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Bill Finch, Jr., AI4TN, SK

William Curtis Finch, Jr., 72, (AI4TN) of Greenville, NC, passed away Friday, August, 12, 2016 after a long and courageous battle with leukemia at Vidant Medical Center. He was born on June 15, 1944 in Tupelo, Mississippi.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Curtis Finch, and his mother, Elsie Floyd Finch of Fayetteville. He often conversed with his father on the air. Bill loved talking with his father over ham radio and once said, "The telephone makes it too easy, people don't know what they're missing,"

He attended 71st High School in Fayetteville, NC and graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a BS in Political Science in 1966 and immediately transitioned to the United States Navy serving on active duty honorably for four years until 1970. After the Navy he returned to UNC Chapel Hill and earned his Pharmacy degree in 1972.

Bill's interest in ham radio was ignited by a visit to the Dayton Hamfest and in 2002 he got his Technician's license. After some more studying and practicing Morse Code by mentally spelling out the words on street signs and anything else he saw, he got his General license in 2005.

Bill was an avid hiker and backpacker, spending up to a week with his cohorts. Herb Carlton and Jeff Strickland, on the Appalachian Trail almost annually. Bill also often used a Yaesu VX7 handheld that he hooked to a J-pole antenna while he was

backpacking. Bill had hiked about 400 miles of the Appalachian Trail along with other backpacking adventures and he had said having a radio along had added a whole other dimension to his trips. For countless years he helped his sons, Matthew and Jeffrey, as they participated in Boy Scouts. He also had a love for dogs, evident in the way that he adored his last three, Parker, Jazz, and Ikea.

Upon retirement, he and Ellen made numerous trips to the National Parks where he pursued his love of photography and the outdoors. Bill was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and a lifetime member of the UNC Chapel Hill Alumni Association. He shared a passion for amateur radio with his father (W4EHF), both active members of the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club, and advanced level radio operators. Bill also loved Carolina basketball.

His pharmacy career included REVCO/ CVS in Durham, Lumberton, and Greenville, other locations were Wayne Memorial Hospital in Goldsboro, Pitt County Memorial Hospital in Greenville, Neil Medical in Kinston, and the Brody School Of Medicine Pharmacy at East Carolina University in Greenville.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Ellen Lashmit Finch of Greenville; his children, Jennifer Finch Privott and husband, Keith, of Edenton, Kimberly Finch O'Rourke and husband, Zack, of Wilmington, Matthew William McGowan of Greenville, and CPT Jeffrey Mark McGowan and wife, Jacqueline, of Killeen, TX; and his grandchildren, Dare Privott, Emerson Privott, Finn O'Rourke, Emma Rose O'Rourke, and Jeffrey Mark McGowan, Jr (JJ).

Next Meeting Sept 13, 2016

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on Tuesday, September 13 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. The program by Tim Parkin, Batteries + Bulbs, Greenville Store Manager. His subject is "A new Era of Innovation for Lighting and **Batteries.**" Tim always has a great program of interest to everyone.

All members. families and guests are invited to attend.



Bill Finch, Jr.—AI4TN SK

BARC Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, Sept 27th at 7:30 PM at the Offices of Monday & Monday, (CPA), Suite D, East Victoria Court. All members invited.

Save the Date THE CHILDREN OF LINDA LANGLEY WESBROOK AND WILLIAM BERNARD NOBLES WA4MOK INVITE YOU TO THE WEDDING CERE-MONY OF THEIR PARENTS SATURDAY OCTOBER FIFTEENTH TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON ST JOSEPH U. M. CHURCH 200 WEST CHURCH ST PIKEVILLE, NC **REQUEST NO GIFTS** CASUAL ATTIRE **RECEPTION FOLLOWS** AT SAME ADDRESS

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held Tuesday, Oct 18, 2016 at the VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Email VE Liaison at ve @

w4amc.com Walk-ins welcome. Please bring the following required:

- Photo ID (drivers license)
- Original Amateur Radio License
- Copy of Amateur Radio License
- ٠ **Original** CSCE's
- ٠ 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. *

More info at <http://www.w4amc. com/barcinfo.html#VE>.

NC ARES Internet

http://www.ncarrl.org/ares/ Pitt County ARES EC needed!



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Нарру Bírthday

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club members birthdays in September.

