Editor: Joseph D. Fritz, KD4RWX

CHARLOTTESVILLE (Albemarle County) VIRGINIA

So let's figure this out. You took all of those tests to become a Ham. You paid \$15 to become a member of the Albemarle Amateur Radio Club. You bought all that equipment to operate on your favorite band. You might fuss if you failed to receive this newsletter. You can look up the area Hams in your Directory, But, can you put a face to all of those voices you hear on the air? Do you remember the last time you attended a group function of the Club? If you cannot recall, then you probably have not met me. That is unimportant and probably fortunate. However, there are many new and old Hams in our club who are really neat people and you should come meet them at the Club PiCINI Con September 13th.



you will mail them a copy when you get home. Be prepared to recite the recipe, because there is always someone who likes to write things on the back of an envelope they "just" have in their pocket.

If you bring your kids (and PLEASE do-bring the entire family), don't forget to bring some hot dogs to cook over the hot coals. Can't you smell the hot dogs cooking. Ah, childhood memories. Sometimes I believe kids have a genetic predisposition for hot dogs and pizza. A wire coat hanger will work for holding the hot dog while cooking. We should not mutilate the park trees for a hot dog holder. You will need some buns, too. Don't forget the mustard.

Watch out for Ron (K4RKA) asking you to teach him to play horseshoes, especially if he mentions money. He is a "ringer" at horseshoes. (Pun intended) That's Ron pictured by the stump, at the end of the shelter, getting ready to toss another ringer.

We have 159 members. Hopefully, a large number of the members will come to the picnic and spend a nice time with some of the nicest people around. Why not invite some of your Ham friends who are not active in the Club. Get your more's worth. ATTEND THE AARC PICNIC ON SEPTEMBER 13th. Look for BIG JOE, KD4RWX. He will be next to the Cajun fried chicken. If your lucky, you could get next year's dues paid. See notice panel below. Joe. KD4RW.

## SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETING

Tuesday, September 13, 1994 starting at 5:30-6:30 p.m.

## AARC SUMMER PICNIC

Shelter #3......McIntire Park

DRAWING FOR ONE, FREE, 1-YEAR, REGULAR MEMBERSHIP TO AARC
YOU MUST ATTEND TO WIN - Donated by a local Philanthropist

It is really quite easy. First clear your calendaron that evening and then think about putting a little gas into the car. Ponder what kind of food you would like to eat and make plans to prepare and/or purchase some morsels for yourself and maybe for one or two others. Don't forget to bring a drink. Next you get a Charlottesville map and locate McIntire Park. The entrances are located on the 250 Bypass.

Now, if you plan to bring that special dish which everyone always raves about, you might consider bringing a few copies of the recipe. However, that might make you look a little presumptuous-better skip the copies, and when asked, tell them Codes fae there are some nice fishings to ear, so get your staff regerter and come on to the piece. I wonder it also, KNULD, is going to be at the piece that year to a would rise time. I so about the piece to the year to a would rise time. It is also that year to a would rise time.

Veeps Corner

We had a very good, but small AARC club meeting this past Tuesday. There was a lot of discussion on a variety of subjects followed by an informal discussion about the AARC BBS by our president, Gree. N4PGS.

We talked about the fact that the 146.76 repeater was down and the possible causes. Thanks to Hein, N4FWA, and Sam, N4WIQ, the repeater was back up the next evening at 8:45 pm. We had a number of comments about the Berryville Hamfest, all positive. A lot of Hams from this area attended the hamfest and they bought or sold quite a lot of equipment. Glen, WB7QBZ, volunteered to get someone from NRAO to give us a talk in the near future on Sun Spot Cycles and Activities. We will take him up on that in the coming months as it is a fascinating subject. The low Sun Spot Cycle contributes to some of the difficulties we have been having on HF lately.

