

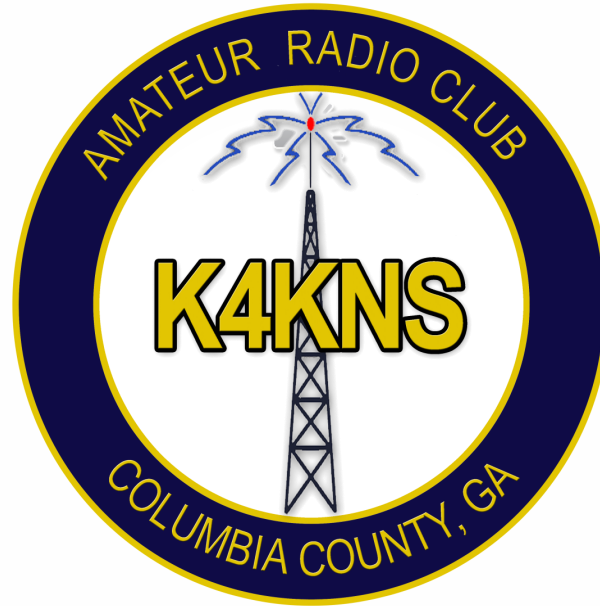
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GENERAL MEETING

MEETING #165

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

7 PM

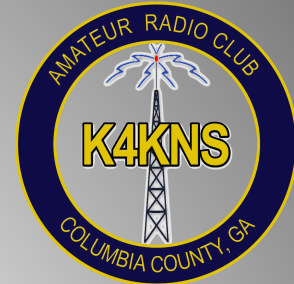


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MEETING AGENDA

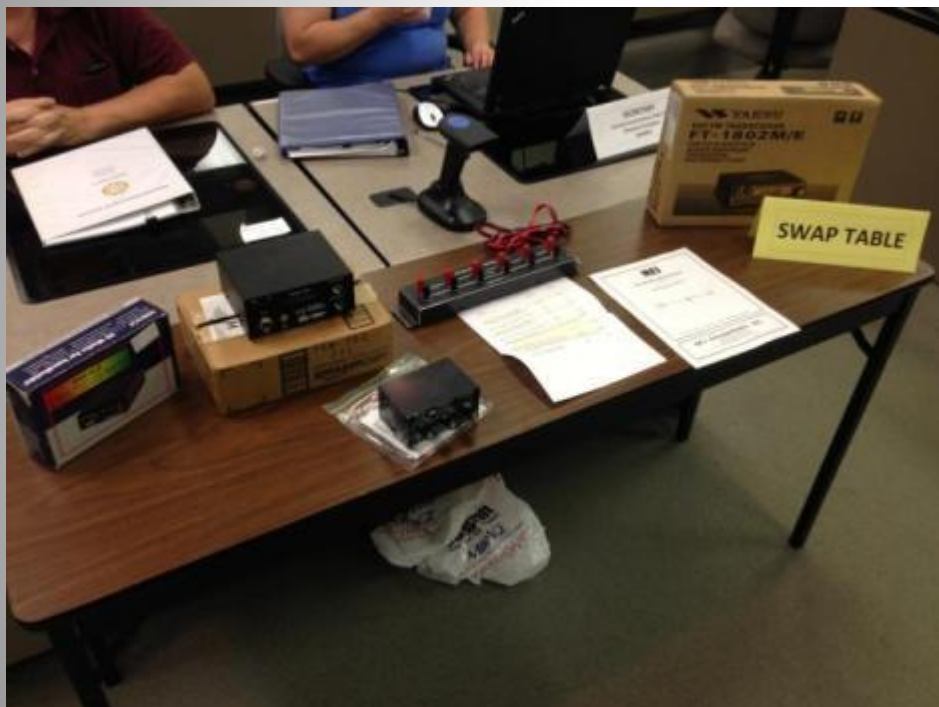
- Welcome & Introductions
- January 2026 Raffle Item Description
- Presentation: Winter Weather Preparations – Rusty (KG4HIR)
- Upcoming Events
- Membership Applications
- Monthly Reports
- Business Items
- Committee Updates
- Amateur Radio Club of Augusta
- North Augusta Belvedere Radio Club
- East Central/Columbia County ARES
- AmRRON
- Review Motions and Assignments
- Adjourn



SWAP TABLE

Now at

<https://arcccinc.groups.io/g/swapsellortrade/topics>





Welcome and Introductions

- Please Sign In on the Attendance Log
 - Please PRINT Legibly
- Introductions
 - QUICKLY Go Around the Room and Provide Your Name and Call Sign

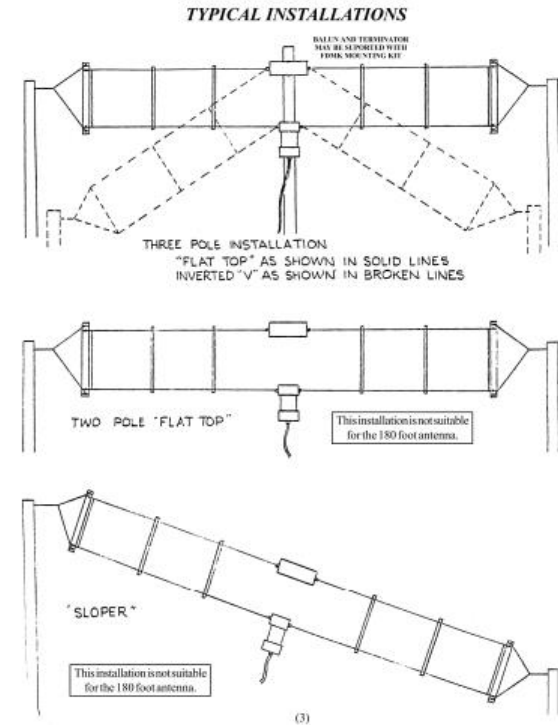


MEETING RAFFLE

- RAFFLE FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
 - Barker and Williamson
 - AC 3.5- 30 Folded Dipole
- Please see the Raffle Master for tickets!
- All ARCCC, Inc. Members get a free ticket
- Additional Tickets may be purchased for \$1 each (or an arm length for \$10)
- Nonmembers may purchase Tickets for \$1 each

Barker and Williamson AC 3.5 -30 Folded Dipole

80m to 10m
Sturdy Construction
Built sometime after May 2003
Good condition



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Barker and Williamson AC 3.5 -30 Folded Dipole

- Antenna is 90' long
- Erected as Inverted Vee
- Feed Point is 25' high
- Ends at 5'
- Tested at antenna with 40' RG-8X

| Band | Freq | SWR |
|------|--------|-----|
| 80 | 3.500 | 2.6 |
| | 3.750 | 2.3 |
| | 4.000 | 2 |
| 40 | 7.000 | 2.3 |
| | 7.150 | 2.1 |
| | 7.300 | 2.1 |
| 30 | 10.100 | 1.9 |
| | 10.150 | 1.9 |
| 20 | 14.000 | 1.3 |
| | 14.175 | 1.3 |
| | 14.350 | 1.2 |
| 10 | 28.000 | 2.1 |
| | 28.875 | 2.4 |
| | 29.700 | 2.9 |

Barker and Williamson AC 3.5 -30 Folded Dipole

Performance on 80, 40, 30 and 20m

- Tested against EFHW
- Used FT-8
- 3 CQ cycles at 15 watts
- Collected results at 10 minutes
- All testing in 30 minutes