01	KG4NSC	Pat Williams
05	KQ2V	Br. Simon Jaworski
06	KD4MTT	Mike Langley
07	KG4ZVM	Brad Brechtelsbauer
08	N4JNC	Joseph Swigert
14	WA4DAN	Murray Adams
20	W4FA	John Schultz
24	ex-W4OZV	Hassell Bailey
26	KC4HHW	Billy Elks
29	WA7FXB	Al Sanchez
29	KC3X	Hollis Thigpen



Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

Charlie Wells, K4SKI

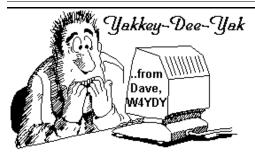
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2016 Officers

At the September meeting, the 2016 BARC Officers will be nominated. All positions have not had any nominations yet. If you are interested, please let a club officer know. A special notice to the Amateur Radio operators that have not been licensed for very long: Step up and get active in the club. The club needs new ideas for continuing growth. It's also a way to learn more about Amateur Radio from all standpoints and to build up Amateur Radio friendships. In the past couple of years, two newer hams have stepped up to help the club, Joe Jeansonne, WB4JOE, took over as editor of Ham Chatter and Mike Monteith, KM4OLT, is the new web site editor. He is still working on the new look. Why can't some others volunteer to help the club by being an officer of the club? It does not take much time but you will gain much more from the hobby than just setting back and watch others. Some do come out for events and they always have a good time, especially on Field Day held in June.

New Technician Class

A class for the Technician class will be held on the five Saturdays in October. Let you family and friends know. The location has not been confirmed yet but on of two will be selected soon. A class for the General Class license may be held in

ARES Trailer

Peter Van Houten, KG4WEZ, has been putting a lot of time and work on the ARES trailer. He had done a lot of painting of the trailer, inside and out, and rewiring the equipment connec-He has added a solor tions. panel on top of the trailer and it will keep a battery charged up for the 12 volt radios. It will also have a generator for 120 volt service. It will be an Amateur Radio station on wheels covering all bands and voice, CW and digital when the modifications are completed. Plans are to take it to locations and events to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the public and especially young people to get them interested in the hobby.

New VE

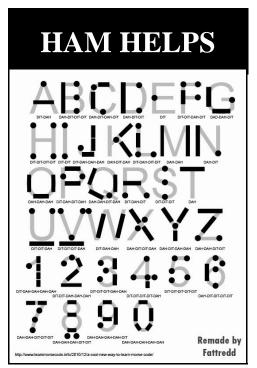
LaSalle Boston, **KM4BNR**, is now a Volunteer Examiner. We look forward to seeing him at the BARC VE sessions. Congratulations LaSalle.

Future BARC programs

The September program will be by Tim Parkin, Batteries + Bulbs, Greenville Store Manager. His subject will be "A new Era of Innovation for Lighting and Batteries." He the battery guy! The October program will be by Robert Young, **NC4RY**, from Fuquay-Varina. Robert is the founder, designer and technical support for the screwdriver Tarheel Antennas. He's the antenna guy! Hopefully in November we will have a program about emergency communications from the Pitt County director.

What do all the 1's and 0's below represent? Hint: Think about binary!

1001001 Dave, W4YDY



Ham Chatter

FCC Proposes Substantial Fine for Unlicensed Amateur Operation, False Police Call

A New York City man faces a fine of \$23,000 for operating on Amateur Radio frequencies without a license and for transmitting a false officer-in-distress call on a New York City Police Department (NYPD) radio channel. The FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) on August 31 to Daniel Delise of Astoria. It details a history of complaints and alleged illegal radio operation on Delise's part that dates back to 2012.

"The Commission previously warned Mr Delise that unlicensed operation of this station was illegal and that continued operation could result in further enforcement action," the FCC said in the NAL. "Mr Delise's deliberate disregard of the [Communications] Act and the Commission's warning warrants a significant penalty."

ARRL Hudson Division Director Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, credited the intervention earlier this year of New York Rep Peter King with getting the case "off the back burner and up to the front of the line." Lisenco and ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, met with the Republican congressman in January to discuss ongoing interference issues in the Greater New York City/Long Island area. King subsequently wrote FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler to urge "timely and visible enforcement."

Lisenco also praised the direct involvement of FCC Enforcement Bureau Region 1 Director David C. Dombrowski "and his willingness to work with us and to use information we provided as potential leads," as well as "a system of grassroots reporting that depicted the current pattern of intentional interference with legitimate amateur communications on local repeaters," coordinated by Richie Cetron, K2KNB, an Official Observer and Assistant Hudson Division Director. Lisenco said FCC Special Counsel Laura Smith "has been a great help in keeping us informed and in the loop."

