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News from the North Side

by Jeff Weinberg, AA4RC

Another year is upon us once again. It's already 1995, and next year will be the Olympics. Several people have asked me over the past year whether the Olympic Committee will be drawing volunteers from the ranks of the Amateur clubs in the area. My take on this topic is that it will probably be unlikely. Instead, there are a number of "sponsoring" organizations that are keeping records of how much community time people in the area put in on their behalf. The Olympic Committee may draw from this pool of volunteers, and then again they may not. I don't think anyone is really very clear on exactly what they will do in the long run.

But, if this is where they will indeed get their volunteers from, then one organization that would be good to do volunteer work for (they are all very worthwhile) and would let you take advantage of your hobby, is Sci-Trek. We have devoted a great deal of time to the new Sci-Trek station in the pages of this newsletter during the past year, and it's worth "plugging" again. If you have the opportunity, volunteering at Sci-Trek is a very worthwhile effort. Even though I haven't had the chance to get to the station yet, it is on my list of "must do's".



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Where will the Olympic Committee get the people they want to coordinate the extensive communications needs they will have next year? Well, most probably they will draw upon the advice of experts in this field, and provide their own secured communications during each event.

On another note, I want to thank the membership for re-electing me to the office of President. This will make my third term in office, and I have really enjoyed every minute of it. At the November meeting, one of our members made the suggestion that we might consider term limits on each of the offices of the club. My thoughts on this suggestion are that term limits are both a blessing and a curse. They are a blessing in that they limit the amount of time any one individual can spend as an officer of the club. This "encourages" others to step forward and offer up their name for consideration for an office. This is a good thing, assuming that people want to run for each of the offices. But, as the man (or woman) once said, "How will we know until we try?" And, here is where the curse comes in. Term limits can artificially limit the amount of time an individual is willing to donate to the club. Each office in any club has a certain amount of responsibility associated with it. Not everyone in the club wants to take on a specific type of job, or any job at all, for that matter. Term limits can artificially cut-off the amount of time a member is willing to give back to their club. And, as a result, a very qualified individual may have to leave simply because their time is up. I liken it to asking someone to retire at 65, even when they have a number of

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664-0490
Dinner - 6:30 PM
Meeting & Program - 7:30 PM

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North Fulton Amateur Radio League Quick Repeater Guide 145.470 & 147.060

Open Commands

- #1 **Echo Test**
- #2 **Deviation Test**
- #3 **DTMF Test**
- #4 **Time**
- #5 **Sinad Test**
- #6 **Frequency Test**
- #7 **Display Mail**
- #8 **Send Command Out Link**
- #9 **Play Announcement**

User Commands

- *0*N **Emergency Patch**
- *1*N **User Patch**
- *2 **Patch Redial**
- *7 **Mailbox**
- *8 **Open Mail**
- *10 **Change Password**
- *12 **Record User Name**
- *15 **User Profile**
- *20 **Speedial Maintenance**
- *25 **User Hang-up Code**
- *30 **CTCSS Command**

N = Number To Dial

Only from Phone Line

- 1 **Reverse Patch**
- 2 **Monitor Air**
- 3 **Non-directed Patch Page**
- 4 **Directed Patch Page**

Additional copies of the repeater manual are available for \$6 each. Contact Jeff Weinberg at 740-7939 for details. All checks should be made payable to the N.F.A.R.L.



Club Information On-Line

N.F.A.R.L. club information is "on-line", and is as easy to get to as picking up your telephone and dialing 552-9495.

Once the automated system answers, you will be presented with a short menu of items. Just press '5', and you will get a message that gives you a summary of basic N.F.A.R.L. information.

This is a great way for new people to find out more about the club and how to contact us both by mail or telephone.

One note, you will need a touchtone telephone to make the system work.



