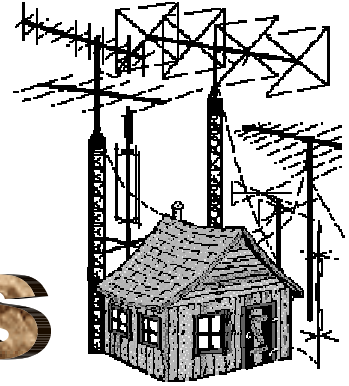


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Special thanks to Mike Gaither, KC4KSX for printing the Iredell Wireless.

MAY 2007

This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. Thursday May 10, 2007. Come early (6:00PM) and eat or ragchew. The Meeting Starts at 7:00 PM. All ICARS members are encouraged to attend!

Iredell County Amateur Radio Society Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2007

The Iredell County Amateur Radio Society Meeting met April 12, 2007 at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Rick McClure, KE4TEP called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and asked everyone to introduce themselves. There were (10) members and (3) visitors present for a total of (13) thirteen.

Minutes – Don, W4DON stated that a correction for the minutes was in order. Under the heading “Technical”, the estimated cost to complete the antenna boxes will be \$50.00 per box for three (3) boxes, not \$50.00 total as recorded. A motion to approve the minutes with the correction was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Matt Carbone K4NYP submitted a written report dated April 12, 2007. In Matt's absence, Secretary Jim Hoke W4ONS read his report

Previous Balance.....	\$552.08
Checks Written.....	None
Deposit Dues and donations.....	\$110.00
Ending Balance.....	\$662.08

A motion to approve the report was made and seconded. Motion carried.

Technical Committee – Don W4DON reported that the boxes for the beams are under construction. Rick reported Box #1 is just about complete and he will pick up the materials to construct the other two on Saturday. We are now waiting for completion of the plate for one of the towers. We need another rotator and controller. Please contact Don if you have something available.

Field Day – Dennis N4WHK reported everything is under control at this point. Don W4DON is taking care of public relations. He proposes to have a table set up with a display and handouts. Tim KC4MJC will take care of rules and logging. Tim said he is in need of another laptop for backup. He has four laptops committed for logging at this time.

ARES – Rick KE4TEP reported that on Saturday, Area 11 is having a staff meeting and he will have a report at next ICARS meeting.

Old Business –

- Treasurer Matt completed and filed the required response to the IRS inquiry regarding the ICARS 501 (C)(3) tax-exempt status March 8, 2007.
- The assistance to March of Dimes walk went well.
- WSIC will be holding their 60th anniversary May 3, 2007.
- ARRL club affiliation. Rick reported that it appears there will be no problem in meeting the 51% of club members being members of ARRL. Rick will check into the benefits of becoming ARRL affiliated and will make a report at the next meeting.

New Business --

- Rick introduced Bruce Alexander, KI4UBF. Bruce desires to become a member of ICARS. He was duly voted in. Welcome Bruce. We are looking forward to having you as a fellow member.
- There is a vacancy for one Member-at-Large. David Damron KI4CBZ has stated he will not renew his membership. Buddy Eaton KG4DKN and Jeff Watts KC4DBZ have been nominated and have agreed to serve if elected. Additional nominations will be accepted and a vote will be taken next meeting.
- Rick announced that the ICARS Board met March 27, 2007. It was proposed by the Board that the dues be increased to \$24.00 effective January 1, 2008. This will be voted on at next meeting.
- The status of club membership was reviewed by the Board.
- Don W4DON was awarded Life Membership August 9, 2001 and presented a plaque September 23, 2001 at the anniversary party.
- In 1998, Mike Gaither KC4KSX was made an Honorary Member. Don explained that according to our By Laws, an Honorary Member is a member having no privileges, dues or assessments. Honorary Member is meant for dignitaries, such as; police chief, mayor, governor, etc. He or she does not have to be a radio amateur. It was agreed that there was no intention of taking away Mike's privileges, so in order to correct the error; a motion was made to restore Mike's membership to Regular Member with dues waived so long as he prints the Iredell Wireless as in the past. This motion was made and seconded. Motion carried. The Secretary is to notify Mike of this action.
- Jeff Watts KC4DBZ is a Regular Member whose dues were waived in 1991 for the time that the repeater is located at WSIC.
- The Board recommends that if anyone wishes to have the Wireless delivered by mail, it will cost an additional \$6.00 per year. For this year only, there will be a \$3.00 charge beginning June for the remainder of the year. This will be voted on at the next meeting.
- The Board recommends that a storage facility be obtained where items owned by ICARS can be stored. This will be voted on next meeting.

-- The Board recommends that we "Pass the Hat" to help offset costs for this year and allow us to carry forward a balance for 2008. Ten dollars (\$10.00) per member would give us over \$250.00. Contributions totaling Forty-five dollars (\$45.00) were submitted this evening.