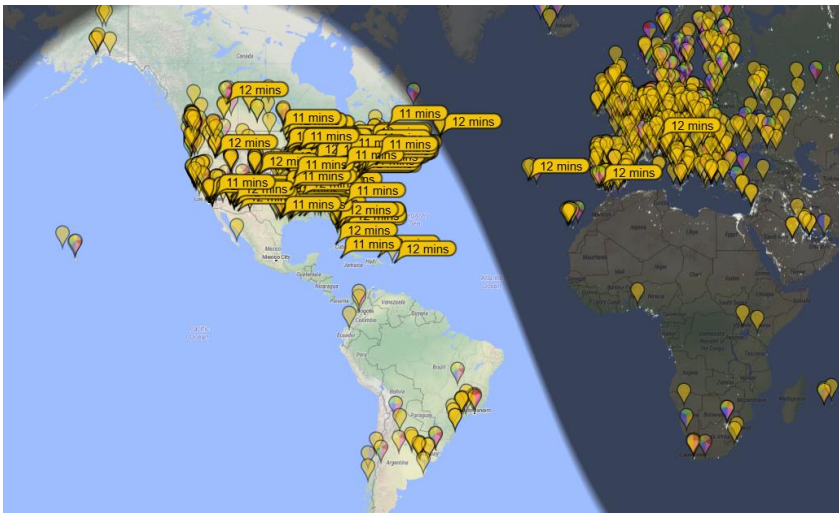
Reference Antenna:

- EFHW 129' Long
- 49:1 TSFMR
- 30' high

20 Meter Band

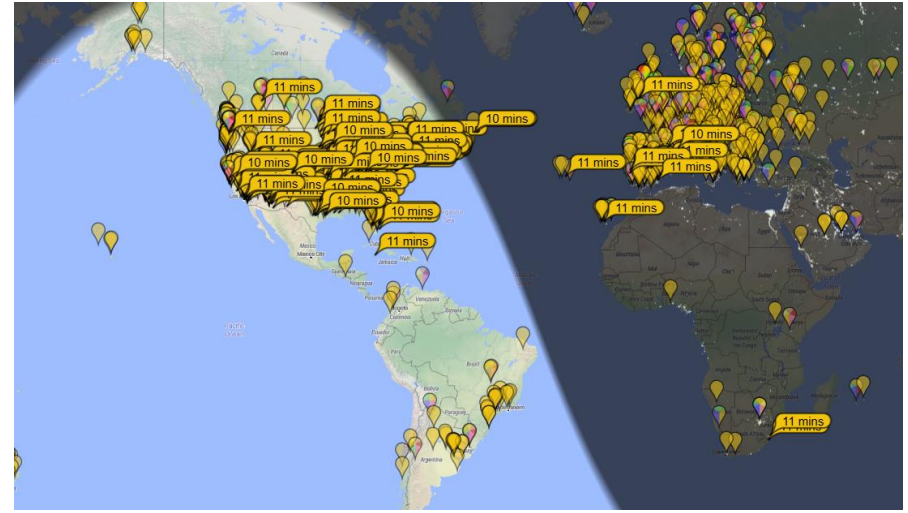
AC 3.5-30

- 273 contacts
- 4608 miles furthest
- 101 miles nearest



EFHW

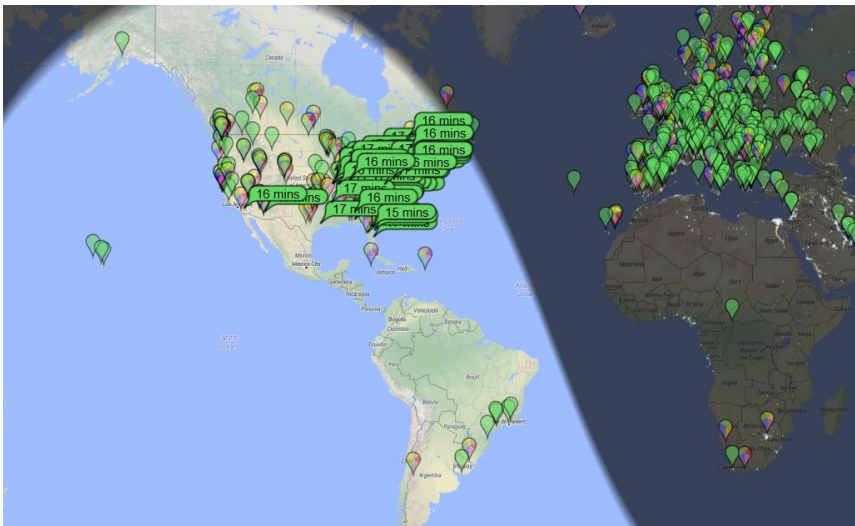
- 310 contacts
- 9723 miles furthest
- 334 miles nearest



30 Meter Band

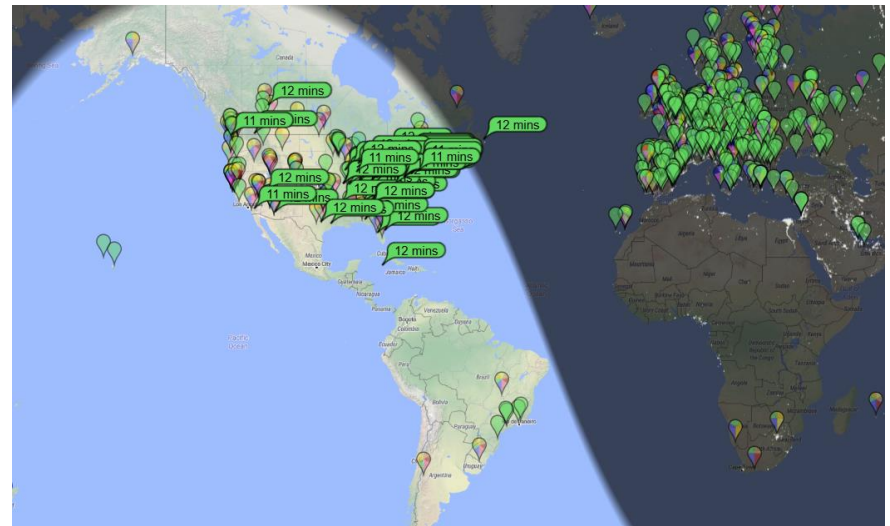
AC 3.5-30

- 103 contacts
- 2013 miles furthest
- 160 miles nearest



EFHW

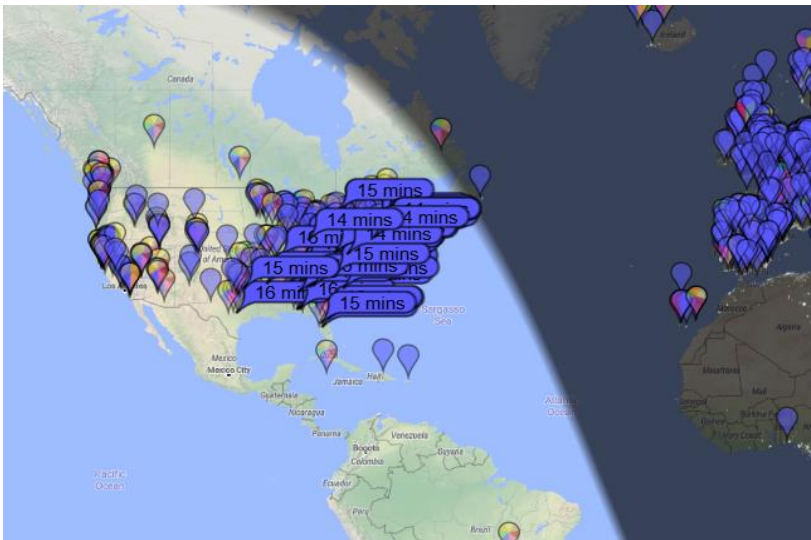
- 95 contacts
- 2367 miles furthest
- 151 miles nearest