HAMFEST CALENDAR

courtesy of the SERA Repeater Journal and the ARRL

January 14	Greenwood, SC
January 28	Gallatin, TN
February 4	Knoxville, TN
February 11	Pensacola, FL
February 17-19	Orlando, FL
February 25*	Dalton, GA
March 4	Tuscaloosa, AL
March 4*	Cleveland, TN
March 11-12	Charlotte, NC
March 18*	Marietta, GA
March 18-19*	Ft. Walton Beh, FL
March 24-25*	Columbus, GA
April 7-9	Atlanta, GA
April 8-9*	Gainesville, FL
April 15	Oak Ridge, TN
April 28-30	Dayton, OH
April 29*	Talledega, AL
May 13-14*	Birmingham, AL
May 13-14*	Hartwell, GA
June 10*	Athens, GA
June 16-17	Albany, GA
July 22-23*	Atlanta, GA

* - not a confirmed date

Atlanta VEC Schedule

*(All days are once a month for
each notation)*

1st Saturday 9:00 AM	Jonesboro George White KN4NG 361-6850
1st Sunday 2:00 PM	Lawrenceville Duane Reynolds WB2YAD 962-9582
1st Monday 7:45 PM	Roswell/Marietta Delaine McCarthy KM4FV 993-9758
2nd Sunday 3:00 PM	Cartersville Mark Swicord KD4EYF 975-1309
2nd Tuesday 7:00 PM	Snellville Wayne Taylor WD4CCA 498-7759
2nd Saturday 8:30 AM	Stone Mountain Hal Martin KI4RD 978-9160
3rd Saturday 9:00 AM	Marietta Larry Huff WA4CQZ 955-3171
4th Sunday 2:30 PM	Atlanta John King AB4GK 381-5291
4th Friday 7:00 PM	Litburn Howie Gould W4NVE 921-8362

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good working years left in them. However, the suggestion is a good one.

In order to institute term limits within the club, the By-Laws must be changed. In reviewing the By-Laws, I find that the section governing change to the By-Laws is section 7.10. This section reads:

7.10 These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the total club membership, or by a two-thirds vote of members present at any meeting if advance notice of the proposed amendment(s) has been published for all members to read in the club newsletter. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing and shall be read word for word by the Secretary just prior to voting.

At the January meeting, I will bring up the suggestion of term limits made at the November meeting. If there is sufficient interest in pursuing a change in the By-Laws to institute term limits, a proposal to change the By-Laws will be drawn up and published in the April Squelch Tales. To help insure that everyone has a voice in this matter, a voting ballot will be published in the next newsletter (if a proposal is made), and each member will have the opportunity to vote on the measure and return their ballot for counting and consideration. As section 7.10 notes, it takes 51% of the total membership, or 66% of the members attending a regular monthly meeting to change the By-Laws. If we get enough response from the ballot, then the matter will be decided. However, if response to the ballot is light, then the matter will be voted on by the membership attending the April meeting.

For those of you who are getting on to the Internet these days, I will be publishing a sample list of "hot" Internet addresses that I have accumulated over these past few months. In the

last newsletter I noted that I had finally taken the plunge and gotten on to the net. Well, I think I may have taken a deep plunge into a shallow point and hit my head. "Why", you ask? Well, I found that I was coming across interesting site addresses as I explored the network. So I began writing those addresses down. Well, I found that people were interested in these addresses, so I began distributing them, and they would share their interesting addresses with me. Well, it's gotten out of hand. To the tune of over 5,300 addresses! And, it's growing every week.

Anyway, I'll put my contribution to "surfing the net" in this and following issues in a section appropriately entitled "The Net Surfer". I'm always looking for good additions to my growing list of addresses. If you find my contributions of worth, please send me yours in return, and I will share them with other club members.

I would like to remind everyone about Ham Radio '95, the newest hamfest in the Atlanta area. The N.F.A.R.L. is a co-sponsoring area club of the event (see the associated article). Not only does this hamfest give us an opportunity to participate in its function, it gives us the opportunity to help our own club. The club has purchased 50 hamfest tickets at \$5 each. We will be reselling these tickets for \$6.50 each. Here is a great opportunity for us to generate extra revenue for the club. The more we sell, the more we make.

