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The September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Florence Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:25 P.M. by our President, K4AVR, Mac Cullom. All present identified themselves.

**PIO** - K4TGK, Tim Kaylor was not in attendance.

**Repeaters** – All three repeaters are working well.

**Shelby Hamfest** – K7DVB, Bob attended and felt that the crowd was down. There is a possibility that they will be moving back to Dallas next year. More information will be published later. K4AVR spoke with Dan Henderson from the ARRL. The Field Day results will be reported in the December QST.

**ARES & Red Cross** – The Horry County Red Cross official has not contacted us. He has been deployed to Louisiana and we hope to hear from him soon. We hope that we can convince Bobby Collins, KG4BZK, to take on the ARES job. He is a friend of Dusty Rhodes of the Florence County EOC and he has been the Florence County Emergency Coordinator and later the District Emergency Coordinator. It seems that ARES is being replaced with AUXCOM which required members to take 4 FEMA courses and most become members of the State Guard.

## September Attendance

K4AVR – Mac Cullom  
KG4YVJ – Suzie Cullom  
KG4HIE – Scott Thompson  
KM4NYV – Brian Foxworth  
WA4OPF – Horace Beasley  
WA4BUO – Tom Morgan  
W4GEY – James Starling  
N4AAK – Bill Cheney  
K7DVB – Bob Austin  
No Call – Jan Austin  
KM4RCP – Doug Brian  
KF2X – Craig England  
NO8X -- Jay Hopkins  
\*(N4YJL) – Harry Huggins  
\*Call retired will test in October

## October Birthdays

2 Jerry Jebaily KI4OEU  
8 Doug Brian KM4RCP  
28 Bill Cheney N4AAK



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**VE** – Our Assistant VE Coordinator, N4MXP, Mark Davis, has taken a temporary job in San Antonio and will not be back before the next VE Test Session on October 8 at Methodist Manor. Mac Cullom, K4AVR, has the box and will officiate until Mark can return.

**SkyWarn** – The National Weather Service needs a new SkyWarn Coordinator. K4DNJ, Sam Smith, has been removed. N4AAK, Bill Cheney, has held the post in the past and needs to upgrade his passwords to regain the post.

**David Bailey, KK4VWY** – David is still in Dillon helping with his Mother-in-Law who has had a knee replacement which has not gone well and will be without the use of her knee for several more months. David also has a lot of medical problems including being on Dialysis. Keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

**Glenn Greene, KE4GV** – Glenn had his knee replaced last Tuesday. He is still healing. His Doctor believes he will have a complete recovery. His Radio Room is outside and it is too far for him to get to his radio. He will be back on the air as soon as he heals. K7DVB, Bob Austin will visit him.

**N4AAK** – Bill Cheney went to Kingstree to visit the widow of David Rose, W4AYQ. David was an Electrical Engineer who ran a Security Company. Bill inventoried David's equipment. There is one HF station and a Kenwood 800, 1600W Linear. There is other very old equipment. Mrs. Rose has gone to Georgia to help her son who broke his leg. When she returns she will decide whether she wants to sell what she has or donate it.

**Greater Pee Dee Radio Society** – The Dillon Net plan to hold a "Mini Field Day" on October 8 starting at 10 AM at the WPDE site in Florence. They plan to have several HF stations and to set up several antennas. They plan to have Hot Dogs and Hamburgers for lunch. They invite local hams to join them. Some of their members may decide test at the VE Session at Methodist Manor. Some of their members may join us at our Breakfast at BoJangles.

**PALS Picnic** – The Palmetto Amateur Linking System will hold their yearly Picnic at Santee State Park on Saturday, September 24. We will meet at Shelter #1. There are directions on palsnet.com. From Exit 98 on I-95, turn right. From the Red Light, go one mile and turn right on State Park Road. Go 7 miles. At the stop sign, go straight ahead. Bring a dish to share and we will put everything on the table at noon. We will start setting up by 9AM. Come join us.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

## Upcoming Events

Saturday Breakfast at BoJangles  
Oct. 1 – Rock Hill Hamfest  
Oct. 8 – VE Session at Methodist Manor  
Oct. 8 – Mini Field Day at WPDE Florence  
Oct 22 – Howl-O-Ween Run/Walk we need  
8 to 10 operators, 8AM to 11AM at the  
old Florence Museum  
Nov. 12 – Beachfest at the Old Pee Dee  
School on Hwy 378 west of Conway.  
Info at W4GS.org.



**NM4R, Morris Jones** – On September 15, Morris was placed at McLeod Hospice. He was very weak. Morris became a Silent Key on September 22. Please keep Morris' family in your thoughts and prayers. He will be greatly missed. Morris was 93 years of age at the time of his passing.

**KM4D, Dave Jones** – As of September 15, Dave had several heart attacks and was at MUSC. Dave is now back at home in Darlington. Please keep him and the whole family in your thoughts and prayers.

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