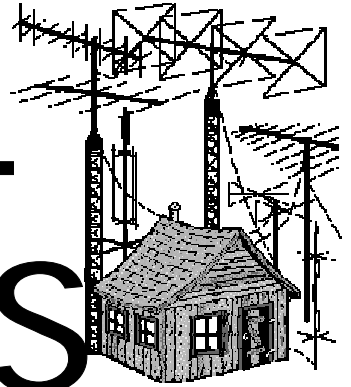




# IREDELL WIRELESS



**W4SNC**

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**February 2005**

This month's Meeting will be  
held on February 10 2005 at  
Julia's Tally House  
6:00PM-Eat 7:00pm Meeting

## **Committee Chairmen**

**Technical Committee-----Don Summers, W4DON**  
**Field Day----- Tim Misenheimer, KC4MJC**  
**Others To be announced.**

TIME TO PAY DUES. \$15.00

**IREDELL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY  
JANUARY 13 2005  
MEETING MINUTES**

The Iredell County Amateur Radio Society met at back at Julia's Tally House for the January 13, 2005 meeting. There were 10 members and two visitors present. President Margie Persons, KE4YWO called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Margie asked if everyone had received his or her Iredell Wireless Newsletter. Margie then asked for approval of last month's meeting minutes, as printed in the December Wireless. It was noted that the meeting date was wrong on the January Iredell Wireless. With that correction made the minutes were approved. The next order of business was the treasurer's report. John Lamson, WB4WRY Treasurer reported a beginning balance of \$93.85. One check written for the Ham of the Year plaque. That amounted to \$41.20. We had one deposit of membership dues and fees in the amount of \$75.00. That left ICARS with a balance of \$127.20. A motion was made then seconded to accept the report. The Treasurers report was unanimously accepted. The Ham of the Year plaque had an error on it. Don Summers, W4DON won the award but the plaque had Don's call as WD4DON. The correction will be made and the plaque presented to Don next month. Tim Slay, N1IB had a good program on his expensive monopole tower installation!!! Using his laptop and screen projector onto back wall to show pictures of the setup. The meeting was then adjourned.

Tim Misenheimer KC4MJC Secretary

*Secretary note*

*In the absence of the Secretary, the minutes of this meeting were taken from notes provided by John, WB4WRY and Don, W4DON. If any additions or corrections need to be made, I will do so in the minutes of next month's meeting.*

Tim, KC4MJC

So far eight ICARS members have paid 2005 dues !!

Sent: Friday, January 07, 2005 8:30 AM

**New York's Con Edison to End DC Power Distribution**

New York - Jan 2, 2005 - The *New York Times* reports that Con Edison will cease providing direct current power feeds by the end of 2005. The event will have an effect on only a few customers, but traces its origins to the first electric power plant built by Thomas Edison.

Built at 255-57 Pearl Street, which today lies under a parking lot, Edison focused on providing electrical power to the light bulbs that he had developed. He picked a 50-block area in Lower Manhattan to lay 14 miles of underground copper wire.

The switch was thrown on Sept. 4, 1882, to illuminate 800 bulbs downtown. The *New York Times* was one of Edison's first customers.

DC power distribution was short-lived because dc power does not travel well over distances. Westinghouse promoted the use of ac for this reason.

About 1,600 customers still receive dc power in New York. All are in Manhattan, scattered among Upper West Side apartment houses, Garment District loft buildings, hotels and brownstones. The use of provided dc is typically limited for motors of century-old elevators or fire pumps. Con Ed has been trying to wean these final customers for the past five years.

Con Ed has not distributed dc power to consumers for 20 years. The remaining customers are receiving ac that is rectified through underground systems. DC power is not completely doomed; the subway system still operates on dc and will continue to do so.

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Contributed by Jim Hoke, W4ONS