One last item, I am DESPERATELY in need of meeting topics. You know, something to fill the time between 7:50 and 9:00. In the past, we've had programs on weather, electrical safety, radio development, law and Amateur radio, etc. Well, I'm out of ideas, and I need your help. So, H-E-L-P. Please call me at 740-7939 and give me some assistance in this area. Have a safe Winter, and I'll "talk" with you again in the Spring.

Jeff, AA4RC

THE CLASSIFIEDS

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AT&T Color Monitor for Model 6300, original shipping box, EC, \$75, 552-9495, AA4RC, Jeff Weinberg

Stacker Disk Compression software, latest version (4.0), 3.5", in original box, \$40, 552-9495, AA4RC, Jeff Weinberg

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Mini-size, Add-on, Dual Serial Port Card, 1 - 16550 AFN Port, 1 - 16450 Port, Good for high speed communications, Like new - never used, \$15, 552-9495, AA4RC, Jeff Weinberg

If you have equipment or software for sale, please consider putting your items in the newsletter. It's free for club members, and \$3 per 4-line item for non-members. Send your list of items to: "Classifieds - For Sale", c/o Squelch

Tales, P.O. Box 1741, Roswell, GA, 30077. Please remember to put your telephone number, call (if you have one), and name on each item.

By-the-way, I haven't forgotten about the auction in May. I am just plain out-of-space around here, and need to start freeing up places on the floor, chairs, and tables. There will be more for sale at the auction. -JJW-



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A Picnic of an Idea

Here's something to consider. We have done such a good job of taking care of the Chimney Springs Clubhouse over the past 3 parties, that we have been offered the use of the subdivision's picnic facilities anytime we want to. And, best of all, it would be for no charge. All I need to do is notify the Homeowner's Office of our intent, and the picnic grounds will be reserved in our name. There are grills, a meeting "pit", playground for the children, a lake, and a beach. There are also walking paths around the lake. In the Summertime, it's a great place to meet.

What do you think? Should we take Chimney Springs up on its offer and have a Summer Family Picnic (in addition to the picnic we have for Field Day)? Let me know what you think. -Jeff Weinberg-

Don't Forget Ham Radio '95

Ham Radio '95 is the newest hamfest in town. Sponsored by the Ham Radio Foundation, Inc., part of the proceeds to this event will be given directly to the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital.

The N.E.A.R.L. is one of the sponsoring clubs of this event, and will be providing security for the hamfest. If you are interested in participating in security, please contact one of the officers. It should be a fun event for everyone.

Who's Who in the N.F.A.R.L.

(As of December 31)