The FCC reported receiving "numerous complaints" that Delise was transmitting on different frequencies, issuing two official warnings in 2012. The Commission said complaints about Delise continued through 2013 and 2014, but, the FCC said, an investigating agent "was not able to confirm a rule violation." Still more complaints alleged that Delise was transmitting without authority on 461.225 MHz, a frequency licensed to NYC City Wide Disaster Services, the FCC recounted. In 2014, the FCC received 10 more complaints identifying Delise by name, plus another nine in 2015 and one more in 2016.

Last April, field agents monitoring in Delise's Astoria neighborhood detected a strong voice transmission on 147.96 MHz. They were able to track the signal to the building where Delise resided, and, ultimately, went to his apartment and confronted him.

The FCC said Delise admitted making the transmissions on 147.96 MHz and acknowledged that he did not have an Amateur Radio license. As a result, the FCC's New York Field office issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation.

A couple of weeks later, the NYPD informed an FCC field agent that it had taken Delise into custody for "sending out false radio transmissions" over the NYPD radio system and for possessing radios capable of operating on NYPD frequencies, in violation of state law. According to the NYPD, a call had gone out reporting an officer in need, and the responding officer spotted Delise speaking into a radio. The police report said Delise admitted to making the transmission and that he told officers that he had more radios and would continue to transmit on police frequencies. Obtaining a warrant, the NYPD confiscated all radio transmitting equipment from Delise's apartment, including 14 radios capable of operating on NYPD frequencies.

The FCC concluded that Delise apparently transmitted without a license on Amateur Radio frequencies, even after being warned not to do so, and that he apparently transmitted false or fraudulent distress signals on NYPD frequencies. Both violations were "willful," the FCC said.

Delise could have faced a penalty of more than \$140,000, under the provisions of the Communications Act. The NAL gave Delise 30 days to pay the fine or to file a written statement seeking a reduction or cancellation of the proposed forfeiture. The FCC fine may not be at the top of Delise's list of worries, however. According to Lisenco, Delise now is serving prison time resulting from the false police call and his guilty pleas to other charges.

-via ARRL (http://bit.ly/2c9nD7q)

August 2016 BARC VE Session Results

On the August 16, 2016 BARC VE session, three candidates passed Amateur Radio exams.

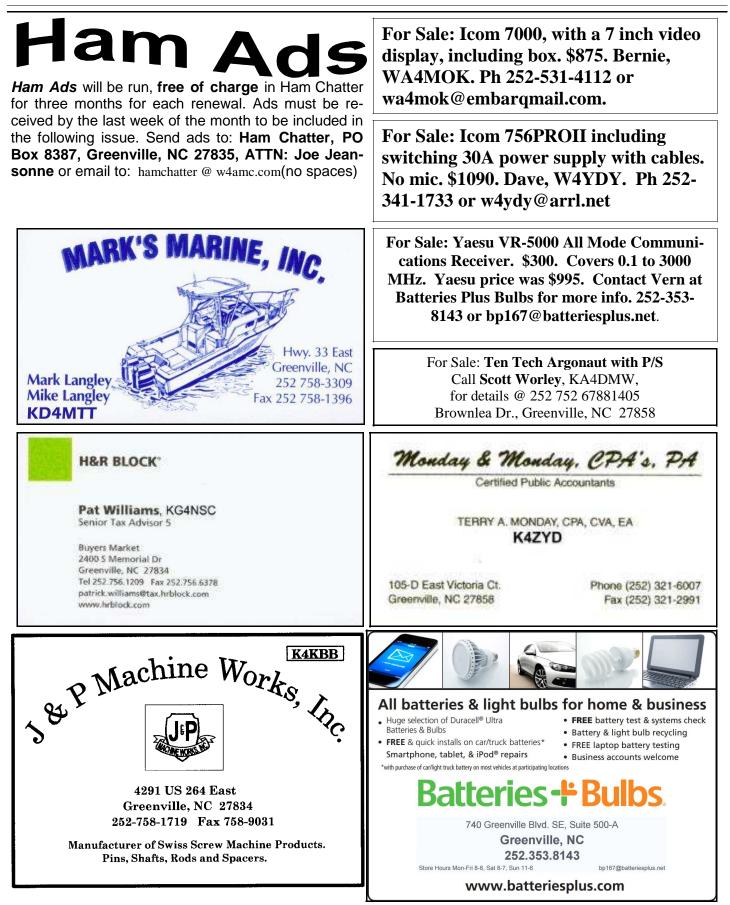
Jonathon Collins, **KM4VDG**, Nashville, NC, passed Element 3 to upgrade to General Class license. Joe Frazier, **KM4WHZ**, Greenville, NC, and Jason Oliver, **KM4WHY**, Kinston, NC, passed the Technician exams and their new call signs were granted by the FCC on August 26, 2016. BARC congratulates all for their accomplishment.

