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XYL Family Amateur Radio Dinner on the 3rd Tuesday, now at 7 pm, Western Sizzlin

#### THE FARC QSO

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Wednesday at 8:30 pm ET  
on or about 28.330 MHz

# The FARC QSO

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## Attendance up from last meeting

It was great to see 23 people at our September meeting, especially **Mark Davis** and **Joe Tyner**. Also present were some XYLs and “harmonics” in the group.



We also welcomed **Robert Austin, K7DVB** from Dillon, SC as a guest. He said that he hopes to bring more hams from that area because their club is not as active as it once was.

We hope every member of the club will make it a special point to speak to people who are guests and first time visitors to FARC.

Our treasurer reported a balance of \$ 1,406.03 with 41 active members.

The club made plans to set up a display in the Florence Co. Library featuring radios from the 1920s to the present day. Thanks to **Mike Duff**, he is making plans

to have the exhibit on displayed in the Darlington and Lake City libraries. We also hope the display will be in the libraries of Francis Marion University, Coker College, and the Florence-Darlington Tech.

**Lloyd Mitchell** informed the group about “911” coming from NYC and will be carried on simplex frequency 147.190+ from 8pm to 9pm. Also, on Saturday, September 27, at the Forestry Commission HQ, starting at 9am to 4pm, a digital seminar on packet, PSK-31, APRS, echolink. Florence is one of the

Meeting at 7 pm on  
Tuesday, the 7th of

Oct

at Western Sizzlin'  
2003

few sites chosen across the state of SC to have the special seminars. You can come and go at any time during that day. Most of the different programs will probably start on the hour.

The group was reminded that we will have radio classes at Poyner starting 7pm-9pm, October 7. Presently, we only have one person signing up; however, we need to have 10 "to make it a go."



### Activities planned for Oct.

**4th-**Rock Hill hamfest. **04-05th** a Simulated Emergency Test scheduled. **8-19th**-the Boy Scout "Jamboree On The Air" will be a big event for us to show them amateur radio. . **25th**-Sumter hamfest

Do forget our own club activities: The Breakfast Club meets **every Saturday** at 9am (see insert), the XYL Family Dinner meets on the **21th**. The 2m net meets **every Monday** at 8:30pm and the 10m meets **every Wednesday** at 8:30pm.

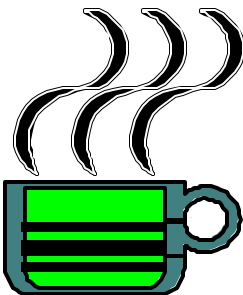
### KA4PVT becomes grandfather again.

We congratulate James McColl upon the arrival of his new granddaughter who was born around Labor Day. The little bundle of joy

weighs 7 lb 2 oz and is 20 1/4 inches long.

It appears that she is going to be a ham radio operator at a very early age. Her first word was, "Dah." As every good amateur op

Come join your ham friends at the Burger King



BK Lounge, Sat. 9 a.m.

on S. Irby Street near Coles Crossroads

knows that is the sound of the letter "T."

### XYL Family Dinner group returns to its original time for monthly meeting

When the XYL Family Dinner group organized, the time the meeting started was 7 p.m. The time was changed to allow some

who traveled more than 25 miles ample time to return to their homes before nightfall. At the Sept. 16 meeting every person present was personally asked if he/she would like to return to the original time. Every one said "yes" and there was only one "no" vote. Mark your calendar for the return to the original 7pm hour, and we will see you at "The Sizzlin."

### Scenes from the Florence County Library display



Homebrew "wireless" radio made in 1927 by local man.



QRP transmitter that made world wide contacts using only flash light batteries.

