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Bill Finch, W4EHF, 101, SK



Bill Finch, W4EHF, passed away July 27, 2013. He was 101 years old and a very active Life Member of the Brightleaf ARC. Bill had been an Amateur Radio operator for 78 years and was licensed in 1935. He upgraded to Amateur Extra Class when he was 94 in 2005. Bill's son, Bill Finch, Jr., AI4TN, is also a member of BARC.

The funeral service was conducted July 30 at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Greenville. The family received friends at the church prior to the service. A graveside service was held July 31 at 11 a.m. in Lafayette Memorial Park, Fayetteville.

Bill was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine by Governor Beverly Perdue for his service to Amateur Radio and his work in emergency communications and radio nets. Bill was still active in the traffic nets every week. It was presented to him by North Carolina Section

Manager Bill Morine, N2COP, at the RARSFest April 7, 2012 at the beginning of the ARRL Division meeting.

Bill had a few remarks at the end of the ceremony thanking everyone for their help and about his love of North Carolina even when he was away. Bill remarked that he was born in Raleigh and always looked forward to returning to North Carolina even though he was not gone for long. Years ago while in New York, he memorized the North Carolina toast and recited it in his comments. The first 4 lines are on the certificate that he received.

Bill went to college at the University of North Carolina majoring in Education. He got a job as a technical writer for the Army in 1946 at Ft. Bragg and stayed there until his retirement in 1975. His job on the Airborne, Electronics and Special Warfare Review Board entailed designing tests to see if communications and electronic equipment met Army specifications and reporting the test results. After "retiring", the next week he became the Director of the Cumberland County Civil Defense and retired again in 1982.

Bill was very active in BARC going to almost all meetings and participating in public service events supported by BARC. He enjoyed operating in nets.

He also was in the Senior Olympics and holds the World Record for the 1500 meter run in the 95-99 year age group. He also holds state and national records in the 800 and 1500 meter runs. A video on Fox News featuring Bill when he turned 100 in 2012. He is shown running and playing badminton. <<http://foxnewsinsider.com/2012/01/18/amazing->

Next Meeting August 13, 2013

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 13 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Program will be by Robert Young, NC4RY, from Fuquay-Varina. Robert is the designer and technical support of the screwdriver Tarheel Antennas. Always a great program. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.

The next board meeting will be July 30 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. All members invited.



[story-100-year-old-north-carolina-man-keeps-up-with-regular-exercise/](http://www.foxnews.com/story-100-year-old-north-carolina-man-keeps-up-with-regular-exercise/)

In the July 2000 issue of Ham Chatter, he is featured in the Meet the Member column and the May 2012 issue has the story of Bill receiving the Order of the Long Leaf Pine. It is among the most prestigious awards presented by the Governor of North Carolina.

He is survived by his son, Bill C. Finch, Jr., AI4TN, and wife, Ellen L., of Greenville; brother, Keith G. Finch of Dunn; four grandchildren, Jennifer Finch Privott of Edenton, Kimberly Finch O'Rourke of Wilmington, Matthew McGowan of Greenville and Lt. Jeffrey McGowan of Colorado Springs, CO; and four great grandchildren.

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club extends its condolences to Bill's family and many friends.

BARC HF Transceivers For Sale

The **Kenwood TS-520** is designed for SSB The **Kenwood TS-430S** is designed for



and CW modes in the 80 through 10 meter ham bands. It also features receive of WWV at 10 MHz. The TS-520 features a very accurate linear analog display dial. Power input is 120W PEP SSB and 100W DC CW. (This transceiver does not have general coverage receive). The hybrid circuit includes three 6146A and two 12BY7A tubes plus 1 IC, 17 FETS, 45 transistors and 84 diodes. **\$350 or best offer. Contact W4JNC, president @ w4amc.com.** (Phone number below)



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BARC member Hollis Thigpen, KC3X, Snow Hill, was awarded by the Mobile Amateur Radio Award Club the Bingo V (Master County Hunter) Award No. 4 on August 3. It requires contacting stations in all 3077 counties that have the USACA award from CQ Magazine or stations with a letter in their call sign matching the first letter of the county. This is the fifth time he has completed the task. He earlier received award No. 4 for Bingo III and Bingo IV. Congratulations Hollis!!!!

Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

Charlie Wells, K4SKI

Tom Parsons, W4TEP

Stan Barney, KJ4GDR



Please inform John McCoy, K4KBB, k4kbb @ earthlink.net of any changes.