	137	John	Mills	KD4EQE	302	Philip	Zeigler
	026	Todd	Zachritz	KD4FTZ	800	Ina	Earhart
	700	Joy	Watts	KD4FYJ	303	Bill	Pickens
AA4RC	004	Jeff	Weinberg	KD4HDE	292	Chris	Craig
AA4ZC	072	Larry	Boden Jr.	KD4HFR	320	Mario	Ruhnke
AA5NQ	121	Jack	Brabham	KD4HLM	312	Douglas	Allen
AD4FB	341	Daniel	Ortiz	KD4HYX	304	Donna	Pickens
AD4GJ	063	Pat	Patterson	KD4IKZ	327	David	Jacoby
AD4YZ	117	Bill	Kimes	KD4ILA	326	David	Mayer
AD4ZR	255	Russell	Akridge	KD4KEY	333	Martha	Clark
AG6R	336	Bryan	Carl	KD4LJG	165	Chris	Cammons
				KD4LJI	169	Richard	Cammons
K3GA	062	Stu	Kravitz	KD4LXQ	335	Chuck	Daley
K3PPY	059	David	McBride	KD4MZQ	313	Ron	Greer
K4AHJ	097	Tom	Knight	KD4NC	001	Doug	Drye
K4GLZ	260	Everett	Thomas Jr.	KD4PEN	021	Joel	Garrett
K4JHM	071	Hal	Myers	KD4RFK	060	Rick	Patchin
K4JMX	020	Alan	Dages	KD4RTY	300	Caroline	Keown
K4UAF	252	Don	Rogers	KD4RUA	148	Phillip	Butler
K6EID	092	Phil	Finkle	KD4RUC	352	Chuck	Tinsley Jr.
				KD4SGK	351	Alan	Manning
KA4GGI	030	Joseph	Pastuch	KD4SGR	079	Bill	Reynolds
				KD4SHE	037	Marshall	Magee
KB4KAY	272	Todd	McGinnis	KD4TFG	053	Jeff	Medin
KB4KBS	131	Scott	Straw	KD4TWN	237	Ann	Seay
KB4KHQ	317	Lane	Watts	KD4UMM	065	Jim	Moore
KB4LWS	124	Diane	Andrus	KD4WLC	033	Jim	Booth
KB4LWT	125	Larry	Andrus	KD4YDD	069	Scott	Brown
KB4NUC	064	John	Hess	KD4YRA	038	Luis	Velazquez
				KD4ZDX	123	Erwin	Valdez
KC4AZR	256	Kathleen	Foulkes	KD4ZNP	076	Bill	Agee
KC4RIB	089	Al	Fischer	KE4AQP	114	John	Strika
KC4ROW	220	Kenny	Snyder	KE4ATI	163	Ray	Cammons
KC4VZQ	357	Brian	Dugger	KE4BPM	118	Bill	Collins
KC4WHZ	275	George	Scott	KE4BSB	189	Ted	Cromey
KC4WZE	126	Randall	Routh	KE4CQG	087	Jonathan	Lorber
KC4YBO	231	Steve	Knittel	KE4CWG	088	Ken	Bishop
KC4YBT	042	David	Walls	KE4DCJ	102	Nancy	Smith
KC4ZLU	209	Paul	Grether	KE4EGD	101	Terry	Smith
KC4ZTP	122	Mike	Brooks	KE4ENH	099	Adam	Lee
KC4ZTY	262	Steven	Sheppard	KE4EPS	054	Judie	Medin
				KE4EPU	050	Gregory	Wieland
KD4APF	281	Brint	McClellan	KE4FOS	048	Edward	Hotchkiss
KD4APK	010	David	Fellows	KE4FOV	068	Bert	Bruner
KD4APR	129	Kathleen	Coleman	KE4GBB	093	Steve	Mays
KD4APT	283	Shiona	Cavaliere	KE4GBE	191	Michael	Hall
KD4ATP	301	John	Keown	KE4GPN	267	Dan	Reid
KD4DLV	325	Brian	Greer				

