

**Zero Beat**

**JANUARY 2017**

**HAPPY**

**NEW YEARS !**



## NEXT CLUB MEETING

TRURSDAY JAN. 12<sup>th</sup>. 2017

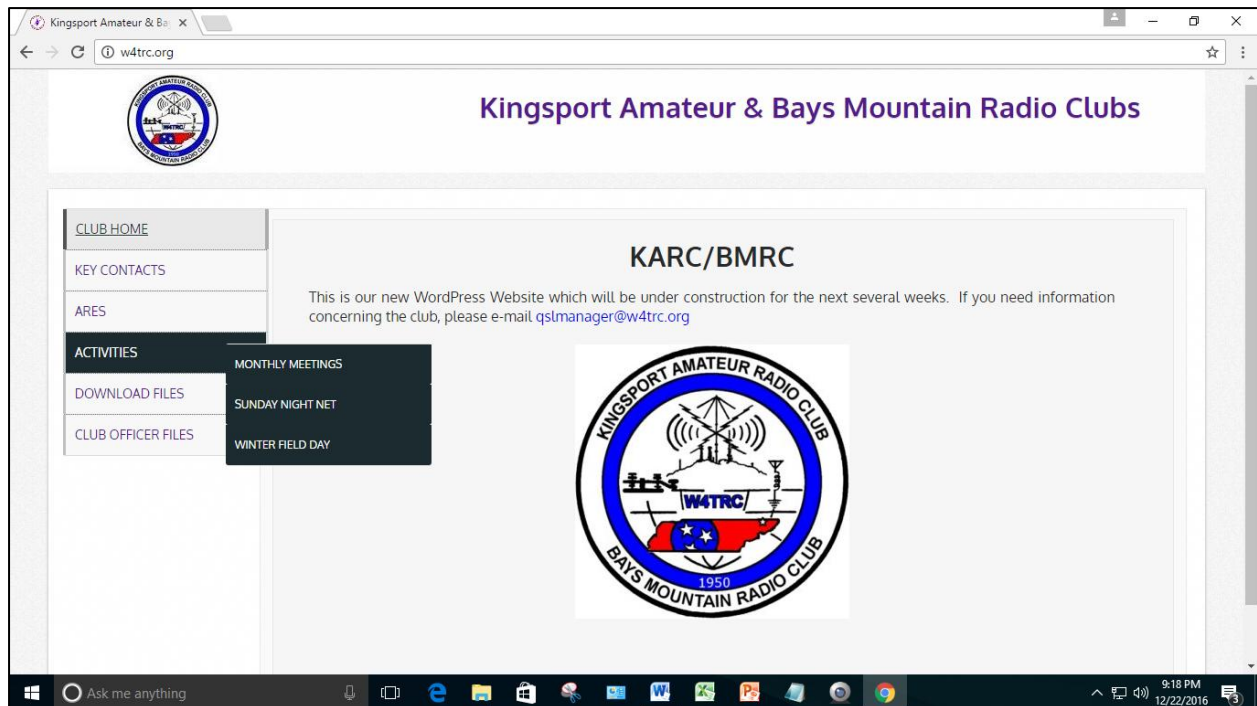
7pm at the Toy F. Reid Center,  
Eastman Chemical on Wilcox  
Ave. V.E. Session at 5PM

We will have a presentation on SOTA (summits on the air). Find out more on this popular mountain topping experience with HAM Radio! This presentation will be live video streamed. Contact Dave Stevens at [wb4des@gmail.com](mailto:wb4des@gmail.com) for more information. You do NOT need any software installed on your PC.

# KARC/BMRC New Website

As we start a new year, the club has also embarked on a re-design of the <http://www.w4trc.org> website. Our previous Webmaster, Earl Oaks N4ZFA, requested that after being the Webmaster for the past 10 years or so, that it was time to have a new Webmaster. The work that Earl did on maintaining the website was greatly appreciated by all club members. Thanks Earl.

The new website is being constructed using the content management system called Wordpress. As the new Website is put together, if there is something you would like to see on the website, please e-Mail Dave Stevens WB4DES with your suggestion(s) at [wb4des@gmail.com](mailto:wb4des@gmail.com) or call at 967-1173.



