



# The Blue Ridge Echo .. Echo .. Echo..



*Official Transmitter of the Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club - W4YK -*

## **Message from the President, (N1BBS)**

I want to wish everyone fun at Field Day this year. If you are not able to attend, we are doing a remote setup for the digital station. If you are interested please contact David Day.

Stay safe as we are in the time of year when storms build up and move fast through the area.

Our July meeting will be on the 11th.

73, Stan Frady, N1BBS

## **Minutes from June 6, 2017**

### **In Attendance**

There were 21 people who signed the attendance sheet.

### **Visitors**

We had four visitors, as follows: Jim Russell (KI4MSZ), Bill Pickhard (KN4DHE), Doug Chadduck, George Reed (KN4CBU).

### **Club Business**

The minutes from the May meeting were approved by the membership, as was the Treasurer's Report by unanimous vote of the membership.

### **New Business**

#### **New Club Member**

William Emmett Frady was born on 4/24. Stan says *"He and his mom are doing well and I believe he has a lot of potential. I want to thank the club for all your warm wishes and prayers."*



**William Emmett Frady**

**Points for Radio Grams**

Duke (W4DK) needs to receive 10 *Radio Gram Messages* in proper format on or before June 20, 2017. Send to: [W4DK@ARRL.NET](mailto:W4DK@ARRL.NET)  
The club receives extra points for doing so.

**Field Day Demos**

There will be demonstrations of the following: *Winlink* for data, Digital radio, HF radio, and CW radio.



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## Volunteers

We still have openings for *Field Day* operations. If you would like to help-out, please volunteer your services to Steve (KC5F) or David (N1DAY). Contact info is on page 5 of this newsletter.

## Food

Anyone who would like to bring desserts, salads, or any foods they like, are welcome to do so. This is a potluck dinner. Food will be served at 5:00 PM on Saturday. The club will provide sandwiches, drinks, ice condiments, etc. Sorry, there will be no BBQ this year.

## Field Day Setup

The setup crew will meet Friday, June 23, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the club house in Jackson Park in Hendersonville, NC to prepare for setup the next day.

On Saturday, June 23, 2017 at 8:00 AM, the setup crew will meet for breakfast at the Mustang Café on Dana Road in Hendersonville. From there they will proceed to the club house to begin setup for *Field Day*. Setup will be approximately 9:30 AM.

## Loggers/Operators

If you would like to volunteer to log operations (no special licenses required), please feel free to volunteer. We will be glad to show you how to help. Likewise licensed operators. If you would like to operate radios, we have plenty of time slots for you to use your skills.

## Field Day Start

The official start time for *Field Day* is 2:00 PM on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Field Day End

The official stop time for *Field Day* is 2:00 Pm on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Family/Friends

Be sure and bring your family and your friends to share in the activities.

## Clean-Up and Take-Down.

We need volunteers to help dismantle and take-down the antennas and radios. This activity will begin at 2:01 PM on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Treasurer's Report



May 1 – May 31, 2017	
Balance as of 04/30/17	\$2,398.61
Plus: Dep: Dues 4x	\$80.00



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Total Income	\$80.00
Sub-Total	\$2,478.61
Less: Exp: Bank fee	\$6.00
Equipment Insurance	\$67.20
Purchase Antenna Launcher	\$100.00
Total Expense	\$173.20
BALANCE AS OF 05/31/17	\$2,305.41

## FORMAL PRESENTATION

There was no formal presentation because the time was spent discussing the details for *Field Day*.

## Meeting Ended

The meeting was formally adjourned at 8:15 PM.

## Calendar of Events

Here are some notable dates:

Date	Description
July 11, 2017	<b>BRARC Meeting.</b> Held at <i>Jackson Park</i> . Time 7:00 PM. In the case of inclement weather on a meeting night, when <i>Blue Ridge College</i> is closed, we do not have a meeting.
July 29, 2017	<b>WCARS Hamfest.</b> Location: Haywood County Fairgrounds 758 Crabtree Rd, Waynesville, NC 28785 . More details: <a href="http://wcars.org">http://wcars.org</a>

## For Sale

No items for sale this month.

## Popular Ham Radio Nets

New Nets are highlighted in yellow.