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KE4GXC	108	Steve	Potter	N4SE	265	Mac	McCarthy
KE4HIL	132	Rick	Clark	N4SHO	044	Chuck	Rann
KE4HMN	104	Oliver	Staley	N4UAY	203	Hamp	Smith
KE4HNN	106	Sue	Gutkes	N4UJO	202	Larry	Richardson
KE4HNP	105	Mike	Langley	N4UO	207	Walter	Wilson
KE4IGA	113	Sam	Freeman Jr.	N4VTH	205	Patty	Smith
KE4IHB	239	Kaushik	Mehta	N4VYP	285	Dorothy	McKinney
KE4IHC	115	John	Dowdney	N4WTA	213	Nancy	Vogt
KE4ILT	111	Anthony	Flowers	N4YIE	280	David	Gibson
KE4JKN	112	Susan	Mays	N4ZCX	261	George	Price
KE4JKR	116	Creed	Crutchfield	N4ZUQ	282	David	Cavaliere
KE4JTX	119	John	Vlad Jr.	NC4E	073	Jack	Sanders
KE4KAT	136	Keith	Mauldin	ND4D	090	Chuck	McGinnis Jr.
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KM4KB	056	Charles	Earhart	W8BLA	400	Vern	Fowler
KM4MG	022	Marty	Stern	W8SOA	055	Jack	Conrad
KM4OB	212	John	Vogt III	WA2OTJ	332	Frank	Grantham
KO4CA	270	Mac	Brown	WA4BNN	061	Mike	Henry
KQ4BG	337	Richard	Seay	WA4BRO	005	Dan	Turner
KQ4WZ	342	Donald	Reed	WA4BVI	230	Marvin	Ramos
KR4OX	322	Bob	Underwood	WA4FNJ	006	Mike	Connell
KS4CC	103	David	Hunt	WA4POU	347	Gilbert	Butler
KS4CM	268	Bill	Slatton	WA4WSP	276	Michelle	Weinberg
KS4GT	134	Ruth	Clemens	WA4YNZ	305	Bill	Hampton
NIABM	025	James	Alderdice	WB2HMG	082	Frank	Lombardi
N3FDT	330	Michelle	Bonelli	WB3JAU	100	Larry	Mottley
N3FDU	329	Mike	Bonelli	WB4GTL	081	Duane	Farmer
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				WV5R	039	Cam	Clayson



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- <http://www.alldata.tsb.com/>

Almanac of Events:

- <http://www.cm.cf.ac.uk/M/on-this-day>

Amateur Radio server:

- <http://w3eax.umd.edu>

Amateur Radio Callsign Database:

- <http://www.mit.edu:8001/callsign>

Amateur Radio WWW Server:

- <http://www.acs.ncsu.edu:80/HamRadio/>

Amdahl Corporation:

- <http://www.amdahl.com>

America Online Accessware:

- ncftp.aol.com

America's Cup Home Page:

- <http://www.ac95.org>

Amiga Users Area:

- gopher.gopher.unomaha.edu
- <http://www.ee.pdx.edu/cat/chaos/html/amigfx.html>

AmiTCP (Amiga TCP):

- ftp.max.physics.sunysb.edu
(cd /pub/amosaic/support)

Amtrak Schedules:

- gopher.gwis.circ.gwu.edu
(select: general and train)

Apple Computer Home Page:

- <http://www.apple.com>

AppleWebSearch (Apple Info):

- <ftp://ftp.uth.tmc.edu/public/mac/MACHHTTP/applewebsearch.sit.hqx>

Archological Database:

- <telnet:cast.uark.edu> (login: nadb)

Archeology (USC Mercury Project):

- <http://www.usc.edu/dept/raiders/>

Arizona Statue University Info:

- <telnet:info.asu.edu>
(login: www <cr>'G')

Art (links to animation & clipart):

- gopher.cs4sun.cs.ttu.edu
(select: art & images)

Art (works of art arranged by artist):

- gopher.unix5.nysed.gov

AstraNet (Prodigy Services Co.):

- <http://www.astranet.com>

Astronomy (AstroWeb)

- <http://marvel.stsci.edu/net-resources.html>

Astronomy (NASA):

- <http://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/StarTrax/Browse.html>

AT&T 1-800 Directory:

- <http://att.net/dir800>

AT&T You Will Server:

- <http://youwill.com>

ATI Technologies (video cards):

- <http://www.atitech.ca>
- <ftp://atitech.ca> (cd /pub/support)

Auburn University:

- <http://mallard.doc.auburn.edu/>

Auroral/Solar Report:

- finger.daily@xl.uleth.ca

Australian Web Servers:

- <http://life.anu.edu.au/links/ozmap.html>

Austrian MAC Group:

- [telnet:amdalinz.edvz.uni-](telnet:amdalinz.edvz.uni-linz.ac.at)

linz.ac.at

(userid/password <cr>)

AutoPages of Internet:

- <http://www.clark.net/pub/network/autopage/autopage.html>

Aviation:

- http://adswwww.harvard.edu/GA/ga_jnfo.html
- <http://aviation.jsc.nasa.gov>
- gopher.gasnet.med.nyu.edu
(select: Aviation)

The above selections are just that, selections from a much larger list of addresses for the Internet that I have been compiling over the past few months. I noted its size in an earlier article in this newsletter.