# Club Christmas Party 2016

The annual club Christmas Party was held this year at Perkins. It was well attended and enjoyed by all with great conversations and good food. In addition, the traditional gift exchange was done. There were a few gifts that made several moves within a given turn of picking a gift. There were lots of laughs and a fun time with this year's gift exchange.



# SECRETARY'S REPORT

Kingsport Amateur Radio Club - Bays Mountain Radio Club  
Minutes for the December 8, 2016 Meeting

The Christmas Dinner Meeting was held at Perkins Restaurant in Colonial Heights. Dave Stevens officiated over the only business this evening which was the election of officers. Officers elected are Larry Dale, president, George Devault, vice president, Dave Stevens, treasurer and Rick Johnson as secretary.

The White Elephant Exchange was fun, food was good, service was great and a good time was had by all.

Larry Dale  
KD4FTN

## CLUB NEWS

Following are the club officers for 2017. They look forward to serving you and welcome your support!

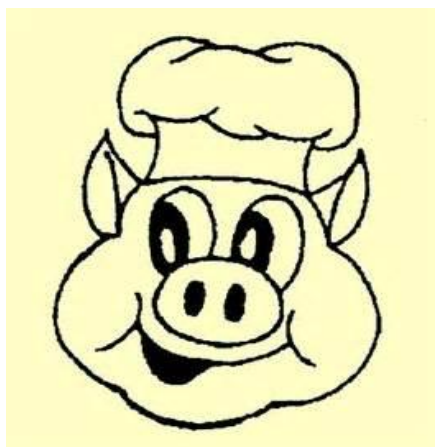
President: Larry Dale KD4FTN

Vice Pres.: George De Vault Jr. W3KPT

Treasurer: Dave Stevens WB4DES

Secretary: Rick Johnson KM4LZF





## RADIO HAM and Eggs Breakfast

There will be a breakfast meeting Saturday Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>. At Perkins on Fort Henry Dr. in Colonial Heights 10AM.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday breakfast is a go too - see you all at Bob Evans I-26 Boone's Creek exit 0900. Wed. Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>.

This is an open event and not actually club related. HAMS and HAM friendly folk gather and have some very good fellowship. All are welcome to join us!

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## SWAP and SHOP

Send your listings to: Ken [w4ijk1@gmail.com](mailto:w4ijk1@gmail.com)

## THE ZERO BEAT NEWSLETTER

Published monthly by the Kingsport Amateur Radio Club and Bay's Mountain Radio Club. For more information on the Zero Beat, please contact : Ken Klotz at [W4IJK1@gmail.com](mailto:W4IJK1@gmail.com)

**W4TRC 146.970 MHz REPEATER INFORMATION:**

Location is on Bays Mountain, Kingsport, TN

2 Meter repeater: 146.970 MHz, (-) PL Tone, 123.0 Hz. Or C4FM

440 Repeater: 443.325 Mhz. (+), PL Tone, 123.0 Hz. Or C4FM

33Cm. Repeater: 927.025 Mhz. (-) PL Tone 123.0 Hz.

50-watt Packet Station Frequency, 145.050 MHz, and the Alias is BaysND.

Sunday Night Informational Net on 146.970 at 8:30 P.M. EST

For More Information on the KARC/BMRC and Amateur Radio,  
Visit our Club Website at [www.w4trc.org](http://www.w4trc.org)

For More Amateur Radio News, Visit the American Radio Relay  
League Website at [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)

**Kingsport/Bays Mountain Radio Clubs' Officers 2015**

Larry Dale: KD4FTN, KARC/BMRC President,

George De Vault Jr.: W3KPT, Vice President

Rick Johnson: KM4LZF, KARC Secretary

Dave Stevens: WB4DES, KARC Treasurer / BMRC Treasurer, Secretary

Ken Klotz: W4IJK Club Repeater License Trustee

Rick Light: KG4WZG, BMRC Vice President

Web Site: [www.w4trc.org](http://www.w4trc.org)

A.R.E.S.

**Walt Baldree, K4YCP, West Sullivan County ARES® Coordinator**



# **Net Schedules (as off 12/1/2016)**

Kingsport Amateur Radio Club/Bays Mountain Radio Club weekly two- meter net, Sunday night at 8:30 p.m., on the W4TRC repeater at 146.970 MHz. The net includes ARES® check-ins and an opportunity to sell, buy and/or swap equipment.

