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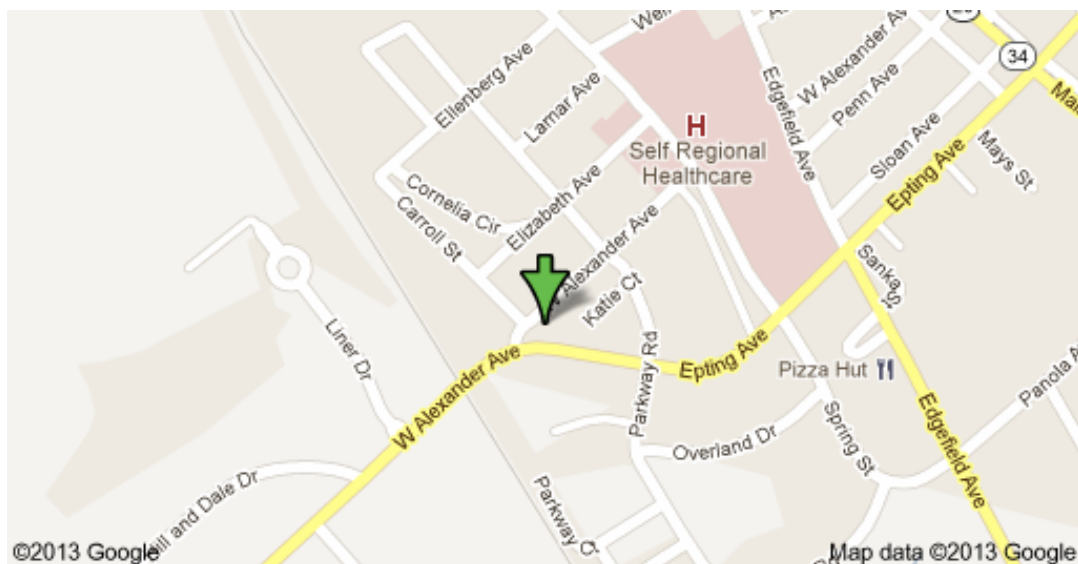
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November Meeting

This month's meeting will be Monday, November 17th. The Greenwood Amateur Radio Society now meets at the American Red Cross building, 520 Epting Ave. Greenwood, SC. Please join us at 7 for light refreshments, the meeting starts at 7:30 sharp.



Echolink & DStar Update

Echolink is Running 100%. D-Star is up, and regularly connected to Reflector

Are you an ARRL Member? Joining ARRL helps protect our rights as Amateur Radio Operators as well as providing education, QSL Bureau, technical advise, and the ARRL VEC. <http://www.arrl.org>



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Society Events:

Chat 'N' Chew

Every Friday at 11:30am the members of the Greenwood Amateur Radio society meet at **Ryan's**, Bypass 25 NW, Greenwood.

Everyone is welcome to have lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while.

(Dutch treat).

VE Exam Session December 2nd, 2014 7:00pm

GARS ARRL Volunteer Examiners (VE) Team will have an exam session 7:00pm Tuesday, December 2nd at The American Red Cross Building 520 Epting Avenue, Greenwood, SC 29646.

Weekly Net

Each Thursday night at 9pm on the 147.165+ machine, The Greenwood Amateur Radio Society holds our weekly 2 meter net. Help spread the word for everyone to check-in to our net. If you would like to fill in or be a backup net control please let Buddy Willis, W4DEW know.

Congratulations

Happy Birthday!

Phil Henry	WW4I	November 6
John Sullivan	KJ4RYB	November 7
Al West	KB4RA	November 15
Jo Henry	KC4UU	November 21
Jean Farmer	W4KKA	December 24
Jim Gresham	AK4EK	December 31
Eldora Keck	KB4YON	December 31

Happy Anniversary!

Patrick KJ4MUP and Lynne Sutton	November 22
Jim AK4EK and Betty Gresham	November 26
Darrell KI4BST and Dena Manning	December 3
Bert KJ4VJ and Eldora KB4YON Keck	December 22
Cole KK4RVA and Jackie Floyd	December 24

Phil's Corner:

Hamisms #654

Is there anyone out there?

DX Pileup Help

The DX station operators are in charge of any pile-up. The DX station should make and adhere to their operating rules quietly and respectfully. The DX station should use, when appropriate, call areas and areas of the world for better accuracy, rate and order. The DX station should use split operation and spread stations out, keeping in mind others not in the pile-ups. A must. The DX station should give their call sign at least every 10 minutes and maintain a pattern especially when ending a QSO. The DX station should create a rhythm or timing which maintains a good rate and allows the pile-up to call at the right time.

The DX station should work those who will create the fastest rate, at least at first, then make an effort to work the weaker stations. No one should lecture on the air.

Everyone should always require and give full calls. Know and practice the gray line. Know the equipment being operated such as the split button, audio levels, Keying wave form, etc. NEVER be a "KC Cop"....never. Operators giving spots on a DX Cluster should insure their accuracy! The operators in the pile-up, if not sure of a QSO, should dupe and the DX operator continue not wasting time commenting.

Keep away from personal, political, and religious comment any time on the air and/or the DX Cluster. Keep all comments in the true spirit of ham radio whereby ALL ARE EQUAL. Don't rush when giving your call when the DX station is standing by, especially on CW. Time will be lost trying to obtain ALL of the callsign. Don't call the DX station constantly. Get in the rhythm. Let the last station complete his QSO. Use only the power it takes and figure out what that is! Figure out the DX operator's operating practice for greater success.

These tips and tricks will make you a DX Wizard in no time.

HAMFESTS and EVENTS:

Mark your Calendars! Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Hamfest at Piedmont Technical College January 2015

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Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Presents Hamfest 2015

Piedmont Technical College - James Medford Center

620 North Emerald Road Greenwood, SC 29646

<http://w4gwd.org> Talk-In: 147.165+ (PL 107.2)

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Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Meeting Refreshments List:

2014

November: Open

Jan 2015: Open

Feb 2015: Open

March 2015: George & Betty

April 2015: Open

May 2015: Open

June 2015: Open

July 2015: Open

August 2015: Open

September 2015: Open

Let's fill those open slots!

Send an email to adam@wj4x.net to reserve your spot!

We will ask for volunteers for the refreshments list over the next few weeks, so be thinking of what month you'd like to volunteer!

Packet Cluster:

- ◆ The American Radio Relay League protects our rights as Amateur Radio Operators <http://www.arrl.org>
- ◆ Support for SERA supports proper coordination! <http://www.sera.org>
- ◆ Remember your local and regional interest clubs!
- ◆ Southeast DX Club <http://www.sedxc.org>
- ◆ Spread The Word! 147.165 Net Thurs. 9pm
- ◆ Callsign info <http://www.ae7q.com>
- ◆ Track us: <http://aprs.fi>

Classifieds:



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