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**FARC**

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The November 7th. meeting of the Florence Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by our President, KK4MQN, Russell Wilson

### Treasurer's Report

KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby, reported that there was no change since last month but we are up by 18¢ in interest. We have \$2500 in the Checking Acct. and \$7500 in the Repeater Fund for a total of \$10,087.50. The phone bill for the '97 repeater and our Liability Insurance will be paid very soon.

### PIO Report

Our PIO, K4TGG, Tim Kaylor, was not in attendance but he did send the list of equipment with suggested pricing from KA3JAL's estate. Carol Germain would like to see club members get first choice.

KK4ZMK noted that some minor modifications should be made to our website. Dean has offered to be a backup webmaster while Tim and his wife are having medical problems. Also, Tim has been bearing the cost of our website. Dean will try to get the club to assume those payment

### November Attendance

- K4AVR – Mac Cullom
- KG4YVJ – Suzie Cullom
- KM4NYV – Bryan Foxworth
- KC4WZL – Russell Washburn
- KK4MQN – Russell Wilson
- KM4RCP – Doug Brian
- K7DVB – Bob Austin
- No Call – Jan Austin
- KK4ZMK – Dean Lisenby
- W4GEY – James Starling
- KF4ECK – Edward Jordan
- AG4CL – Larry Strickland



FARC Meeting  
December 5, 2017  
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## **Infirmary Report.**

**N4TJ**, Tommy Johnson is still at the nursing home in Fork, S. C.

**K4TGK's XYL**, Barbara, has had a recurrence of cancer and is undergoing treatment. Please keep both Tim and Barbara in your prayers.

**KE4GV**, Glenn Greene, has been diagnosed with COPD. His voice is a bit raspy but he is still calling nets on Dillon and PALS.

**N3ZL**, Gregg Davis is getting better after his bicycle accident last month. The police believe that he hit a patch of gravel. He has regained his memory and the skull fractures are healing well but he must be careful. The hearing in his right ear is still compromised and he will be seeing a doctor in the next few days. Several days after the accident, he developed some facial paralysis which they hope will clear soon. He is working part time

Last month we gave you a bad address. Several cards were returned. We had the wrong town. He lives in Candler, N.C. The correct address is: Gregg Davis, N3ZL, 8 Mayfair Drive, Candler, N. C. 28715

## **Old Business**

**HOWL-O-WEEN** –We worked a Run/Walk for the Humane Society on October 14. This year it was held at the Country Club of South Carolina which turned out to be a much better venue. We hope that we can use it again next year.

## **New Business**

**Field Day** – To use Ebenezer Park next year, we need to send a letter to Florence County Recreation including a copy of our insurance certificate, an outline of our safety procedures and our planned fence around the generators. We would like to have all three shelters to separate our transmitters. KK4ZMK will prepare the letter.

K4AVR, Mac, announced that we need a new Field Day Chairman. He would like to take a trip to the west coast next summer and would like to leave in late May. He also suggested that we probably need to get a sign saying FARC Field Day. We do have two signs just FARC.

We then had a long discussion about the problems we have had using Ebenezer Park in the past two years. We discussed the possibility of finding a new location. Most other

locations do not have public exposure but we would be willing to consider something new if we have trouble again this year. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

**Nominations for 2018 Officers** – There were no nominations from the floor but all three currently serving officers have indicated a willingness to continue next year. Our current officers are:

President	KK4MQN, Russell Wilson
Vice-President	KG4HIE, Scott Thompson
Secretary/Treasurer	KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby

If anyone has a nomination for any of these offices, please contact KG4HIE, Scott. We will vote at the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**New Member** – KK4ZMK, Dean, received an application for membership and a check from KK4FRC, Tim Hanson, on Ivanhoe Drive here in Florence. Tim is a Technician and has been a Ham for about four years. He is a professor of Journalism at Francis Marion and he was formerly with the AP. He found us on the internet and has visited with us at BoJangles. He was voted in as a member and we hope to see him soon.

**Administrative Matters** – KKZMK, Dean has gotten all of the papers from KA3JAL which included every cancelled check. Dean will properly dispose of them. There are some other papers as an historical archive. Dean would like to compile a list of all the club equipment including where each is stored. We know that K4AVR has the antennas, rope and stuff from N4JJ, KM4NQN has the tents we bought last summer, N4AAK, Bill, has the equipment from David Rose. We also have repeater equipment at WJPM, the Florence City/County Complex and Carolinas Hospital.

Dean would like to use the club equipment to give new guys a chance to play maybe at a club get-together or a short field trip.

**Beachfest 2017** – KF4ECK, Edward, who is the Beachfest Chairman, reminded us that the Beachfest will be this coming weekend and the Academy of Hope on Juniper Bay Road in Conway from 8AM to 2PM. He is hoping for good weather, better than last year. There will be several vendors, tailgating, VE exams at 10:00 AM, door prizes each hour and Breakfast and Lunch available. He has tickets tonight. There will be a drawing for a \$100 gift card on Friday evening of all those who buy early tickets.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.



## Upcoming Events

Saturday Breakfast at BoJangles  
Dec. 9, 2017 -- VE Test Session  
Jan. 13, 2018 – Greenwood Hamfest  
Feb.3, 2018 -- Charleston Hamfest  
Mar. 9, 2018 – Charlotte Hamfest

Come join your Ham  
friends every Saturday  
morning



**BJ Lounge Saturday 9AM**

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