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Trident Amateur Radio Club (TARC) Newsletter
September 2013

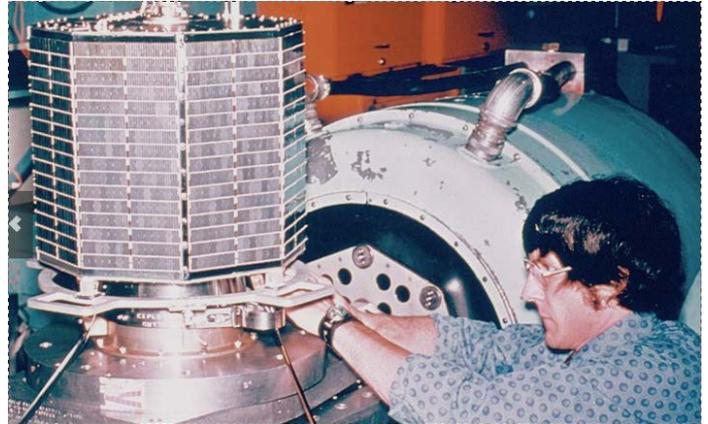
TARC Net:

Every Tuesday, 147.27 MHz PL 123.0

- 7:30 PM CW practice
- 8:00 PM Net

Upcoming Events:

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| Sep 16 | Club Meeting |
| Sep 18 | VE Testing |
| Sep 28 | Shelter Drill at Goose Creek H.S.
Contact: Joe KJ4BNC |
| Oct 7 | Board Meeting |
| Oct 16 | VE Testing |
| Oct 19 | Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
Contact: Tom W4DAX |
| Oct 21 | Club Meeting |
| Oct 26 | TARC Family Picnic and Operating Day,
Cooper River Partners Picnic Area,
Contact: Bob NG4R |
| Nov 4 | Board Meeting |
| Nov 18 | Club Meeting |



Factoid of the month: The AMSAT-OSCAR 7 (AO-7) satellite was launched in 1974, served for seven years, and then went silent in 1981. Twenty-odd years later, ham operators discovered it was back in service – sort of. With its solar panels working, but its batteries long dead, AO-7 now operates only during solar exposure.

From the President

I want to thank everyone for having the confidence in me to reelect me for another year. I think we have had a fantastic year and the club is growing every day. We had a wonderful Christmas Party, a great Winter Field Day and also we had our 40th anniversary celebration. Field Day was one of the best I have ever participated in. If you attended any of the Operating Days you know the trailer and all the club equipment has never been in better shape. We have had some interesting presentations and even built some antennas. There are also many new hams from our licensing classes. We have had three Fox Hunts and participated in a MS Walk. JOTA was a success and our CW net is very well received. I am looking forward to bigger and better things this year. If you are at all interested in getting involved and taking the point on any activity please step up. See you at the meeting on the 16th.
Tom W4DAX

Congrats to New Officers

New officers for the coming year:

President: Tom Lufkin W4DAX
Vice President: Steve Lamendola KE4THX
Secretary: Vaughn Duryea KJ4ZFY
Treasurer: Bob Mcleod NG4R

By-Laws Committee

The TARC board is marshaling forces to make a few corrections to the By-Laws. We have the core committee formed, but additional participation is welcome. Anyone with a burning desire to contribute to this effort should contact Vaughn KJ4ZFY.

Trident Amateur Radio Club (TARC)
meets the third Monday of each month
at 7:30pm at the American Red Cross
8085 Rivers Ave #F, North Charleston
Website: www.tridenthams.org

From the Treasurer

Well, it's another year for TARC, and we have a new treasurer, Bob NG4R. Thank you, club, for trusting me with your money this year. The first thing I noticed when I took over, was that Linda did an excellent job. The books balanced to the penny, and the audit done every year went well. I am excited for the new TARC year and all the activities we have planned.

Please Remember: September is dues month and I urge all to pay their dues and participate in our drawing for a new radio. Even if you don't need a new radio, other new hams who have nothing yet would desire one. Details about the radio giveaway next meeting. Be sure to come. Thanks again club, Bob NG4R

From the VP

Just a short note this month to thank the membership for a great 2013 and for the chance to be the VP for another year. We participated in the NNPTC **Day of Caring** event on Friday afternoon 9/6/13 as this quarter's Operating day. Thanks to Chief Opie for arranging to have us participate and getting such a great group of students to help with the setup and tear down. We had a lot of visitors stop by checking out Ham Radio and we will probably have some new recruits in the hobby in the near future. We had both Digital and SSB HF demonstrations along with VHF communications.

I will start soliciting participation for **Winter Field day** in the next month, so mark your calendars for the weekend of January 25-26, 2014.

<http://www.spar-hams.org/contests/winterfd>

73 Steve KE4THX

Swap Page

We have put a swap page up on the web site at tridenthams.org/forsale.htm. If you have any ham related equipment for sale or swap let us know and we will list it for free.

TARC Facebook Page

The Trident Amateur Radio Club now has a Facebook page. If you use Facebook, please go to the page and Like it! Thanks to Tom W4DAX for setting it up.



WW4ALC

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LADSON, SC (United States)

License Status	Active
Operator Class	General

Angel WW4ALC ... "a little chunky" was born and raised in the big city, New York that is. I am the youngest of 4. My mother and father, still married after 53 years, emigrated from the Dominican Republic in the 60's. **At the age of 8**, thanks to my Uncle and the flea market, I got my first 2 way communication device, an old Uniden CB. I quickly turned my Atari console power supply into the power supply need to power up my new cool radio (with a lot of humm to say the least, oh yes and a *coat hanger* as an antenna). VSWR must have been through the roof, but it worked. Since then I have been fascinated with the ability to send and receive Radio Waves. **At the ripe old age of 17**, I enlisted in the US Army, served our country proudly, and had the honor of serving the 1st Cavalry Division in *Operation Dessert Shield* and *Dessert Storm*. Still fascinated with radio, using CB's at the time from the gulf, talking skip back to the states was awesome – what great conditions we had in the 90's. As we all do from time to time, other things took precedence, and radio kind of went on without me. **Then when I moved to SC**, after a few years the bug bit me yet again. A friend told me about ham radio and all the cool things you could do...well it didn't take much and I was hooked yet again. I went to the Lodge in Goose Creek, and passed the tech class. Took the General exam that same night, missed it by 1. Next month I retook the test and passed! Hurray, HF here I come! As with anything in life the experience is what I enjoy. I am just along for the ride, but I am keying down the whole way... 73 ww4alc

Texting Application

The Trident Amateur Radio Club has a new way for you to keep advised of events happening with the club. If you have a text capable phone you can text **MEMBRS** to **843-325-2827**. You should receive a message to enter your first and last name. Just enter your First name and call. I will periodically send out reminders of the club meetings and other activities. If you have any questions contact Tom W4DAX.

Want to see something in Linear Lines?

If there's something you want to see in Linear Lines, please send it to Robert KV4LV <kv4lv@arrl.net> by the second Monday of the month.