

JULY

"The PACEMAKER"

2010

Gaston County Amateur Radio Society

M EETING

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, **August 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM** at the Red Cross building. Remember, **if you need the elevator be sure to call on the repeater to let someone know ahead of time.**



us the big cooker for the BBQ and 130 Quarts of ice and needed help.

Thanks to the ARES group for the use of the communications trailer where the Air Conditioning helped cool several hot workers down, provided a cool place for the Phone and GOTA stations along with the 2 meter talk in radio.

It was a fantastic weekend of great cooperation between 3 great organizations in Gaston County.

E XAMS

There will be a regular exam session on **July 10, 2010 at 9:30 AM**. This session is to be held at the library on East Garrison Blvd in Gastonia. All **VE**'s are asked to be there at 9:00 AM to help set up. Those taking exams should be there by 9:30 AM. Also if you have any pending FCC actions, be sure to bring any needed CSCE's along with a copy for our records. You will also need the original and a copy of your current HAM license and a photo ID. **NEW TECH QUESTIONS will be in use!**

The "Field Day Special" session was a big success. We had 9 folks taking the test including our own Lana Warren who is now KJ4WFH as a new Tech.

F IELD DAY 2010

Field Day 2010 has come and gone, along with our annual club family day. It is now time to start planning Field Day 2011, less than a year away.

Along with GAARC and GC-ARES, we had a great time. Did we win? We doubt even coming close, but as far as fellowship, we had the best in the nation! As far as food, no one had any better; BBQ, hot dogs, hamburgers, covered dishes and lots of deserts.

There were about 20 Boy Scouts and their leaders there most of the day. The BSA leaders pretty much stood our tower up for us. It is great to have "youth" available on these occasions.

Our many thanks go to the GAARC for getting

A RES Section

Our next ARES meeting will be **Thursday, July 29, 2010 at 7:00 PM**. It will be held at the Gaston County EOC. Your help is needed to make this service work! Please make plans now to attend and if not already a member, come to join. There are **NO DUES** to be a part of this important organization in our hobby.



R ed Cross Drill

The Red Cross of Gaston County asked our help with a "Shelter Drill" on June 18. The drill ran from 1PM until somewhere around 4PM. We set up a net on 145.23.

We had teams located at the EOC, Red Cross and the shelter. The shelter was set up at Highland School of Technology.

We sent several messages via the digital setup in the D-STAR system using D-RATS which has built in ICS-213 forms as required now by FEMA. These test with D-STAR worked extremely well as far as the system was concerned, but we found a couple of procedural problems that we addressed at the last ARES meeting.

George Poteat, K4GLP-EC



Robert Zeman-K4VAV, President



Gerald Rankin-AG0R, Secretary



Mark Thornburg-NC1G, Vice President



Cy Rowe-K1CY, Treasurer

REMEMBER

From GCARS Tuesday Evenings as follows

444.55 Pacemaker Net at 8:30 PM ——— 147.12 Pacemaker Net at 9:00 PM (both ARES Affiliated)

147.12 Trader's net following Pacemaker by 1 minute

& From GAARC On Wednesday evening on 146.805 with 100 Hz tone the ARO/ARES Net at 9:00 PM

OUR NETS



GCARS - July 2010



<http://www.gcars.org/> <http://www.teamgcarsve.gastonhams.org/>

"The PACEMAKER"

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 GAARC meet- ing @ Schiele Museum, 7 PM ARES Net on 145.23 MHz	2 146.88 net	3 Breakfast 8:30 AM Munchies on Chest- nut St.
4	5  GCARS Meeting @ Red Cross 7:00PM 146.88 net	6  Pacemaker Nets 444.55 8:30P 147.12 9:00P Trader net after 2 Meter Pace- maker Net	7 ARO & ARES Net 9:00 PM	8 ARES Net on W4BFB Club Repeater on 145.23 MHz	9 146.88 net	10  WCARS VE Exams at Li- brary: 9:00AM Breakfast 8:00AM Masonic Lodge Scholarship in Dallas, 212 S. College St.
11	12 146.88 net	13  GCARS Meeting @ Red Cross 7:00PM Pacemaker Nets 444.55 8:30P 147.12 9:00P Trader net after 2 Meter Pace- maker Net	14 ARO & ARES Net 9:00 PM	15 ARES Net on W4BFB Club Repeater on 145.23 MHz	16 146.88 net	17 Breakfast 8:30 AM Munchies on Chest- nut St.
18	19 146.88 net	20 Pacemaker Nets 444.55 8:30P 147.12 9:00P Trader net after 2 Meter Pace- maker Net	21 ARO & ARES Net 9:00 PM	22 ARES Net on W4BFB Club Repeater on 145.23 MHz	23 146.88 net	24 Breakfast 8:30 AM Munchies on Chest- nut St.
25	26 146.88 net	27 Pacemaker Nets 444.55 8:30P 147.12 9:00P Trader net after 2 Meter Pace- maker Net	28 ARO & ARES Net 9:00 PM	29  ARES Meeting 7:00 PM EOC	30 146.88 net	31 Breakfast 8:30 AM Munchies on Chest- nut St.