Next Month's meeting will be the AARC annual picnic at McIntire Park, shelter #3, the first shelter as you go into the park. We will start at about 5:30 pm. If you want to grill anything, like hot dogs or hamburgers, please bring your own hibachi or charcoal grill. Last year we expected to find those items at the shelter and they were not. I will bring a large bag of charcoal and some charcoal lighter. If you want to sample other's cooking, please bring a covered dish, and we can all share. Also, paper plates and plastic utensils would be nice. Last year I thought I would be eating out of my hands with my fingers until some kind souls showed up with extra plates, knives and forks. I had forgotten to bring any.

I had to promise the Park people that this would be a NON-ALCOHOLIC event, so if anyone shows up with cans of "Bud Soda," I won't look. Hope to see a lot of people at the picnic. Bring bats, balls, frisbees and whatever you would like to play with, within reason and good tast.

More stalgia from K4RKA....

NELSON COUNTY FLOOD! 20 August 1969 - 25 YEARS AGO this month

The following article appeared in the December 1969 Air Force MARS newsletter, edited and published by AFA4RKA (K4RKA amateur call). It was first published in the Lynchburg Amateur Radio Club September 1969 newsletter.

HAMS PROVIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FOR DEVASTATED

VIRGINIA AREAS

by Carl F. Sensabaugh, WA4VOC

In the late night hours of Tuesday, 19 August 1969. a torrential downpour began soaking the Amherst and Nelson County, Virginia areas. As more and more rain (over 10 inches in six hours)(official est. later was 29 in 12 hours --ed.) fell on the already saturated earth, sections of mountains began to loosen and slide into the valleys. These earth slides would hold back the water for a short time until the earth gave away and allowed the water to back up at another earth slide. Finally, in the early morning hours on Wednesday, the pressure behind these many earth slide dams built up to the breaking point of the slides. Eyewitness reports state that this pressure cause a type of inland tidal wave of mud, rock, debris, and water to descend on the mountainous communities, bringing death and destruction without warning. Nothing could stop this onrushing tide as it removed roads, bridges, and anything else in its path, isolating entire communities.

Early Wednesday morning when authorities and others in the Lynchburg area realized the magnitude of the devastation, disaster and repair plans were initiated. It was at this time that the C & P Telephone Co. requested that a ham operator be flown to Lovingston by helicopter to provide communications back to Lynchburg for telephone repair personnel via the Lynchburg Repeater Association repeater station WB4HCX. In the early afternoon a(n) Appalachian Electric Power Co. helicopter left Lynchburg with a ham operator, WA4RWP, equipped with a 2-Meter FM portable transceiver. The helicopter flew over AEP's lines in the devasted areas for several hours before reaching the Lovingston area. During this time WA4RWP was reporting the conditions existing in the various areas enroute to Lovingston.

Upon arrival in Lovingston about five o'clock, WA4RWP immediately reported via WB4HCX the conditions in Lovingston.

Prior to the departure of WA4RWP, communications control station, K4KJN, had been established in the C & P Telephone Exchange Building on Timbertake Road southwest of Lynchburg. This control station received WA4RWP's report via Repeater Station WB4HCX and thereby handled the first direct communications with one of the isolated disaster areas. This communication along with many others during the entire operation was to bring out the news of the destruction in the Amherst and Nelson County areas.

[The remainder of the article is summarized, including some direct quotes not shown, by Joe, KD4RWX.]

required. In Lynchburg a phone patch was already retreated within their normal banks. established to permit Civil Defense When I got home, Nancy to communications. During the evening TWO METER RADIO, OVER hours many messages were relayed concerning needs within the disaster zone along with welfare messages. Ham stations in several Virginia cities as well as MD and Raleigh, participated. Station K4KJN coordinated the traffic handling.

By Thursday, some rotation of hams was accomplished. And, by Friday, additional hams were sent into the region to enhance the communication needs. These stations were very valuable to the rescue and evacuation teams. The repeater station WB4HCX's duty

cycle was estimated at 75%. Late Thursday W4GCE's remote control station was added to the traffic handling operation.

Mobile and portable stations were dispatched on Saturday to assist in the communications for medical teams going to small communities. And, disaster teams and rescue teams were being linked with the Lovingston and Lynchburg control centers.

