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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The First of November is an important date for CARS. It is the beginning of our Fiscal Year. This November 1 will be the start of CARS nineteenth official Fiscal Year after we were officially incorporated in 1990.

As the start of the new fiscal year, it also marks the renewal of memberships for another year, and the beginning of a new term of Officers. I look forward to serving the club for another year and I feel fortunate to have some of the previous Officers and Directors and some new Officers and Directors to continue the club's success in 2009.

This is a good time to volunteer for committee positions if you would like to help the club move forward. Feel free to get in touch with me and let me know of your interests.

Thanks to those who have already renewed their memberships for 2009 by paying their dues. Please remember that dues are due now and should be paid no later than November 1.

Do you have an idea for an interesting program for a club meeting? Please let me know. I am always open to suggestions for programs that would be informative and of interest to the membership.

Our next club meeting will be Monday November 3. I look forward to seeing you there.

73,
Paul K4PRB

DUES

CARS Dues are \$15 per regular membership and \$7.50 for additional Family memberships. They are to be paid on or before November 1. If you have not yet paid your dues in order to renew your membership for 2009, please mail your dues now to:

CARS
P.O. Box 6867
Chesapeake, VA
23323 – 6867

In order to plan the club's operation and functions for the coming year, it is important to know how many paid members we have. Thank you for helping us by paying your dues on time.

CARS ELECTION RESULTS

The election of Officers and Directors was held on October 6 with the following results:

President:	Paul Buckwalter	K4PRB
Vice President:	Vince Williams	KJ4CCR
Secretary:	Phil Henline	WA9KFB
Treasurer:	Barry Priddy	K5VIP
Comm. Officer:	Jim Rogers	KG4WOJ
Past President:	Keith Ainsley	KG4ZXK

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Upcoming Events

Public Service Meeting October 22nd

Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 29th at 7:30 PM

CARS Public Bus. Meeting

Monday, November 3rd, 7:30 PM

116 Reservation Dr,

Chesapeake, VA 23322-5204

Shack Day

Saturday, November 15th at 10:00 to ??

Tech Class November 15th – 22nd VE Session 22nd

CARS Dinner Meeting

Monday, December 1st 7:30 PM

Portsmouth Moose Lodge

1400 North George Washington Hwy

Swamp Stomp April 11th, 2009

Tour De Cure April 18th, 2009

LOCAL NETS

SKYWARN NET Wednesday 2000 Hours.	146.820 MHz
CARS 2M Net Sundays 2000 Hours	146.820 MHz
CARS 10 Meter Net 2000 hours on Mondays CARS doesn't meet	28.400 MHz
Hampton Roads Public Service Net Mon-Sat 2100 hours	146.970 MHz
VBARC 10 Meter Net 2000 hours on Thursdays VBARC doesn't meet	28.400 MHz
Portsmouth "RagChew" Net Monday & Wednesday 1930 hours	146.850 MHz
Southeastern Virginia Traffic Net Sun, Tues, Thurs @ 2000 hours	146.850 MHz
Portsmouth Amateur Radio Emergency Services Net Fridays 2000 hours	146.850 MHz
Tidewater Radio Association WT4RA net Thursday 1930 hours (code drill follows net)	147.195 MHz

LIBRARY ADDITIONS

We have recently purchased some interesting material for the club's library.

A two CD set of antenna modeling software from Carl Cebik and ANTENEX is available for loan out to you antenna experimenters. These disks promise to be very popular, so please keep them circulating rather than holding onto them for an extended time. You will need to sign them out so we can keep track of them.

Also, we have stocked the library with one copy each of the current ARRL Technician, General, and Extra license manuals. Prospective students can look these over in the clubhouse to introduce themselves to the study material and hopefully be encouraged to participate in the license training classes. Instructors may borrow these briefly to prepare and present the classes they are teaching.

Please remember, CARS' ARRL registered instructors can purchase license manuals at a 25% discount and free shipping for students and instructors when requested in a sufficiently timely manner (no last minute single orders, please!)

Finally, we have added one printed copy of the current ARRL Volunteer Examiner manual (ninth edition). This manual is available free on line from the ARRL web site, but we want this printed copy to be available in the clubhouse for use during VE sessions, and for prospective VEs to look over so they can see how easy it is to become a VE.

Enjoy!

CARS BOD MEETING MINUTES 10 / 1 / 08

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm.

Attendees:

Paul K4PRB Marshall AI4CM Sean W5CDR Keith KG4ZXX
Bill WF4R

Paul K4PRB read the previous BOD minutes. Sean W5CDR moved to approve as read. Seconded and approved.

Paul K4PRB presented the Treasurer's report prepared by Barry, K5 VIP.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Service / ARES

Tour De Cure (4/18) - the 100 mile route will be completely within Chesapeake, and VBARC will work with us.

Swamp Stomp (4/11) – As with Tour De Cure, we need to make provisions for feeding our volunteers.

The radio at Oscar Smith High School needs to be tested for endurance.

The next Public Service meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 22.

Springfest – the first ticket and request for a table has been received with payment from Stu Tyler, WA4JOU.

OLD BUSINESS

ID cards are to be discussed with the City.

NEW BUSINESS

Keith KG4ZXX moved to include a copy of the VE manual in the club's library. Seconded and approved.

The BOD agreed that the Antenna Modeling CD's will be stored securely; a single copy of each will be made for club members' use.

Club Meeting programs – Bill WF4R will check with Jerry Scheimberg if he can make a presentation about EME "moonbounce" at the November meeting. Also, Eric Christianson is willing to make a presentation about AMSAT.

Christmas Dinner meeting will be at the Moose Lodge Dec. 1.

Technician licensing class will be November 15 – 22 with a VE session Nov. 22.

Shack Day Oct. 18 will include working with new hams to show them how to use their HT's in shelters, simplex or reverse frequencies, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

CARS CLUB MEETING MINUTES 10 / 6 / 08

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Attendees: 21

Carl Clements, W4CAC, our ARRL Virginia Section Communications Manager (SCM) delivered an interesting speech describing the ARRL organization within Virginia, the various officers and their duties, and how we fit into the ARRL structure. Carl also described the new registration process for ARES / RACES to support the Virginia Dep't. of Emergency Management and the advantages of individuals' coverage by the State's liability insurance program.

Richard WA4BUE moved to dispense with the usual reading of the previous club meeting minutes. Seconded and approved.

Barry K5VIP provided the Treasurer's report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Club membership renewals / dues payments are now due no later than November 1, 2008.

CARS will hold a Fall Technician License class November 15 – November 22.

CARS' Christmas dinner meeting will be held December 1 and the Moose Lodge.

Shack Day will be Saturday October 18.

Chuck KR4CLT described an opportunity to buy some ham radio gear from a peninsula pawn broker far below market value, and showed us the Kenwood TS-50S he purchased for \$200.

Ham of the Year Award nominations are currently being received by Jim WB4UVH. The award will be voted upon at our November club meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Election of Officers: Jim WB4UVH moved to elect the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates by proclamation since there were no competing nominees. Those elected Officers and Directors are:

President:	Paul	K4PRB
Vice Pres.:	Vince	KJ4CCR
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Comm. Off.:	Jim	KG4WOJ

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill WF4R moved the club purchase two rubber stamps, one for endorsing checks and one for marking library materials. Seconded and approved.

The 50 – 50 raffle was won by Ralph KG4PBA (\$16 + \$16). Ralph generously donated his half of the winnings back to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

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146.610 MHz (PL 162.2)
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