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### **MOCARS Officers - 2016**

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### **UPCOMING HAMFESTS**

Mar. 11	Charlotte Hamfest	Concord
April 2	RARSfest	Raleigh
May 28	DurHamFest	Durham

### Hamfests need your support and attendance to survive!

# President's Column

Happy New Year!

A new year brings new opportunities in Ham Radio and MOCARS is off to a very busy start. Speaking of new opportunities, I would like to thank Bill, KW1B, and Chris, KA3LJR, and Mark, KI4KOZ, for getting the ball rolling on a new county wide VHF Packet network as the connection medium to the global Winlink email system. So far there are three digipeaters running in the Pinehurst and Aberdeen areas with more to come in the future. The plan is to have digipeaters located throughout Moore County so when disaster strikes MOCARS and ARES members will have a robust radio network to send and receive messages more efficiently between people at home, at shelters and at the EOC. This will help eliminate voice traffic congestion on the NC4ML repeater during a disaster. More information about the setup and instructions on how to connect can be found at the "MOCARS" Digital Modes" Yahoo! Group, And don't forget the weekly "MOCARS Digital Techniques Net" Sunday nights after the 8pm MOCARS net.

A VE session will be held at the Moore County Health Department in Carthage Saturday, January 23rd, at 9am. If you are new or want to upgrade your license, please come take the test and good luck!

We will be participating in Winter Field Day again this year on January 30th through the 31st. We will be setting up at the Aberdeen Rescue Squad building beside Aberdeen Lake off US #1. Setup will begin around 10am. A phone and a digital station will be setup for operating. Also during that time, there will be a demonstration and how-to of the VHF Packet network. If you need help setting up your *Continue on page 3* 

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#### MINUTES of Moore County Amateur Radio Society Meeting date: November 19, 2015

**Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance:** The monthly meeting of the Moore County Amateur Radio Society, was held at the Moore County Health Department in Carthage, NC on November 19, 2015. The meeting convened at 7:00pm, J Hammond presiding for President Charles Wackerman, who was in attendance.

**Members in attendance:** Members: 21 of 37 Paid Members present(56%)A quorum was present. J Hammond, April Hammond, Ernie Bryant, Mark Wehner, Max Muse, Carl Williams, Ben Griffen, Severt Jacobson, Jim Johnson, Lionel Bryson, Tom Kimball, Chris Kushay, Susan Kushay, Bob Denis, Bob Nichols, Cindy Wackerman, Charles Wackerman, Raymond Arnold, Belle Arnold, Bob Mason, and Chuck Oswalt

**Approval of minutes:** Minutes from September and October Meetings were presented for approval and approved by voice vote.

**Treasurers' report:** Motion was made by Charles Wackerman and seconded by Max Muse to approve the treasures report of the November 19, 2015 meeting. Printed report available upon request. **Motion carried.** 

**Pre-Meeting Presentation:** Chris Kushay made a Winlink (HF & VHF) Digital presentation. He also described the current setup they have going.

**Announcements:** Most announcements are made by the meeting leader unless otherwise stated.

- VE Session Saturday
- Keep Dean in your prayers with the passing of his sister

#### Unfinished business: None

#### Old Business:

- Uwharrie (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in February) Lionel will coordinate
- Winter Field Day (Last weekend in January) will be at Rescue Squad building in Aberdeen J is coordinating
- Uwharrie 100 mile run went well. They've asked us to help again next year. Mark W. will coordinate.
- Christmas Lunch December 12 noon at Golden Corral.

**ARES:** SET went well Lionel went to Emergency Management meeting Thursday can came away with the following:

- Would we have interest in supporting CERT (Civilian Emergency Response Team)? Emergency Management is going to work on helping get teams set up for each community. The ARRL web site has information.
- The county could use us to help in the COM trailer in case of emergency. A time will be set up for training.
- Lionel will update Mutual Aid Agreements (Memorandum of Understanding) with the county.
- Local Incident Management Team Training  $1\frac{1}{2}$  days with travel; if any want to attend, the county will pay
- Lionel discussed with Scott setting up shelters, etc. with digital equipment. First, we need to get members active in digital.

Lionel is waiting to get a contact to schedule a time to check the antenna at New Century.

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#### New Business:

- Dean is requesting the purchase of a recorder to record meetings. The cost is \$85. Jim Johnson makes motion. Bob Mason seconds. Carried.
- J makes motion the purchase of two multi-band antennas for use in club activities. Ben seconds. Carried.
- J would like to see the club come together more often and operate. He asked members to come to the January meeting with suggestions.
- One suggestion is participating in the NC QSO Party.
- There was discussion on working with the scouts and JOTA. Lionel said there were a few troops that would be very interested. Jim agreed to try one more year getting the right contacts.
- Mark suggests a Spring Digital Day at a park somewhere.