Sunday afternoon the traffic had dwindled and the 2meter FM emergency operation was shut down. Control station K4KJN, repeater station WB4HCX, and remote control station had put in an estimated 100 hours of continuous operation.

Most of the equipment used during the operations was surplus and scrapped equipment, recondition by hams. It performed satisfactorily.

Recognition of the role played by Hams was diminished by the media confusing Hams with Citizen Band operators. However the hams who participated were: Bob (WA4RWP), Bob (K4LKO), Hank (WB4MOV), Dennis (WB4LPR), Pete (W4WWQ), Wayne (WA4CHM), Ron (K4RKA), Bill (WA4ZZB), and Mac (K4YPF).

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On the local front with K4RKA/AFA4RKA:: Wed afternoon, 20 August, I went motorcycle riding with a friend in some Albemarle county river bottoms. We noticed something brown all over the trees as high up as 20 feet. Eventually concluding that someone had been spraying the area for some reason, we went elsewhere. Only later did we realize that the brown stuff was mud from local rivers which had

A ham was sent to another region but was not overflowed from the short, intense rain and had

When I got home, Nancy told me that THIS IS KNURWY ON MY something was going on in Lynchburg and that they had been calling for my station on When I checked into the and off. emergency net, I was asked to provide communications into Charlottesville to coordinate relief supplies and maintain communications with the helicopters which had to return to the Charlottesville airport to refuel (reportedly because the only fuel truck at the Lynchburg airport didn't have valid license plates!!). Station K4RKA was on the air

> about 18 hours a day for the next three days until the emergency net was closed down. It was manned by K4RKA, and WA4 ?? (Joe McGee) from Sperry who gave us each time off as required, and a couple of others (probably

> WB4HBU, WB44MCS, WB4NNO, and/or W3EMD but memory dims about here!). As has been mentioned in this new

> before, this disaster provided the impetuous for group which built and installed the first Charlottesville Repeater Station within the next 9 months (how long has .925 been building??..and we started with nothing! Not even any real knowledge or experience shows what peer pressure and lack of any repeater Those who could did and those who couldn't, PUSHED!).

> On a final note, my next door neighbor was an A & P district manager at the time and was returning home from Roanoke that evening late. Just after he crossed the last bridge on Rt.29 into Albemarle county, he notice the truck headlights behind him suddenly point toward the sky. Curious, he turned around and went back to the bridge where he found the truck had fallen through the bridge and was being washed away as the driver managed to crawl out onto solid ground. Guess he felt like some of the Iraq drivers who just cleared the bridges as they were blown up.

> Well, three years later we had another 100 year flood, but more about that later. Three good maxims

for emergency preparedness are "BE PREPARED, BE PREPARED. BE PREPARED!"

Ron (K4RKA)



## BITS AND PIECES

(Where some items may be recur.)

## NEW MEMBERS

Paul Lowe KF4OIC Ken Brunk KE4OIE Emie Sardi W2FIII Vincent Dale WA4DWT

NEW CALLS FOR NEW HAM Brian Scott KF4OIB

Jessie Preston KE4OID

#### CORRECTIONS AUGUST NEWSLETTER

AA4CN's Phone area code is 703

#### DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

The following correction should be made in the DIRECTORY

### ADDITION

Ed Shaver, KE4LKT 61 Bitternut Lane

Charlottesville, VA 22902

## CHANGE

NM4R, KD4NNL and N4ZZB should be listed as ARES members

WA4ZZB should NOT be listed as an ARES member

K2AOP will be found under the letter O rather than under the letter A. His call got sorted out of place.

### PHONE NUMBER CHANGES

CALL	home	work
AA4CN	(703) 456-8405	1
WA4UXD	(804) 293-7002	DELETE work #

### CALL CHANGES

Name	From	>	To
Brian Scott	Pending	>	KE40IB
Jessie Prest	ton Pending	>	KE40ID
See page 3 of	DIRECTORY fo	r the follow	ing

A.R.E.S. NET THURSDAY NIGHT 8:00 p.m.