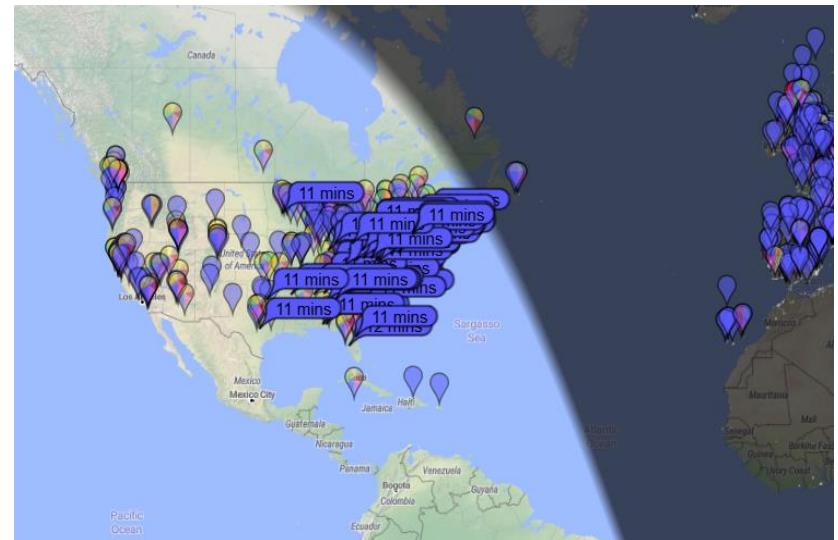
40 Meter Band

AC 3.5-30

- 60 contacts
- 984 miles furthest
- 26 miles nearest

**EFHW**

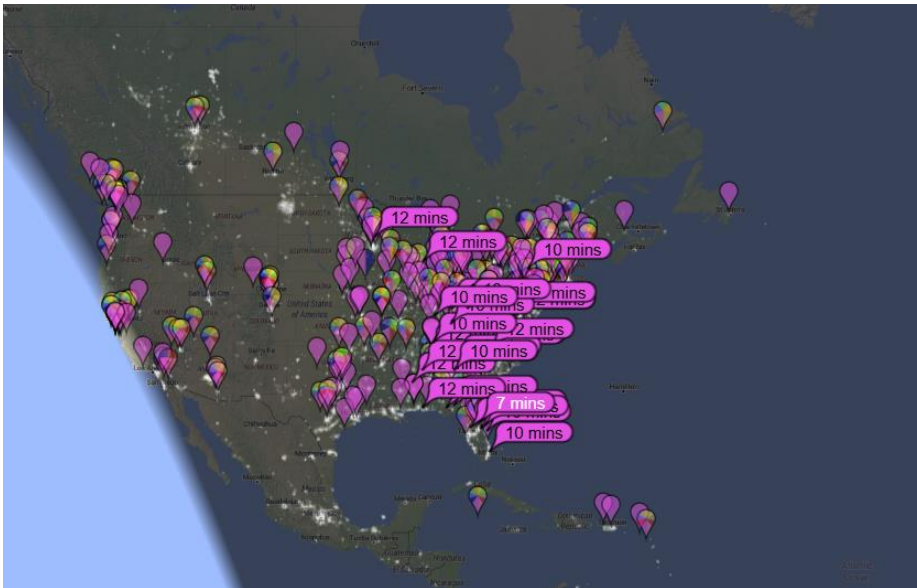
- 73 contacts
- 1048 miles furthest
- 26 miles nearest



80 Meter Band

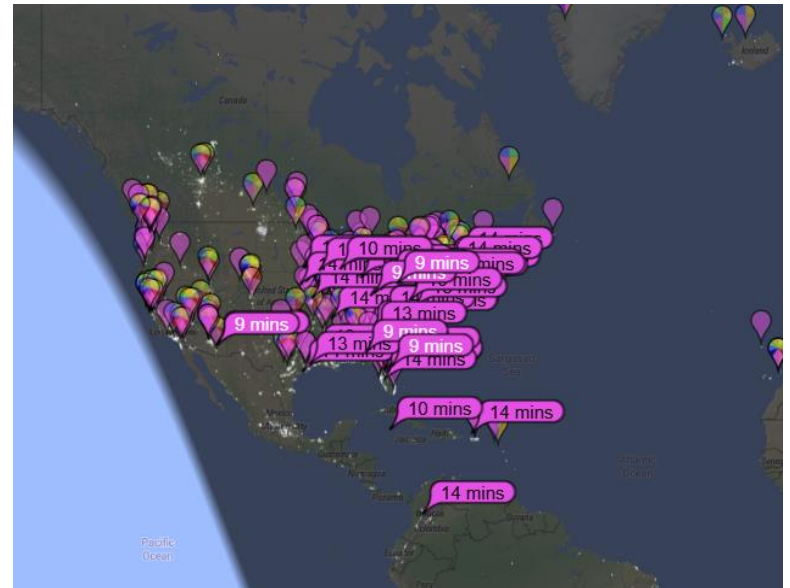
AC 3.5-30

- 35 contacts
- 1048 miles furthest
- 145 miles nearest



EFHW

- 62 contacts
- 2001 miles furthest
- 135 miles nearest



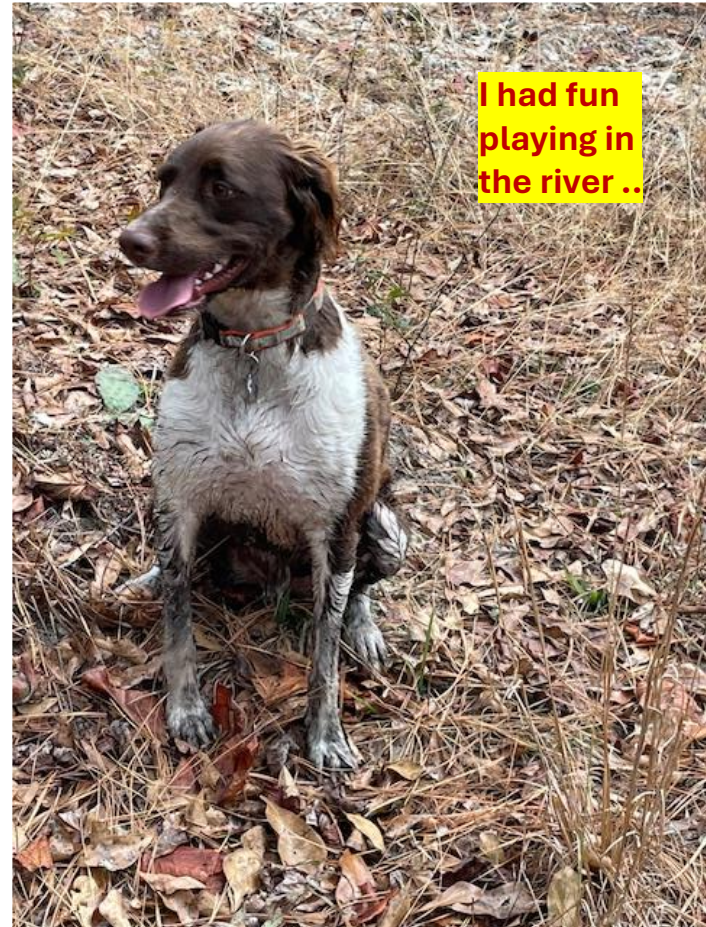
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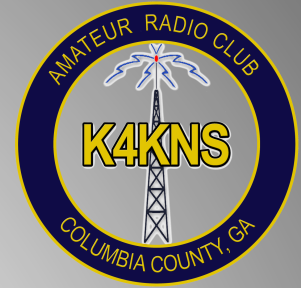
- Comments:
- Well built and durable
 - 90' Footprint
 - Soldered joints
 - 14awg SS or Plated copper wire
 - **Put it up and forget it!**
- Heavy, best deployed using center support
- Performance is Ok, no better than EFHW
- Not easy to deploy (must be rolled-up on tubes)



Barker and Williamson
AC 3.5 -30
Folded Dipole

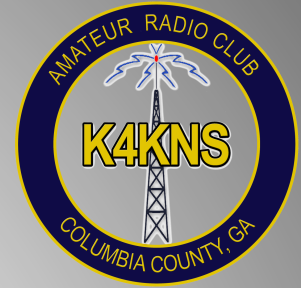
Questions????





