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Members-at-Large: Don Summers, [W4DON](#)~~Jeff Watts, KC4DBZ

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**SEPTEMBER 2007**

*This month's Meeting will be held at Julia's Tally House. Thursday September 13, 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**  
**August 9, 2007**

The Iredell County Amateur Radio Society met August 9, 2007 at Julia's Tally House for the regular monthly meeting. President Rick McClure, KE4TEP called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM and asked everyone to introduce themselves. There were fifteen (15) attending – twelve (12) members and three (3) visitors.

**Minutes** – A motion that the minutes as published be approved was made and seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer, Matthew Carbone, K4NYP presented and submitted a written report.

Previous Balance.....	\$627.94
Check to John Lamson for field day food.....	(\$76.45)
Deposit from New Member Dues.....	\$38.75
Ending Balance.....	\$590.26

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

**Website and Wireless** – Tim, KC4MJC reported that the website is back up and running after a short down-time. He stated that this is the first time in several years that such an interruption has occurred. He is continuing to improve the website and welcomes any suggestions. Tim has received numerous favorable comments concerning the Wireless lately.

**Emergency Preparedness** – Rick reported that Dennis, N4WHK has applied for the Iredell County EC position. A round of applause was given expressing the club's appreciation. Dennis reported on his current activities and the fact that more manpower is needed. A FEMA McGuire exercise will be held October 16. In September, there will be a meeting regarding the training exercises.

**Old Business** – Rick reported that he has further researched ICARS affiliation with ARRL. Our original affiliation was July 19, 1978. He has brought the information on file up to date.

Insurance is available through ARRL. Liability insurance comparable to what we now have through BB&T – Webb Insurance Agency (Auto-Owners Insurance) is available at about twice the cost of what we now pay. Equipment insurance is available at \$1.50 per \$100 replacement cost. We do not currently have equipment insurance. There are other benefits, such as ability to obtain ARRL information that otherwise is not readily obtainable. There is no cost to become affiliated. We meet the criteria of percentage of members who are members of ARRL. To become affiliated, we have only to submit paperwork.

Rick reported the towers and other equipment are in storage at his house. We are continuing to search for a permanent place for storage of the equipment.

Dennis is putting together an agenda for an ICARS board meeting.

**Technical Committee - Web Manager** – Don, W4DON reported we are continuing to have significant interference to the repeater. He is continuing to search for the problem. He is also continuing to work on the Mark IV repeater.

A sign-up sheet for net control stations was passed around. Volunteers are greatly appreciated.

**New Business** – Tim stated that there has been a suggestion that the website should have a name change to make it easier to remember. It is suggested that the club call, w4snc.org would be appropriate.

There will be a fee whether or not we make the name change -- one year \$14.99, two years 24.99, five years, 56.25.

Dennis White made a motion that we change the name to w4snc.org and secure the domain for five years. The motion was seconded by Jim Hamilton. The motion carried with no opposition.

Jim, W4ONS called attention to the fact that the club's liability insurance payment will become due September 12, 2007. The last year premium was \$141. A statement has not yet been received. Rick read the amounts of coverage to the club. Rick posed the question "Shall we renew the current insurance policy as is?" The members voted "yes".

At Don's request, John Yarbrough, KR4RO has been working on the design of a logo for a patch, buttons, or other club use. He passed around a sample button he has made with a proposed logo. He stated he is not in the business, but has a badge machine and can make twenty-five or so. Dennis made a motion that we vote to approve the logo presented and the design of this logo, if approved, will supersede any previously voted upon. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rick is going to get prices for shirts, patches and badges for comparison.

Discussion continued with the design of a banner to use for public exposure. Rick will get a price for a banner when we approve a design.

During the last discussion, there were several brief power interruptions. It was announced that the power would be turned off shortly. A power line near Barium Springs was down and repairs were underway.

The next meeting will be September 13, 2007 at Julia's Tally House at 7:00 PM. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Secretary,  
Jim Hoke, CPBE, W4ONS



**This Logo was adopted as the Official Logo of the  
IREDELL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY  
at the last club meeting. The Logo was designed by John Yarbrough, KR4RO and it  
is with his kind permission that ICARS is able to use this logo.  
THANKS JOHN!**

The following designs were made by W4DON Don, and KR4RO John. They are ideas for a ICARS club banner. The idea for a banner was discussed somewhat at last month's meeting. The banner dimension will be either 3 feet by 10 feet, or 3 feet by 12 feet. Anyone else with ideas are welcome to submit them to the club.



