



# G.A.R.S. Monthly Newsletter

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## 2008

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### VE Testing

#### 7PM

American Red Cross Service Center  
(520 Epting Ave)

Jun 3, 2008

Aug 5, 2008

Oct 7, 2008

Dec 2, 2008

## HAMFESTS

16 Aug 2008  
2nd Annual TARC Tailgate Party  
Trident Amateur Radio Club  
<http://www.tridenthams.org>  
Talk-In: 147.150+ (No PL)

Contact: Dennis R. Zabawa,  
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307 Pine Cone Court  
Ladson, SC 29456-3128  
Phone: 843-572-4053 (after noon

only)  
Email: [kg4rul@comcast.net](mailto:kg4rul@comcast.net)  
Moncks Corner, SC  
Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge

19  
1310 South Live Oak Drive  
Div: Roanoke  
Sect: South Carolina

## August Meeting

G.A.R.S. will meet Monday, August 18, 2008, at the Turner House on Bailey Circle in Greenwood at 7pm for light refreshments and 7:30pm for the meeting.

The club meetings are now listed in the Index Journal on page 2A each month under "Community Calendar" **AND** meetings are also listed in Greenwood's Town Planner which is circulated to most homes in the area.

## Richland County ARES Net

The Richland County ARES Net, which has been held regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month, will now be held every Tuesday at 8pm on the 147.330 (+600khz) N7GZT repeater (PL tone 156.7 Hz) as the South Carolina Area 3 ARES Net under the guidance of the Richland County EC, Jamie Brown KD4YYE <[jbrown8321@aol.com](mailto:jbrown8321@aol.com)> with help from the Area 3 DEC, Carl Lopez AJ4DW <[chlopez@sc.rr.com](mailto:chlopez@sc.rr.com)>.

All Area 3 ECs (Calhoun, Newberry, Kershaw, Saluda, Richland and Lexington counties) are encouraged to participate and asked to let their members know about the net as well. Please feel free to send feedback to Jamie or Carl about the plans for the net.

## Greenwood VE Session

The Greenwood VE session for August welcomes new Tech Tyrone Sullivan from Honea Path SC. Also congratulations to those who upgraded: George Escalena (K4AKM) General, Nelson Henry (KG4ZLU) General, Roger Moore (KJ4EPL) General and Margery Woodruff (KJ4MGW) General.

## VE Testing

**October 7, 2008 VE Exam Session 7:00pm Red Cross Greenwood**

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

## Chat N' Chew

Every Friday at 11:30am to 1pm at George's Family Steak House, 713 Bypass 25NE, Greenwood,

30-31 Aug 2008  
Shelby Hamfest  
Shelby Amateur Radio Club  
<http://www.shelbyhamfest.com>  
Talk-In: 146.880 (-600)

Contact: Robbie Hamrick,  
WA4RH  
PO Box 1408  
Ellenboro, NC 28040  
Phone: 828-453-9121  
Fax: 828-453-9121  
Email: wa4rh@bellsouth.net  
Dallas, NC  
Biggerstaff Park  
1303 Dallas-Cherryville Highway  
Div: Roanoke  
Sect: North Carolina

20 Sep 2008  
Paulding Amateur Radio Club  
<http://pauldingarc.com>  
Talk-In: 146.895+ (PL 77)

Contact: Andy J. Peltier, KI4HVN  
3188 Delhi Drive  
Powder Springs, GA 30127  
Phone: 770-943-4793  
Email: andy\_peltier@yahoo.com  
Dallas, GA  
Paulding Meadows Park  
Highway 61 N  
Div: Southeastern  
Sect: Georgia

20 Sep 2008  
Hazard Swapfest  
Kentucky Mountains Amateur Radio  
Club  
<http://www.k4avx.net/hf.pdf>  
Talk-In: 146.07/.67 (PL 103.5)

Contact: John Farler, K4AVX  
1264 Hall Mountain Road  
Viper, KY 41774  
Phone: 606-476-9662  
Email: k4avx@arrl.net  
Hazard, KY  
Wendell Ford Airport (Civil Air  
Patrol Building)  
KY Highway 15  
Div: Great Lakes  
Sect: Kentucky

26-27 Sep 2008  
9th Annual Ten-Tec Hamfest  
Ten-Tec, Inc.  
<http://www.tentec.com>

Contact: Stan Brock, WD0BGS  
1185 Dolly Parton Parkway  
Sevierville, TN 37862  
Phone: 865-453-7172  
Fax: 865-428-4483  
Email: sales@tentec.com  
Sevierville, TN  
Ten-Tec  
1185 Dolly Parton Parkway  
Div: Delta  
Sect: Tennessee

4 Oct 2008  
Rock Hill Hamfest and Computer  
Expo

223-2707. Everyone is welcome to have lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while.  
(Dutch treat).