2025 HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

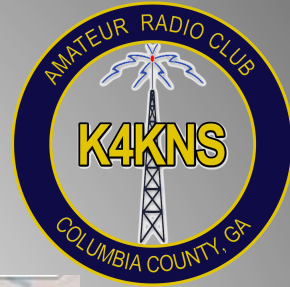




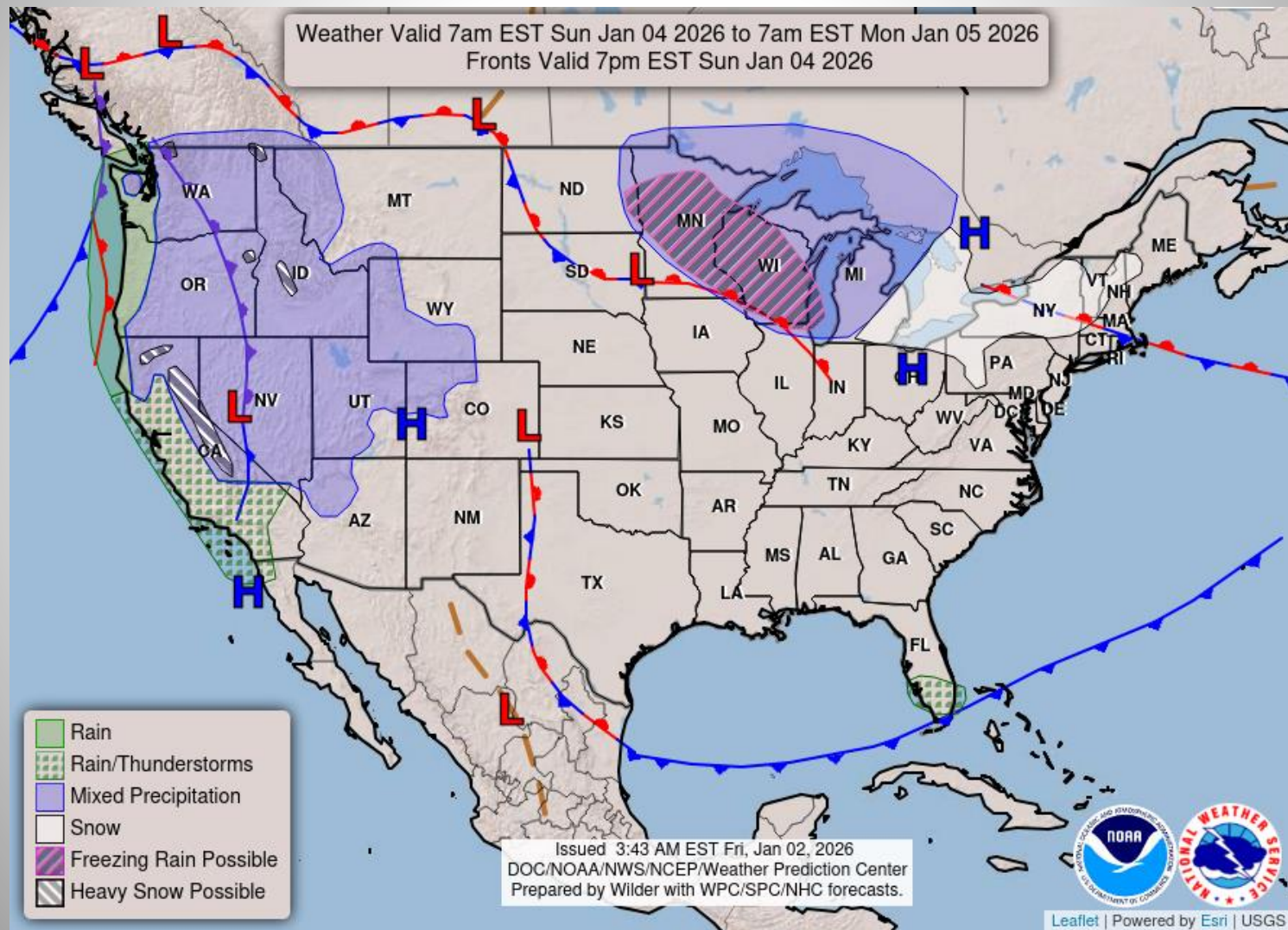
Presentation

Winter Weather Preps

Rusty Welsh – KG4HIR



WHAT ABOUT FUTURE THREATS?



- <https://www.weather.gov/bmx/>



CONSIDERATIONS

- Prepare for the following:
 - Food
 - Fuel
 - Shelter
 - Safety
 - Meds
 - Elderly
 - Pets
 - Special Needs

 - Power Outages
 - Climate Control
 - Cooking
 - Security



COLD TEMPERTURES (1)

- Protect Outdoor Plumbing
- Protect Plumbing in Exterior Walls
 - Open Cabinet Doors to expose plumbing to heat
- Automotive/Generators
 - Check Antifreeze
 - Prep for Lower Pressure in Inflatables like tires
 - Windshield and Mirror Covers (RainX)
 - Ice Scraper
- Charge Batteries
- **TURN OFF SPRINKLERS!!!**



COLD TEMPERATURES (2)

- Salt for Sidewalks and Driveway
- Gather proper clothing
- Prepare for Power Outages
 - Frozen Precipitation will cause trees and powerlines to fall
 - Generator Preparations
- Top off Fuel Tanks
- Communications Methods?
- Monitor Forecasts
- **TURN OFF SPRINKLERS!!!**



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Insulating Foam
EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE
SOFT OUTER SHELL
PREVENT WINTER FREEZE-UP
Front King

FROST  GUARD^{Pro}

SILVERADO



UPCOMING EVENTS (1)

- 01-06-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 01-10-2026 Greenwood Hamfest
- 01-10-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session (Last one till March)
- 01-10-2026 ARCCC, Inc. BOD Meeting
- 01-24/25-2026 Winter Field Day
- 02-03-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting (Ropes and Knots)
- 02-13/15-2026 Orlando Hamcation
- 02-28-2026 Dalton, GA Hamfest
- 03-03-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting (Basics of On-Air Ops)
- 03-06/07-2026 Charlotte, NC Hamfest
- 03-14-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 03-14-2026? Sevier County, TN Hamfest



UPCOMING EVENTS (2)

- 04-07-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 04-04-2026? Ridge Amateur Radio Club Tailgate Batesburg-Leesville
- 04-04-2026 Raleigh, NC Hamfest
- 04-11-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 05-05-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 05-09-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 05-15/17-2026 Hamvention
- 06-02-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 06-06-2026? Atlanta Hamfest
- 06-13-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 06-27/28-2026 ARRL Field Day



UPCOMING EVENTS (3)

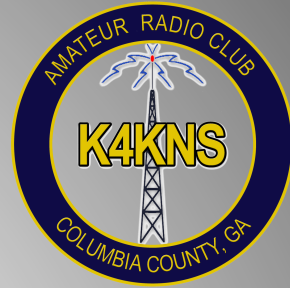
- 07-07-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 07-11-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 08-04-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting (FD AAR)
- 08-08-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 08-08-2026? Florence, SC Tailgate (W4ULH)
- 08-22/23-2026 Huntsville, AL Hamfest
- 09-01-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 09-04/05-2026 Shelby, NC Hamfest
- 09-12-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session



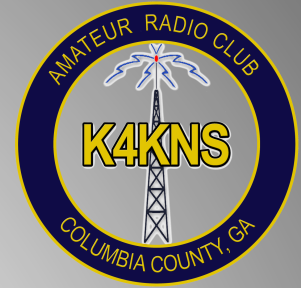
UPCOMING EVENTS (4)

- 10-06-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 10-10-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 10-10-2026 DFARG Hamfest/Swap Meet
(Dutch Fork Amateur Radio Group)
- 10-16/18-2026 Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)
- 11-07/08-2026 Stone Mountain Hamfest
- 11-03-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
- 11-14-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session
- 12-01-2026? ARCCC, Inc. Annual Awards and Holiday Party
- 12-12-2026 CSRAHamExams Exam Session

ARCCC, Inc. Upcoming Presentations

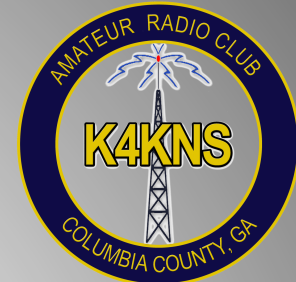


- 01-06-2026 – Winter Preps
- 02-03-2026 – Ropes and Knots
- 03-03-2026 – Basics of On-Air Operations
- 04-07-2026 –
- 05-05-2026 –
- 06-02-2026 –



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Are there any ARCCC, Inc. Membership Applications for consideration?



