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Azalea Coast Amateur Radio Club

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New Club Email Service

The new club email reflector went live on July 1st. We have switched to Google Groups to serve the club membership. The main difference is that you can now add attachments to emails and place pictures inline with the email text.

The group is moderated in that if anyone abuses the email system they can be locked out of the group email. Everyone that is in the current system has been added to the new system. The old email service shall remain active for a couple months to catch any issues of people not receiving emails on the new system.

The new email address to send email to the membership is:

ac4rc@googlegroups.com



Upcoming Important Events

July 1st

New email reflector live

Mid-Summer Swap Fest Cary, NC

July 19th

Monthly club meeting 7:00pm CFCC North

Campus

New Editor Needed

By Jeff Bixby (W4BIX)

I am giving the club membership a heads up that a new editor will be needed for the club newsletter. I will be moving to the York County, SC area around September or October this year.

Avoid the rush and sign up early! Contact VP Linwood (NT4F) to volunteer. Help out your club!



Wishing Good Health To Everyone

KQ4TG (Jake) had a stroke. I went to see him at the Silver Stream Rehab Center and took him a Get Well Card from the Club. They let me into a rehab session to give him his card. He talked with me and he seemed to have recovered very well.

K4UWH (Charlie) is still at home. I talked with him on the phone and later had a conversation with his XYL Vivian. He is not doing well and will probably return to a Rehab Center. Silver Stream no longer does dialysis, so Vivian is trying to locate another Center.

Please let me know if any club member or member's family is not well.

ACARC sent New Style Birthday Cards to KD4TXY (Linda) and NKOS (Hutch) in June.

July Birthdays

24th – K1KS (AI) 30th – WD4OIN (Jack)

73, George km4dsi@arrl.net

Amateur Electronic Supply Closing after 59 Years in Business

Amateur Electronic Supply (AES) will close its doors at the end of July after 59 years in business. No reason has been given for the decision to close the business. AES has been a premier player among Amateur Radio equipment retailers for decades, as well as a major presence at Dayton Hamvention® and other events. Various media outlets were informed of the closing in a brief e-mail message on July 6, but word of the closing has not yet appeared on the retailer's website or Facebook page.

"It's with great sadness that I have to tell you that Amateur Electronic Supply (AES) will cease operations at the end of this month," AES National Sales Manager Tom Pachner, W9TJP, said in an email. An employee at the Milwaukee headquarters store, who did not wish to be identified, confirmed that the message was legitimate. It's believed that the AES staff was notified before the July 4th holiday weekend. In addition to the Milwaukee store, AES operates outlets in Cleveland (Wickliffe), Las Vegas, and Orlando.

Fond-du-Lac, Wisconsin, native Terry Sterman, W9DIA (SK), founded AES in 1957 when he was just 18, after getting into the radio-TV business by working in his father's TV and electronics parts store. On January 1, 1998, ownership of AES shifted to Amateur Electronic Supply LLC, headed by Phil Majerus, a prominent Wisconsin businessman. Sterman died the following year at the age of 60, after a period of ill health.

For many years, the public face of AES was its Executive Vice President Ray Grenier, K9KHW, who oversaw marketing and advertising for the retailer from 1964 until his retirement in 2013. Grenier nearly singlehandedly produced the famous AES catalog, as well as magazine ads. For about 20 years, he also organized the well-received AES Superfest, a promotional effort begun in 1995 that grew into a hamfest. In April, the AES Superfest hosted the 2016 ARRL Wisconsin Section Convention.

Many radio amateurs reacted to the news on various online forums, expressing surprise, sadness, and dismay, and saying they would miss AES. A few reminisced about having bought their first radios from AES.

From the ARRL website

Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society Swapfest

What: Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society Swapfest

When: August 13, 2016

Where: Cumberland County Shrine Club, 7040 Ramsey St. (HWY 401 N), Fayetteville, NC

Time: 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM

VE Testing at 9:00 AM

Information and Table Reservations: David KR4OE

kr4oe@nc.rr.com (910)624-1394

Setup at 6:30 AM.

Virginia Beach Hamfest

Have you ever seen the BLUE ANGELS flying team? Well if all goes as planned the Blue Angels will be in Virginia Beach the day of the Hamfest Show. They usually perform in the afternoon. By then you will have had plenty of time to purchase all your goodies at our Hamfest and Electronics Show.

Something new this year....a quad-copter will be given away to the youngest, licensed ham operator at the show. Details on this to come as we get closer to the date of the show. We have plenty of tables for you to show off your gear for sale, licensing in the morning by our VE testing team, giveaways and friendship and fellowship.

Be sure to visit our website...

www.vbhamfest.com.

The date is Saturday, September 10th from 9am till 4pm with early bird entrance at 8:30am.

Same location as last year...Virginia Beach Convention Center. REMINDER: NO TAILGATING at the show. We have ticket specials going on right now also. Contact Lew Steingold for tickets. Our neighboring hotel has specials for the overnight stay. COME, BUY and then stay to see the Blue Angels (around 2:30pm) perform.

Museum Ships Weekend 2016





July 2016 DX Information

2016 Jul01	2016 Jul10	Seychelles	<u>\$79V</u>	LotW	OPDX 20160502	By UAE team fm Mahe I (AF-024); 160- 10m; SSB CW PSK; QSL also OK via IZ8CLM and Club Log
2016 Jul01	2016 Aug03	Bolivia	CP1XRM	EA5RM	DXNews 20160526	By EA5RM; HF; 100w; vertical; solar power
2016 Jul02	2016 Jul07	Crete	SV9	LotW	DXNews 20160116	By OK6DJ as SV9/OK6DJ fm EU-015; 40-10m; CW; QSL also OK via OK6DJ and eQSL
2016 Jul04	2016 Jul10	St Vincent	J8	LotW	DXNews 20160411	By W6NN as J8/W6NN and KE1B as J8/KE1B fm Bequia I (NA-025); will be J87HQ multi-op during IARU Contest; QSL also OK via home_call or eQSL
2016 Jul06	2016 Jul08	Palau	T88MZ	LotW	DXNews 20160601	By JH0CKF fm Koror I; 80-10m; SSB; QSL also OK via JH0CKF direct, Club Log, eQSL
2016 Jul08	2016 Jul14	Vanuatu	YJ0GA	LotW	DXNews 20160426	By ZL3GA fm Efate I (OC-035); 40-10m; QSL also OK via ZL3GA (Buro or direct) and Club Log
2016 Jul11	2016 Jul16	Barbados	8P6	LotW	DXNews 20160411	By W6NN as 8P6NN and KE1B as 8P6MM; 40-10m; QSL also OK via home_call or eQSL
2016 Jul16	2016 Jul17	Ceuta & Melilla	EG9LH	EC7DZZ	DXNews 20160526	By EC7DZZ EA7FKH fm Melilla; HF; 100w; G5RV; will activate Faro de Morro (LH:CEU-012, FEA:E-6762, ML 52001)
2016 Jul18	2016 Jul25	Swaziland	3DA0AY	ZS6AYE	DXW.Net 20160606	By ZS6AYE fm Piggs Peak; 40-10m; mainly digital; QSL also OK via Club Log
2016 Jul25	2016 Aug01	Canada	VC2Q NEW	LotW	VA2QA 20160614	By VA2NQ VA2QA VE2CYJ VE2HAY VE2HLS VE2AWW VE2OV VE2GKL VE2ESM fm CQ Zone 2, grid square FO50; 160-6m, incl 60m; CW SSB, some digital; 4 stations; QSL also OK via VC2Q Buro