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held **Tuesday, August 20** at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX, 756-3734. bertrandf@ecu.edu. Please bring the following **required**:

- ◆ **Photo ID** (drivers license)
- ◆ **Original** Amateur Radio License
- ◆ **Copy** of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ **Original** CSCE's
- ◆ **Copy** of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$15.00 .
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.
- ◆ SS Number will be needed if you don't have an FRN number.

Go to <<http://www.w4amc.com/barcinfo.html#VE>> for more information.

NC ARES Internet

<http://www.ncarrl.org/ares/>

Pitt County ARES

<http://www.pittares.com/>



BARC VE Session

August 20



Happy Birthday

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

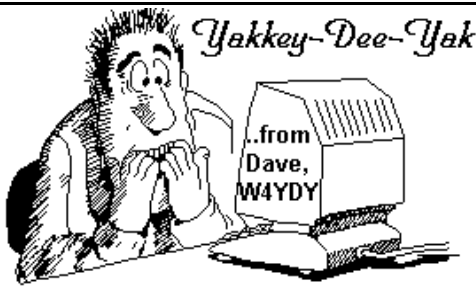
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Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - W4YDY

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Yakkey-Dee-Yak

Bill said, "I sure hope more come to play because I had to play the whole 2 hours and I got a little tired." He had already probably run a few miles earlier in the week. I don't know many club members that could last 2 hours playing badminton!

A short video of him running and playing badminton was made during a Fox News interview with him on his 100th birthday. You can see it at <http://foxnewsinsider.com/2012/01/18/amazing-story-100-year-old-north-carolina-man-keeps-up-with-regular-exercise/>.

Those of you that would like to upgrade to Amateur Extra, it's not too late. Bill upgraded to Amateur Extra when he was 94. I was one of the VE's and I can't remember him missing any questions. He had been an Advanced for many years.

At one of the club meetings a couple of years ago, members were called on to talk about some of their ham radio experiences. Bill told about how he got started with the old radios of the 1930's. It was mostly home brew back then with tubes lighting up and warming the shack. He had some very interesting stories.

73 Bill. We miss you.. - W4YDY

Tom Christian, VP6TC/VR6TC, Silent Key, Pitcairn Island



Tom Christian, **VP6RC/VR6TC**, a long-time radio amateur who became known as "the Voice of Pitcairn," died July 7 on the tiny South Pacific Island that was his lifelong home. He was 78 and a descendent of Fletcher Christian of "Mutiny on the Bounty" fame. In 2009 he was diagnosed with possible Alzheimer's disease. According to his wife Betty, **VP6YL/VR6YL**, his health "deteriorated all too quickly," and the last few months were, in her words, "cruel ones to watch such a strong, vibrant man reduced to where he was not really aware of his surroundings and then was unable to walk and swallow food or liquid."

Tom was first licensed in 1957. Over the years, he and Betty kept in routine radio contact with their ham radio friends overseas as well as with two of their daughters who are hams. He often ran just 70 W into a 250 foot wire on 15 meters and was able to work the US easily. Tom was buried July 8 in the cemetery on Pitcairn. He was a Member of the British Empire (M.B.E), and served for 40 years on the Pitcairn Island Council as the Governor's Representative. In addition to his wife, survivors include the couple's four daughters, Darilene; Sherilene; Jacqueline, **VK2CDC**, and Raelene, **ZL2RAE**. — Thanks to The Daily DX, **NN1N**, **KI5DR** and **OH2BR** - via **ARRL.ORG**

BARC lost one of its most popular members in July. Bill Finch, **W4EHF**, passed away at age 101. He is missed very much by his family and friends and he had many, many friends, locally and throughout the United States. Ham radio was an important part of Bill's life. He was very active right up to the end.

I didn't meet Bill until he moved to Greenville but spent some time with him when he would ride with me to club meetings and some hamfests. I will never forget when he was about 97 and I heard him one morning on the 2 meter repeater in his car talking to Bill, Jr., **AI4TN**. Bill Jr. ask his dad if he was on the way to play badminton. Bill said yes but he hoped there would be more to show up to play because not enough were there the week before.

Hams Aid Crew of Foundering Vessel

According to news reports, hams in Hawaii and California played a role July 23 in efforts to rescue the two-person crew of a sailboat stranded on a reef more than 3500 miles away in Micronesia. The US Coast Guard continues to monitor the situation. The vessel *C'est la Vie*, a 53-foot sailboat reported running aground on a reef in western Chuuk Lagoon. When the situation developed, Big Island Amateur Radio Club member Richard Darling, **AH7G**, was in contact with John Bush, **KH6DLK/V63JB**, and friends in the Federated States of Micronesia.