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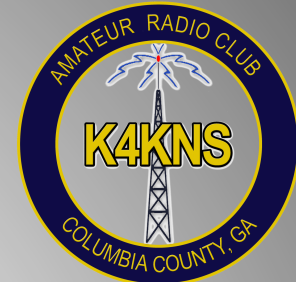
Treasurer's Report

- Update from Treasurer
 - January 2026 Update
 - November 2025
 - December 2025

Secretary's Report for November 4th, 2025 meeting:

- [11-04-2025 Meeting Minutes](#)

| ARCCC Monthly Financial Summary | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| November 2025 | |
| ARCCC Accounts | Amount |
| South State Bank | \$3,132.05 |
| PayPal | \$843.79 |
| Petty Cash - Treasurer | \$0.00 |
| Balance as of 11/1/25 | \$3,975.84 |
| Expenditures | \$543.10 |
| Membership Renewals | \$98.02 |
| Other Receipts / Deposits | \$10.00 |
| Balance as of 11/30/25 | \$3,540.76 |
| | |
| | |
| Less Commitments | |
| 2025 Approved Budget as amended | -\$3,383.00 |
| Expenditures thru 11/30/25 | \$2,752.38 |
| | |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDING | \$2,910.14 |



ARCCC, INC. MONTHLY REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

- Update from Treasurer
 - January 2026 Update
 - November 2025
 - **December 2025**

Secretary's Report for November 4th, 2025 meeting:

- [11-04-2025 Meeting Minutes](#)

| ARCCC Monthly Financial Summary | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| December 2025 | |
| ARCCC Accounts | Amount |
| South State Bank | \$2,588.95 |
| PayPal | \$891.81 |
| Petty Cash - Treasurer | \$0.00 |
| Balance as of 12/1/25 | \$3,480.76 |
| Expenditures | \$137.37 |
| Membership Renewals | \$146.04 |
| Other Receipts / Deposits | \$10.00 |
| Balance as of 12/31/25 | \$3,499.43 |
| | |
| | |
| Less Commitments | |
| 2025 Approved Budget as amended | -\$3,383.00 |
| Expenditures thru 12/31/25 | \$2,889.75 |
| | |
| TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDING | \$3,006.18 |

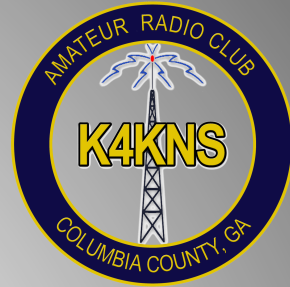


ARCCC, INC. MONTHLY REPORTS

2026 Annual Budget

- Request for Approval

| 2026 DRAFT ARCCC Budget for Review | | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| Name | CY2026 | Due Date | Actual Expense | Date |
| Administration | | | | |
| PO Box Rental | \$236.00 | 2/15/2026 | | |
| Fed Tax 990 Renewal | \$0.00 | 2/15/2026 | | |
| Ga Corp Renewal | \$35.00 | 2/15/2026 | | |
| Liability Insurance | \$220.00 | 11/15/2026 | | |
| Business Cards | \$100.00 | 4/1/2026 | | |
| Asset & Inventory Committee | | | | |
| Equipment Insurance | \$365.20 | 12/1/2026 | | |
| HH Radio Donation to CSRA VE Team | \$0.00 | 7/1/2026 | | |
| Field Day Committee | | | | |
| Winter Field Day - Food | \$200.00 | 1/31/2026 | | |
| Winter Field Day 2026 Facility Rental | \$100.00 | 1/15/2026 | | |
| ARRL Field Day - Food | \$250.00 | 6/30/2026 | | |
| ARRL Field Day 2026 Facility Rental | \$200.00 | 2/15/2026 | | |
| Field Day Facility Rental - 2027 | \$200.00 | SemiAnnual | | |
| Nominations Committee | | | | |
| Gift Cards | \$50.00 | 11/15/2026 | | |
| Recognition Plaques, Mugs | \$125.00 | 11/15/2026 | | |
| IT Committee | | | | |
| Domain Name Renewals | \$300.00 | 6/1/2026 | | |
| Dropbox Subscription | \$144.00 | Monthly | | |
| Amazon Web Services (incl. TechSoup) | \$1,250.00 | Varies | | |
| Groups.io Subscription | \$220.00 | 5/1/2026 | | |
| FlowRoute | \$20.00 | 4/1/2026 | | |
| Phone System Annual Update | \$36.00 | 10/1/2026 | | |
| TOTAL AMOUNT | \$4,051.20 | | \$0.00 | |
| Projected Income | | | | |
| Membership Dues (80 Paying) | \$1,320.00 | | | |
| Grants | TBD | | | Note 0 |
| Donations | \$250.00 | | | Note 1 |
| Fund Raising | \$250.00 | | | Note 2 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT | \$2,420.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| Budget Total | (\$1,631.20) | | | |
| Starting Balance 1/1/26 | \$3,499.43 | | | |
| Estimated Ending Balance 12/31/26 | \$1,868.23 | | | |
| Note 0 - Pending Submittal and Approval, value TBD. | | | | |
| Note 1 - Average of recent donations by members. | | | | |
| Note 2 - Proposed activities to raise additional funds. | | | | |
| Note 3 - Does NOT include \$500 discretionary spending authorized by the Bylaws by the Club President. | | | | |



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

- Simply visit

www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com

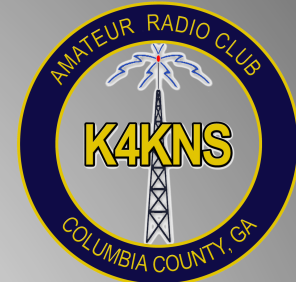
- 
- On your behalf, we are contributing to
- Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County,

Columbia County, Inc. should appear.

- Select our organization and donate!

\$68.82 Received!!!





Club Callsign Badges

**Amateur Radio Club of
Columbia County, Ga
Name Badge**



ARC of Columbia County, Ga
Badge price \$13.50

☐ **MEGA-STRONG Magnetic Bar** \$3.75

The SignMan *of Baton Rouge*

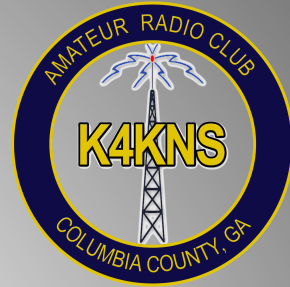
Order at this link:

<https://thesignman.com/clubs/columbiacogacart.html>



Business Items

- **HamClubOnline.com**
 - ****NOTE: Membership Expiration Notices are sent 60 Days prior to the date of expiration.**
 - ****NOTE: There is a 7 Day Grace period where you can pay and not have to reapply for membership.**
 - **ARRL Email Addresses are not valid, please update your email address within HamClubOnline**
 - **ARRL Forwarding Email System is unreliable**
- **Groups.io**
 - <https://groups.io/g/arcccinc>
- **Please email all monthly meeting presentation items to the President no less than 7 days prior to the General Meeting.**



HamClubOnline - Club Self-Check (ARCCC)

Member Statistics:

Active Members [101](#)
 Expiring Soon Members [1](#)
 Inactive Members [58](#)
 Non-Members Affiliates [0](#)

Rank Statistics: (Active Members)

Member 96
 Trustee 1
 Officer 5
Total 102

Member Types Statistics: (Active Memberships)

Family Membership 3
 Family Membership (Free) 5
 Full Membership 73
 Full Membership (Examination Waiver) 2
 Full Membership (Free) 2
 Honorary Membership 2
 Life Membership 14
Total 101

