



K4NAB News



Serving Aiken County and Surrounding Areas

What can **We** do better? How can **We** do it? Will **You** help do it?

The New year is fast approaching and we all have lots of planning to do! Let's see... Who's the nominating committee? We all Are! President, Secretary, Treasurer, and what jobs do you want to do? Activities Manager, VE coordinator (W4FPE Glenn)?, Training committee? PIO? And More.

We ask each and every one of you to help us out with the planning and doing of this next years club meetings and events. Not everyone will be a speaker, nor will I give a lecture at any meeting. This is an opportunity to share what you know and do in ham radio. If you have an idea for a meeting or event, **NOW** is the time to share so we can plan to include it in 2009's events!

Write down your suggestion, plans, thoughts on what the next year and beyond should include. List anything you would do or help with, show, want to learn or just have fun doing that relates to ham radio in some way. Tell us about resources you have and know about.

We will support your ideas, classes, demonstrations, hamfests, outings, contests and cookouts together. You don't have to do everything yourself! We will pitch in and lend a hand to make your suggestion a reality.

The club will endeavor to keep you informed of plans, events, meetings, locations, projects, Nets and more on a regular basis. All you have to do is participate! Help us get the word out to the CSRA Hams (Central Savannah River Area) and beyond. The future isn't going to reveal itself in a neat orderly plan, we have to make it. My father grew up and lived through the "Great Depression" and prayed we'd never see it again. The money may be tight, but Hams are inventive, resourceful, community minded people who can plan for events and disasters of all kinds. With your help, our meetings and events won't be disasters and will be the events everyone will talk about and want to attend.

Hundreds of Hams are in the Aiken and Edgefield counties alone. Lots of people are interested in Amateur Radio classes and public outreach program. A quick ad-hoc setup doesn't rely on any affiliations and can be established by a call out to other hams who can help.

Well, this soapbox is sagging and my hopes are that you, yes you!, will make this hobby and our club and group a resounding success by joining in planning the new year ahead.

Bring a friend!

Invite a friend to our meetings, there is no cost to attend. If just a few hams join our group we will share the enjoyment, knowledge, training, and work of making our club the best in the CSRA.

Volunteering is easy, but getting help is hard I was once told. That might be what some hams think is true. My thought is Helping out is easier than having nothing to do.

AJ4AU
Carl





Don't forget Veterans Day (Nov 11), Thanksgiving (No micro-waved turkey's please?), Christmas and all of the Seasoned Greetings (Family, Bah - Ham-Bugged!). Now before I say "Dash away, Dash away all!", New Years arrives and what programs to present, contests to attempt, hamfests to attend and QSL's to send - Ponder these questions?

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----- So put on your -----

"Wireless" *ARRL Public Service Announcement*

You hear the word used a lot today.
 We have wireless telephones
 Wireless internet systems
 Wireless microphones
 What is actually means is that they are radios.
 And who knows more about radios than Amateur Radio operators
 Call them Amateurs - or call them hams
 They know the modern wireless world
 (pause)
 They helped create it.

We are creating a mental image of ham radio. Parallels are on your TV or broadcast radio every evening. For example, look at an auto commercial – say Toyota for example. They show the car and an attribute of it. They do not add in "C'mon down to Sleazy Eddie's Used Car Sales." They just want to put a positive emotion linked to their car in your mind. Like much of modern advertising, there is no specific "call to action." None is needed as the purpose is to create positive ideas and feelings in the mind of the public about Amateur Radio, irrespective if they will ever become hams themselves or not. In an age of antenna restrictions and frequency challenges, positive images about the Service in the minds of people can be just as critical as recruitment to local club memberships. I hope you will represent Amateur Radio to your local citizens, acting for benefit of ALL Amateur Radio operators. (excerpts of ARRL Public Relations page & PSA)



Upcoming hamfests and events.