#### **Officer Vote:**

President – J Hammond Vice President – Charles Wackerman Secretary – Dean Stockwell Treasurer – April Hammond

Vote Unanimous

**Adjournment:** Motion made to adjourn by Chuck Oswalt and seconded by Belle Arnold and was approved by a voice vote.

Adjournment Time: 7:58p

#### President's Column continued...

equipment, pack it up and bring it along and we will help you get things configured properly.

I told you we were off to a busy start and on Saturday, February 6th, MOCARS, along with Montgomery and Stanley county radio clubs, will be providing communications for the Uwharrie Mountain Fun Run in the Uwharrie Mountains. This is an all day event were hundreds of runners from all over North America come and run either 8, 20 or 40 miles. Our job is to log the runner's number as they pass by aid stations located along the trail. There are 6 aid stations along with Start/Finish and 20/20. The 20/20 station is were the 20 mile runners finish and the 40 mile runners turn around and run back to Start/Finish. Our service is *greatly* appreciated by the race officials and it would be difficult for them to run the event without our help, *no pun intended.* Cell phones <u>do not</u> work in the Uwharrie Mountains!

As I stated in November, please bring your ideas or thoughts of new activities or projects you would like MOCARS to do throughout this year and beyond. I am still new to this hobby and am still learning just like many of you. One event I would really like the club to participate in is the NC QSO Party, February 28th. I know RARS really wants more clubs involved.

I would like to thank Charles Wackerman, W3CY, for his many years of service as President of MOCARS. May your health improve so you can become more active in the club once again.

Wow, my first President's column is done, *hallelujah*, for you have given me much to write about! Let's stay active so I can continue to have things to write about because without that the columns would be mighty boring. Hope to see you at Pete's and the meeting.

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73, J

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State	wide Traf	fic and Ei	mergeno	v Nets
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NCAM	Traffic	0745	3927	SSB
NCPM	Traffic	1830	3923	SSB
Carolina Net (early)	Traffic	1900	3573	<b>CW</b> 20/22 wpm
TarHeel Emergency	ARES	1930	3923	SSB
Carolina Slow	Traffic	2000	3571	CW 8/10 wpm
Carolina Net (Late)	Traffic	2200	3573	<b>CW</b> 15/18 wpm
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# NC4ML Repeater



 Volunteer Examiner Coordinator

 P. O. Box 41
 Lexington, NC 27293-0041

### CARTHAGE, NC

Location: Moore County Health Department, 705 Pinehurst Ave., Carthage, NC

Test Dates: On the following Saturdays

January 23, 2016	July 23, 2016
March 19, 2016	September 17, 2016
May 21, 2016	November 19, 2016

Time: 9:00am to 12 noon

Individuals wishing to take the test must have a valid drivers license or other valid government issued picture ID, a social security card, (and a copy of the front and back of both documents on a single page).

If the candidate currently holds an amateur license issued by the FCC they must also bring the original license and a copy.

No reservations needed but handicap candidates should call to assure that we are prepared to accommodate you.

Cost: \$12.00 - CASH ONLY

For further information contact Charles Wackerman at 910-947-2707 or w3cy@arrl.net

Tests administered by the Carthage/MOCARS VE TEAM

### ASHEBORO, NC

Location: Randolph County Library, 201 Worth Street, Asheboro, NC 27203 (On the corner of Worth and Cox Streets) \*\* We meet in the ground floor meeting room. \*\*

### Test Dates:

February 13, 2016	August 13, 2016
April 9, 2016	October 8, 2016
June 11, 2016	December 10, 201

#### Time: 10:00am

Bring a pocket calculator and a copy of drivers license or other valid government issued picture ID, a social security card, (and a copy of the front and back of both documents on a single page).

If the candidate currently holds an amateur license issued by the FCC they must also bring the original license and a copy.

Cost: \$12.00 - CASH ONLY

For further information contact Butch Simpson, WS4H at 336-381-4584 or butch@atomic.net



"I don't care if division doesn't send QSL cards, Kolderup . . . GET ON THAT RADIO!"

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#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MOCARS meetings are held at the Moore County Health Department, 705 Pinehurst Avenue, Carthage, NC each month (except December) at 7:00pm. Licensed Amateur Radio Operators and those interested in amateur radio are invited to join. Annual dues are \$20 for an individual or \$25 for a family membership. If you are not a member of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), we would highly recommend joining. Information about the ARRL can be found at www.arrl.org.

# To apply, please fill out the application form(s) and return it to the address below with a check or money order made out to the Moore County Amateur Radio Society.

Membership type being requested. Individual \$20.00 yr. \_\_\_\_\_ Family \$25.00 yr. \_\_\_\_\_ Note: If applying for a family membership please fill out family member's information below application.

Name				
First	MI	Last		
Address	City		State	Zip
Home Phone ()	Cell Phone ()		Date of I	Birth
The best time to contact yo	u is between the hours of $\_$			
Is it okay to contact you by	your phone? Yes No			
E-mail address				
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Please send the completed form(s) and your check / money order to:

April Hammond Att: MOCARS Membership Request PO Box 550 Cameron, NC 28326-0550