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## **May Meeting -- Thursday, May 1, 2003**

6:30 PM at The Berne Restaurant

**Program for the May meeting** Howard Barrett, **KG4MBD**, has a very interesting program, "Crossing the Atlantic solo in a Cessna 172 – radio needs." To find out how he survived the return trip, the pgm will take 2 meetings.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Apr. 01, 2003 ----- Apr. 30, 2003

#### **CHECKING:**

Balance @ March, 31, 2003           \$ 2,352.85

#### **EXPENSES:**

04/07	C P & L	22.94
04/11	PCRN	100.00
04/19	Sprint	<u>39.45</u>
	Total	\$ 162.39
	Subtotal	\$ 2,190.46

#### **DEPOSITS:**

04/01	\$ 265.00
04/04	<u>310.00</u>
Total	\$ 575.00

Balance @ Apr. 30, 2003           \$ 2,765.46

#### **SAVINGS:**

Balance                               \$ 1,142.01

**GRAND TOTAL**                       **\$ 3,907.47**

### **Event Dates - Reminders:**

**May 17 -- Women's Shelter 5K Walk/Run**

**June 7 -- Neuse River Day**



Melissa Sugg, our April meeting speaker, from the Red Cross

## WOMENS' SHELTER WALK/RUN MAY 17

The May meeting will be our last get-together before the event, so I'll have a sign-up sheet at that time. It would be helpful if everyone who wants to participate could attend the meeting and indicate their availability.

We will need at least nine ops for the event -- shadows for the Boss Lady on foot and her husband in his pickup (SAG Wagon). The remainder will take positions along the route from the Farmer's Market to Fort Totten. We also need a volunteer as net control.

Our experience last year indicated that we will use 146.490 MHz. simplex, as we have begun to do in all our local events.

Accompanying is a photo of our happy crew last year as a special motivation to come out and have fun playing radio and to help out a worthy cause. Bob, **W2HVS**

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### last year's happy crew



Back Row (l/r): Pete, **KA4SXX**, Ken, **KD4KDM**, Howard, **AA4HR**, Preston, **KF4YNK**, Bob, **W2HVS**  
Front Row: Bruce, **N8UTY**, Bill, **KG4IUA**, Charlie, **K4VC**

Participating, but not shown: Robbie, **KG4MBQ**

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## The crew for the MS Walk, April 6



(Back Row, l/r): Pete, **KA4SXX**, Ken, **K4KDM**, Roxanne [MS Walk coordinator], Preston, **KF4YNK**, Charlie, **K4VC**, John, **KR4ZJ**.  
Front Row (l/r): Bruce, **N8UTY**, Bob, **W2HVS**, Bill, **KG4IUA**



Bruce, **N8UTY**, and Bill, **KG4IUA**



John, **KR4ZJ**

## MINUTES 3 April 2003

Mac, **WA0ZGL**, opened the meeting at 6:55 PM welcoming some members who had not attended for some time. Self introductions of the 29 members in attendance followed.

There were several announcements:

Ed, **W2YPM**, will act as the "fox" in the hunt scheduled for April 26. Participants will meet at the Berne parking lot at 10:00 AM. The comment was made that Ed had a low-powered fox -- and thus equipment will have to be "sharp".

Attention was called to the RARS Hamfest in Raleigh on 4-13-03.

Ken, **K4KDM**, solicited assistance in working up a demonstration for the Boy Scout Camp on April 12, 03. Bob, **W2HVX**, will give a short talk on HF equipment and his van will be displayed.. Bill, **KF4IUA**, is tentatively scheduled for a short dissertation on Skywarn and Dave, **KB4EBT**, on ARES

Bruce, **W8UTY**, gave a quick rundown on upcoming events including the MS 1K/5K Run/Walk set for 04-06-03. The Neuse River Day and the Hurricane Preparedness Day are both set for June 07, 03. They are combined this year and set for Union Point Park. Mark your calendar,

The meeting was then turned over to Melissa Sugg, of the local chapter of the Red Cross. She explained a new 5-point program designed to expand volunteerism and disaster preparation. Her preliminary "survey" had sweets moving all over the room. Her exposition of the details was followed by Macs experience in setting up his emergency plan and its supplies, including some "cold" cash. More details as to specific items should appear in future issues of the Newsletter. It is noted that the local Red Cross office covers the four counties, of Craven, Carteret, Jones, and Pamlico. Mac related his experience as a member of the Disaster Assessment Team. He apparently is on call for a one week stint every four or five weeks. He recounted his most recent adventure.