10 Jan 2009
Greenwood Hamfest
Greenwood Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.w4gwd.org>
Talk-In: 147.165+ (no tone)
Contact:
Darrell Manning, KI4BST
PO Box 2404
Greenwood, SC 29646
Phone: 864-418-8969
Email: dbmanning@wctel.net

10 Jan 2009
TechFest
Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society (GARS)
<http://www.gars.org>
Talk-In: 147.075+ (PL 82.5)
Contact:
Norman Schklar, WA4ZXV
480 North Peachtree Street
Norcross, GA 30071
Phone: 770-840-9664
Fax: 770-755-5411
Email: norman@schklar.com

7 Feb 2009
South Carolina State Convention (Charleston Hamfest & Computer Show)
Charleston Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.wa4usn.org>
Talk-In: 145.250 (PL 103.5) - linked repeater system
Contact:
Jenny M. Myers, WA4USN
2630 Dellwood Avenue
North Charleston, SC 29405
Phone: 843-747-2324
Email: brycemyers@aol.com

February 21, 2009
ARCA Winter Swap Meet
Pendleton King Park
Augusta, GA
<http://www.w4dv.org/>

28 Feb 2009
Hamfest #27
Dalton ARC
<http://www.w4drc.com>
Talk-In: 145.230(-) no tone
Contact:
Harold Jones, N4BD
PO Box 211
Rocky Face, GA 30740
Phone: 706-673-2291
Email: n4bd@windstream.net

21 Mar 2009
Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.w4bti.org>
Talk-In: 146.880 - offset (PL100)
Contact:
Don V. Heppe, W5LGK
1425 Ridgeway Drive
Acworth, GA 30102
Phone: 404-630-1249
Email: W5LGK@bellsouth.net

May 9, 2009
Spring picnic & swap meet
Pendleton King Park
Augusta, GA

May 15-17, 2009 (Fri thru Sun) - Dayton, OH
Hamvention
<http://www.hamvention.org>
Hara Arena
Talk in on 146.94-

Field Day June 27 & 28, 2009



6 Meter				
☺	53.030-	PL:	W4WTA	Augusta
2 Meter				
	144.390	KR4XN-2	Augusta	digipeater
☺	145.110-	KK4HL	Augusta	
☺	145.130-	W4JAK	Greenwood	
☺	145.170-	N4ADM	Aiken	
☺	145.290- (100.0)	W4DV	Augusta Echolink node: KI4NFJ-R Node #325847	
☺	145.350- (100.0)	N2ZZ	Aiken	
c	145.370	AA4UA	Augusta	
☺	145.410-	K4KNS	Augusta CCARC	
c	145.450-(123.0)	W4ZKM	Sav. River Site	
☺	145.490-	W4DV	Augusta (Skywarn)	
☺	146.730-	K4NAB	North Augusta (Solar)	
c	146.775-	KB4NA	Wrens	
x	146.835-	KC4GSS	Thomson	
c	146.940-	KT4N	Augusta	
☺	146.985-(100.0)	K4KNS	Evans CCARC	
c	147.120+	KT4N	Wrens	
c	147.180+	N4BMA	Augusta	
☺	147.285+	KY4S	Aiken	

1.5 Meter NOAA Alerts				
	162.400	WXJ20	Columbia, SC	1000 Watts
	162.425	WXM88	Waynesboro, GA	375 Watts
	162.450	WNG62	Aiken, SC	300 Watts
	162.475	WXM93	Cross, SC	100 Watts
	162.500	KHC29	Barnwell, SC	1000 Watts
	162.525	KHA35	Orangeburg, SC	300 Watts
	162.550	WXK54	Augusta, GA	1000 Watts

1.25 Meter				
x	224.200-		Augusta	
c	224.940-	WB4KXO	Augusta	
x	224.960		Aiken	

70 Centimeter				
c	443.400+(107.2)	AC4WW	Aiken	
x	444.400+		Augusta	
c	444.800+	KE4RAP	North Augusta	
☺	444.900+(100.0?)	W4QK	CCARC	(closed system)
c	444.950+(T162.2)	W4DV	Trenton ARCA	

x = not coordinated with SERA c = coordinated with SERA ☺ = Full member of SERA
 SERA = South-Eastern Repeater Association

NETS

Nightly Net	Daily @ 8:00 PM on 145.490 repeater
Carolina State Line Net	Sunday @ 9:00 PM on 146.730 repeater
Emergency Traffic VHF Net	Sunday @ 4:00 PM EST (5:00 PM DST) on 145.490 repeater
ARCA 10 meter Net	Sunday @ 8:45 PM on 28.368mhz
Newcomers Net -	Thursday @ 9:00 PM on 145.490 repeater
ARCA CW Net	Monday @ 9:00 PM on 28.170mhz
CSRA ARES Net	Wednesday @ 8:30 PM On 146.985mhz

Please send additions/ corrections to AJ4AU@ARRL.NET



IDEAS FOR CLUB ACTIVITIES!! YES ? NO?

