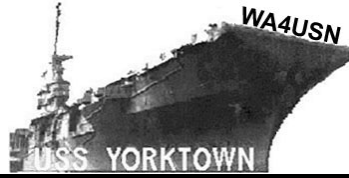


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Charleston Amateur Radio Society

May 2006 Newsletter



CARS Web Site --- <http://www.qsl.net/wa4usn>

*The CARS club meets the second Monday of each month at Ryan's Steak House on Highway 61.
The next club meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Monday, May 8, 2006*

FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with great sadness that I report the passing of one of our club members. Riley Stone, K4HYY, passed away the Monday after Easter.

Tracey and I just got back to our house this evening after attending a touching memorial service in Summerville. As we stood outside the funeral home talking with the folks assembled to remember Riley, it struck me how many in attendance were part of our amateur radio community, and CARS in particular. Such a strong attendance by our membership reflects upon the loyalty and friendship amongst our members, and in the amateur community in general. Those bonds are reinforced not only over the airwaves (which Riley cultivated over the years as net control for emergency services and Skywarn), but in the friendly breakfasts and club meetings at which Riley and Jo Ann were such a fixture.

I could always count on Riley to gently but firmly make sure that issues of importance to the club were well reasoned, and addressed with a balanced approach. He would think through progressive ideas to make sure they lead to real progress and not just be a short-term fad. He could look you square in the eye, and you would know the sincerity in his heart.

He was also a man of great levity. And I truly enjoyed the time we had to chat about a whole range of subjects. Mixed in with his wry sense of humor were nuggets of wisdom, some from his law enforcement background, and some from his service in the U.S. Air Force Reserves.

We have lost a man of principle. One who exemplified the Amateur Radio Creed - Considerate, Loyal, Progressive, Friendly, Balanced, and Patriotic.

A particularly touching moment in his memorial was the playing of a minute or so of morse code translated as, "Attention all amateurs, Attention all amateurs, K4HYY is a Silent Key." It had all of the impact of the playing of taps at a military funeral.

Please keep Jo Ann and the rest of Riley's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Please join me at our next club meeting on May 8th. We have a busy summer ahead, and many opportunities to further strengthen the bonds within the CARS club and the amateur radio community.

73, Ken (AF4ZV)

HAMFEST COMMITTEE & HELPER PARTY -- May 20, 06

The Hamfest Committee Party will be held Saturday May 20, 06. The party will be at Bryce and my river house in Orangeburg. The party is for the Committee and those who helped (family included) with the Hamfest. Lunch will be served at 2:00 PM. Come as early as you like. Spend a fun day at the river. If you enjoy fishing you may want to bring your fishing equipment. Fish bite better early in the morning. Please let me know by May 14 if you and yours plan to attend, so I will know how much food to buy. If you want anything to drink other than soft drinks, tea or coffee please bring your own. My phone number is 747-2324.

Directions: Take 1-26 West to Orangeburg Exit 154 A, Hwy. 301. Go toward Orangeburg staying on 301. Once in Orangeburg look for the Edisto River. After you cross the Edisto River take a left turn at the first traffic light onto the Cannon Bridge Road. Go approximately 7 miles and watch for the river house sign on the left. The sign reads MRH. We will monitor our linked repeater system. For talk in switch to the 147.045 CTCSS 103. 5 repeater.

Committee: The committee is invited to come up for the weekend. We will go up on Friday. Weekenders should bring their own bed linens, blanket, or sleeping bag, pillow, towels, and wash cloth. We do not have these things up there. Friday night is a covered dish supper. Please bring a covered dish and, if you like, a dessert. Also, if you want anything to drink other than soft drinks, tea or coffee, please bring your own.

Hope to see you there. Please RSVP by May 14, 06 to phone number 747-2324.

73, Jenny, Co-Chairman, Hamfest Committee

APRIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Beginning Cash - 4/1/06	\$1,474.02
Cash Receipts:	
April Raffle	32.00
Cash Disbursements:	
John Meyers - April Newsletter	(49.15)
John Meyers - QSL Cards	(371.00)
Bell South	<u>(37.39)</u>
Ending Cash - 4/30/06	\$1,048.48
Savings HT	\$ 26.69
Savings ST - CD	\$1,257.05

Linda NeSmith - K4MPY

MINUTES of APRIL MEETING

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

Club Meeting at Ryan's Steak House on Hwy. 61
Monday, April 10, 2006 - 7:30 PM

MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society Meeting was called to order by President, Ken Bible, AF4ZV, at 7:30 PM on April 10, 2006 at Ryan's Steak House, in Charleston.

Introductions:

There were 30 members and 6 guests present.

