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The December 5th. meeting of the Florence Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:32 P.M. by our President, KK4MQN, Russell Wilson. All present identified themselves.

Treasurer's Report

In the absence of KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby, there was no change since last month but we are up by 18¢ in interest. We have \$2500 in the Checking Account. and \$7500 in the Repeater Fund for a total of \$10,087.50.

Election of Officers

There were no nominations for any office 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

All officers were reelected by acclamation.

December Attendance

K4AVR – Mac Cullom
KG4YVJ – Suzie Cullom
KK4MQN – Russell Wilson
KM4RCP – Doug Brian
KG4HIE – Scott Thompson
N4AAK – Bill Cheney
KM4ZMW – Art McCutchan
Guest – Paul Ingram

January Birthdays

15 Russell Washburn, KC4WZL
16 Ruth Wallace, WD4UXN
22 Scott Burns, KJ4VCF
24 Tommy Walker, NG4S
30 David McGlothlin, W4EPD



FARC Meeting
January 2, 2018
Shoney's

VE Session

The next VE session will be held on December 9 at Carolinas Hospital. Tonight's guest, Paul Ingram, plans to take the Technician test. We hope he will be joining us on the air very soon.

Infirmary Report.

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

N3ZL, Gregg Davis is improving after his bicycle accident. He has regained his memory and the skull fractures are healing well but he must be careful so although he is back to work, he is on a limited schedule. The hearing in his right ear is still compromised.

No Call, Jan Austin, has been hospitalized both in Dillon and at McLeod. She hopes to be back for the January meeting. Remember, Bob is no longer able to drive.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

December 9 VE Session

We had four VE's that day, K4TGK, Tim Kaylor; KG4HIE, Scott Thompson; KO4L, Lloyd Mitchell and KC4WZL, Russell Washburn. KJ4LIF, Becky Medsker came but left early because she was feeling ill.

We had eight people at the session but only seven needed to test. We made four new Technicians.

KN4IPL – Daniel Hebler of Sumter

KN4IPM – Paul Ingram of Florence

KN4IGK – Jay Young of Cheraw

KN4IGI – Harley Richardson of Conway

KN4IGJ, Robert Truluck of Cheraw surprised us and himself. He passed his Technician and then went on to pass his General.

KM4MII, Brian Richardson, attempted the General but did not pass.

KM4VKR, Michael Lavespere of Florence successfully upgraded to Extra.

KN4HVC, Bayless Spivey of Myrtle Beach, stunned everyone with a request to upgrade a Conditional License to General. The other VE's just had to have a look at

an original license from 1955. Mr. Spivey is 78 years old. He still knows his Morse code. We were not sure how to upgrade his license, but decided, after discussion with K4AVR, Mac Cullom, N4NH, Norm Harrell of WCARS VEC; K4TGK, Tim Kaylor and the FCC, that we would simply process him as grandfather to General. His conditional upgrade did go thru and he is now shown as a general license on the ULS.

Congratulations to all.

2018 Dues

Dues for 2018 are now due and payable. Standard dues are \$36 with additional family members at \$18. Brand new members dues are \$20 for the first year. All money should go to KK4ZMK, Dean Lisenby, our Treasurer. You can pay at a club meeting, at BoJangles breakfast or send Dean a check to our Post Box or to his home address, 3102 Wainwright Court, Florence, SC, 29501

Remember, if you wait until February, we add a \$5.00 penalty and if you wait until March, we add a \$10 penalty. If you wait until April, you will be removed from the roster. So hurry up and pay up. We want you to stay with us.

Upcoming Events

Saturday Breakfast at BoJangles
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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The FARC rag chew net meets each Monday night at 8:30PM on 146.85

*Happy
New Year!*