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Next Meeting November 14



Jeff Hardee, K4RJH, SK

Jeff Hardee, K4RJH, passed away October 4, 2006 from complications due to his ongoing health problems. BARC members were saddened to hear the news.

Jeff joined Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club in 2001 with his Technician's license and the call, KG4HMF, that he got April 26, 2000. He passed the General Class in 2002. Jeff served as 2nd Vice President for the club in 2002 and 2003.

His interest in Amateur Radio went back a long way to when his grandmother gave him a short wave radio and he was able to listen to such places as London, China and Vietnam. He was able to accumulate as many as 50 QSL cards from many different locations. At the age of 12 he got his Citizen's Band

radio license and was involved in that for a couple of years.

He took the SkyWarn training and was involved in Field Day and the International Festival. Jeff could be heard on 2 meters and 440 quite often.

Jeff was a manager of one of the H&R Block offices in Greenville - that's why you didn't see him for the first few months of the year. He was the former owner of the Vacuum Cleaner Hospital from 1991 to 1999.

Jeff was born and raised in Greenville but he went away to school. He attended Marian Institute in Alabama for his last two years of high school as a prep school for college - they went to school six days a week. An uncle who was getting a Ph.D. at Louisiana State University encouraged him to go to Loyola in New Orleans. Jeff eventually did get a BA from Loyola, but in the middle of his time there he suffered a broken neck at the age of 20 in a motorcycle accident. His 2 to 3 year recovery derailed his education for a while.

Jeff will be missed by the club, both in the talents he possessed and his personality. He was featured in the October 2001 issue of Ham Chatter. The article was by Murray Merner, K4MHM.

Jeff's memorial service was held October 7, at Wilkerson's in Greenville.

He is survived by his mother, Mavis Adams Stocks of Greenville.

BARC members send their condolences to his family and friends.

Some excerpts by K4MHM and KG4CZV. - W4YDY

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on Tuesday, November 14 at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Capt. Robbie Robbins will present a program about the Salvation Army. Also, it's BARC election time. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.

The next board meeting will be November 28 at 7:30 PM at 3219 Landmark St., Suite 8B. All members invited.

W4AMC.COM goes Hollywood - well almost!

Two videos about BARC activities were added to the BARC web site in October. One is from WITN-TV of the 2006 Field Day coverage that lasts about one minute. The other is the WNCT-TV interview of BARC President Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, on September 11, 2006 talking about emergency responses by Amateur Radio. That one is 2 minutes long. They are both in the Windows Media format and are best viewed using cable or DSL connections. These videos will be removed within one year. Anyone having suggestions about future videos, please let me know. I can also edit home videos for the site. Go to <http://www.w4amc.com> for the links. - W4YDY

President's Corner – Dave Pulver, KG4CZV

At this club meeting on November 14, the BARC club officers will be voted in by the membership. Anyone who will not be able to attend the meeting to vote may obtain an absentee ballot from me by sending me a request at kg4czv@earthlink.net. I will accept absentee ballots up until I leave for the meeting.

Also at that meeting, we will be voting on the peer awards for the club for 2006. If you will not be able to attend and would like to vote on the peer awards, please send me a request and I will send you that ballot as well. Mike Langley, KD4MTT, has graciously agreed to do his annual magic and tally up the votes and arrange to have the awards prepared.

In January I will be holding at least one meeting to review our current by-laws. The purpose of this exercise is to make recommendations to the club for any changes that are deemed necessary. If you would like to be a member of this committee, please e-mail. I welcome participation from all club members who are willing to do so.



Happy Birthday

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club members birthdays in **November**.

1	KA4WFS	Walter Verdick
1	WA4SLD	Bernice Turnage
8	KD4NHZ	Walter Allen
13	KE4CTL	Joyce Robins
14	KI4PWX	Fred Bertrand
21	KI4DEE	Charles Ingle
25	K4PRG	Philip Garrett

Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - *W4YDY*

2006 ended up being unusually quiet in the tropics after a predicted busy season. We have been lucky here in Eastern North Carolina for the third year in a row. Hopefully, that lucky streak will continue. However, we need to always look for ways to improve our response should next year be our year.