**ICARS NETS**

**2 Meter FM Net on 146.685 Repeater. Wednesday Night at 9:00 PM.**

**10 Meter CW Net On 28.150, Saturday Night at 8:00 PM.**

**10 Meter SSB Net on 28.468, Saturday Night at 9:00 PM.**

| Dates          | Type | Event and Contact   | Location   |
|----------------|------|---|--|
| 20 Feb 2005    | *    | Virginia Section Convention (Frostfest 2005)<br>Richmond Amateur Telecommunications Society<br><a href="http://www.Frostfest.com">http://www.Frostfest.com</a><br><b>Talk-In:</b> 146.88 - 74.4<br><b>Contact:</b> Phil Davis, KD4BMQ<br>29 Little Falls Lane<br>Rockville, VA 23146<br>Phone: 804-334-0051<br>Fax: 208-730-9313<br>Email: <a href="mailto:phil@teledyme.com">phil@teledyme.com</a> | Richmond, VA<br>The Showplace<br>3000 Mechanicsville (Route 360)<br><b>Div:</b> Roanoke<br><b>Sect:</b> Virginia                   |
| 6 Mar 2005     | +    | Down East Hamfest<br>Down East Hamfest Association<br><a href="http://www.downeasthamfest.org/">http://www.downeasthamfest.org/</a><br><b>Talk-In:</b> 146.685 (88.5 Hz), 145.21<br><b>Contact:</b> Jean DuPree, KB4OHX<br>PO Box 1778<br>Kinston, NC 28503<br>Phone: 252-523-2703<br>Email: <a href="mailto:jeanhd@icomnet.com">jeanhd@icomnet.com</a>   | Kinston, NC<br>Lenoir County Fairgrounds<br>Fairgrounds Road<br><b>Div:</b> Roanoke<br><b>Sect:</b> North Carolina                 |
| 12-13 Mar 2005 | *    | North Carolina State Convention<br>Mecklenburg ARS<br><a href="http://www.w4bfb.org/hamfest">http://www.w4bfb.org/hamfest</a><br><b>Talk-In:</b> 145.290 (-600)<br><b>Contact:</b> Mary Hunt, N4MH<br>16007 Wynfield Creek Parkway<br>Huntersville, NC 28078<br>Phone: 704-948-7373<br>Email: <a href="mailto:n4mh@w4bfb.org">n4mh@w4bfb.org</a>  | Charlotte, NC<br>Charlotte Merchandise Mart<br>2500 East Independence Blvd.<br><b>Div:</b> Roanoke<br><b>Sect:</b> North Carolina  |
| 13 Mar 2005    | +    | Winterfest 2005<br>Vienna Wireless Society<br><a href="http://www.viennawireless.org">http://www.viennawireless.org</a><br><b>Talk-In:</b> 146.31/.91<br><b>Contact:</b> James L. Richey, AG4MA<br>4402 Roundhill Road<br>Alexandria, VA 22310<br>Phone: 703-971-4812<br>Email: <a href="mailto:W4JTP@parsonage.net">W4JTP@parsonage.net</a>  | Annandale, VA<br>Northern Virginia Community College<br>8333 Little River Turnpike<br><b>Div:</b> Roanoke<br><b>Sect:</b> Virginia |

**IREDELL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY  
VOICE NET FORMAT**

This is station **W4SNC** your net control station calling the ICARS (2 meter FM) (10 meter SSB ) net at \_\_\_\_\_ hours local time. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and my call is \_\_\_\_\_.

This net meets weekly at this time for the purpose of handling traffic, passing club information, training and general rag chew.

This net is provided by ICARS as a service to the amateur radio community. All radio amateurs are invited to check in and participate in this net.

If you are a newcomer to the net please check in with your call sign, name and location.

This is a directed net and stations are requested to check in according to the first letter of your call suffix.

Any station with formal traffic call **W4SNC** (Wait for checkins—then acknowledge checkins)

Any station with club announcements or training call **W4SNC** (wait for checkins then acknowledge)

Stations alpha through mike to enter the net call **W4SNC** ( Acknowledge each station by call sign)

Stations November through Zulu to enter the net call **W4SNC** ( Acknowledge each station)

Additional stations alpha through Zulu to enter the net call **W4SNC** (At this point go back and route formal traffic, if any and then pass club announcements, then call for training.)

This is net control station **W4SNC** calling for any other stations to enter the net? ( Acknowledge any new stations)

This is (your call and name\_\_\_\_\_).

At this point go back to the top of the check-in list and give each station a turn for comments.

About half way through the list, ask for additional stations to enter the net.

After all stations have had a turn....

This is the final call for check-ins to the ICARS\_\_\_\_\_ net.

This is **W4SNC** now closing the (2 meter FM) ( 10 meter SSB ) net at \_\_\_\_\_ hours

Local time. This net will meet next week at \_\_\_\_\_ hours local time. We would Also like to invite you to join our other nets at (mention other nets and times).

This is **W4SNC** net control station thanking everyone for checking in and now

Turning the frequency over to normal amateur use. 73's (your call and name)\_\_\_\_\_ clear.

*Revised April 16 2003*