Bill, **KG4IUA**, updated the meeting on developments in the Skywarn area. He mentioned that because of the current problems with the Trenton repeater, the Skywarn activity is now on the Grifton machine. There appears to be hope that the Trenton

operation will resume full scale in the near future. The Skywarn Net meets each Tuesday evening at 9:00 PM. He concluded his remarks by commenting on the financial situation relative to the Trenton machine, and pointed out that anyone wanting to make a donation to help defray expenses, should log on to the PCRN.net web page for instructions and the address.

At this point, Dave, **W2CQV**, moved that the NBARC send a \$100.00 donation to the cause. Lou, **N2AME**, seconded the motion, and after some discussion the motion passed. The Treasurer was instructed to send the appropriate check, and to request the codes for linking thru that machine.

Robbie, **KF4MBG**, reported that a meeting was scheduled for Friday, 04-04-03, to lay the ground rules for his Eagle Scout project of providing Amateur Radio communication facilities to the Craven Regional Medical Center..

The meeting was duly adjourned.  
Charlie, **K4VC**, Acting Secy.

## The Communications Corner

By the time you read this, our spring Fox Hunt will have come and gone. I'm sure we will have a story, and perhaps a photo in the next newsletter. It is so good to see the various activities in our club, and the enthusiasm for ham radio. Do you know, for the size of our club, we do as much as many of the larger clubs in North Carolina? That says a lot for our membership.

There is not much on the ARES front to talk about this time. I think most folks know that Jeff Orrock, warning meteorologist for the National Weather Service, transferred from Newport to Raleigh. He has done a great job of providing Skywarn training for us over the years he was here, and will be missed. His replacement has arrived and is settling in. We will try to get him up to the club before too long so we can all become acquainted.

There are two public service events coming up, one in May and one in June. Bob Chamberlain, **W2HVX**, has more to say about above, since he is coordinating those efforts. Bob also took some great photos at the MS Walk; you can also see them above. We had a great turnout and, like all the best events, there was very little for us to do -- no emergencies, no illnesses, etc. Pete, **KA4SXX**, got some action trying to track down the keys to a van, and Ken, **K4KDM** did a

good job as net control. But I think we all enjoyed being out in support of a worthy cause on a beautiful sunny day. Preparations are beginning for the MS-150 in September, although we will not start working hard on it until July or so. It will be in New Bern again, as it has the last 2 years. I will keep you posted as things develop.

It's not too early to start thinking about Field Day. Last Saturday in June, as always, which will be the 28th this year. Some of us have been talking about running strictly from battery power; we would have the generator there for a stand-by source. Being on battery power is a points multiplier. The multiplier is 5, if batteries are charged without commercial power or generator. It is 2, if commercial power or generator is used to re-charge the batteries. This means during the event. There is nothing in the rules to say that you can't top them off with commercial power beforehand.

We are so glad to have the Trenton machine back for Skywarn. Many thanks to Danny Hampton, **K4ITL**, and his crew for their efforts. I'm proud of our club for providing support for PCRN.

Plans for the establishment of an ARES station at the hospital, under the guidance of Robbie, **KG4MBQ**, are proceeding well. The hospital is enthusiastic about this development, which is Robbie's Eagle project. Mac and Robbie were to do a site inspection to firm up the hardware requirements, so I hope they will have something to say about this.

As I mentioned at our last club meeting, I will be unable to attend meetings for the remainder of the year due to a change in my schedule. I don't think this will be a problem; I will make sure that all information is available, either here in the newsletter or through one of our club officers or members. I will miss the fellowship though.