I would like to also take this opportunity to point out the excellent job that Dan Drake, W4ISO, did on the 2006 SET on October 28. Dan put together a well planned and executed disaster drill with numerous check-ins and pieces of formal traffic passed. Having run the 2004 and 2005 SET, I can honestly tell you that what he did this year far surpassed what I was able to do in either year that I ran it. I know that his work will serve as a good model for those who follow in heading up the SET in future years.

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV



Happy Thanksgiving

Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

Gail, wife of Mac Manning, KD4AFL
Wife and Father of
Bernie Nobles,
WA4MOK
Charlie Wells, K4SKI



Please inform Dan Drake, KG4ISO, of any changes.

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **December 15**. Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Tom Parsons, **W4TEP**, 355-2815. w4tep@arrl.net. Please bring the following:

- ◆ Photo ID (drivers license)
- ◆ Original Amateur Radio License
- ◆ **Copy** of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Original CSCE's
- ◆ **Copy** of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$14.00
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

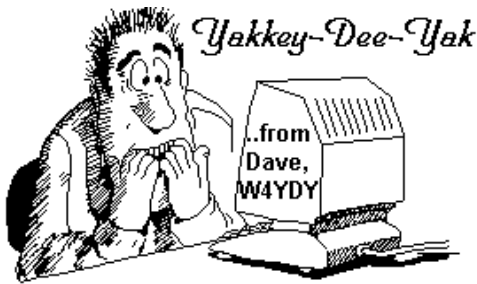
Be sure to bring **copies** of your Amateur Radio license and / or CSCE if upgrading.



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Must reading for all Amateur's interested in emergency communications.

At the bottom of this page and continuing to the next page is an article by the ARRL concerning the Red Cross background checks that is a must read. MyBackgroundCheck.com LLC (MBC) has been contracted by the Red Cross to complete the project. One paragraph is worth noting here.

"In the course of the application process, prospective volunteers must agree to let MBC obtain a wide range of personal information bearing not just on criminal background and creditworthiness but, MBC says, "character, general reputation [and] personal characteristics." MBC advises, "The nature and scope of this disclosure and authorization is all-encompassing . . ."

To have MBC do the background check required by the Red Cross, you must submit name, address, Social Security number (or other acceptable

government ID), telephone number, and date of birth. Driver's license information, e-mail address and mother's maiden name are optional. The Red Cross is requiring the background check for anyone that volunteers to assist them, including Amateur Radio operators working in Red Cross shelters. This requirement just might cause a major shortage of operators at Red Cross shelters for future emergencies. Amateurs can still operate from EOCs and other facilities, just not the Red Cross controlled facilities.

How is the Red Cross going to check all the people that go to a shelter when they can't stay at their home? Are they going to be required to have a background check like the volunteers? If someone goes to the shelter **for help**, they are welcomed without a background check. But if someone goes in **to help**, you may be turned away because you don't have the background check! If one went in **for help** and later volunteered **to help**, would that person get kicked out?

Wonder how the Red Cross would have made out during Hurricane Floyd and the floods. There were over 60 Amateur Radio operators that helped just in Pitt County for a 9 or 10 day period. Several came from other locations miles away to help because the Pitt County operators had to have some rest and also look after their families. Some also lost valuables in the flood.

There might be many that have helped at shelters in the past that will not feel comfortable giving their personal information over to MBC to do with as

they want. The Red Cross might not have the "only fail-safe system of communications" for their use next time. Just wait, they will try to use the cell phone that doesn't get out or the regular phone. Then they get a busy signal that the lines are busy. "Please try again later!" Then when they do get a line, the phone they are calling is busy!

It will be interesting to see how this all works out.

On another subject, the ARRL has several Internet newsletters that are very interesting. They are available to ARRL members by going to their web site and signing in to update your profile. You may select the newsletter, bulletins, etc. and also enable the email forwarding address.

I get the weekly ARRL Letter Online, the ARES E-Letter and the Contester's Rate Sheet. The last two come in about once a month.

The surprising one is the Contester's Rate Sheet. It's about contests but there is much more. The last one had a lot of links to antenna articles, tower information, RFI, coax, schematic and PCB layout software, and Belden "Coaxial Cables and Applications". <<http://tinyurl.com/vgjeg>>. It seems every month there are good links to antenna information. I don't do that much contesting any more but I won't drop the Rate Sheet because it has so much good info in it that can be very helpful to the non-contester.

Hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving. - W4YDY

ARRL President Airs Concerns about Required Red Cross Background Checks



NEWINGTON, CT, Oct 25, 2006 -- ARRL President Joel Harrison,

W5ZN, is urging Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and other ham radio volunteers to tread cautiously when submitting information for background checks the American Red Cross (ARC) now requires. The ARC, with which the ARRL has a Statement of Understanding (SoU), this summer notified local chapters that volunteers and staff members must submit to criminal background

checks by October 31. Harrison says the requirement extends to ARES volunteers who support Red Cross disaster relief efforts. In a statement October 24, Harrison said the League recommends that anyone submitting personal information for a background check very carefully read what they are giving the ARC permission to collect.

"The Red Cross is requiring volunteers to grant permission for more than just a criminal background check," Harrison asserted. "They are also requiring permission to draw a consumer and/or investigative consumer report on the vol-

unteer." Harrison said that could also include a credit check and a mode-of-living check.

"The Red Cross has stated that they will not use credit reports," he noted. "Requiring that volunteers authorize the procurement of a credit report is inconsistent with this assurance." The on-line application allows applicants to request a copy of any consumer report resulting from its background investigation.

The ARC has contracted with MyBackgroundCheck.com LLC (MBC) in Anderson, California, to handle the on-

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line background checks. Prospective volunteers visit a secure Web site, click on the ARC logo and submit name, address, Social Security number (or other acceptable government ID), telephone number, and date of birth. Driver's license information, e-mail address and mother's maiden name are optional.

In the course of the application process, prospective volunteers must agree to let MBC obtain a wide range of personal information bearing not just on criminal background and creditworthiness but, MBC says, "character, general reputation [and] personal characteristics." MBC advises, "The nature and scope of this disclosure and authorization is all-encompassing . . ."

ARES Volunteers Concerned

Some ARES leaders already have expressed concern to the ARRL about the Red Cross policy. One District Emergency Coordinator called the requirement "particularly abhorrent" and "a horrendous invasion of privacy." The Red Cross says the new policy is aimed at safeguarding clients, volunteers and employees alike.

"Unfortunately, in this day and age it is critical that the American Red Cross and other agencies, employers and organizations perform due diligence in researching the people who will represent them," the Red Cross said in a statement supplied to ARRL. "We hope volunteers, who have provided blood, sweat and tears in helping fulfill the mission of the American Red Cross, will understand the importance of performing this due diligence."

ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Dave Patton, NN1N -- whose department supports and oversees the ARRL Field Organization -- is among those who believes the Red Cross stands to lose a fair number of volunteers because of the requirement -- and not necessarily just ARES volunteers.

"ARES members who are providing communications for ARC are working for ARC," Patton maintained, "and, as such, will follow their guidelines." He added that whatever position the ARRL might adopt, the decision to go along with the new Red Cross policy is up to individual volunteers.

The ARC apparently has not dis-

seminated policy specifics at the national level. The only reliable information on what the background checks will entail is that on the MBC site. The sometimes-conflicting information ARRL obtained was distributed at the ARC chapter level. One such memorandum -- supplied to ARRL by a third party -- indicates that a check will focus on an individual's criminal history over the previous seven years (in most states), although MBC's disclaimer doesn't indicate any limit. Some prospective volunteers have worried that "youthful indiscretions" may rule out their suitability as Red Cross volunteers. The check also will verify that an individual's name matches his or her Social Security number. The same memo assures that access to the information gathered "is limited to only those with a need to know and is kept in a secure location."

Despite the information MBC provides on the application site, another chapter-level memorandum assures that the Red Cross "is not interested in checking your personal credit/financial records nor will it review any personal/professional reference checks."

Who Represents Whom?

Several ARES leaders have expressed the belief that they and their volunteers represent ARES when supporting communication for ARC as a served agency. "Our issue is not the background checking, but the fact ARC considers ARES members ARC volunteers," one ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator said.

The SoU between the League and the ARC is ambiguous on the subject, however. While the document says "each organization retains its own identity in providing service," it further stipulates that ARES volunteers "in such cases when the operators are required to carry American Red Cross identification" must register as American Red Cross volunteers.

