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Infrastructure Update

Analog Repeaters are up.

DMR is up.

D-Star is up.

Echolink is up.

APRS iGate is up.

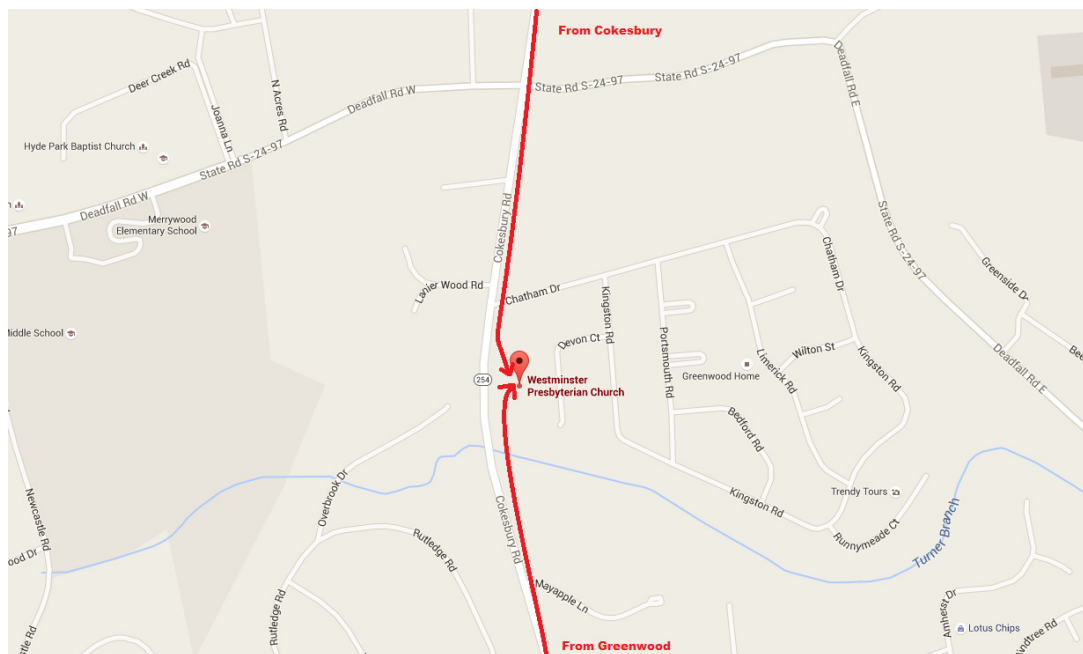
Packet Node is up connected to the Carolinas Packet System. 145.010

Downtown Digi coming soon. (equipment is sourced!)

Repeater Linking Project coming soon! (equipment is sourced!)

August Meeting

This month's club meeting will be held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, located at 2330 Cokesbury Rd, Greenwood, SC. The new meeting date is on the 2nd Tuesday, which will be the 13th this month. Meeting starts at 7:30 Sharp.



2016 CLUB

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The W4GWD Repeater Network

147.165+ t107.2

Echolink: 584003

443.900+ t107.2

W4DEW/R

146.910- t123.0

W4GWM/R

145.420- DV



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Society Events:

Chat 'N' Chew

Every Friday at 11:30am the members of the Greenwood Amateur Radio society meet at a local restaurant. Please check on the radio to see the new location. Everyone is welcome to have lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while.

(Dutch treat).

Weekly Nets

Each Thursday night at 9pm on the 147.165+ machine,
The Greenwood Amateur Radio Society holds our weekly 2 meter net.
Our UHF net on 443.900+ is held Mondays at 8pm

Congratulations

Happy Birthday!

Betty Crane	Sept 9
Tommy Owens KV4TH	Sept 13
Margaret Haynes KJ4HDK	Sept 26
Earl Powell KC4AXY	Sept 27
Jacob Long KM4GKD	Oct 10
Raymond White KJ4RYC	Oct 23
Elaine Dukes KA4PLU	Oct 27
David Haynes AJ4PU	Oct 28
Bonnie Henderson N4GEZ	Oct 30
Jackie Floyd	Oct 31

Happy Anniversary!

Al and Jane West
Sept 8
Jim and Carla Cox
Sept 16
Nathan and Kathleen Hermann
Oct 2
David and Betsy Russ
Oct 14

Phil's Corner:

Hamisms #8972

Seek You, Seek
You, Seek You!

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>



How to get involved in ARES

Our current weather happenings have people asking, “How do I help?” Here’s how!

[Download the ARES Manual \[PDF\]](#)
[ARES Field Resources Manual \[PDF\]](#)



Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES)

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES) consists of licensed amateurs who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment, with their local ARES leadership, for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes.

ARES Membership Requirements

Every licensed amateur, regardless of membership in ARRL or any other local or national organization is eligible to apply for membership in ARES. Training may be required or desired to participate fully in ARES. Please inquire at the local level for specific information. Because ARES is an Amateur Radio program, only licensed radio amateurs are eligible for membership. The possession of emergency-powered equipment is desirable, but is not a requirement for membership.

How to Get Involved in ARES

Fill out the [ARES Registration form](#) and submit it to your local Emergency Coordinator. In Greenwood County, this person is Tedd, AI4WN. In Saluda County, contact Buddy, W4DEW. Abbeville County’s contact is Dave, KL7FO

If you’re an individual Emergency Communication volunteer

You need to be trained. In order to provide support in the event of an emergency—or even in a non-emergency situation—you need to have the proper training and licensing. Learn more about the ARRL [Emergency Communications Training](#) course.

You need to be equipped with sustaining skills. What if when you get to a location, there is no food and the sleeping conditions are undesirable? Before you leave on your assignment, you need to make sure you have coping skills that enable you to be able to do your job operating under the conditions you are assigned to—from hardship conditions to making sure you’re able to work the equipment.

You need to prepare your family for your absence. When you leave home and head for a disaster area, your family has to be both physically and mentally able to cope. After a disaster, when a volunteer comes home, he or she can be confronted by some mental health issues, for which there are several resources. Many volunteers experience everything from fatigue or exhaustion to depression.

You need to find ways to volunteer. You would first want to become a member of your local ARES, CERT, RACES or local emergency management organization. Then try the [American Red Cross](#) or Web sites like [Ready.gov](#).

HAMFESTS and EVENTS:

Mark your Calendars! Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Hamfest at Piedmont Technical College January 2017

09/17/2016 Augusta Hamfest Liberty Park Community Center 1040 Newmantown Road Grovetown, GA 30813 <http://w4dv.club/hamfest> Amateur Radio Club of Augusta Talk-In: 145.490 71.9t Contact: Christopher Clark, KK4NXA 803-641-3680 chris@belthasar.com

09/23-24/2016 SEDCO (*SouthEastern DX and Contesting Organization*) MainStay Hotel and Conference Center 410 Pine Mountain Road Pigeon Forge, TN 37863 <http://www.w4dxcc.com> Talk-In: None Contact: Dave Anderson, K4SV 828-777-5088 davek4sv@yahoo.com

Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Meeting Refreshments List:

2016

The list will return soon!

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 on APRS: <http://aprs.fi>

Classifieds:

2 Meter whip antenna for sale, Best Offer. Contact Stephen Lyda KI4ZSY stephenlyda@yahoo.com



If anyone has any Ham radio stuff to sell or trade... list it in this column by calling Buddy, w4dew@arrl.net, 864-445-7574

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