Pending Applications:

| Name | Status | Application Date |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| Tanner H Beveridge KK4KYT | Pending Membership | 2025-09-16 23:35:02 |
| Jacob H Swart W4EWQ | Pending Membership | 2025-11-19 15:34:06 |
| TERRY M PARTIGIANONI W5TMP | Pending Membership | 2025-12-15 14:34:39 |

Members Expiring Soon:

| Name | Callsign | Expire Date |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| William W Byrne | KO4TLS | 2025-12-31 |

Members with Invalid E-Mail Addresses:

| Name | Callsign | E-Mail |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| JOHN T CARTER II | KJ4MC | kj4mc@arrl.net |
| DONALD DRAWDY | N0FBV | n0fbv@knology.net |

Members with Expired Licenses:

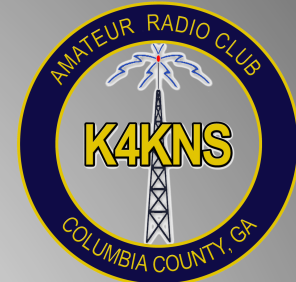
| Name | Callsign | Lic Exp Date |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| LINDA PANTOPOLSKY | N4LDH | 2024-12-22 |

Members without a Membership:

| Name | Callsign | Join Date |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Kevin White | WQ4R | 2025-11-04 |

New Members: (Last 90 Days)

| Name | Callsign | Join Date |
|--------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Gary N Forberg | KR4GUA | 2025-10-07 |



[Kevin White](#) WQ4R 2025-11-04
[Lawrence Abrams](#) 2025-11-04
[Milton M Birdsong](#) W4AUC 2025-11-04

Inactivated Members: (Last 90 Days)

| Name | Callsign | Remove Date | By |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------|
| Eric T Mooneyham | K4IDE | 2025-11-23 | (HCOL SYSTEM) |

New Memberships: (Last 90 Days)

| Name | Callsign | Membership Type | Amount | Start Date | End Date | Poster | Post Date |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------|------------|------------|--------------------|------------|
| ANDREW H BREJDA | KA5VLY | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-10-04 | 2026-10-03 | ANDREW H BREJDA | 2025-10-03 |
| Steve M Burinsky | K3SMB | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-12-05 | 2026-12-04 | Steve M Burinsky | 2025-10-05 |
| Daniel A Nelms | KK4CNM | Full Membership | \$50.00 | 2025-12-03 | 2027-12-02 | Daniel A Nelms | 2025-10-07 |
| George Williams | KN4THO | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2027-01-27 | 2028-01-26 | George Williams | 2025-10-08 |
| JAMES N KELLY | WX4JNK | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-10-26 | 2026-10-26 | JAMES N KELLY | 2025-10-26 |
| Hans Van Loenen | KQ4MTX | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-01-01 | 2026-12-31 | Hans Van Loenen | 2025-11-01 |
| Gary N Forberg | KR4GUA | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-10-07 | 2026-10-06 | ERIC J CAGLE | 2025-11-03 |
| DONALD E DRZEWSZEWSKI | WB2WEO | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-10-05 | 2026-10-04 | ERIC J CAGLE | 2025-11-03 |
| Lawrence Abrams | | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-11-04 | 2026-11-03 | ERIC J CAGLE | 2025-11-05 |
| David D Slabodnick | KO4LDS | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-01-25 | 2027-01-24 | David D Slabodnick | 2025-11-25 |
| Randall T Dunaway | AI4XF | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-12-01 | 2026-12-01 | Randall T Dunaway | 2025-12-01 |
| Shannon M Welsh | KK4MED | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-02-22 | 2027-02-21 | Shannon M Welsh | 2025-12-23 |
| Milton M Birdsong | W4AUC | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2025-11-04 | 2026-11-03 | ERIC J CAGLE | 2025-12-23 |
| Randall L Blumberg | KN4FYG | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-02-25 | 2027-02-24 | Randall L Blumberg | 2025-12-26 |
| CANNON B TAYLOR | N4CBT | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-02-06 | 2027-02-05 | CANNON B TAYLOR | 2025-12-29 |
| Stephen C Martin | KO4CVU | Full Membership | \$25.00 | 2026-01-27 | 2027-01-26 | Stephen C Martin | 2025-12-31 |

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MEMBERS

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BOD



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- IT
 - Repeater
 - Net Control
 - Volunteer Examiner
 - Constitution and Bylaws
 - Field Day
 - Asset/Inventory
 - Nomination
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- Chaplain and Visitation
 - Finance
 - Fundraising
 - Mentoring
 - Outreach

Appointed Positions:

- K4KNS Trustee
- QSL Manager
- Net Manager
- Presentation Manager
- Public Information Officer



2026 APPOINTMENTS

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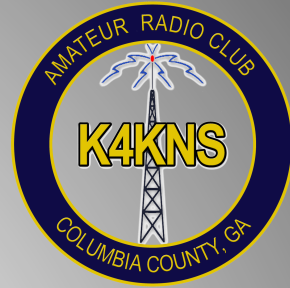
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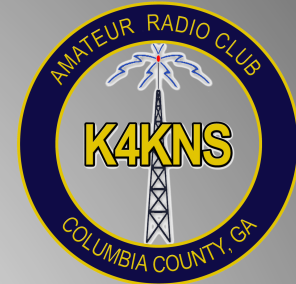
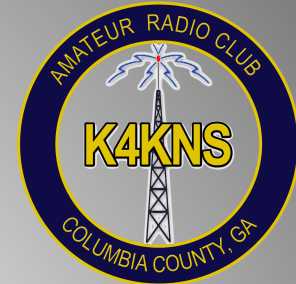




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Article I. PURPOSE

The name of the organization is the Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc., will be a non-profit, charitable organization and will perform public service in Columbia County, Georgia and the surrounding area by:

Section 1.01 Education

Providing educational and training programs and activities which promote the hobby of amateur radio for licensed amateur radio operators and those interested in the hobby,

Section 1.02 Emergency Communications

Providing radio communications during times of emergency and for emergency preparedness training activities,

Section 1.03 Communications Assistance

Providing communication assistance for various public and charitable projects and activities,

Section 1.04 Cooperation

Cooperating with other similar organizations in promoting scientific and educational activities, and

Section 1.05 ARRL

Affiliation with the American Radio Relay League (ARRL).

Section 1.06 Specific Purpose

The specific purpose is to preserve, promote, proliferate, and educate on Amateur Radio, as well as to assist governmental and non-governmental agencies in times of emergencies/disasters.

At no time will the organization ask for compensation for services rendered.



Article II. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 2.01 Board of Directors Organization

The Board of Directors of this organization will consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Board Member at Large. The Board of Directors ("Board") will serve the organization and will be answerable to the members. The Board of Directors will not receive paid compensation for their duties in the organization.

Section 2.02 President

The President will be the Chief Executive Officer and run the affairs of the organization.

Section 2.03 Vice President

The Vice President will serve in the absence of the President or at the President's direction.

Section 2.04 Secretary

The Secretary will be responsible for keeping records of Board actions, including overseeing the taking of minutes at all board, general and special called meetings, sending out meeting announcements, distributing copies of minutes and the agenda to each Board member, and assuring that corporate records except for financial records are maintained.

Section 2.05 Treasurer

The Treasurer will be the Chief Financial Officer and will make a report at each General meeting. Treasurer will be a member of the finance committee, assist in the preparation of the budget, help develop fundraising plans, and make financial information of the organization available to members and the public. All financial records of the organization will be maintained by the treasurer.

Section 2.06 Board Member at Large

The Board Member at Large may be asked to serve in the capacity of a board member missing at a meeting. For example, when the treasurer is absent, this board member may be asked by another board member to assume the responsibilities of the treasurer for the duration of the meeting.