Radio amateurs who volunteered in the wake of Hurricane Katrina last year were badged in via the Montgomery, Alabama, staging area as ARC volunteers. The same applied to those who turned out to assist following the attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001, and that practice upset some ARES volunteers.

The ARRL-ARC SoU subsequently states, however, that volunteers

assisting the ARC with disaster relief communication support "shall be at all times considered ARRL volunteers," but then goes on to say that ARRL and ARES volunteers "may, under conditions and terms established by American Red Cross from time to time, also serve as American Red Cross volunteers for a mutually agreed upon task or function." The SoU does not address the issue of background checks, however. The SoU comes up for review in 2007.

Arbitrary?

ARRL Public Service Team Leader Steve Ewald, WV1X, says ARES leaders can assign volunteers who don't want to submit to the ARC criminal background check to ARES duties "away from the action" that don't involve direct interaction with the ARC. "We certainly understand the risks that are involved in having background checks done -- such as potential identity theft," Ewald told one worried SEC. "Those volunteers who do go through the background check will, indeed, enter at their own risk in this regard."

One ARES DEC suggested the ARC policy "is just way too arbitrary." As he put it, "The unfortunate thing is that if a member decides not to submit to this check, then that will hamper our ability to serve the Red Cross in an emergency."

Info is Secure, ARC Says

The Red Cross says it's gone to great lengths to ensure prospective volunteers are not giving out their Social Security numbers to anyone other than the contractor, and then only through a secure, encrypted Web site. "No additional information is needed," the Red Cross said, nor are the overall results of the background check shared with the ARC.

"The only information provided is that a person has successfully completed the background check with no adverse information, or that a person has potentially adverse information and that additional research is required," the ARC told ARRL. "When additional research is required the contracted company will notify the prospective volunteer and will address the issue with no Red Cross intervention."

Contact the Red Cross (toll-free 800-507-3960) with any questions regarding the background check program. - via www.arrl.org

Wake typhoon damage cancels DXpedition



(Oct 3, 2006) -- The Daily DX reports that because Typhoon Ioke caused moderate to severe damage to 70 percent of the buildings on Wake Island (KH9) in August, a planned DXpedition to the South Pacific atoll has been cancelled. ARRL member Tom Meier, K7ZZ, had planned to operate from Wake Island this month. "There is no potable water, sewer, or electrical distribution facilities available on the island," The Daily DX reported September 29. Ioke, a Category 5 storm with 165 MPH winds, made a direct hit on Wake Island. "The US Air Force is in the process of deciding whether to simply abandon the island or to make repairs and reopen the facility," The Daily DX reported. "Until the decision to reopen the island is made, no visitors of any kind will be permitted on the island." An unincorporated US territory, Wake Island has no indigenous population, but some 200 US military contractors were evacuated prior to the storm's arrival. - via ARRL Online

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BARC Meeting Minutes - October 2006

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
VFW HALL, MUMFORD RD.
October 10, 2006

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, Club President called the meeting to order at 1930 and welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked all attending to introduce themselves with name, call sign, and town. The roster book was passed around to record attendance. The minutes from last month was approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Richard, K4CRD, gave the Secretaries report

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

HEALTH AND WELFARE: Dan, W4ISO, Reported Bernie's Dad was in the hospital.

HAM CHATTER: Dave, W4YDY, Nothing to report

PUBLICITY: Pat, KG4NSC, reported he had the display board up at the Pitt County Fair, with Ham Radio brochures and pamphlets.

VE SESSION: Tom, W4TEP, reported the next VE session would be October 20th at St. Peters.

EQUIPMENT: Mike, KD4MTT, Nothing to report.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS: Doug, K4ROK, reported he and Nick Conigliaro, N2FWL, had been working on Winlink2000. He reminded everyone of the JOTA coming up on October 20-21. Rocky Mount club has about 175 scouts signed up so your help is needed in QSL'ing on local repeaters during that time. They will also be on HF but the frequency is not known at this time. Also NIMs courses were due the last of September. If you are working on them please finish and turn in to Dave, KG4CZV.