Also BARC welcomes Joe and Jason as new club members.

The VE's that attended were VE Liaison Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, Morris Lewis, **AK4MU**, Dan Wallace, **K4HMW**, and Gary Coriell, **KE5ACR**. The next regular BARC VE session is scheduled for

October 18, 2016.

http://www.w4amc.com



Team USA Heads to World Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships

mitter hunters are packing their bags to tered within 2700 acres of forest. join more than 400 other competitors from 39 nations taking part in the 18th World way on August 30 with the 80 meter clas- date was 2012 in central Serbia, when the Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) sic ARDF World Cup event, an optional US fielded 13 competitors. Six of them Championships in the Black Sea resort of competition for individuals. Five members collected a total of 13 medals in the World Albena, Bulgaria. Competitors are divided of Team USA will participate. World Cup Cup and World Championships that year. into six age categories for males and five events over the next 3 days (2 meter clas- The latest information on how Team USA for females, in accordance with Interna- sic, sprint and foxoring) serve as world- is faring in Bulgaria will be posted on tional Amateur Radio Union (IARU) rules class training and an opportunity for indi- Moell's "Homing In" website. Details on for ARDF competition. Team USA in- vidual medals. cludes nine men and six women from six states. Ranging in age from 26 to 74, they rest on Saturday, September 3, as the re- ARDF Championships website. won their places on the team by their ex- maining World Championships particicellent performances in the 2016 USA pants arrive. The following day is devoted Amateurs (BFRA) is hosting the event. ARDF Championships in Texas and the to foxoring, the first official World Cham- The Bulgarian seaside has been the host of 2015 USA ARDF Championships in Colo- pionships event. Participants in all events previous international ARDF competitions, rado.

fielded a team for the World Champion- ited to three participants per age/gender petitions have not taken place in the past. ships, which take place in even-numbered category from each country. years in various countries," said ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, KOOV. with the sprint on Monday, September 5, nator Joe Moell, KOOV, for more informa-

was in 2006, when Team USA won its first day; Wednesday is set aside as a free day World Championships medal." That year, and cultural tour, offering a break between -via ARRL (http://bit.ly/2c9p9q6) Nadia Scharlau of North Carolina captured the classics. Banquets and medal award bronze in the 80 meter classic event, which ceremonies follow each day's competition,

Competition in Bulgaria gets under

seek medals both as individuals and as and this year's event organizers say they "This is the 10th time that the US has members of national teams, which are lim- have chosen new areas where ARDF com-

"The last time that Bulgaria hosted and classic events on Tuesday and Thurs- tion on ARDF.

Fifteen top US on-foot hidden trans- required her to find four transmitters scat- and everyone goes home on Friday, September 9.

Moell said Team USA's best year to

the 18th World Amateur Radio Direction World Cup competitors get a day of Finding Championships are on the World

The Bulgarian Federation of Radio

Visit the Homing In website of ARRL The World Championships continue Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordi-

BARC Board Meeting Minutes—August 2016

Jeff Meyer at 7:30 PM.

Present: Dave Langley W4YDY, Bernie on it to support an open tarp roof (more fully will stimulate interest in the club. Nobles WA4MOK, Jeff Meyer K4DKW, comfortable with better air circulation). Liability insurance is needed on the trailer, Terry Monday K4ZYD, John McCoy White paint on the roof led to a 40 degree perhaps an umbrella policy to cover those K4KBB, Gerry Clayton K4IDD, Pat Wil- temp drop in the sun. Black paint was using and towing the trailer. liams KG4NSC, Bob Hanrahan AF4QY, used on the tongue and the antenna mast, Need an Elmer program for training new Peter Van Houten KG4WEZ.

Frazier KM4WHZ and Jason Oliver HF, VHF, and UHF multiplexers and Our interface with ARES, EOC, VIPER KM4WHY.

will meet in next two week and candidates craft frequency, Coast Guard frequencies, grams in parallel with an emergency comwill be introduced at the September 13 Wifi using an antenna and a modern digital munications presence until we are better meeting.

given to us and we have been offered were installed on the roof and labelled. An the BARC membership. \$500/ tube from a company in NY. Jeff uninterruptible power supply will work Radio classes are scheduled to start on Oct was instructed to pursue the sale.

a 6.5 kw generator and for AC power. Power poles are needed, three new tires, The meeting was adjourned at 9:30. The bench was uncomfortable with splin- including a spare, wheel bearings need ser- Respectfully submitted, ters, and it was sanded and painted. He vicing, maybe a 12V led system should be Bob Hanrahan AF4OY found the BARC Amateur Radio demon- installed for lighting. Peter should be con-