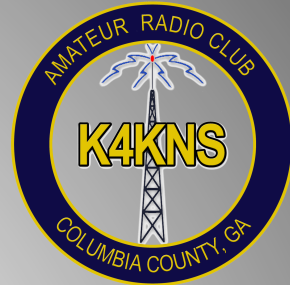
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The Board of Directors will be elected every two years at the November meeting of the organization and the new Board will assume their roles effective January 1 of the following year. The system used for elections will be chosen by the nomination committee and instructions will be provided at the time that nominations are solicited. Nominations will be offered at the September or other designated meeting by the Board and nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Nominees must confirm that they are willing to accept if they are present or in writing if they are not present. Nominees will be listed and the list distributed to Full Members via e-mail at least two weeks prior to the November meeting. Only Full Members in good standing and at least 18 years old may hold office in the organization. A term for a Board Member is defined as two years. A Board Member can serve in the same position for no more than 5 consecutive years. The nomination process will be determined by the Bylaws Committee Director / Co-Directors.

Section 2.08 Board of Directors Meetings

The Board of Directors shall meet at least quarterly.

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Section 2.09 Board of Director Quorum

A quorum must be attended by at least 51% percent of the Board members before business can be transacted or motions made or passed.

Section 2.10 Succession

Normal succession rules apply in that the Vice-President takes over the remaining term of a President if necessary. In the case of board members other than the president, special elections may be held at any regularly scheduled or specially called meeting to replace any Board member who has resigned, has been disqualified from board service, or has become silent key. Notice of such an election will be sent through the system chosen by the nomination committee via email to all Full Members in good standing at least five (5) days prior to the meeting. Nominations for the new Board member will be presented by the remaining members of the Board and nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Vote on the replacement will be at the same meeting where the nominations are presented and carried by a majority vote of the members present. The term will be for the remainder of the unexpired term of office for the member they are replacing.

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Article III. APPOINTMENTS AND COMMITTEES

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The License Trustee for the club will be appointed by the Board.

Section 3.02 Public Information Officer

The Public Information Officer (PIO) may be appointed by the Board.

Section 3.03 Creation of Committees

The Board may create committees as needed.



Article IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 4.01 ~~Voting~~ Full Membership

Full Members will be licensed amateurs qualified to operate on FCC allocated amateur frequencies who have been voted in by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present at the regularly scheduled meeting where their application for membership is presented. They will have the right to vote in person (no proxy votes) on all questions before the membership as long as they are members in good standing. They will remain members in good standing as long as their dues are kept current or until their membership is revoked. If a member's license lapses or becomes invalid for any reason, they will become Non-Voting members.

Section 4.02 ~~Non-Voting~~ Associate Membership

Any person may be accepted as an associate who has been voted in by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present at the regularly scheduled meeting where their application for Associate membership is presented. Associates will have no voting privileges and have no voice in the meetings. Associates will remain in force as long as their dues are kept current or until their Associate membership is revoked.

Section 4.03 Honorary Membership

Any person may be accepted as an Honorary Member who has been voted in by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present at the regularly scheduled meeting where a nomination for Honorary membership is presented. Honorary members will have no voting privileges and have no voice in the meetings. Honorary members can be voted out by a 2/3 majority of the voting members present at the regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 4.04

Life Membership is being discontinued as a new option, but existing life members will continue in good standing as long as they renew their membership annually. There is no cost for renewal, but failure to renew annually will result in the loss of Life Membership. This will serve as a heartbeat function and signify that the members still wishes to be an active member of the club. All current Life Members will be formally notified of the new requirements, and no future Life Membership applications will be accepted. By majority vote, the Board may, upon a finding of extenuating circumstances, waive or modify the loss of a Life Membership.

~~Section 4.04~~ Section 4.05 Members in Good Standing

Any member will remain a member in good standing as long as their dues are paid on time unless until they withdraw their membership or their membership is revoked by vote. In the case of Life Members, they remain members in accordance with Section 4.04.

(a) Membership Application

Anyone desiring a membership in the organization must submit an written application for desired membership type. This application will be presented to the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting. The applicant may will be excused from the meeting and the members will then vote on acceptance of the applicant. A two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the voting members present at the meeting will be required for the applicant to be accepted as a member of the organization.



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3. Membership – Life

Membership renewal and removal of purchase capability

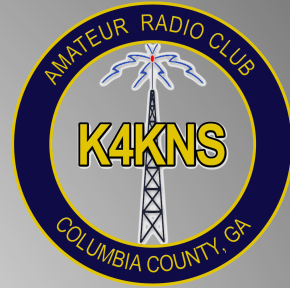
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(b) Membership Withdrawal

Members may withdraw their membership by providing written notification (letter or e-mail) to any board member.

(c) Membership Behavior

Any member whose behavior is determined to be detrimental to the ARCCC, Inc. or to Amateur Radio may have their membership in the organization brought into question using the following steps.

(i) Mediation Request to Board of Directors

Any accusations are required to be presented with pertinent details in writing to the Board. The Board will then act as a mediator between the accused and accuser.

(ii) Mediation – First Attempt

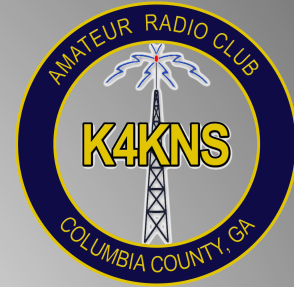
The Board will facilitate a meeting between the accused and accuser within 10 days and attempt to resolve the issue to the satisfaction of all present. If no satisfactory resolution can be achieved by the board, the accuser and accused will be notified and the issue will be brought before the organization for a written vote at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

(iii) Mediation – Second Attempt

If membership of any individual in the organization is brought into question before the organization, a two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members present will be required to revoke the membership of the accused. All issues will be discussed by the organization before the vote. After the vote is taken, the presiding board member will announce the results.

(iv) Membership Application after Revocation

Any person who has had their membership revoked by vote of the organization must wait one (1) year before re-applying for membership in the organization.



Article V. FINANCES

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Section 5.01 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year for the organization and for membership will be from January 1 through December 31.

Section 5.02 Discount Qualifications

Qualifications for dues discounts: Only one per member

(a) Refunds

There will be no refund of dues, either full or pro-rated, to those who withdraw their membership or lose their membership in any other way.

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~~A family is comprised of at least 2 members, no more than 2 adults, and any of their children residing in the same home. Voting privileges for each member is determined in Article IV. A family will be afforded the special membership rate of 50% of the full member rate times the number of licensed family members.~~

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~~Members on active duty in the military who are licensed amateur operators may apply for free Full Membership for as long as they are in the area. This free membership is maintained if the member attends 2 meetings or amateur radio related events per calendar year and presents a military ID when dues are due. Otherwise, free membership will be revoked. This requirement can be waived at the discretion of the Board, for example, in cases of extended TDY (temporary change of duty station). Membership type and voting privileges are determined in Article IV.~~

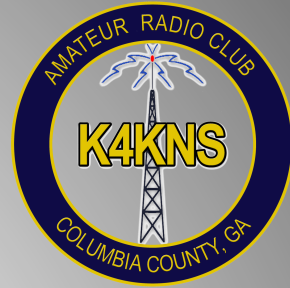


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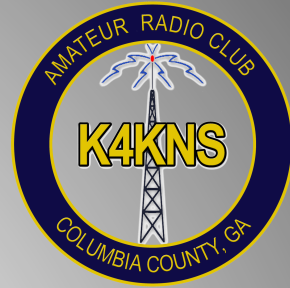
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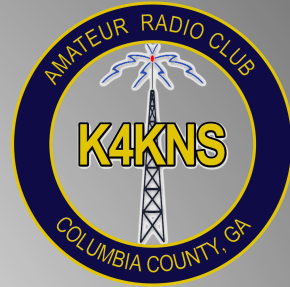
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Article VII. AMENDMENT

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Article VIII. 501(c)3 STATUS

The organization will maintain its 501(c)3 status. In the event of the dissolution of the organization, all assets and funds remaining will be distributed in their entirety to another organization which has Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)3 status~~(501(c)3 status with the Internal Revenue Service and as set forth by the Articles of Incorporation.~~