Bruce Arnold, **N8UTY**  
NBARC Communications Officer  
And Craven County EC

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### Test Results

The VE session of 04-19--03 was a success. Mac, **WA0ZGL**, Tom, **KJ4IV**, Steve, **K9MRA**, and Charlie, **K4VC**, had four applicants to test.

At the end of the session there was one new Tech, two new Generals, and one new Extra.

The Extra came in as a Tech, passed the code, passed the general, and passed the extra. He had not

studied for the extra exam !! His son was the new Tech.

Charlie, **K4VC**

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### May Operating Events

**May 23 - 24-** Chehalis, WA: Chehalis Valley ARS, 100th Anniversary of President McKinley's whistle stop. 28.500 21.250 14.250. QSL. **W7A**

Contests [none listed for May](#)

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### Hamfests

**May 10 29<sup>th</sup> Durhamfest** is on again this year at a brand new time and a brand new location. The event will be on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> at the N. C. National Guard Armory on N. Duke Street, across from the Durham County Stadium.

Joseph Fields - KF4QYY (919)-596-3738

<http://www.durhamfma.50megs.com/custom.html>

**May 16-18 Dayton Hamvention** Dayton, OH ARA

<http://www.hamvention.org/>

**May 24 -- Winterville, NC** East Carolina Antique Radio Club at the Kiwanis Club grounds, just off hwy 11, between Sam's Club & Ayden.

Contact: Herman Schnur, **K4CTG**

Phone: 252-752-2264

Email: [hschnur@cox.net](mailto:hschnur@cox.net)

(There have been some reports of a 'fest to be held again this year at Williamston, no good info yet. There was a small one 2 years ago.)

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### SWAP SHOP

Computer 466Mhz Celeron, 40x CD, 4.5 Floppy, 8 Gb HD, Speakers, Windows 98, Lotus suite and more software. 15 inch color monitor, Visoneer Flatbed Scanner, Lexmark ZM11 Color Printer all for \$150

John, **KR4ZJ** 637-6737 or [kr4zj@arrl.net](mailto:kr4zj@arrl.net)

**WANTED:** Will buy tubes & parts for use in getting & keeping tube eqpt going. Will help anyone who wants to get tube type equipment working and on the air (I work free, or for junk).

Al, **W8UT** [anchor@ec.rr.com](mailto:anchor@ec.rr.com) or 636-0837

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## NBARC Call Signs (by suffix)

### --A--

W3 ADD, Sonny South, 633-1942  
N2 AME, Lou D'Arco, 514-4014  
W4 ATH, Aubrey Haddock, 637-2167

### --B--

KG4 BSA, Wm. Hardesty, 637-5032  
KD4 BST, Byrd Hinshaw, 633-9557  
KE4 BSQ, Mary C. Guion, 637-2967

### --C--

WB1 CCY, Rob't Gregory, 633-3091  
KA8 CDW, Ruth Levin, 633-3906  
K2 CQV, Dave Sousa, 636-1548

### --D--

NP2 DQ, Scotty Murray, 637-5786

### --E--

KB4 EBT, Dave Warwick, 638-4335  
KB4 ETR, Lee Strausbaugh, 637-9327  
WA4 EME, Tommie Phelps, 637-4026

### --F--

### --G--

KG4 GDY, Frank Grady, 634-9530  
K4 GW, Curtis Morris, 244,0491

### --H--

AA4 HR, Howard Rawls, 637-3704  
W2 HVX, Bob Chamberlain, 638-9299

### --I--

K4 IGB, Walter Lockhart, 636-5673  
K3 IJB, Charlie Rist, 514-4515  
KJ4 IV, Tom Hill, 326-4536  
W2 IXF, Rob't Coker, 638-3302

### --J--

W4 JHK, Jamie King, 633-4915  
N6 JiB, Vince Sipple, 249-9958

### --K--

K4 KDM, Ken McCain, 638-5283  
KT4 KJ, Ken Coffey, 574-9893  
W7 KQW, John Foss, 635-1538  
KC2 KR, Lloyd Giegel, 637-5049

