

CARS CARRIER

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

May 2012 Newsletter

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

CARS meets the second Monday of each month at Ryan's Steak House on Highway 61.

Our next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM, Monday, May 14, 2012



FROM THE PRESIDENT

No words of wisdom received from the president.

HAMFEST COMMITTEE & HELPER PARTY

The Hamfest Committee Party will be held Saturday May 19th, 2012. The party will be at Bryce and Jenny's river house in Orangeburg. The party is for the Committee and those who helped with the Hamfest (family included). 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 14th 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.

The committee is invited to come up for the weekend, as long as there is room. Make your reservations early. It fills up very fast, however you can still come for the day. The ones going up for the weekend 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 and any drinks other than soft drinks, tea or coffee.

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 approx.

7 miles and watch for the river house sign on the left. The sign reads MRH and the road to the river house is now named Six Sisters Lane. We will monitor our linked repeater system for talk in on the 147.045 T103.5 repeater.

Please RSVP by May 14th to Jenny, home: 747-2324, cell: 697- 4109 or Sheila, 871- 4368.

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT

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| Beginning Checking Balance - 3/1/12 | \$4,487.79 |
| Cash Receipts: | |
| Raffle Proceeds | 30.00 |
| Cash Disbursements: | |
| March Newsletter | (37.59) |
| Creech's Florist - flowers for members | (59.63) |
| ARRL Memberships (4) | (135.00) |
| Laffy call sign renewal | (19.20) |
| Pinckey Carter Co. - Insurance Renewal | (241.00) |
| Postage | (2.00) |
| Bank charge | (5.00) |
| AT&T - March | (63.81) |
| Ending Checking Balance - 3/31/12 | \$3,954.56 |

Charlotte - KJ4PLX

MINUTES of APRIL MEETING

Charleston Amateur Radio Society
Club Meeting at Ryan's Steak House on Hwy. 61
Monday, April 9, 2012 - 7:30 PM

MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society Meeting was called to order by President Gregory Amirault, KI4TVA, at 7:30 PM on Monday, April 9, 2012 at Ryan's Steak House in Charleston, SC.

Introductions:

There were 41 people present.

Secretary's Minutes: Wess, W4RUX, for Susan, KJ4PVN

The March 2012 meeting minutes were published in the April 2012 CARS Carrier. A motion was made to accept the minutes as published, the motion was seconded, and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte, KJ4PLX

The February Financial Report was published in the April newsletter and accepted as information.

Museum Ships: Ed, KQ4DC / David, KI4FSC / Tom, AJ4UQ

The Laffey Trusteeship has been transferred to Tom, AJ4UQ. "Museum Ships on the Air" is the first week end in June and will take place on the Yorktown and the Laffey. The Laffey will open to the general public on April 14th. The Clamagore will not be ready.

Field Day: Greg, KI4TVA / Tom, AJ4UQ

Field Day will be the 4th weekend of June. Sign up for Field Day on: <http://tinyurl.com/2012-CARS-FD>.

Races: Doug, KU4OC

Our operations during the Cooper River Bridge Run were excellent as usual, even though the Event had problems with Bus Transportation and their internal communication. A Volunteer Party was held after the race at the Maritime Center and another Volunteer Party will be April 11, 6-8PM at the James Island County Park. We were not contacted to assist with the After the Bridge Run Bike Race.

Hamfest Report: Jenny, WA4NGV

Our next Hamfest will be Feb. 2, 2013. Jenny reported that we are considering holding the hamfest at another location other than the Fairgrounds, more info at the next Meeting. The Hamfest Volunteer Party will be May 19th at the Orangeburg River House. Sign up with Jenny by May 14th. They will have BBQ. Bring

you own Linens and towels etc. if you plan on staying over. Some camping is available.

Repeater Report: Bryce, K4LXF

Bryce reported that the repeaters were working well but there is still some interference on the "79" machine.

Membership: Bryce, K4LXF

Applications for regular membership:

First Reading: Joe Chapman, KJ4BNC

Second Reading: Tim Russell, KD5YUC
Corrigan Smothers, KK4FCE

Applications for Associate Member: None

Tim and Corrigan were voted in as new members and welcomed into the club.

Emergency Prep: Bill, WA4WGP, Charleston; John, W4HMK, Dorchester; Dennis, KG4RUL, Berkeley

Charleston ARES meets the 3rd Sat. 9AM each month at St. Andrews FD.

Dorchester: Meets the 2nd Sat. 9AM each month.

Berkeley: Meets the last Sat. 9AM of each month.

Nets: George, KI4UIW - Newcomers Net

The Statewide Skywarn Net has resumed weekly sessions on Tuesdays at 9PM on the linked systems.

Other nets are: ARES, 8PM Sundays; QCWA, 9AM Saturdays; Young Peoples Net, 7:30PM Monday statewide run by themselves and the New Comers net 8PM Thursdays.

Newsletter/Website: John, WA4GPS

Nothing new to report.

Education & VE Testing: Sheila, KT4YW

Test this weekend, April 14th, 9AM at Trident Hosp.

School Programs: Greg, KI4TVA, for Alene, KG4NKD - DuBose Middle School Radio Club - K4DMS

No Report.

Communications Trailer: Willie, WB4SOG

A workday is coming up soon. The trailer will be displayed at the Hurricane Expo at James Island Lowe's in May. Wess, W4RUX, has the Tactical Radio for the trailer and will install it and the Time Calling equipment.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements:

Joe, KJ4BNC, reported that the TARC Tailgate Party is April 14th. Talk in is on 147.150

Drawing:

The drawing for a one year ARRL membership was won by Sonja, WA4WVD.

There being no further business, a motion was made, seconded and passed to close the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted by Wess, W4RUX, for Susan, KJ4PVN.





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