The Boone Trail ARES®/RACES Net is held each Monday night at 8:30 pm on the 146.820 MHz N4WWB repeater. A C4FM digital fusion net follows the regular analog net.

The Carter County Amateur Radio Association (CCARA) repeater is WR4CC on 145.290 MHz, with a tone of 103.5. The club holds a net every Monday evening on their repeater at 8:00 PM.

The Johnson County Net is Monday at 9:00 PM on 145.290 MHz with a 103.5 tone or direct on 146.610 MHz with the same tone (103.5). 6-meter Net every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. The Net is at 53.330 MHz, and the repeater has a tone of 103.5.

Johnson City Amateur Radio Association's Net is held on Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. on the 146.790 MHz Repeater. Tone is 131.8 with a negative offset. This net is not held on the 3rd Tuesday, the night of the JCARA's monthly meeting.

Bristol Amateur Radio Club's 2 Meter net meets every Tuesday night at 9:00 PM on the 146.070/670 Bristol Repeater.

Mountain Empire Amateur Radio Society's 440-net, Wednesday at 9:00 p.m., on the 443.00 Repeater. Everyone is invited to check in.

Unicoi County Amateur Radio Association's Net, Thursday at 8 pm on 147.270 MHz. Except for the first Thursday of the month which is the Club Meeting.

SKYWARN Net, Thursday at 9:00 p.m., on the 146.700 MHz Repeater.

## Area Amateur Radio Clubs/Organizations Meetings

Bristol Amateur Radio Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 pm in the Conference Center at the Bristol Memorial Medical Center. Take exit 74 off Interstate 81 in Tennessee. For more information, email [w4ud@qsl.net](mailto:w4ud@qsl.net)

Carter County Amateur Radio Association meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at 805 Highway 91, Elizabethton, TN (0.5 miles past the 2nd traffic light on Hwy 91 or 3.5 miles from Hwy 19E on the left side of the highway).

For more information go to the Club's web page at <http://www.wr4cc.org>

Johnson City Amateur Radio Association meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Washington Co/Johnson City EMS Training Building 296 Wesley Street Johnson City, TN 37601. Contact JCARA, 240 Hartman Road, Jonesborough, TN, 37659.

Kingsport Amateur Radio Club/Bays Mountain Radio Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Toy Reid Eastman Employee Center, South Wilcox Drive, Kingsport, TN, unless meeting changes are made due to Eastman related activities. For more information email [w4ijk1@gmail.com](mailto:w4ijk1@gmail.com).

The Mountain Empire Amateur Radio Society (MEARS) meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., at Washington County Public Library in Abingdon, VA, with possible exceptions in November and December. For more information, visit their website at [http://www.home.earthlink.net/~mears\\_arri/](http://www.home.earthlink.net/~mears_arri/)

Scott County (VA) Amateur Radio Society meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., at the EOC Building behind and under the Lonesome Pine Regional Library, Gate City, VA. For more information, email Jeff K4LMP at [k4lmp@k4lmp.org](mailto:k4lmp@k4lmp.org)

Unicoi County Amateur Radio Association will be moving the meetings to Maple Grove Restaurant in Unicoi. This change will take place Feb. 5, 2015. The weekly ARES nets will change to Thursday evenings at 8pm as of Thursday December 11, 2014. For more information contact Ken Johnson at [w3gfmkj@gmail.com](mailto:w3gfmkj@gmail.com)

Johnson County Amateur Radio/Ares club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Johnson County Hospital Conference Room.

For more information contact Danny Herman at [K4DHT@dannyherman.com](mailto:K4DHT@dannyherman.com)

WX4TN Northeast Tennessee District 7 SKYWARN meets every last Saturday of each month [at 7:00 p.m.](#), at the Crossroads Christian Church; [1300 Suncrest Dr.](#); Gray, TN in the Lower Auditorium. [www.skywarn7.org](http://www.skywarn7.org) For more information contact Erik McCord (WX4ET), District Coordinator at [dc7skywarn@gmail.com](mailto:dc7skywarn@gmail.com)