### --L--

WB6 LNH, Ira Jones, 328-7251

### --M--

KG4 MBD, Howard Barrett, 224-2561  
KG4 MBG, A. G. Kessinger, 636-1459  
KG4 MBH, Tom Houck, 635-6985  
KG4 MBI, Wm. Lewis, 447-7796  
KG4 MBN, Charles Overton, xxx  
KG4 MBQ, Robbie Rikard, 638-6971

W9 MMD, Steve Grimm, xxx

KJ4 MT, James O'Brien, 638-5740

### --N--

### --O--

W7 OPH, Ray Hemphill, 637-4824  
KD8 OR, Eric Lockhart, 638-3170

### --P--

KD4 PGC, Jerry Rackley, 633-2159  
KQ4 PK, Rob't Jones, 522-5810  
AC4 PW, L. Martin Culpepper, 635-6855

### --Q--

WA1 QHW, Roy Kuhns, 638-6527

### --R--

N4 RAB, Ralph Bitely, 514-4089  
K4 REB, Wm, Kornahrens, 444-1143  
W2 RLG, Hal Gordon, 638-2715

### --S--

W4 SOT, Dallas Waters, 637-4939  
KA4 SXX, Pete Koonce, 633-3788

### --T--

### --U--

W2 UAS, Ed Goldberg, 633-6613  
N2 UCH, Geo. Hurley, 249-4999  
K2 UFC, Bill Lindquist, 637-1125  
W4 ULD, Andy Griffith, 726-5924  
W8 UT, Al Parker, 636-0837  
W8 UTY, Bruce Arnold, 633-9096  
K0 UXZ, Richard Hallberg, 637-1250

### --V--

WA4 VBC, Sid Purvis, 636-2488  
K4 VC, Charlie Gould, 633-3178  
KB8 VCZ, Vito Hughes, 636-0612  
KC4 VV, Guiseppe Cordioli, 636-0612  
W4 VYD, Nunzio Addabbo, 574-4047

### --W--

N4 WBB, Carlton Rose, 728-4340

### --X--

### --Y--

KE4 YHQ, Mel Bezinque, 447-4727  
WA2 YLO, Jim Reynolds, 635-1957  
KE3 YMA, Billie Morton, 447-9770  
KF4 YNK, Preston Carawan, 637-2827  
W2 YPM, Ed Valentine, 637-3161  
AA4 YW, Marv Whatley, 249-0047

### --Z--

WA0 ZGL, Mac Eustler, 447-8338  
KR4 ZJ, John Jaskolka, 637-6737  
KF4 ZLG, Mike McGhee, 633-6463

**Cast of Characters:**

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inclusion should be sent to the editor, W8UT,  
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**Selected Local Nets**

Club Net Manager: Billie Morton, KE4YMA  
Craven County ARES: 146.61 MHz, 2000 before threatening wx; monitor during ARES activations  
Waterway Radio Cruising Club: 7268 kHz, 0745 daily  
Fairfield Harbor Cruising Net, 7224, 0730 M-F  
NC Morning Net: 3927 kHz, 0745 daily  
Carolina Slow Net (CW): 3715kHz, 1800 (5wpm) daily  
Coastal Carolina Emergency Net: 3907 kHz, 1900 daily  
Carolinas Net (CW): 3573 kHz, 1900 (25 WPM), 2200 (12-15) WPM) daily  
Carteret County ARS/ARES: 145.45 mHz, 1930 Tues./ Emerg Traffic handling 1st Tues. after 4th Sat., monthly  
NBARC Traffic: 146.61 mHz, 2000 Tuesdays  
Skywarn: 145.21 mHz, 2100 Tuesdays  
ENC Emergency: 146.685 mHz, 2100 Tuesdays  
ENC Traffic: 146.685 mHz, 2030 daily  
NBARC Ragchew: 146.61 mHz, daily, after ENC Traffic closes

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