146,760

### Over The Hill

Well, its time to update you on some of the comings and goings of the Valley Amateur Radio Association. The results have been officially tabulated and it looks like this will be the best year so for the VARA in terms of total points. I don't have the exact tally, but it was a bunch. Thanks to all who participated. At our monthly meeting this month, we voted in 4 new members. That should bring our total membership up to about 40-45 or so. We sould also like to say Thank You to all those who contacted the Statler Brothers Special Event Station this year. It looks like we took it out with a bang. The count stands at 1121 individual contacts. This does not count those of you who contacted us on seperate bands. Our Thanks for making this the best Special Event ever. Also, for anyone who may be interested, the VARA is sponsoring Packet Classes for the Beginner. They are held every 3rd Thursday in the Town Hall. I think thats in Harrisonburg, folks, not Waynesboro. They are free. All you have to do is show up. Of further interest, it appears Joe's dedication to the T-hunts has paid some more dividends. Art, N2XUN, is interested in starting T-Hunts over on this side of the hill. If any of you are interested in helping to get this started over here, please contact either Al @ KQ4OK's PBBS or myself at either KO4OK or WA4TFZ. Well, that's about all I have from over here this month. Please remember that our VARA meeting is the day after the AARC meeting, so we would love to have some of you "over for dinner". Dinner starts at 1630 and the meeting starts at 1930.

73 for now, Bill, KC4TOF.

### Virginia Slow Net News

Congratulations to Tom (AD4AD) for completing the training course for cw traffic handling. Tom is currently doing a fine job as an instructor on the VSN. Way to go Tom and thanks for being so quick to take on instructor duties.

Pat Wilson, NORDO......Net Manager/ VSN

The VIRGINIA SLOW NET meets each night on 3680 at 8:30 p.m. For more information, locally, contact Pat (NORDO) or Brian (KE4HIA).



### HAMS STILL ON THE MEND

Ruth (KD4IGU) and Al (KA2KBX), that dynamic duo residing in the beautiful Blue Ridge Shores community in Louisa County, are slowly but surely recovering from their medical problems.

Ruth is recovering nicely from the injuries she sustained from a fall last winter. The healing process is slow, but the improvement is steady. While her mobility has been reduced, Ruth has continued to remain active in a variety of less strenuous projects.

Al is home and resting well. He has had to curtail many of his activities, but hopefully, he will soon be able to spend some few minutes on the radio and tell us some good New Jersey stories. He would be especially happy if he received a few brief notes. Perhaps on a QSL card. So even though you may not have talked to AI on the air, consider sending him a card. It could lift his shrips: His address is in the Club Directory.

I talked to Ruth by phone and her voice was clear and vibrant as usual. She says that Al has regained his resonating voice which had been affected during the earlier stages of his difficulties.

Ok, you Hams, let's get those cards in the mail. Joe, KD4RWX

# T-HUNT NEWS

The August transmitter hunt was conducted by Jan (KEANNT), lennifer (KD4NRA), and Liza (No Call) on August 21 at 1:30 pm. They presented a very good problem right at the start. Their signal was not heard from an overlook on the Blueridge Parkway. Searchers were having a lot of difficulty locating any signal. Finally, a few very weak signals seemed to point toward southern Albemarle County. From that point the searchers beean to home in on the hidden transmitter.

Finally, they were located in a small park near Scottesville. The first to arrive was the team of LEROy (WAMMP), Jessie (KE4OID), and Phil (KD4BMQ). Others who eventually found the "foxes" were: Dick (KD4KWE), Brian (KE4HIA), Bill (KE4KIB), Grig (N4PGS), and Ben (KE4IYE).

Thanks to all who participated. Some day the experience and practice in finding signals from an unknown location may prove very beneficial. In the meantime the process is a lot of fun.

Next T-HUNT Sunday, September 25th

### DITS 'N DAHS By Harry J. Dannals, W2HD

It was almost a half-century ago when a young lad and his friend sat together and began learning the Morse code. They were using a little "Postal Telegraph" buzzer-light-sounder with a built-in key and the code written on the face of the unit. After a few hours, they wired two units together and placed them in different rooms and began laboriously sending "messages" to one another.