On July 23 he was in Northern California testing a new antenna to help him keep in better touch with his contacts within the FSM. During the contact, Darling and his wife Barbara, **NH7FY**, heard the distress call, in which the crew reported the vessel was taking on water. The Darlings were able to hear the signal well

and pass along important information about the sailboat's location and the severity of the crew's situation, which the Darlings relayed to the Coast Guard. The crew had told the Coast Guard they thought they could walk ashore on the reef and had a life raft and safety gear.

On July 24, the Coast Guard said the vessel's radio had gone silent, and Bush and the Darlings "were mostly playing a waiting game," the Hawaii Tribune-Herald reported July 25. The paper ran an article about Bush's ARRL award in May. - via **ARRL.ORG**

Boy Scout Jamboree Hosts Space Station Ham Radio Contact

European Space Agency Astronaut Luca Parmitano, KF5KDP, aboard the International Space Station spoke July 20 via ham radio with Scouts attending the 2013 Boy Scouts of America National Jamboree, July 15-24, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in Mount Hope, West Virginia. The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program arranged the 2 meter contact between the Scouts' K2BSA and NA1SS.

"What really matters is to be good at what you do," Parmitano told the Scouts, "so, pick something you like, love it and be really good at it." Parmitano also said that the stars look different — more natural — from the ISS but appear the same size as on Earth. Ditto for planets.

ARISS Technical Mentor Bob Greenberg, W2CYK, coordinated the contact with the Jamboree. Some 40,000 attendees were anticipated at the National Jamboree over its 10 day run. Amateur radio has been a part of the Jamboree experience since 1953, when K6BSA was on the air from Irvine Ranch in California. An ARISS direct contact with Space Station Commander Doug Wheelock, KF5BOC, was a highlight of K2BSA's activities during the BSA's centennial National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia, in 2010.



On July 22, students at Colegio Uruguá, in El Pinar, Uruguay, spoke with the ISS crew via LU8YY. An ARISS contact also was scheduled this with students at the Scuola Italiana di Montevideo in Uruguay.

Visitors to the European Space Agency's Space Camp 2013 in Radstadt, Austria, spoke July 24 with the ISS crew via a telebridge between IRØISS and VK4KHZ in South Australia. The theme of this year's camp is "Space Exploration."

Early August the ISS crew will speak with Scouts attending the 2013 Space Jam 7 at Octave Chanute Aerospace Museum in Rantoul, Illinois. Some 2000

Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and their leaders from 20 states are expected to be on hand for Space Jam 7.

Also in early August the ISS crew will speak via ham radio with students attending the 2013 AirVenture Oshkosh air show in Wisconsin. Some 500,000 visitors attend the air show each year. The organization has a student membership of more than 20,000. On the day of the contact 125 young women and their mentors involved in the aerospace industry in some way with the EAA's Women Soar program are expected, in addition to groups from aviation high schools from Florida and California.

The ISS crew has been using a 5 W Ericsson hand-held transceiver for contacts in recent months, because of problems with the higher-power Kenwood radio on board. This can make terrestrial copy difficult, and ARISS volunteers have had to beef up ground-station receiving capabilities to ensure a successful contact. ARISS has recorded more than 800 ISS school contacts since the program began in late 2000.

ARISS is an international educational outreach with participation from ARRL, NASA, ESA, the Russian Space Agency (ROSCOSMOS), CNES, JAXA, CSA and AMSAT. - ARISS - via ARRL.ORG

Ham Radio Provides Reliable Link for Solo-Circumnavigating Grandmother

Jeanne Socrates, KC2IOV, a 70-year-old sailor and retired math teacher, completed her around-the-world nonstop, solo sail on July 8. Socrates took off October 22 from Victoria, British Columbia, in her 38 foot sailboat Nereida. Ham radio was her link to terra firm during her voyage, which ended where it began. "My 'email team' of cheerful, helpful Amateur Radio operators are now out of a job," Socrates quipped in her blog after she arrived in port. A coterie of ham radio regulars, including WA1RKT, N5TW, WB2REM and VE7TK, kept her company. Socrates used Winlink e-mail via HF ham radio, but in May her remaining onboard computer failed, bringing the e-mail traffic and blog to a halt.