I tried to pick addresses from the "A's" that would be representative of hobbies, environment, business and government. Of particular interest is the address for the Amateur Radio callsign database. It's fairly up-to-date, and if you have a graphical front end like Mosaic, you will get a very nice data entry field in which you can look up people or calls. The NASA address is also interesting in that you can use it to browse other NASA sites and get pictures, files, or general information about space. The AT&T "You Will" server is the first attempt by this major corporation to put multi-media on-line. In fact, with the right hardware and software, you are supposed to be able to run short "infomercials" like the "You Will" commercials we see on TV. Of course, most of the Colleges and Universities are on-line, and the Auburn address will let you "visit" that university not too far away.

Next issue I'll visit the "B's" to see what's of interest. Who knows what I'll run across in the next three months. If you are interested in getting a copy of my list, it is available for *private use only* (no sharing or commercial use) for the cost of a diskette and postage. Just send me a 1.44, 3.5" diskette with a S.A.S.E., and tell me what data format you would like the file in. Mail this to: AA4RC, P.O. Box 1741, Roswell, GA, 30077.



Quarterly Treasurer's Report

N.F.A.R.L. Balance Sheet As of December 22, 1994

Assets:

Current Assets

Checking/Savings	
NFARL Checking	874.25
Petty Cash	66.35
Total Checking/Savings	940.60
Accounts Receivable	
Receivables	1,163.37
Total Accounts Receivable	1,163.37
Other Current Assets	
Savings Account	4,543.01
Undeposited Funds	275.00
Total Current Assets	6,921.98
Total Assets	\$6,921.98

Liabilities & Equity:

Liabilities

Current Liabilities	305.00
Other Current Liabilities	
Sales Tax	-0.75
Total Other Current Liabilities	-0.75
Total Current Liabilities	-0.75
Total Liabilities	304.25

Equity

Open Balance Equity	3,239.50
Retained Earnings	1,814.91
Net Income	1,563.32
Total Equity	6,617.73

Total Liabilities & Equity **\$6,617.73**

Reminder:

May is
Auction
Month

It's not too early to remind everyone that May is Auction month at the N.F.A.R.L. Traditionally, the May program is an opportunity to have a great deal of fun by bringing in items you no longer need and auctioning them off. As in previous years, you can elect to keep 90% of the selling price (the club keeps 10%), or donate the entire proceeds of the sale to the club.

The better the equipment and materials brought to the auction, the more interesting the auction will be. In previous years we have auctioned off whole QRP stations, radios (HF and VHF), computers, computer parts, printers, antennas, power supplies, audio speakers, books, manuals, and odds-and-ends. Things have sold for as little as 50 cents, or as much as \$200.

It's a lot of fun, and helps the club. The club has earned as much as \$325 for a single auction night. So start getting things ready to sell!

The N.F.A.R.L. has no way of knowing whether you wish to continue your membership with the club. It would be greatly appreciated if you would mail back to the club the invoice you receive, along with your payment, OR indicate on the invoice that you no longer wish to continue your membership. This will help us in planning our budget for the year and keeping our records accurate. -Fred-



Quarterly Secretary's Report

October 12, 1994

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Weinberg (AA4RC) at 7:30 PM.

The Treasurer and Secretary's reports from the last 3 months stand as written in *Squelch Tales*. The technical committee had no report.

A special 'Thank You' goes to Vern Fowler (W8BLA) from the NFARL for hosting the meeting tonight at his house. Vern will provide tonight's program on his "Hamshack" in his basement.