It wasn't too long before these youngsters became very proficient and their interest in this "secret language" increased. Possibly you have guessed that one of these fellows is now W2HD and his oldest friend is W2VKS. They were both radiomen in World War II and became licensed hams shortly after their discharge from the Navy in 1946. But, this isn't the story... the story is really about "Dits 'n Dahs" and the wonderful language called Morse code and its importance today... even with advanced digital technology everywhere you look.

Morse code is a language. It can be likened to French, German or Spanish. Learning can be a little difficult. It can take a good many hours and days of practice to become reasonably proficient. However, once that proficiency is achieved... and it can be... it because the most like music to listen to really fine Morse co

Morse code contacts via Amateur Radio can be a joonce you have no reason to laboriously write down every word sent to you. You need only write down the important points you wish to remember Dits 'n Dahs such as: name, location, occupation, age, equipment being used and similar record-type information. The other words about the weather, the conditions of the band, the children's activities, and such things are copied in one's head, exactly as you would do if you were listening to someone talk in personal conversation.

Morse code contacts are easier to make with simpler equipment and often with lower power than required for voice modes. Speak to a QRP devote... one who talks around the nation and the world with only 5 watts or less... and you will see what true enjoyment lies ahead in the Morse code or c.w. world. It can be fun! It can be easy if approached with the attitude that. "I can do it, too!!!"

[Author's note: While I personally wrote a major part of the Quarter Centry Wireless. Association (QCWA) comments in the FCC's "No code" action, my own love for Morse code has never decreased. My support for a no code requirement was to bring people into our great world of Amateur Radio with the hope that some of them will move on to try c.w. and find the same enjoyment that many have already found.

"dits n' dahs!"] W2HD ---

804-484-2857 Fran Sterling

703-450-2304 Michael Weber 703-450-2304 Michael Weber

703-766-3121 Joseph A, Kolb

703-455-1510 Frank Mackey

703-395-6595 Clinton Hawkins

703-547-3089 Bill Brown

804-484-2857 Fran Sterling

703-366-6266 Fred L Horton

804-253-2811 Andrew Swanson

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### AARC ARES T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

These are white in color with the ARRL Special Service Club logo on the front pocket. ARES and Amateur Radio Communications information is located on the back. These can be obtained from Miles (N4YEO). He states a price of \$9.00. However, check with others as there may be some reduction in that price due to a Club arrangement.

## VE SESSION VE EXAMS

The AARC VE team will conduct an ARRL Examining Session on Saturday, September 24, 1994 at 900 AM. The location will be the usual one, the Auditorium of NRAO, Edgemont Road, UVA grounds, Charlottesville, VA. Advance registration is required. To register send the following items to AARC VE Session, P.O. Box 6805, Charlottesville. VA 22906:

- 1. A completed FCC Form 610 dated November 1993 or later
- 2. A list of examination elements you desire to take 3. A check for \$ 5.75 made out to AARC VE 4. Photocopies of your current license and relevant
- CSCE's, if presently held You should bring to the examination session the

following items: 1. Your CURRENT ORIGINAL Amateur Radio

- License 2. At least one pencil (#2 lead) and suitable eraser
- 3. An ink pen
- 4. Two additional forms of positive identification (in addition to your original license) from this list - A photo ID plus one of the following, OR two of the following:
- non-photo drivers license or other ID card [school or employerl:
- Birth certificate with appropriate seal
- any business of personal correspondence addressed to you

For a Form 610 send a Stamped Self Addressed Envelope to the above address. Any questions contact John - W6UZ at 973 1094 or Pat - N0RDO at 978 4117. - 73 - John (W6UZ)



KD4RWX I'LL BE ON THE SIDE

## VE TESTING INFORMATION AROUND THE REGION

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07/30/94	5 Gloucester
08/06/94	A Herndon
08/06/94	A Sterling
08/12/94	A Galax
08/12/94	A Marion
08/13/94	L Alexandria
08/13/94	A Harrisonburg

