



# IREDELL WIRELESS

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## March 2011

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House.  
March 10, 2011. 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!

*ICARS Website*

[www.w4snc.org](http://www.w4snc.org)

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Secretary: Tim Misenheimer, KC4MJC~~Treasurer: Rick McClure, KE4TEP  
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the first Thursday of each month.

# Iredell County Amateur Radio Society

## February 10 2011 Meeting Minutes

For the March 10 2011 ICARS Meeting

The Iredell County Amateur Radio society met at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Don Summers, W4DON, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Don then asked for introductions.

Guest, Berry May, KC4SSS from W4BFB Club in Charlotte then stood and asked the members present if anyone would be willing to volunteer time to work at the Charlotte hamfest. He stated there were numerous 2 hour time slots available. Barry said that anyone volunteering to work would get a free ticket to the hamfest. After that announcement, introductions were completed. There were 11 members and 3 guest's present.

**Minutes** – Don, W4DON asked if everyone had read the minutes as posted in the last Iredell Wireless. Don then asked for a motion to accept the minutes as posted. Motion was made, seconded and approved.

**Treasurers Report**-Rick McClure KE4TEP gave a written report:

**Old Business** – W4DON asked Rick, as of February 10 2011, how much has been collected toward the Antenna replacement fund. Rick reported that \$XXX.00 had been donated as of Feb.10.

**New Business** – Don reported that he found a 50 foot tower (four 10 foot sections and a top section) Roan 25 with base plate and wall mounting bracket. Very good condition. Don bought the tower for \$250.00 and has offered it to the Society at that same price. As stated in the *Major Project Guidelines* adopted by the Society, any purchases the Society wishes to make that costs over one hundred dollars (\$100.00) the item description with photo's, has to be published in the Society newsletter, discussed by the Society at the next meeting and then voted on. A description of said tower with photo's follow the minutes, and will be published in the Iredell Wireless.

Howard W1HO then reported that a large Scouting Jamboree will be held in Denton NC, on April 29th 30th and May 1th. ICARS and other area amateur radio clubs have been asked to help. Contact Howard W1HO for more information.

**Audit Committee Report** – Jim Hoke W4ONS, Audit Committee Chairman, Grant Russell KB3EMT, Pat Robinson N2MRI and Rick McClure KE4TEP 2011 ICARS Treasurer, met to audit the ICARS 2010 books. With the information provided, the committee determined, the Society's books appear to be in good order.

**March Program** - Provided by Tim Slay N4IB. Duke Energy's radio System, Harris Open SKY  
*Howard then provided the program for this month.*

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**Committee Reports – Only Committees with reports are listed.**

**Emergency Preparation** – March of Dimes is coming up sometime in April. Not sure of the date. Dennis, N4WHK stated that there were some people who have not completed all of their ICS courses. 100, 200, 700 and 800. He asked if anyone would be interested in holding a one or two day class to complete these courses. If interested, contact Dennis via e-mail.

Motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted

*Tim Misenheimer* KC4MJC

Secretary



March ICARS Meeting  
Vote on motion to purchase Rohn 25G Tower & Base Plate  
**\$889 value for \$250**

Payment method:  
\$125 from ICARS 2011 \$704 Budget  
and  
\$125 from Fund earmarked for ARES

4 x 10' and 1 x 9'  
Total 49 ½ Feet  
Condition: 9.5 on scale of 10  
Sections mated and labeled



Under New Business  
At ICARS February 10, 2011 Meeting

Major Project Purchase Notification

During first week of February I located a good used Rohn 25G 50 foot tower with a hinged base plate. Condition is 9.5 of scale of 10. A rotator **mounting plate** and **five sets of tower bolts/nuts** will need to be purchased separately. **Four iron base plate stakes** and **three iron guying stakes** will need to be fabricated if the Society purchases this tower. This would increase the Society's Rohn 25G tower inventory to three, two 39 footers and one 49 footer. Their purpose is to support the three Hy-Gain Yagi Beams and three rotators during Field Day operations and other events.

The tower and base plate are available for purchase by the Society at a **\$639 savings**. Society gets first choice. If Society doesn't purchase tower and base plate they will be sold to someone else.

Members will have a chance to vote YES or NO on the purchase of tower and base plate at the March meeting if a motion is made and seconded tonight. W4DON, owner.

Below is an itemized list.

<b>Used Rohn 25G Tower and Hinged Base Plate Sale</b>			
Tower	Amount	Retail Cost	Total
Rohn 25G 10 Foot	4	\$ 120.00	\$ 480.00
Rohn Top Section 9 Foot	1	185.00	185.00
Rohn Hinged Base Plate	1	224.00	224.00
<b>Total Retail Cost</b>			<b>\$ 889.00</b>
<b>SOCIETY Price</b>	<b>Savings of ~ 72 %</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>250.00</b>
Includes: 50' Tower and Hinged Base Plate			

Summary:

Under New Business a motion was made and seconded to bring discussion of tower Purchase to the floor. Short discussion followed. No one at meeting opposed the purchase. Method(s) of payment was discussed.

Motion and vote to purchase the above items will be handled at the March Meeting.

To meet Major Project Purchase Notification requires this Notice must be published in the March Wireless. Photos and info can be found elsewhere in this Wireless.

# I C A R S FM and HF Nets YEAR MARCH

*Net Manager: W4DON*

2 METER FM NET 2100 HOURS		10 METER SSB NET 2030 HOURS	
WEDNESDAY		SATURDAY	
2	KC4MJC	5	WB4WRY
9	W4DON	12	KC4MJC (?)
16	WB4WRY	19	W4DON
23	KE4TEP	26	N4ACF
30	N4ACF		

*Thanks for volunteering to be a NCS*

Call your Net on time

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

NCS please give a 5 minute notice before net time.

**Don't forget to file your Net Report to N4WHK**

ICARS was organized on September 9, 1976

Nets have been running since 1977

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