteers are needed to operate the radios and also to answer questions that the kids may have.
13. Howard will furnish one or more displays covering the hobby.
14. Third party communications must only be with countries that have a third party agreement with the USA.
15. Licensed operators can talk to the countries where no third party agreement exists.
16. Third party traffic with England is ok.
17. Howard will have third party country lists available at the operating positions along with rules and regulations.
18. We will be using the K2BSA/4 event callsign which will be valid from midnight Friday until midnight Sunday.
19. Since K2BSA/4 will be in demand we will be on the air even when the scouts are not present.
20. The most activity is expected between 3 and 4pm and after 9pm on Saturday.
21. Webelos will be the youngest campers and should always be accompanied by adults. The older boy scouts should use the buddy system and not travel alone.
22. K2BSA/5 in Texas will attempt an ISS contact. We will listen in over the internet via the Amsat website.
23. Please bring tables and chairs when you come out to the site.
24. Bring your own rig if you feel uncomfortable operating an unfamiliar rig.

25. The entrance to Allison Woods is to the right just after crossing the South Yadkin River Bridge. Turn t the right after crossing the spillway, the road will end at the runway. Turn right and drive along the edge to the south end of the runway.
26. The plan is to be on the air beginning at 9am on Saturday.
27. Rick will bring 3 laptops for logging. Paper logs will also be available.
28. One of the scout leaders has made a QSL card and we will send one to those that ask for it.
29. We have permission to use the Mt. Mitchell repeater as an intercom with the other local JOTA stations.
30. As Control operator, Howard can delegate the responsibility to others so that operating can continue if Howard isn't there.
31. Recommended frequencies for JOTA contacts is in the General class range.
32. Only ICARS members can participate in setup and tear-down due to liability insurance issues.

The revised Membership Application was tabled since additional changes have been proposed. We will discuss and vote on the revised application at the November meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:20pm. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Cason, KJ4ENR
Secretary

NRA's 138th Birthday
Special Event Operation
Tuesday - November 17, 2009

The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club, Prescott, AZ, will operate a special event operation on **Nov. 17, 2009**, to celebrate the NRA's 138th birthday. The operation will take place from **1500 – 2300 UTC** (1000 – 1800 EST) on the following frequencies: **7.250, 14.250, 21.335** mHz. Mark your calendar today.

To obtain a certificate for a contact, send a 9" x 12" SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) to:

Michael Campbell, K7NRA, 404 Lampliter Village, Clarkdale, AZ 86324

For more details, contact: John Broughton, WB9VGJ

wb9vgj@arrl.net

Credit: http://www.w7yrc.org/nra_birthday.htm

The Nominating committee has secured the following list of nominees for
ICARS Officers for 2010

President- Don Summers W4DON

Vice President- Jim Hoke W4ONS

Secretary- Tim Misenheimer KC4MJC

Treasurer- John Lamson WB4WRY

Member at Large- Greg Cason KJ4ENR

Member at large serving 2nd year- Howard Hecht W1HO

Past President serving on the board for 2010- Rick McClure KE4TEP

**Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the November 12 2009
ICARS meeting.**

Be there to make your vote count.

**ICARS WILL ALSO BE TAKING COMMENTS AND VOTING
ON THE ADDITIONS TO THE
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM.**

**YOU CAN VIEW THE PROPOSED CHANGES ON THE NEXT
PAGES OF THE WIRELESS.**

Proposed Revisions
to be voted upon
November 12th



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
December 1, 2009
IREDELL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
P.O.BOX 142
Statesville, NC 28687
www.w4snc.org

Name of applicant: _____

Address of applicant: _____

_____ Zip: _____

Phone Number(s) Home: _____ Business: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address (if any): _____

Call sign (if licensed): _____ Expiration Date: _____

Copy of my license is attached: () -Yes **Mugshot of yourself attached for Directory: () -Yes**

Month and year first licensed? Month: _____ Year _____

Applicant's age: (check one) () - under 18 () - over 18 ARRL member: () -Yes () -No

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: (See next page. Check appropriate item according to the type membership you chose.)

Regular Member: (check one)

- 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.

Patron Member:

- \$15.00 per year Dues. No Fee.

Honorary Member: (For dignitaries only)

- No Dues, Fees. or Assessments.

Dues Prorate Policy: (For first time applicants only.)

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).
- Technician or higher applicant under 18 years of age. Upon acceptance into the Society I agree to pay the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society a onetime Fee of thirty dollars (\$30) when I become 18 years of age.
- Non-licensed applicant over 18 years of age. Upon acceptance into the Society I agree to pay the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society a onetime Fee of thirty dollars (\$30) when I obtain a Technician or higher amateur license.
- Non-licensed applicant under 18 years of age. Upon acceptance in the Society I agree to pay the Iredell County Amateur Radio Society a onetime Fee of thirty dollars (\$30) when I obtain a Technician or higher amateur license and become 18 years of age.

This \$30 Fee may be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) each.

Signature _____ Date _____

My call sign: _____

Other organizations, list most recent first, I'm a member of and have been a member of:

Organization	Position Held	#Years

Proposed
 ADDITIONAL PAGE
 to Member Application
 to be voted upon
 November 12th

My interests in amateur radio are: (√ all that apply)

√	Interest	Modes / Types	Comments (Be specific)
	HF		
	VHF		
	UHF		
	Wire Antennas		
	Beam Antennas		
	Vertical Antennas		
	Field Day Oprn.		
	ARES		www.iredellares.org/index.htm
	AMSAT		www.amsat.org/amsat-new/index.php
	Fox Hunting		www.homingin.com
	Elmering		
	Net Control Station		
	Present'g Programs		
	Instructing Classes		
	Message Handling		
	FISTS CW Club	CW only	www.fists.org
	Learning Morse		
	SKCC	CW only	www.skccgroup.com
	Working DX		
	QRP		
	WAS		
	WAC		
	PSK31		
	Holding an Office		

ICARS FM and HF Nets



November 2009

Net Manager: W4DON

Wednesday 2m FM Net 2100 L 146.685 77.0 Hz		Saturday 10m CW Net 2000 L 28.150		Saturday 10m SSB Net 2100 L 28.468 USB	
Date	NCS	Date	NCS	Date	NCS
4	N4ACF	7	WB4WRY	7	N4ACF
11	KC4MJC	14	W4DON	14	WB4WRY
18	W1HO	21	N4WHK	21	W4DON
25	WB4WRY	28	NO NET	28	NO NET
			<i>THANKSGIVING WE</i>		<i>THANKSGIVING WE</i>

Thanks for volunteering to be a NCS

NCS please give a 5 minute notice before net time.

If you're unable to call your Net find a replacement NCS.

If the scheduled NCS does not show any member may call the Net

Effective June 2009: No volunteer on a date indicates that Net won't be called on that date.

Christmas Party 7:00PM, Thursday December 10th, 2009 at Julia's Talley House.

Don't forget to file your Net Report with N4WHK & W4DON

ARES Training Net each Monday at 2100 L

ICARS was organized on September 9, 1976
Nets have been running since 1977