

02/03/2026

Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.

General Meeting #167

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) Called the Meeting to Order at 19:00

Invocation led by Richard Sturgis (KR4XN)

Welcome Special Guests and Introductions

Presentation

- Ropes and Knots – Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG)

Upcoming Events

02-03-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
02-13/15-2026 Orlando Hamcation
02-28-2026 Dalton, GA Hamfest
03-06/07-2026 Charlotte, NC Hamfest
03-14-2026 CSRA Ham Exams Session
03-21-2026 Sevier County, TN Hamfest
04-04-2026? Ridge Amateur Radio Club Tailgate Batesburg-Leesville
04-04-2026 Raleigh, NC Hamfest
04-07-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
04-11-2026 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session
05-05-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
05-09-2026 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session
05-15/17-2026 Hamvention
06-02-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
06-06-2026? Atlanta Hamfest
06-13-2026 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session
06-27/28-2026 ARRL Field Day
07-07-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
07-11-2026 CSRA Exams Exam Session
08-04-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting (FD AAR)
08-08-2026 CSRA Exams 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 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session
10-06-2026 ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting
10-10-2026 CSRA Ham Exams 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 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session
12-01-2026? ARCCC, Inc. Annual Awards and Holiday Party
12-12-2026 CSRA Ham Exams Exam Session

Upcoming Presentations

- 02-03-2026- Ropers and Knots
- 03-03-2026- Basics of On-Air Operations
- 04-07-2026- Hats of Incident Command
- 05-05-2026- Net Control Operations
- 06-02-2026- ARDEN

Membership Applications

- Jacob Swart W4EWD
- Roger Rowan KD4STR

***Motion** – Sam Reeder (WW4ZT) made a motion to accept all membership applications and Earl Welsh (KG4HIQ) seconded it. None were opposed.

Treasurer's Report

- Update from Treasurer
 - February 2026 Update
 - January 2026 Report

***Motion** – Sam Reeder (WW4ZT) made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report from January 2026 and Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) seconded it. None were opposed.

Secretary Report – of last month's meeting on Website for January 6th, 2026.

***Motion** – David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) made a motion to accept the secretary report on the website and Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) seconded it. None were opposed.

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.

Groups.io

- <https://groups.io/g/arcccinc>

Technician Course

- **ARCCC, Inc. and Vineyard Church of Augusta**
 - Provided Technician Course
 - 7 Classes including Examination
 - 14 New Technicians as of Thursday, January 29th, 2026

CHIRP Programming Workshop

- Scheduled for???
- 08:30-Noon

Nomination Committee

Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) – Co-Director

Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co-Director

- Responsibilities
 - Rookie Ham of the Year Award- Accepted all year long.
 - Thomas Kholi Ham of the Year Award- Accepted all year long
- Elections

Presentation Manager

- Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT)

VE Team Committee – VEL

Shannon Welsh (KK4MED) and Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Next Test session on Saturday March 14th, 2026 at 9:00 am. POB1 1305 Interstate Pkwy, Augusta, Ga. 30909.

Net Control Committee – Dan Marshall (N4MI)

- Net Controllers Wanted
- Update net announcements and if you have any updates place email to him by 3:00 pm.

Bylaws/ Nomination Committee

Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) – Co-Director

Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co-Director

- Proposed Constitution and Bylaws Update First Reading
 - 1. Election System – Definition of responsibility and type of system
 - 2. Membership – Voting and Non-Voting
 - 3. Membership – Life Membership renewal and removal of purchase capability
 - 4. Membership – Written Application removal
 - 5. Membership – Dues to be recorded on website removal
 - 6. Membership – Removal of unused and hard to track membership types
 - 7. Compensation – Directive which is unable to be enforced
 - 8. Presidential Discretionary Expenditures – Process clarification
 - 9. Expenditures – Clarifies the process of expenditures out
 - 10. 501(c)3 Status – Word Correction

***Motion –** Robert McManus (KN4KQJ) made a motion to accept all 10 changes to the bylaws and David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) seconded it. 2 opposed. Motion passed.

Finance Committee

Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG)

David Slabodnick (KO4LDS)

Fund Raising Committee

- Potential Fundraising Opportunities
 - Tempest
 - Dairy Queen
 - BridgeCom

IT Committee

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR)
Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG)
Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT)

Repeater Committee

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

Outreach Committee

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

Field Day Committee

Edwin Davis (KQ4SRF) – 2025-2026 Sr. Co-Director
Dan Marsahll (N4MI) – 2026-2027 Jr. Co-Director

- To Join the Field Day Committee, you must join via Groups.io
 - <http://arcccinc.groups.io/g/fieldday/topics>

Review of Motions and Assignments

***Motion** – Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) seconded it. None opposed.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:45