**SEPTEMBER 2007**

<b>2m FM Net</b> 2100 L 146.685		<b>10m CW Net</b> 2000 L 28.150		<b>10m SSB Net</b> 2100 L 28.468	
<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>
9-5	N4ACF	9-1	WB4WRY	9-1	KR4RO
9-12	KC4MJC	9-8	WB4WRY	9-8	W4DON
9-19	W4DON	9-15	WB4WRY	9-15	N4ACF
9-26	KC4MJC	9-22	W4DON	9-22	AG4AU
		9-29	WB4WRY	9-29	KE4TEP

**OCTOBER 2007**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>NCS</b>
10-3	KR4RO	10-6	WB4WRY	10-6	KR4RO
10-10	KC4MJC	10-13	W4DON	10-13	KE4TEP
10-17	W4DON	10-20	WB4WRY	10-20	N4ACF
10-24	KE4TEP	10-27	WB4WRY	10-27	W4DON
10-31	N4ACF				

**ICARS Website has New Name.**

I have been able to secure the website address of [www.w4snc.org](http://www.w4snc.org) for ICARS use. We have the name registered for a period of five (5) years at a total cost to the club of \$56.25. As of now, when you use the [www.w4snc.org](http://www.w4snc.org) address you will automatically be forwarded to the old address. This will have to be changed by the server and I will let you know when the change is final. After the change is finalized, the old address will eventually be dropped, so it will be a good idea to have both addressed book marked for now. The [www.icarsonline.org](http://www.icarsonline.org) still works and will for some time to come.

*Please tell me if you have anything to print in the Iredell Wireless. I need your help!  
Thanks, Tim KC4MJC.*

Dates	Type	Event and Contact	Location
6 Oct 2007	+	York County ARS <a href="http://www.rockhillhamfest.com">http://www.rockhillhamfest.com</a> <b>Talk-In:</b> 147.030 (negative offset) <b>Contact:</b> Sheila Parrish, KG4CDF 2358 J P Dirt Road Edgemoor, SC 29712 Phone: 803-328-5983 Email: <a href="mailto:coy@cetlink.net">coy@cetlink.net</a>	Rock Hill, SC American Legion Post 34 <a href="#">199 South Cherry Road</a> <b>Div:</b> Roanoke <b>Sect:</b> South Carolina
20 Oct 2007	+	Pfafftown Swapfest Forsyth Amateur Radio Club <a href="http://www.w4nc.com">http://www.w4nc.com</a> <b>Talk-In:</b> 145.47 (PL 100) ; 146.64 (PL 100) <b>Contact:</b> John Kippe, N0KTY PO Box 11361 Winston-Salem, NC 27116-1361 Phone: 336-723-7388 Email: <a href="mailto:oct-hamfest@w4nc.org">oct-hamfest@w4nc.org</a>	Pfafftown, NC West Central Community Center <a href="#">6130 Yadkinville Road</a> <b>Div:</b> Roanoke <b>Sect:</b> North Carolina
10 Nov 2007	+	BeachFest 2007 Grand Strand Amateur Radio Club <a href="http://www.w4gs.org/beachfest/">http://www.w4gs.org/beachfest/</a> <b>Talk-In:</b> 145.110 (No Tone) <b>Contact:</b> Bob Gagliardi, N4XML PO Box 2135 Myrtle Beach, SC 29578-2135 Phone: 843-907-7770 Email: <a href="mailto:n4xml@w4gs.org">n4xml@w4gs.org</a>	Conway, SC Conway National Guard Armory <a href="#">1621 16th Avenue</a> <b>Div:</b> Roanoke <b>Sect:</b> South Carolina
12 Jan 2008	+	Winston-Salem FirstFest Forsyth Amateur Radio Club <a href="http://www.w4nc.org">http://www.w4nc.org</a> <b>Talk-In:</b> 146.64 (100 Hz) & 145.47 (100 Hz) <b>Contact:</b> Winston-Salem Hamfest Committee PO Box 11361 Winston-Salem, NC 27116-1361 Email: <a href="mailto:firstfest@w4nc.org">firstfest@w4nc.org</a>	Winston-Salem, NC The Summit School <a href="#">2100 Reynolda Road</a> <b>Div:</b> Roanoke <b>Sect:</b> North Carolina
8-9 Mar 2008	*	North Carolina Section Convention (Charlotte Hamfest and ComputerFair) Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society <a href="http://www.w4bfb.org/hamfest">http://www.w4bfb.org/hamfest</a> <b>Talk-In:</b> 146.940 (-600kHz) and 145.290 (-600kHz) <b>Contact:</b> Jeff Blythe, KA4WYC 1122 Pine Knot Court Clover, SC 29710 Phone: 704-577-3619 Email: <a href="mailto:hamfest@w4bfb.org">hamfest@w4bfb.org</a>	Charlotte, NC Charlotte Merchandise Mart <a href="#">2500 East Independence            Blvd.</a> <b>Div:</b> Roanoke <b>Sect:</b> North Carolina

**I C A R S**  
**FM and HF Nets**  
 October 2007

*Net Manager: W4DON*

Please sign up for one or more Dates and Nets

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Thank you gentlemen for signing up!

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