Dan, W4ISO, reminded all of the, State Emergency Training Drill on October 28 from 8:00am till Noon. Contact Dan, W4ISO if you would like to volunteer.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mike, KD4MTT, mentioned a regular grill for the raffle this year and possibly start selling tickets earlier with maybe a interim drawing at the February and March meeting. He had found a grill on sale and purchased it if the club wants it he will sell for what he paid. A motion was made and seconded that the club purchase the grill from Mike, KD4MTT, and have interim drawing at the meeting in February and March with prizes of \$25.00 each. After discussion the motion was passed.

Tom, W4TEP, stated the Red Cross is requiring background checks for anyone working in shelters etc. Doug, K4ROK, reported he has not received any word through ARES and will advise.

PROGRAM: Tonight's program was on Digital PSK31 communications by Dave, KV4CN, which was interesting and informative.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business the meeting adjourned about 9:00PM

Respectfully submitted

Richard Cox, K4CRD

BARC Board Minutes - October 2006

BARC BOARD MEETING
October 31, 2006

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, called the meeting to order at 1930 EST. Attendees were: Mike Langley, KD4MTT, John McCoy, K4KBB, Dave Langley, W4YDY, Terry Monday, K4ZYD, Pat Williams, KG4NSC and Richard Cox, K4CRD.

Secretary's Report: Richard, K4CRD, gave the Secretary's report

Treasury's Report: Terry, K4ZYD, gave the Treasurers report.

Health & Welfare: It was reported Bernie's, WA4MOK, dad was back in ICU, and David Cox, KG4WEU is doing fine, after his surgery.

Programs: The program for the next meeting will be by Major Robbie Robbins of the Salvation Army. December will be the Christmas party and our Section Manager Tim Slay, N4IB, will have the January program.

Publicity: Pat, KG4NSC, nothing to report.

Equipment: Mike, KD4MTT, nothing to report.

Ham Chatter: Dave, W4YDY, reported the information on the open house at the Newport Weather Station will be in the Ham Chatter and they are reserving certain time periods for local clubs. BARC is scheduled for 11:00-3:00PM on December 2

Old Business: Dave, KG4CZV, will be ordering the tickets for the raffle. The raffle will begin in January.

New Business: Dave, KG4CZV, reported he has been contacted about the MS Walk coming up in the spring on April 14th and they will need about 12-14 operators to assist in the walk.

Due to the holiday period it was decided to have the December board meeting on December 19th.

Dave, KG4CZV, with no further business closed the meeting at 2030 EST.

Respectfully submitted by

Richard Cox, K4CRD

North Carolina county commissioners commend Amateur Radio volunteers

(Nov 1, 2006) -- The Orange County, North Carolina, Board of County Commissioners has commended Amateur Radio volunteers as well as volunteer firefighters and rescue squads. At its October 17 meeting, the Board recognized the county's volunteer emergency responders, including Amateur Radio operators, for their continuing service, and presented plaques to the Orange County Radio Amateurs (OCRA) -- an ARRL-affiliated special service club -- as well as to each volunteer fire department and rescue squad. OCRA President Dave Snyder, W4SAR, and Orange County ARES Emergency Coordinator Skip Fisher, N6LUZ, represented the county's amateur community. The inscription says: "Presented to the Orange County Ham Radio Amateurs in appreciation of your service and dedication to the citizens of Orange County." - via ARRL Online

Christmas party and Awards

On December 12, BARC will hold its annual Christmas party and also present awards to club members. Members will bring in covered dishes for an always outstanding meal and the club will furnish the beverages. More information will be in the December issue of *Ham Chatter*.

At the November meeting, members will select recipients for the annual BARC awards. Awards will be presented for BARC Ham of the Year, OM of the Year, YL of the Year, New Ham of the Year and Elmer of the Year. Members should be thinking of who deserves these awards as voting will be held at the next meeting.

Ham Chatter & photos

A CD is available with 103 issues of *Ham Chatter* edited by Dave Langley, W4YDY. They are from June 1997 to December 2005.

Also, ten years of photos of BARC Field Day operations from 1996 to 2005. Other features are some Amateur Radio software and an ARRL video.

Cost is \$5.00. Anyone who may be interested may email w4amc@qsl.net or you may contact Terry Monday, KG4WEW, at the BARC address.