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703-646-3734 Gary Sutherland 703-455-1510 Frank Mackey 703-856-8012 Marshall Cooper 08/13/94 A Richmond 804-798-5048 Rick Cook 08/13/94 A Virginia Beach 804-468-9166 Judy Rogers 08/21/94 A Salem 703-389-3339 Joe A Cline 703-373-7076 Carolyn Cavanagh 08/27/94 A Fredricksburg 703-766-3121 Joseph A. Kolb

09/09/94 A Galax 09/10/94 L Alexandria 09/17/94 A Culpeper

09/17/94 A Coeburn 09/18/94 A Virginia Beach 804-898-8031 Ed Brummer 09/24/94 A Charlottesville 804-973-1094 John Grav 09/24/94 5 Gloucester 09/24/94 W Roanoke 10/01/94 A Toano

10/01/94 A Williamsburg 10/08/94 L Alexandria 10/08/94 A Harrisonburg

10/08/94 A Richmond A = ARRL 5 = W5YI L = Laurel

703-455-1510 Frank Mackey 703-856-8012 Marshall Cooper 804-798-5048 Rick Cook

## NOVICE - TECHNICIAN CLASS

The Albemarle Amateur Radio Club will be conducting a class for individuals who would like to become Amateur Radio Operators. Classes will begin August 31st. Classes will be held on Wednesday nights and they normally run from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. The classes will be held at the Charlottesville-Albemarle Technical Education Center (CATEC) located on East Rio Road.

Participants will study the theory, practices, and rules which are required to earn an entry Technician license for Amateur Radio. Morse code (CW) will be taught for those who wish to earn a Novice or a Technician with HF privilege license. Examinations for the Novice and Technician licenses are usually available somewhere in the region, near the end of the class.

There is no charge for the class instruction. However, participants are encouraged to obtain the book NOW YOUR TALKING which serves as the basic text for the course. For those who wish to learn CW an additional audio code tane will be suggested. These materials cost less than \$30.

Harry Dannals (W2HD) at (804) 974-7388, or Joe Fritz (KD4RWX) at (804) 973-1738.Let us know of your interest.

AMATEUR

EMERGENCY PREPARDNESS IN RADIO

Living in Garland, Texas, Gerald (WD4BIS) usually comes to this area only twice each year. And, I usually do not go to Bonanza for the informal Wednesday gathering of AARC members. Gerald's semi-annual visit to Charlottesville coincided with my attendance at a recent Wednesday "gathering of the troops." Gerald and I sat at the same table, and we met.

That was the Wednesday which followed the recent fire at a local nursing home. Robert (KEAAQD) who had been alerted to the emergency on Saturday, and had gotten other AARC members involved, was also at Bonanza. Robert was asked to give a report of how it had gone. Of course, all of this generated a lot of conversations around the room concerning RACES, emergency preparedness, and emergency procedures. All of this excitement got Gerald primed to talk about RACES and emergency preparedness in Garland, TX.

Many kinds of emergencies occur in any region. As he talked, I learned that Skywarm alerts are very serious business in his area. Storms and possible tornadoes are carefully monitored. He mentioned that he carries a box of emergency equipment and supplies at all times, and offered to show them to anyone who was interested after the lunch. Unfortunately, I could not stay, but did notice that some club members were viewing his stores as I drove away.

The following Tuesday evening when my grandson, Nick and I attended the regular Tuesday evening AARC meeting, it was nice to see that Gerald was there also. My opportunity came when Gerald left the meeting about the same time we did. He remembered my interest and again offered to show the box of equipment.

He carries a big box, large enough to make an emergency seat, packed with a wide variety of equipment, enough to allow him to stay on duty for several hours. In addition to power sources, power connectors, antenna connectors and a small volt-ohm meter, he carries equipment useful for search and rescue and Skywarn alerts. He carries protective clothing, food and water. I was astounded. It takes careful planning, time, and some money, to gather this much equipment. I must have wondered aloud if he had a list of all this, for he offered to mail a copy of their RACES manual and some diagrams which they use to build some of their equipment. Great offer!