He repainted the back and put PVC pipes furbishing of the ARES trailer which hopeand the mast was marked for HF bands. licensees. The inability of many new li-New BARC Members identified were Joe Holes in the trailer were weatherproofed. censees to get on the air was discussed. switches were installed. Nominating committee: The committee include left- and right- sided stations. Air- develop our outreach and education prorig with built in software (no laptop established. Maybe we can get Pitt County Three large tubes from VOA have been needed) will be available. Five antennas EOC Chris Evert to present a program to with solar, a deep cycle battery, a generator (4 weeks) at the library or at Oakwood ARES Trailer: Peter identified the need for and 110V AC for all rigs in the trailer. school if we can get it.

The meeting was called to order by chair stration banners and fixed them with ties. gratulated for his hard work and expert re-

Other features and MARS was discussed. Jeff wants to

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) Stations Encouraged to Register and File Post-Event Reports

Scouting's Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) officials are asking JOTA 2016 participants not only to register for this year's event, but to follow up with a post-JOTA report. As an incentive, all stations filing reports will automatically be entered to win an Icom ID-51A hand-held transceiver. The 59th annual JOTA takes place October 14-16.

"Last year we had 400 stations register but only 200 stations file a report," said JOTA Coordinator Jim Wilson, K5ND. "We're going to improve that this year. Icom America and Ray Novak, N9JA, have stepped up to help us with a considerable incentive."

Wilson pointed out that only BSA stations will be eligible to win. "These prizes are for the station. It's up to you to determine who gets it or how you share it," he said. "Of course, everyone who files a report will receive the 2016 Jamboree on the Air Certificate."

More than 1 million Scouts in 150+ countries — at nearly 18,000 stations — are expected to take part in JOTA 2016, engaging with other Scouts to talk about Amateur Radio and their Scouting experiences. "JOTA is about conversations across town and around the world, rather than about contacts," Wilson said.

The JOTA reporting system will open right after JOTA weekend; reports are due on November 1, with the prize drawing held that week. "Designate someone on your team to collect the information needed for your report," Wilson recommended, pointing to a list of "best practices" to ensure a report that "truly captures your event."

JOTA Guidelines for Amateur Radio Operators are available online. Among other advice, the operating guide points out that US Scouts may speak directly with Scouts in other countries as long as a third-party agreement exists between that country and the US. A Scout station spotting cluster also will be available this vear, to show who's on the air and where. Dave Edwards, KD2E, and Andy O'Brien, K3UK, have developed a Scout scheduling page for teams to post their frequencies.

JOTA stations have been asked to avoid other operating activities taking place over the October 14-16 weekend, including the Worked All Germany contestfree zones. Four state QSO parties also take place over JOTA weekend — Illinois, Iowa, New York, and South Dakota.

Wilson also asked for the cooperation of contesters. "As you participate in these or other contests that weekend, please keep in mind that Scouts will be on the air at the same time," Wilson advised competitors. "For most, this will be their first experience with Amateur Radio. Please be courteous and where possible provide some contest free space around their ongoing OSOs near the Scouting frequencies. After all, they are the next generation of ham operators — or not."

-via ARRL (http://bit.ly/2c9p7i5)

NETS VHF/UHF

- BARC Net, Mondays, 2000 on 147.09 MHz, W4GDF Repeater.
- Newport SkyWarn Tues. nights 2100E Grifton-146.685-88.5 tone Newport-145.450.....

IRLP 8561 links to Columbia Jacksonville-147.000- 88.5 tone Oriental-147.210-151.4 tone 444 Newport-444.825- 88.5 tone Swansboro-146.760- 88.5 tone

- Grantsboro-145 230 85.4 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.
- ◆ 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

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

Greenville repeaters 147.09/69 - 145.35/144.75 444.8/449.8 All use 131.8 tone

BARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sep 13	Regular Meeting
Sep 24/25	CW WW RTTY DX Contest
Sep 26	Board Meeting
Oct 9	Maysville Hamfest
	Regular Meeting
Oct 18	VE Exam
	Board Meeting
Oct 29/30	CQ WW SSB DX Contest
Nov 5/6	ARRL CW Sweepstakes
	Regular Meeting
Nov 19/20	ARRL SSB Sweepstakes
Nov 26/27	CQ WW CW DX Contest
Nov 29	Board Meeting
Dec 3-4	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
Dec 10-11	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec 13	BARC Christmas Party

Dec 20VE Exam Dec 27Board Meeting

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

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

WIVOA - W4AMC - W4UHS