Secretary's Minutes/ Report: Tracey KG4HTW

In a motion by David, KI4FSC, seconded by Bryce, K4LXF, the minutes were approved as published in the April 2006 CARS Carrier.

Treasurer's Report: Linda K4MPY

The treasurer's report for the period ended March 31, 2006, was accepted as information as published in the April 2006 CARS Carrier.

Hamfest Report: Jenny WA4NGV

Jenny announced the date of the Hamfest Committee party to be May 20th at the river house in Orangeburg. Stay tuned for the May 2006 CARS Carrier for directions. RSVPs are needed by May 14th for those who plan to attend. No additional information to report on the 2007 Hamfest. In addition, the changes regarding the bank account, approved in the March meeting, have not yet been completed.

Field Day: Doc W4MUR

Reminder: Field Day 2006 will start on 2PM June 23rd and run through 2PM June 25th. QSOs will start Saturday, June 24th at 2PM. Two sign-up sheets were passed during the meeting to obtain volunteers for the CW and SSB stations. We still need a coordinator for the CW station and additional volunteers for set-up and tear-down. Please contact Doc for more information.

Museum Ships: Ed KQ4DC

Museum subs on the air will begin Friday, April 28th 6:00am through Sunday, April 30th until 6:00pm. Ed noted that the museum ships are the 4th largest navy in the world. Please contact Ed Walker or David Wilkins for more information and to volunteer to operate on the Clamagore. The museum ships on the air will occur the first week in June. The April issue of QST has a good article on this event. More information to follow in May.

Races: Ken AF4ZV

Ken asked Doug, KU4OC, to report on the recent Bridge Run. Doug reported that the day went very smooth—thanks to all the volunteers who helped with communications for the day. Doug thanked Mike,

WA4HVP, for serving as net control. In addition, Doug noted that he kept a log of all traffic passed during the net. There were nearly 40 stations on the net to support the approximately 34,000 runners & walkers that crossed the finish line. The Cooper River Bridge Run volunteer party will be held on Wednesday, April 12th from 6PM to 8PM at James Island County Park in the Edisto Shelter – same as last year.

Ken gave an update on the Coastal Cyclist century ride, which was held the day after the bridge run. It was a good day and ran smooth as well. John Glover, of the Coastal Cyclists organization, noted that a total of 450 cyclists raced in the event.

Emergency Prep: Bill WA4WGP

Bill is the new Charleston County EC and noted that the County has been meeting in preparation for the next hurricane season. David Wilkins noted that he will be attending the upcoming Dorchester County EOC meeting on April 11th.

Repeater Report: Bryce K4LXF

No new information to report.

Nets: Ken AF4ZV for Susannah KE4RVF

No new information to report.

Interference: Glenn WB4UIV

No new information to report.

Newsletter/ CARS Carrier: John WA4GPS

No new information to report.

Web Page: John WA4GPS

The address is www.qsl.net/wa4usn.

Education and VE Testing: Sheila KT4YW and Linda K4MPY

The schedule for regular VE Testing occurs on the second Saturday of even numbered months. The next test session is to be held at the Frank's Backyard School House. Cost is still \$14 and 2 forms of ID [one with picture] are required. Contact Sheila at 871-4368 or Linda at 552-3106 for more information or visit the CARS website.

School Programs: Alene KG4NKD – DuBose Middle School Radio Club – K4DMS

Alene reported that the club has recently been testing echo link and made a contact with a ham in England. The school club could use some donated tech manuals to help the students study for the licensing exam. Upcoming event planned for April 21st from 4pm to 8pm at Dubose.

Membership: Bryce K4LXF

The following applications for membership were read:

Regular Membership:

1st Reading: Dennis Powell, KI4LXG

2nd Reading: William H. Quednau, III - KI4LGD

Associate Membership: John Glover

In a motion by John, WA4GPS, and second by Ed, KQ4DC, the club approved the regular membership of William H. Quednau, III and the associate membership of John Glover.

Old Business:

QSL CARDS – In November 2005, the club approved spending \$109.95 to purchase 1000 QSL cards. The company was unable to fill our order and has returned the funds. Additional research has been done to obtain another quote: 1000 for \$207 or 5000 for \$371. In a motion by Glen, WB4UIV, and second by David, KI4FSC, the club approved purchasing the large lot of 5000 cards.

New Business: None.

Announcements:

Dorchester County EOC meeting – April 11th at 7:00pm located at the Sheriff's complex on Hwy 78.

Drawing: The drawing for a one-year ARRL membership was won by KF4UIA, Paul Wightman.

A motion to adjourn was made by Doc, W4MUR, and seconded by Bob, WB4THH.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Tracey, KG4HTW.



Cooper River Bridge Run Pictures

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