In my mailbox a few days later was a 28-page manual and the promised drawings. As you might guess, reading this manual has encouraged me to gather more material, and to get more training, particularly in emergency radio procedures and emergency preparedness.

I'm wondering if others are also interested in some more information of this type. Does someone in our club leadership, or membership, want copies of this manual and these diagrams? Our club directory already carries some excellent emergency procedure information, such as repeater frequencies, 911 emergency autopatch information, emergency net control procedures, etc. It might be worthwhile to adapt some of this information from Garland, TX, to our needs, and add it to our future issues of the club directory.

Thanks to Gerald (WD4BIS) for taking the time to gather and send this information.

Elwood (KB4DJN)

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### PUBLIC EVENTS 1994 (\*\*\* CHANGES ARE UNDERLINED \*\*\*)

MSB3---Multiple Sclerosis Harvest Tour. Saturday 10 September 1994.

Same route as last year. Start and finish at the **Broadus Wood Elementary School**. All day event with 25 mile, 50 mile and 100 mile loops.

HRT1--American Heart Association Walk. Sunday 0 2 October 1994, 14:00 EDT

Last year this walk started and finished at the Barracks Road Shopping Center. Probably the same route this year.

DIA1--American Diabetes Association Walk Sunday 02 October 1994, am?

This walk is presently scheduled on the same day as the Heart walk.

Note: It might not be possible to resolve the date conflict between HRT1 and DAI. Apparently their respective national organizations have mandated these dates nationwide. Last time the Diabetes walk was a morning event and the Heart event an afternoon event. I don't know what they will do this year, but there certainly will be some overlap. We might have fan with this and run both events on one net. A real test for Sam's, our Net Control Extraordinaire, multitasking capabilities.

### CLUB BUSINESS

## Board Meeting Minutes- August 2, 1994

- Sam (N4WJQ) showed some T-shirts which had ARES identification and could be useful for easy in-the-field identification during real or training communication exercises.
- Rick (KO4WQ) mentioned receiving a letter from the Albemarle County Police concerning the recent search for a missing person and the role of some Amateur Radio Operators.
- A general discussion of meeting structure was once again discussed.
- Again, the Board was not interested in establishing a Scholarship.

# AARC Regular Meeting Minutes-- August 9, 1994

- Greg (N4PGS) called the meeting to order. The Minutes of the July meeting as printed in the Bulletin were approved.
- Rick (KO4WQ) reminded the group that the the September meeting is a Picnic at McIntire Park on September 13th.
- Sharon (KO4OC) gave the Treasury Report: General-\$2195.45; Repeater-\$2364.57; Packet-\$0.00; TOTAL-\$4560.02
- Greg (NAPGS) discussed the library project, T-Shiris which were available for in-the-field identification purposes. Ron (K4RKA) moved and it was seconded that 25 shiris would be partially funded to reduce the sale price from \$9 to \$5. A discussion indicated support to pass the same conditions to those who had already purchased a t-shirt.

Joe (KD4RWX) submitted four applications for membership: they were:

Paul Lowe KE4OIC

Ken Brunk KE40IE
Ernie Sardi W2EIU
Vincent Dale WA4DWT

Each was indicated as having paid the required dues. On a motion, all four were approved.

Hein (N4FWA) mentioned the upcoming event MS:Harvest Tour had a starting place at Broadus Wood Elementary School. A change from previous notices.

- Harry (W2HD) mentioned the August 31st starting date for the next Novice/Technician Class at CATEC on Rio Road.
- John (W6UZ) reminded the club of the September 24th VE Session at NRAO and the possibility of another testing session in December following the completion of the Novice/Technician class.
- A discussion concerning the relationship of the AARC and the UVA Radio Club was held. A motion to provide the UVA Club access to some of our repeater equipment was made. It passed. Depending upon future agreements and additional discussions, nothing will take place until 3-more complete arrangement is made. At that time the Club will determine the exact nature of equipment sharing which might be possible.
- The 146.760 Repeater recently experienced serious transmission problems. One minor adjustment was made which temporarily mended the problem. A part was ordered which was known to be needed.
- The situation returned and the repeater was removed from Carter's Mountain for in-shop repairs. A new final was installed and the repeater was returned to service. The Club acknowledges the important and good efforts of Sam (N4WIO), Hein (N4FWA), and Miles (N4YEQ). Their efforts enabled the repeater to be out of service for a minimum amount of time.
- The lengthy discussion of the repeater created a time constraint for the scheduled presentation by Greg. After a break for refreshments, Greg held informal discussions with interested persons concerning the WA4TFZ PBBS.