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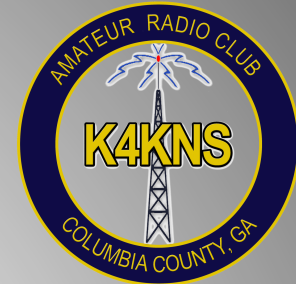
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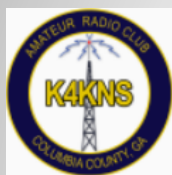
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- IT Committee
 - Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) – Co-Director
 - Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co-Director
 - Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT)



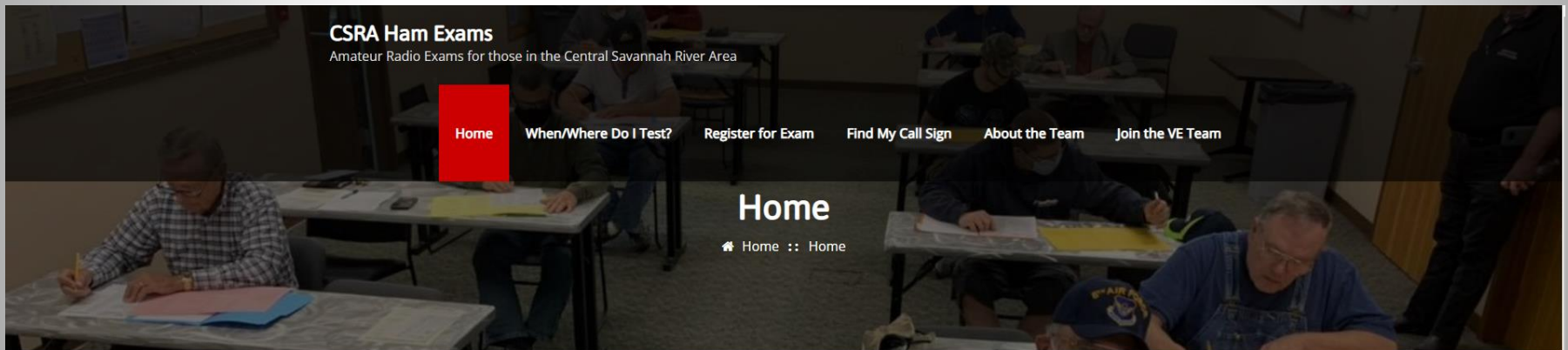
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- Outreach Committee
 - Dan Marshall (N4MI) – Co-Director
 - Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co-Director

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- Examinations
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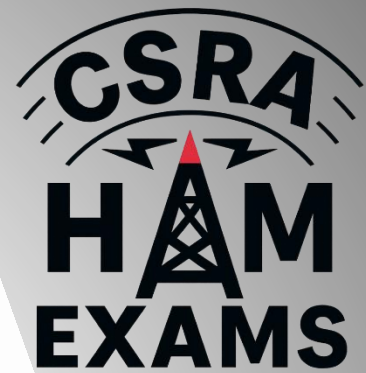


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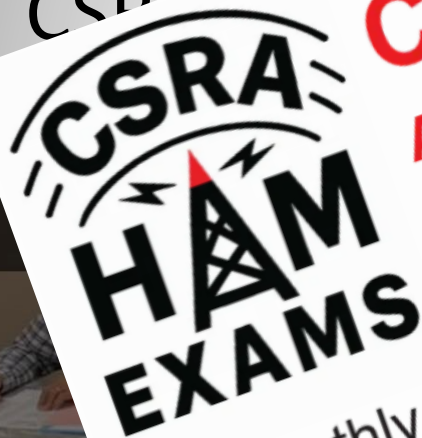
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To ensure you are prepared to take an exam with the CSRA Ham Exams Team please follow the instructions on the <https://www.csrahamexams.com/when-where-do-i-test/> webpage.

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- Examinations
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CSRA HAM EXAMS
AMATEUR RADIO EXAMINATIONS

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

Monthly Examinations | \$15 Examination Fee
Visit our website for complete details and to Register
<https://www.csrahamexams.com>

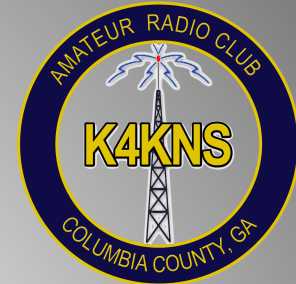
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- Repeater Committee
 - Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co-Director
 - Walter Brumbeloe (W4EFS) – Co-Director



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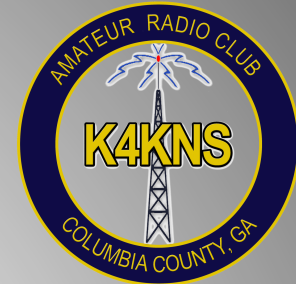
- Field Day Committee
 - Edwin Davis (KQ4SRF) – 2025-2026 Sr. Co-Director
 - Dan Marshall (N4MI) – 2026-2027 Jr. Co-Director
 - To Join the Field Day Committee
 - You must join via Groups.io
 - <https://arcccinc.groups.io/g/fieldday/topics>



Edwin (KQ4SRF)



Dan (N4MI)



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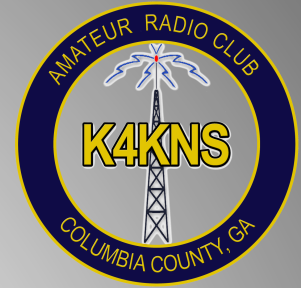
Your Logbook WAS Account (K4KNS)

Account Status

| WAS Award | New LoTW QSLs | LoTW QSLs in Process | WAS Credits Awarded | Total |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Mixed | 48 | 0 | 0 | 48 |
| 80M | 29 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| 40M | 42 | 0 | 0 | 42 |
| 20M | 42 | 0 | 0 | 42 |
| 15M | 32 | 0 | 0 | 32 |
| 10M | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| CW | 33 | 0 | 0 | 33 |
| Phone | 48 | 0 | 0 | 48 |
| Digital | 36 | 0 | 0 | 36 |
| FT8 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 |
| PSK31 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
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| 80M CW | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 80M Digital | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 80M PSK31 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
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| 40M CW | 18 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
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| 20M CW | 20 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| 20M Digital | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| 20M PSK31 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 15M Phone | 27 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| 15M CW | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| 15M Digital | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
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| 10M CW | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 10M Digital | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Triple Play | 117 | 0 | 0 | 117 |
| 5-Band | 164 | 0 | 0 | 164 |

* = Award has been issued

- The ARCCC, Inc. is only 1 State Away from WORKING ALL STATES!
- ALASKA
- NEW MEXICO – 06-29-2025!



COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Fund Raising Committee
 - Pull out your tickets!!!
- Fund Raising Ideas are Welcome!

Barker and Williamson AC 3.5 -30 Folded Dipole

- Comments:
- Well built and durable
 - 90' Footprint
 - Soldered joints
 - 14awg SS or Plated copper wire
 - **Put it up and forget it!**
- Heavy, best deployed using center support
- Performance is Ok, no better than EFHW
- Not easy to deploy (must be rolled-up on tubes)



Amateur Radio Club of Augusta



ARCA General Meeting

January 20, 2026 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

POB-1 Building

1305 Interstate Parkway

Augusta, GA 30906

W4DV.club

North Augusta - Belvedere Radio Club



NABRC General Meeting

January 12, 2026 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Aiken Regional Medical Center
302 University Pkwy, Aiken, SC 29801
Floor 6, Classroom A

~~North Augusta Public Safety Station 2 501 W Five
Notch Road North Augusta, SC 29860~~

K4NAB.org



East Central/Columbia County ARES



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East Central District Emergency Coordinator
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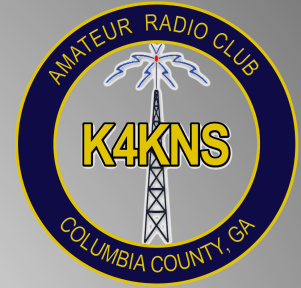


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**The American Redoubt Radio Operators Network
and The American Preparedness Radio Network (TAPRN)**

Steven Kitchings, KN4RVU



REVIEW

- Review motions and assignments
- We would welcome your presentations and ideas for presentations.
- Is there a motion to adjourn the meeting?



THANK YOU!!!