"Word of Jeanne's difficulties



Jeanne Socrates, KC2IOV

made it through to the ham radio community," reports Rick Williams, VE7TK, and within days her onshore ham friends had set up an e-mail reflector and were handling messages to and from KC2IOV using

SSB. Although the UK native had been hoping for a Canada Day (July 1) arrival, she encountered some unfavorable conditions along the way that slowed her progress.

Socrates also took along a satellite telephone, but it quit a couple of months into the voyage, and ham radio remained her only reliable link. In addition to ham radio, Socrates entertained herself by reading. During the trip, Socrates raised funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care, a United Kingdom non-profit society that provides free home care for terminally ill patients.

"This is an amazing effort," Williams enthused, "and the fact that so many amateurs around the world in some small part were able to participate is something that none of us will soon forget." - Thanks to Rick Williams, VE7TK - via ARRL.ORG

Ham Ads

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NOTE: Commercial rates on page 7.


For Sale: Reduced Price! Kenwood TS-850 transceiver with: internal tuner, CW filters, mike, manual, power wire and box: \$650.00
 Murray, **K4MHM**: mmmm0320@gmail.com

For Sale: The 2 items below were given to BARC from the estate of AF4RP to sell. The money will go to BARC. These items may be put up for a silent auction at a future meeting if still available. These items have not been completely checked out so they are sold as is.
 Email or write BARC for more details. [barc @ w4amc.com](mailto:barc@w4amc.com)

Turntable Miracord-46. This was the top of the line turntable sold by Radio Shack in 1975. It was built by a German manufacturer and it plays 33 1/2, 45 and 78-rpm records and 7, 10 or 12 inch sizes. Sold for \$211.45 including dust cover in 1975 catalog..

Heath Counter IB-1101. 1972 model goes to 100 MHz. Uses Nixie tubes for display. Includes original assembly manual. The manual alone is listed on the Internet for 15 to 30 dollars. Looks like counter will work okay. Turned it on and the display lights up normally.

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BARC Meeting Minutes - July 2013

BARC Meeting Minutes

Date: 7.09.13

Call to Order: 7:30 pm

There were 16 persons present as recorded in the sign in book.

Minutes: Approved as published in Ham Chatter.

Secretary's Report: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Gerry Clayton, **K4IDD**, gave the report.

Equipment: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**, had nothing to report. BARC is looking for a new equipment manager. Contact Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, if interested.

VE: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX** reported that the next VE session will be August 20. See w4amc.com for details.

Health and Welfare: John McCoy, **K4KBB**, had nothing to report beyond what is listed in Ham Chatter.

Ham Chatter: Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, had nothing to report.

Publicity: Taylor Millar, **W4WTM** reported that announcements for the club meeting and VE session would run in the Daily Reflector.

Pitt County ARES: Bill Dawson, **W4SLC**, noted that August 10 there would be a Areas 1 & 2 meeting at the Golden Skillet in Plymouth, 10 am.

Public Service: No report was given.

Future Programs: Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, reported that the August program will be given by Robert Young, **NC4RY**, of Tarheel Antennas.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: None

Program: Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**, discussed emergency preparedness.

Adjournment: 9:30 pm.

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Old Business: Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, led a discussion

about combining the BARC and ARES Monday night 2-meter nets. The board also agreed to post two older radios owned by the club for sale in Ham Chatter: Kenwood 430 and Kenwood 520.

New Business: The nominating committee for potential BARC officers and board members will be meeting soon. Contact any committee member John McCoy, **K4KBB**, Bernie Nobles, **WA4MOK**, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, or Richard Campbell, **W4JNC**, with suggestions.

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BARC Secretary

Old Radio Shack and Allied Radio Catalogs

For the old timers and those that want to see some of the old Amateur Radio equipment, most Radio Shack and Allied Radio catalogs are online. Radio Shack catalogs start at with the 1939 catalog and the Allied Radio starts with the 1929 catalog.

I ordered my first ham receiver from Allied Radio in Chicago. It was a Hallicrafters SX-71 and shown on page 134 in the 1952 catalog. On page 83 of the 1935 catalog, there is a 5 meter AM transceiver kit that uses a single 19 tube. It sold for less than 10 dollars including the tube. Amateur transmitters and receivers are in the late 1930's catalogs.