We are searching for minutes and any other records pertaining to ICARS activity prior to November 10, 1988. If anyone has any idea of the location of any of these records, please contact Secretary Jim Hoke, W4ONS.

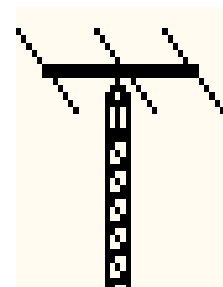
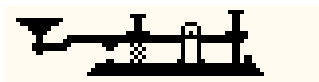
The next meeting will be May 10, 2007 at Julia's Tally House – 7:00 PM. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Secretary Jim Hoke, CPBE, W4ONS

Dues Paid For 2007

**AC4AS, AG4AU, K4NYP, KC4DBZ, KC4MJC, KD4III, KD4IIQ, KE4ERH,
KE4TEP, KF4AEX, KG4PNA, KI4UBF, KU4AM, N1GC, N4ACF, N4IB, N4SUE,
N4WHK, N8RDP, N9JJL, NG4X, W0CJV, W4DON, W4ONS, W4UFO, WA8JZW,
WB4WRY, WD4LXC 28 TOTAL**

Be sure to pay special attention to the minutes of this past meeting. There were several items discussed that effect you, the membership, of ICARS and will require a vote at the next meeting. (May 10 2007)



Notes From The Editor

You will notice a change with this months issue of Iredell Wireless. Those who receive the Wireless via E-Mail will see an even bigger change. I am going to start adding **color** and some graphics to the wireless. I will be adding photographs as well. The E-Mail version will still be in Adobe PDF format. The PDF version will have some active links to other websites, such as the ICARS website. Just click the website address and you will go to the ICARS website! If you get the E-Mail Wireless, try that now. **Click Here.** www.icarsonline.org Cool, isn't it? If you would like your name added to the Wireless E-Mail list, so you can take advantage of the enhancements to the Iredell Wireless, and save the club some money, let me know. If you have a color printer you will be able to print your Iredell Wireless in color. The Wireless will still be available on the club website as well.

I know that I can't add photos or color to the paper wireless, but I will include all the important information in the paper Iredell Wireless that has been included in the past. Anything that, you, the club members need to know will still be there.

This will be a learning experience for me. Please bear with me while I learn how to make the Iredell Wireless better.

I will be changing the ICARS website as well. If you have any comments or suggestions to help me make the Wireless or Website better, E-Mail me at, kc4mjc@gmail.com Click here also.

DON'T FORGET FIELD DAY IS JUNE 23rd and 24th!

Editor at work!



**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.

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Dates	Type	Event and Contact	Location
12 May 2007	+	RCARC Hamfest & Computer Show Rockingham County ARC http://www.rcarc.com Talk-In: 146.850 MHz Contact: Dal Williams, W4YQY 307 Oleander Drive, Suite D Eden, NC 27288 Phone: 336-627-7076 Email: w4yqy@rcarc.com	Reidsville, NC Liberty Baptist Church 141 Broadleaf Road Div: Roanoke Sect: North Carolina
26 May 2007	+	Durham Hamfest Durham FM Association http://www.dfma.org Talk-In: 147.225 (no tone) Contact: Linda Jackson, KF4LJZ 122 Infinity Road Durham, NC 27712 Email: kf4ljz@aol.com	Durham, NC Little River Community Complex 8305 North Roxboro Road Highway 501 North Bahama, NC Div: Roanoke Sect: North Carolina
9 Jun 2007	+	Winston-Salem (NC) Classic Hamfest Forsyth Amateur Radio Club http://www.w4nc.org Talk-In: 145.47 (PL 100); 146.64 (PL 100) Contact: Henry Heidtmann, W2DZO PO Box 11361 Winston-Salem, NC 27116-1361 Phone: 336-723-7388 Email: junehamfest@w4nc.org	Winston-Salem, NC Dixie Classic Fairgrounds Home & Garden Bldg. 421 West 27th Street Div: Roanoke Sect: North Carolina
7 Jul 2007	+	Fire Cracker Fest Rowan Amateur Radio Society http://W4EXU.NET Talk-In: 145.410 pl 136.5 neg tone/ 146.730 pl 94.8 neg off Contact: Patti Siebert, KI4GUN 109 Redbird Lane Rockwell, NC 28138 Phone: 704-209-5249 KI4GUN@CAROLINA.RR.COM	Salisbury, NC Salisbury Civic Center 315 S. Boundary Street Salisbury, NC Div: Roanoke Sect: North Carolina
28 Jul 2007	+	Western Carolina Hamfest Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society http://www.wcars.org/hamfest Talk-In: 146.91 (PL 91.5); 146.76 Contact: Dean Blair, K2JB 20 Coffey Place Asheville, NC 28806 Phone: 828-423-3082 Email: k2jb@arrl.net	Waynesville, NC Haywood County Fairgrounds Highway 209 (Lake Junaluska) Div: Roanoke Sect: North Carolina