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The September 5th meeting of the Florence Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by our Vice President, KG4HIE, Scott Thompson, since our President, KK4MQN had a sudden family problem. All present identified

themselves.

Our Treasurer, KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby, called on the phone and was unable to attend. We had no Treasurer's Report. The Field Day receipts have never been submitted. KG4YVJ, Suzie, has not and has no intention of submitting receipts.

At the August meeting, NO8X, Jay, asked why we did not get any Field Day bonus points for the GOTA station. K4AVR, Mac, explained that we had to have at least 10 contacts before we were eligible for the bonus and we did not have those contacts.

### Old Business

**Girl Scouts** – KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby was our member contacting the Girl Scouts. Since he was not in attendance, we will have to wait until next month before we have information about their needs.

**Red Cross** – There was a meeting held. KK4MQN was unable to attend but KO4L, Lloyd Mitchell did attend. Red Cross has found a source of funding for equipment.

### September Attendance

KG4HIE – Scott Thompson  
KM4NYV – Bryan Foxworth  
N4AAK – Bill Cheney  
K4AVR – Mac Cullom  
KG4YVJ – Suzie Cullom  
KC4WZL Russell Washburn  
KM4RCP – Doug Bryan  
KM4ZNW – Art McCutchon  
W4HEM – Rusty George  
K7DVB – Bob Austin  
No Call – Jan Austin

### October Birthdays

8 Doug Brian, KM4RCP  
28 Bill Cheney, N4AAK



**FARC Meeting**  
**October 4, 2017**  
**Shoney's**

They have asked and have been given a list of equipment and antennas that would be effective. They would like to have a Packet system which would connect with system hopefully to be installed on the WPDE tower at the 1500 ft. level.

We also discussed that AUXCOMM has now been limited to being a Database.

### **New Business**

**Howl-O-Ween** – There will be a 5K run/walk for the Humane Society again this year. It will be moved to the Country Club of South Carolina. It is scheduled for October 14. We will need operators. The VE Session is the same morning. Please let K4TGK, Tim Kaylor, know if you will be able to help.

**VE Session** – We will be holding our next VE Session on October 14. It will be held at Carolinas Hospital in Medical Mall B in the second floor Auditorium at 9:00 AM. All VE's should arrive at about 8:30 and all testees should arrive soon after. The test will start at 9:00.

There have been recent changes in FCC rules governing Amateur Radio. In 1989, the FCC dropped the requirement of noting whether the applicant has been convicted of a Felony. This has now been reinstated. The new form 605 now has a block to be checked. If checked, more information is required. This does not preclude an applicant from getting a license but this form will have to be forwarded to the FCC for inspection. The VE's must make sure that if the box is checked, that applicant will be given a handout which would let them know what information is required and how it will be forwarded to the FCC. WCARS has sent the new 605's and the ARRL has sent the handout.

**KG4HIE** – Scott was interviewed by the Marlboro County newspaper before Field Day. They did not publish this until mid August. Scott brought copies of the paper which had a half page spread on the front page.

### **Infirmity Net**

**N4TJ** – Tommy Johnson is still in the Sunny Acres Care Facility in Fork, SC.

**KA3JAL** John Germain has been moved from Cedar Towers (formerly Bruce Hospital). Carol was not happy with his care and he is now at Bethea Home in the rehabilitation section. After his stroke, John has some balance problems and needs help walking. He can say individual words but cannot put the words together into sentences. He gets very agitated since he cannot communicate. Carol has requested that we do not call or visit. Please send cards to his house.

**PALS Picnic** –This year the PALS Picnic will be held on September 30 at Cheraw State Park at the Boat Dock Shelter. We will put the food on the table at noon. After the meal, we will have the yearly meeting to elect officers and to appoint a new Net Manager. You do not need to be a member to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

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### **Congratulations to WX4STM, Gerard Jebaily**

Our former member, WX4STM, Gerard Jebaily, moved to Kansas City about a year ago and now works for KSHB – 41 Action News. He and his team have been awarded the Mid-American Regional Emmy for their Winter Weather Special. He posted the following on his Social Media.

"Just 4 years ago I was making my debut as a broadcast meteorologist. I never dreamed that I'd EVER be holding an Emmy for my work. I'm completely mind blown. I would not be here without the encouragement and support of my friends, family, & mentors. Thank you guys! And thank you to the AWESOME team that I work with!"

Gerard tries to get on the air sometimes. He did spend some time with a local club for Field Day and even made a few contacts. His dad, KI4OEU, Jerry Jebaily should be very proud of his accomplishment as are we.

Our Section Manager, Marc Tarplee, sent his congratulations to Gerard in his August 2017 South Carolina Section Manager's Report.

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### **Upcoming Events.**

Saturday Breakfast at BoJangles  
Sept. 30 – PALS Picnic in Cheraw SP  
Oct 7 – Rock Hill Hamfest  
Oct. 14 – Howl-O-Ween 5K  
Oct. 14 – VE Session at Carolinas Hosp.  
Nov. 11 -- BeachFest



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