Old Allied Radio Catalogs at:

http://www.alliedcatalogs.com/catalogs_main.html

Radio Shack put out their first catalog in 1939 and it had ham transmitters and receivers listed. In 1957 when they only had stores in Boston and New Haven, I bought my first SSB receiver and transmitter from them. It was a Collins 75A4 although Collins is not listed in their catalog. A few months later I bought the Hallicrafters HT-32 SSB transmitter. It's listed in the 1958 catalog. Both catalogs were great for parts. Too bad we only have the Internet now and nothing on paper to browse. It's very interesting to look at the history of old electronics from the early 20th century. - **W4YDY**

Old Radio Shack Catalogs:

http://www.radioshackcatalogs.com/catalog_directory.htmlOld

Working Greenland to Get Easier

The Daily DX reports that Bjørn, OZ5BD, and Mia, OZ5MD, have moved from Denmark to Greenland for at least 2 years and plan to be active on as many bands as possible starting sometime in mid-August. Bjørn is OX5M, while Mia is OX5T. They are setting up for operation QSL via OZ1PIF. — The Daily DX - via on all bands 40 meters through 10 meters, [ARRL.ORG](http://www.arrrl.org)



SSB and CW. They also plan to operate on 6 meters, SSB, CW and JT65. QSL via OZØJ or LoTW. Also, OX3LX will be on the HF bands August 4-8. The operator will be Bo, OZ1DJJ — on the air from Kangerlussuag August 4-5 and from Aasiaat Island (NA-134) August 5-9.

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NETS

VHF

- ◆ BARC Net, Mondays, 2000 on 147.09 MHz, W4GDF Repeater.
- ◆ Pitt County Emergency Communications Net, Mondays, 2030 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, Thursdays @ 2000 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 Ahoskie 145.13, Buxton 145.15, Columbia 146.835 & 443.30, Elizabeth City 146.655, Greenville, 145.35, Hertford 147.33, Williamston 145.41 & 444.25

Monitoring Times to Cease Publication

“It’s time for us to retire,” begins efforts of our fine staff of writers for the the announcement that Monitoring Times excellent work which has kept MT alive magazine will cease publication at year’s for all these years. While we know the dis-

continuation of MT, with our December issue,” publisher Bob Grove, W8JHD, told ARRL. “The decision wasn’t an easy one, but economics played a greater part than personal. Judy and I are in excellent health, but the gradual drift downward of subscribers and advertisers made the decision clear.” Grove said that if a subscription runs beyond the



end of the year, subscribers should e-mail or call the office at 800-438-8155 to arrange a refund. Monitoring Times, which promotes itself as “The World of Radio All in One Place,” covers — among other topics — shortwave and broadcast listening, scanning, military, maritime, and aviation monitoring, equipment reviews, clandestine stations, and public safety monitoring.

In a separate statement Grove said, “We are grateful for the dedicated

dependability, and your professionalism in making MT the publication that is most often referred to in the radio monitoring hobby. It is a legacy that we have all inherited.”

Grove has a new e-book out with stories from his past, Misadventures of an Only Child. Commented Dan, VR2HF, after the news item appeared on QRZ.com, “Sad to see them go. They were best in their class!” - via [ARRL.ORG](http://www.arrrl.org)

HF

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

NTS CW Nets

- ◆ 3.571 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

Pitt County Repeater Association

<http://www.pcra.us/>

BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug 13	Regular Meeting	Nov 2	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Aug 20	BARC VE Session – TUESDAY	Nov 2/3	ARRL CW Sweepstakes
Aug 27	Board Meeting	Nov 12	Regular Meeting
Aug 31	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE	Nov 16/17	ARRL SSB Sweepstakes
Aug 31/Sep 1	Shelby Hamfest*	Nov 17	JARFEST - Benson*
Sep 10	Regular Meeting	Nov 23/24	CQ WW CW DX Contest
Sep 14	Virginia Beach Hamfest*	Nov 26	Board Meeting
Sep 14/15	ARRL Sept. VHF Contest	Nov 30	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE
Sep 24	Board Meeting	Dec 7	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
Sep 28	HAM CHATTER DEADLINE	Dec 10	Christmas Party
Sep 28/29	CQ WW RTTY Contest	Dec 14	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Oct 8	Regular Meeting	Dec 17	BARC VE Session – TUESDAY
Oct 13	Maysville Hamfest*	Dec 31	Board Meeting
Oct 15	BARC VE Session – TUESDAY		
Oct 26/27	CQ WW SSB DX Contest		
Oct 29	Board Meeting		

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

BARC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 8:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
 BRIGHTLEAF AMATEUR RADIO CLUB STATIONS

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**August 2013
 Next Meeting
 August 13**

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