November

1. Club elections + release
2. Food Bank patrol
3. Veterans Day special event
4. Santa parade support
5. Ham + another hobby meeting (RV, etc.)
6. Holiday lighting help
7. "Turkey Trot" support
8. Parking lot patrols
9. Food pantry donation

December

1. Santa on the radio
2. Shopping patrols
3. Ham of the year
4. Holiday special event
5. Holiday Radiograms
6. US Marines Toy Drive
7. Safe ride home

SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY 6 DEC.
31st ARRL Straight Key Night

January

1. Parade coordination
2. Safe Ride Home
3. MLK Day celebration
- 4th Kids Day
5. Space contact demo
6. Spotlight on nets
7. New Year special event
8. Weather watch
9. Outreach with scouts

February

1. Presidents Day Event
2. Valentine Radiograms
3. Space contact
4. Club "Guest Night"
5. Service to military
6. Mall demonstration
7. City proclamation
8. Winter sport tie-in
9. PTA demonstration

March

1. Contest spotlight
2. DF demo (T-hunt)
3. Nat'l Red Cross Month
4. Government outreach
5. RFI outreach
6. Spotlight on seniors
7. Licensing classes
8. Service club program
9. ARES demo

April

1. Skywarn program
2. Focus on women
3. Mobile operations
4. School event
5. ISS contact
6. Walk America
7. Ride to church
8. Search & Rescue Ops
9. "Build it" night

May

1. Mothers Day Radiograms
2. Coordinate comms at a local event
3. Community Safety Patrol
4. Focus on RACES
5. Memorial Day special event
6. YHOTY Nomination
7. Scholarship contribution
8. Coffee Break
9. Dayton HamFest Tie-in

June

1. Present plaque to gov't entity.
2. Flag Day event
3. Fathers Day Radiograms
4. Field Day pre-publicity
5. Safe Grad Night
6. A Ham wedding?
7. June Kid's Day
8. Field Day June 27 & 28 and follow-up!
9. Summer Camp programs



July

1. Independence Day Special Event
2. National Night Out
3. Beach patrols
4. Demo at County Fair
5. Park event safety team
6. Ham Radio camp out
7. Antique radio event
8. Hamfest
9. Donate a radio

August

1. Hospital outreach
2. Back to school patrols
3. Hurricane watch
4. City's "Birthday"
5. Homeland Security
6. VE Spotlight
7. Legislative Action
8. Father - son club event
9. APRS demo

September

1. Salute to Heroes
2. "Kickoff" special event
3. Labor Day road patrols
4. Fundraiser
5. School program
6. Invite Scout Troop to club meeting
7. Blood drive
8. Fire patrols
9. Amateur Radio Awareness Day

October

1. Halloween safety patrol
2. JOTA
3. SET
4. Sputnik celebration
5. Fall licensing class
6. Demo at public library
7. NTS demo at club
8. Special event from graveyard
9. Remote control demo

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8. Field Day results
9. Straight Key Night

2008

- Nov 15-16th ARRL Intrl EME Competition
- Nov 15 - 17 ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)
- Dec 5-7th ARRL 160 Meter Contest
- Dec 13 - 14th ARRL 10 Meter Contest

2009

- Jan 5-6th ARRL RTTY Round-Up
 - Jan 19-20th ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
 - Feb 19-20th ARRL International DX Contest (CW)
 - Mar 1st-2nd ARRL International DX Contest (Phone)
 - June ARRL June VHF QSO Party
 - June ARRL Field Day
 - July IARU HF World Championships
 - Aug ARRL UHF Contest
 - Aug ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
 - Sep ARRL September VHF QSO Party
 - Sep ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
 - Sep ARRL International EME Competition
 - Oct ARRL International EME Competition
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