### FM Nets

BRARC Net (W4YK)	146.640 MHz / T91.5	Sunday 8:00 PM
Henderson County ARES Net	146.640 MHz / T91.5	Wednesday 9:00 PM
Oasis Shrine Net	145.190 MHz	Sunday 9:00 PM
KI4ZEK Net	145.190 MHz	Thursday 8:30 PM



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AmRRON CPN Preparedness	145.190 MHz	Wednesday 8:30 PM
Blue Ridge Traffic (SC)	146.610 MHz	Daily 9:00 PM
6600 Net	145.190 MHz	Saturday 9:00 PM
Good Morning Net	146.760 MHz	M-W-F 9:00 AM
WCARS Information Net	146.910 MHz/ T91.5	Monday 9:00 PM
Buncombe ARES Net	146.910 MHz / T91.5	Wednesday 9:00 PM
Transylvania ARC Net	147.135 MHz	Thursday 8:00 PM
WCARS Simplex Net	147.525 MHz	Tuesday 8:30 PM
Anderson Radio Club Net	146.790 MHz	Daily 8:30 PM
Mount Pisgah 220 Net	224.260 MHz	Sunday 9:00 PM
Mount Mitchell 220 Net	224.540 MHz	Monday 8:00 PM
Mount Pisgah 220 Thur Net	224.260 MHz	Thursday 8:00 PM
Mount Spivey 220 Net	224.600 / T 98.4	Wednesday 8:00 PM
6 Meter Rag Chew	53.130 MHz/T 100	Friday 9:00 PM

### CW Nets

Hit and Bounce Net	7.042 MHz (CW)	Daily 8:30 AM
Carolinas Slow Net	3.571 MHz (CW 5-8 wpm)	Daily 8:00 PM
Carolinas Net (Early)	3.573 MHz (CW 20-22 wpm)	Daily 7:00 PM
Carolinas Net (Late)	3.573 MHz (CW 15 18 wpm)	Daily 10:00 PM

### HF Nets

K4UUQ Morning Net	7.225.5 MHz (SSB)	Mon-Sat 7:00 AM
QCWA Chapter 76	3.636 MHz (SSB)	Saturday 8:45 AM
The American Preparedness Radio Network (TAPRN)	3.818 MHz or 7.24 MHz	Sundays 9:00 PM
NC Evening Net	3.923 MHz (SSB)	Daily 6:30 PM
Tarheel ARES Net	3.923 MHz (SSB)	Daily 7:30 PM
NC Morning Net	3.927 MHz (SSB)	Daily 7:45 AM
Get Up and Go Net	28.350/28.360 MHz	Sunday 9:00 PM
SATURN Net	14.265 MHz (SSB)	Daily 10:00 AM

### Simplex Nets

2 Meter Simplex Net	146.640 / 146.580 Simplex	Thursday 9:00 PM
6 Meter Simplex Net	52.5700 MHz FM	Thursday 9:00 PM
10 Meter Simplex Net	28.420 MHz	Thursday 9:30 PM
440 Simplex Net	446.000 MHz	Thursday 9:00 PM
80 Meter Simplex Net	3.843 MHz	Thursday 9:30 PM

### Digital Mobil Radio Nets

DMR Net	WNC TalkGroup	Thursday 8:30 PM
DMR Net	TAC310 TalkGroup	Sunday 8:00 PM



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## Club Information

### **Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club (BRARC)**

Radio operators come from all walks of life. Some are students, teachers, pilots, technicians, police officers, doctors, executives, retired military, engineers, you name it.

The *Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club (BRARC)* is all of these things. Another key benefit it that they give-back in many ways back to their community. Amateur radio operators at BRARC donate time and equipment to participate with the *Department of Emergency Management*, the *Red Cross*, and *FEMA*. Radio operators practice using their equipment without power from the grid. So during REAL emergencies they can supply the necessary communication to first responders so they can provide help to those who need it. *Hurricane Sandy* was a perfect example. Ham radio operators helped FEMA direct needed supplies and medical attention.

BRARC also provides volunteer community support in a variety of community activities including, parades including the 4th of July, and Christmas parades, walk-a-thons, bike-a-thons, and the Fletcher Flier.

The *Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club* also provides daily and weekly forums via what they call "Nets." You don't need a ham license to listen to a net - just a radio. These forums include informal sessions or "rag chews" that discuss local events or just about any topic.

## Blue Ridge Echo Submissions

If you have timely information that you would like to publish in the *Echo*, all submissions must be received by the first 6-7 days of each month in order to meet publication deadlines. Please send your copy to Doug (KJ4WWN) at [themtns@yahoo.com](mailto:themtns@yahoo.com).

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