Respectfully submitted: Joe (KD4RWX), Secretary

#### A LOOK AHEAD

Remember that the October meeting is the time when new officers are elected. The President appoints a Nominating Committee at the September meeting.

Also, you committee chairmen should be preparing your annual reports for the October meeting. If possible send me a copy via packet. Thanks. Joe, Editor of The AARC BULLETIN

#### FOR SALE OF WANT \* UPDATED 8/25/1994 \*

8/4/94 FOR SALE: DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSOR I have for sale a Radio Shack digital signal processor (MODEL DSP 40). I have only used this unit one time for about 1 hour. Nothing wrong with it. I just feel it doesn't work as well with my old ICOM 740 as it does with some of the rigs with tripple and quad conversion. \$50.00 will take it. N4KYM@KO4OK, FREDI/

8/25/94 WANTED: 2M/450 ANTENNA Looking for base dual band 2 meter / 450 MHz antenna and/or diplexer. Contact me on .76, the BBS, or at home: 823-1128 Rick....KO4WQ.

8/25/94 FOR SALE: 286 COMPUTER For sale, Unisys (Sperry) 80286 computer with 20 Meg hard drive, 360k floppy, EGA monitor, keyboard. Contact Ron, K4RKA, 973-3640 or on PBBS

8/25/94 WANTED: National & Collins gear or Collins black crinkle finish equipment. Contact him at 979-7383.

8/25/94 WANTED:MOBILE DIPLEXER Carter, WD4AYS, is looking for a mobile diplexer for 2m & 440. If you have one you wish to part with, call him at 979-7383.

8/25/94 FOR SALE: 5AR4 TUBES Clay, W4LNT, has about 10 5AR4 vacuum rectifiers plus other new tubes available for the AARC benefit. Call Clay at 804-589-4865.

Bo, K4QKH, also has various tubes and mobile radio microphones if anyone is interested. Call Bo at 804-293-4609.

8/22/94 WANTED: HRO RECEIVERS AND TRIPLE SECTION CAPACITORS

I am looking HRO receivers. I would also like

2,94 WANTED: HRO RECEIVERS AND TRIPLE SECTION CAPACITORS

I am looking HRO receivers. I would also like to obtain some triple section capacitors 10 micro fared or more rated at 450 volts. I am looking for a Kenwood TW-4100A nobile mount, MB-11. If you have any or all of these items please contact me at phone number 804 979-7383. Carter Elliott, WD4AYS.

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The 15th-17th of each month should be considered as the last dates to submit information for the NEXT MONTH'S BULLETIN. In some circumstances it may be sible to send information a week later. Check with me. Joe, KD4RWX

### **CLUB MEETINGS**

Regular Meeting: Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Board and Technical Meetings: First Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are held at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) building, Edgemont Road (UVA area)

### WA4TFZ REPEATERS

INPUT/OUTPUT TONE ACCESS (if required, etc.)

146.160/146.760 91.5 Hz (If enabled, DTMF 325 will produce temporary Tone off/Tone on)
911 Autopatch....access.......DTMF 911

exit......DTMF # 146.325/146.925 no tone no tone

223.160/224.760 449.250/444.250 151.4 Hz (If enabled) 145,030 MACHO node 145.030 CHO Packet Bulletin Board

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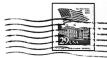
breaker said we should be using simplex?

.. Roger, Dogger Fine business Bob, see you in a few. KB4LID clear on your final and as T

Beats me Bob. I thought we were into the repeater full quieting. Do you want to go into this Rat Shack store in front of us?

....QSL KD4RWX clear





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