

March

"The PACEMAKER"

2010

Gaston County Amateur Radio Society

MEETING

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, **April 5, 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.

FOX HUNT NEWS

The February "Fox Hunt" for GCARS, GAARC and SARC will be held in Gaston County on **March 20, 2010**. This one is to be slightly different. We start this one with lunch at "Munchies Restaurant" in Gastonia following our VE session at approximately 11:30 AM. Again we will be looking for a "Go-Box" rather than a 'sticks out like a soar thumb' vehicle. The hider will be nearby in a non-ham car/truck as the "game warden" watching over the fox. A note will tell you where to join him.

VE EXAMS

www.teamgcarsve.gastonhams.org

There will be exam session on **March 20, 2010 at 9:30 AM** at the library 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.

The test session will be followed by an afternoon "Fox Hunt" here in Gaston County, so we have a complete day of fun and fellowship planned for the



three clubs and two ARES groups.

Charlotte Hamfest

The Charlotte Hamfest at Concord is coming up on **March 13-14, 2010**. This will be their second year in this location and is a very good hamfest.

Our VE team will be helping with exams at 1:00 PM. Exams are by WCARS VEC at \$10.00. Bring a photo ID, Original and a copy of your HAM license and ANY CSCE that have not been acted on by the FCC according to your current license.

ARES Section

Our next ARES meeting will be the last Thursday of **March, 2010 at 7:00 PM**. It will be held at the County EOC. Your help is needed to make this service work, and remember, our hobby is allowed ONLY to serve as a service to the community, not just to have a place to talk to each other, even though it is fun!

Basic Skywarn Class

Ares will be holding an Advanced Skywarn class on or around **May 15, 2010** at the EOC. It will be taught by the US Weather Service located at Greenville, SC. This will help with your weather reporting very much if it has been a while since you took it.

Start time will be 10:30 AM at the Gaston County EOC unless notified otherwise. If that happens, it will be either the County or Gastonia PD. Listen to the local nets for any update.

**George Poteat, K4GLP - EC
JOIN ARES TODAY!!!**



Robert Zeman-K4VAV, President



Tom Agerton-AJ4RP, Secretary



Mark Thornburg-NC1G, Vice President



Cy Rowe-K1CY, Treasurer

REMEMBER OUR NETS:

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

Thursday at 7:00 PM is the ARES net on 145.23, the W4BFB/Gaston ARES repeater



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