## Weekly Net

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

## Weekly Ladies Net

The GARS Weekly 2 Meter Female Amateur Radio Net began on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at 8 PM on the GARS 2 Meter Repeater. This net will be held every Tuesday night at the same time. All interested female amateurs are invited and encouraged to check in. Subjects of discussion will be anything of interest to women. If you have any questions, please contact Jean (W4KKA) at 864-953-0004 or Jo (KC4UU) at 864-446-7187.

## Happy Birthday August

Brab Dukes, WB4TRF, Aug 31  
Bert Keck, KJ4VJ, Aug 28  
Darrell Manning, KI4BST, Aug 31  
Warren Wise, W4PY, Aug 30

## Happy Anniversary August

Marion (KC4IAV) & Edna Elledge, Aug 17  
Phil (WW4I) & Jo(KC4UU) Henry, Aug 30

\*\* Please let us know if we've missed anyone...

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## Tech Q&A

1. When may you use your station to tell people about equipment you have for sale?
  - A. Never
  - B. When you are conducting an on-line auction
  - C. When you are offering amateur radio equipment for sale or trade on an occasional basis.
  - D. When you are helping a recognized charity(Answer at bottom)
2. Which of these items would be the most useful for a hidden transmitter hunt?
  - A. Binoculars and a compass
  - B. A directional antenna
  - C. A calibrated noise bridge
  - D. Calibrated SWR meter(Answer at bottom)

## Tech Q&A Answers

1. C.  
You are permitted to let other amateurs know that you have amateur radio equipment for sale or trade. This is a common practice on local "swap-and-shop" nets. No skis, cars, record collections, etc and you are prohibited from selling on a regular basis, particularly if you make a profit on the transaction.

York County Amateur Radio Society  
(YCARS)

<http://www.rockhillhamfest.com>  
Talk-In: 147.030- (no tone)

Contact: Sheila Parrish, KG4CDF  
2358 J P Dirt Road  
Edgemoor, SC 29712  
Phone: 803-328-5983  
Email: coy@navacore.net  
Rock Hill, SC  
American Legion Post 34  
199 South Cherry Road  
Div: Roanoke  
Sect: South Carolina

11 Oct 2008  
ARCA Hamfest  
Amateur Radio Club of Augusta  
<http://www.w4dv.org>  
Talk-In: 145.490

Contact: Doug Pugh, KE4JSJ  
1806 Birch Drive  
North Augusta, SC 29860  
Phone: 803-279-6725  
Email: doug9945@yahoo.com  
Evans, GA  
Evans Middle School  
4781 Hereford Farm Road  
Div: Southeastern  
Sect: Georgia

11 Oct 2008  
The Fabulous Pfafftown Hamfest  
Forsyth Amateur Radio Club  
<http://www.w4nc.com>  
Talk-In: 146.64 or 145.47 (both PL  
100)

Contact: Hamfest Committee,  
W4NC  
c/o Forsyth ARC  
PO Box 11361  
Winston-Salem, NC 27116-1361  
Phone: 336-245-5740  
Email: pfafftown08@w4nc.org  
Pfafftown, NC  
West Central Community Center  
6130 Yadkinville Road  
Div: Roanoke  
Sect: North Carolina

17-18 Oct 2008  
Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society  
Convention  
Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society  
<http://www.arlhsconvention.com>  
Talk-In: 145.330 -

Contact: James D. Buffington,  
K5JIM  
PO Box 52  
402 South Matubba Street  
Aberdeen, MS 39730  
Phone: 662-319-6288  
Fax: 662-369-3440  
Email: jim@jimbuffington.com  
St. Simons Island, GA  
St. Simons Island  
609 Beachview Drive  
Div: Southeastern  
Sect: Georgia

2. B.

The point of the exercise is to determine direction to a radio source, the hidden transmitter, and to do so requires a directional antenna.

#### Home Needed

The GARS Emergency Van needs a shelter. Since Alice Taylor, KC4JWM, moved to Lexington our van has been "under the weather". We need a club member to keep the van at his/her home under a shed or in a building. The location should be in or near Greenwood so it can be readily accessible for use by Abbeville, Greenwood, McCormick, Saluda or any other county. If you can help please contact our Property Office, Harvey Hill, WB4KXE.

## Classified

**Atlas 210x 10-80 meters solid state radio; with mobile power supply and two microphones. Works well on all bands and is a 9+ in condition.\$200.00**

**864 430-4778**  
**Fred Maxwell**  
**W4FCM**  
Travelers Rest, SC

**Kenwood D 700 A for sale, 2M 440 APRS, voice chip and extras, \$450**

**Contact Adam Shirley at [KI4WQD@ARRL.NET](mailto:KI4WQD@ARRL.NET) for other details.**

**If anyone has any Ham radio stuff to sell or trade... list it in this column by calling Buddy, W4DEW, 864-445-7574, [w4dew@arrl.net](mailto:w4dew@arrl.net) or David, W4MCC, 864-943-4311, [davidm@nctv.com](mailto:davidm@nctv.com)**

**Note: A special thanks to everyone who contributed articles and info for this newsletter.**