BARC invited to National SKYWARN Recognition Day on Dec. 1 in Newport

It is almost that time of the year, again. The National SKYWARN Recognition Day is almost upon us and the National Weather Service in Newport is inviting all weather spotters and interested persons to this annual event on December 2nd at noon. Additional information on the event is on the Newport District SKYWARN website (www.mhxskywarn.org).

The radio shack will be open beginning Friday, December 1st at 19:01 (00:01z) and will remain open for 24 hours. The Brightleaf ARC has been invited to participate in the on-air event between 11:00 and 15:00 (of course you can come and participate at any time during the event!).

The National Weather Service Office in Newport is located at 533 Roberts Road, just off of US 70. (N34 46'35" W076 52'36")

For additional information, please contact Bill Sanford at ec@mhxskywarn.org. We look forward to seeing you in December! - *KF4OTN* via *KI4IWS*

Ham Ads

Ham Ads will be run, free of charge in Ham Chatter for three months for each renewal. Ads must be received by the last week of the month to be included in the following issue. Send ads to: **Ham Chatter, PO Box 8387, Greenville, NC 27835, ATTN: Dave Langley** or email to: w4amc@qsl.net (no spaces)

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- ◆ Pitt County Emergency Communications Net, Mondays, 2100 on 147.09 MHz. (131.8 Hz Tone)
- ◆ Kinston Amateur Radio Society Net, 1,3,4 Tuesdays, 2000 hrs. on 145.47 MHz., W4OIX repeater in Kinston.
- ◆ Eastern North Carolina Traffic Net, Every night, 2030 on 146.685 MHz.
- ◆ Wilson Amateur Radio Club Net, Monday 2030 on 146.76 MHz.
- ◆ Piedmont Coastal Traffic Net, Nightly 2030 on 146.88 MHz.
- ◆ Newport WFO SKYWARN Net, Tuesday, 2100 on 145.21 MHz
- ◆ Carteret County ARS (CCARS) Emergency Net, Tuesdays, 1930 on the Newport 145.45 (-) MHz.
- ◆ Coastal Emergency Linking Net, Wednesday, 2100 ET on Williamston 145.410 & 444.250, Columbia 146.835 & 443.300, Rocky Mount 147.120, Ahoskie 146.910, Franklin, VA 147.300, Farmville 145.270
- ◆ Beaufort County Emergency Communications Net, Thursday 2000 on 147.345 MHz. Preceded by Newsmen at 1930.

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- ◆ Tar Heel Emergency Communications Net on 3923 kHz Nightly 1930.

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- ◆ 3.695 2000 hours, slow speed (5-8 wpm) Carolinas Slow Net
- ◆ 3.573 1900 hours, high speed (20 wpm)
- ◆ 3.573 2200 hours, slow speed (12-14 wpm), South Carolina/North Carolina

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov 14.	Regular Meeting - ELECTIONS	Jan 20/21.	ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
Nov 18/19.	ARRL SSB Sweepstakes	Jan 27/28.	CQ WW CW 160M Contest
Nov 19.	Benson JARS Hamfest	Jan 30.	Board Meeting
Nov 25/26.	CQ WW CW DX Contest	Feb 3.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline
Nov 28.	Board Meeting	Feb 10/11.	CQ WPX RTTY Contest
Dec 2.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline	Feb 13.	Regular Meeting
Dec 2/3.	ARRL 160 Meter Contest	Feb 17/18.	ARRL CW DX Contest
Dec 9/10.	ARRL 10 Meter Contest	Feb 24/25.	CQ WW SSB 160M Contest
Dec 12.	Christmas Party	Feb 27.	Board Meeting
Dec 15.	BARC VE Session	Mar 3.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline
Dec 19.	Board Meeting (Date Change)	Mar 3/4.	ARRL SSB DX Contest
Dec 30.	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline	Mar 13.	Regular Meeting
Jan 1.	ARRL Straight Key Night	Mar 24/25.	CQ WW SSB WPX Contest
Jan 6/7.	ARRL RTTY Roundup		
Jan 9.	Regular Meeting		

Regular Meeting - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Board Meeting - Last Tuesday @ 7:30 PM

BARC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 8:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
PCEC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 9:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
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