Items of Business:

1. Remember that *Squelch Tales* has membership forms for renewals and new members. Please update your personal information if it has changed in the past year. Fred Moore (N4CLA) will now be sending out statements for club renewals. Your repeater privileges will be revoked by the end of the first week in January, 1995, if you have not paid your dues on time. They will be reactivated after your dues have been paid.

2. Remember to renew or join the ARRL via the club. The NFARL gets \$2.00 for each person who joins via our club, and \$5.00 for each new ARRL member joining through the club.

3. Articles are always welcome for *Squelch Tales*, and a new information phone number for the club has been established by Jeff Weinberg. The number is 552-9495, mailbox #5. It can only be accessed by a touch-tone

telephone.

4. November is election month for the club. Anyone interested please contact Jeff at #740-7939, or any club officer on the air. The November meeting will be an open program. Our meeting place is in question. The Cherokee Cattle Co. has some concerns with the club which Jeff is working on with them. Contact Jeff if you have any suggestions on a new meeting place.

5. The ARRL books are at the Roswell Library being cataloged. They should be ready for use soon.

6. The Christmas Party will be at the Chimney Springs clubhouse. Directions are in *Squelch Tales*. The Amateur of the Year award will be presented to Chuck Daley (KD4LXQ) at the party.

7. Jeff discussed "Repeater Etiquette" with the members present. The following items were mentioned:

- Allow the courtesy tone to sound at the end of each of your transmissions. Also, allow the repeater to drop so that other operators have ample time to join in a conversation taking place.

- Be courteous! Recognize the person who throws out their call sign.

- The repeater is not a CB radio station. Please, do not use CB "Ten Codes".

- Please be aware of the language you use on the air. Do NOT say

anything on-the-air you do not want your own family to hear.

- Conduct NO commercial business on any NFARL repeater, or any repeater any where. Fred Moore (N4CLA) is the NFARL trustee, and he will decide if traffic is appropriate or not. If you are in doubt, DON'T DO IT! On at least one occasion, possible commercial traffic was heard being conducted on one of the NFARL repeaters.

- Please identify with your complete call sign. And remember, you must ID at least every 10 minutes, and at the end of the conversation before you sign off.

- Though nothing will be said to possible offenders on-the-air, they will receive telephone calls explaining what they did wrong and asking them not to do it again.

Vern Fowler is the "OO" coordinator for Georgia. He is in charge of 27 OO's in the state. (See the associated article elsewhere in this newsletter. - ed) Vern will send out a postcard as a reminder to the first time offender. After 4 violations, a pink slip will go out to the operator. These slips also go to the FCC, and then the operator will have to respond to the FCC.

8. New Licensees:

Tech - 1

Other upgrades - 1

Jeff recognized the club's Amateur

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Extra class operators. There were 6 present at the meeting. They have passed all the written and CW tests given to Amateur Radio operators. Jeff congratulated them, and encouraged all of the club's members to go for their Amateur Extra license.

New Members: 1

Visitors: 2

9. Steve Mays (KE4GBB) reminded everyone about the "Head of the Hooch Rowing Regatta" in November.

10. Jim Stafford (W4QO) made the following announcements to the assembly:

- The weekend of 10/15-10/16 is the Simulated Emergency Test on-the-air.

- The S*T*A*R*S station at Scitrek is participating in the Scouting Jamboree on-the-air. Station operators are needed, please contact Jim if interested.

- Sunday, 10/23/94, is the kickoff date for Science Week and Scitrek will be participating in those activities as well.

- Roswell North Grade School is trying to get an ATV Repeater station on the air. If you would like to donate equipment, a camera, TV, antenna, or radio, please contact Jim Stafford.

The meeting was concluded at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Judie Medin, KE4EPS.

November 9, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Jeff Weinberg (AA4RC).

The election of officers for the the Board of Directors was brought to the floor by Jeff. Jeff asked the nominating committee for the names of anyone interesting in serving on the Board, and no names had been brought to their attention. The nominating committee members were Rose Daley (KE4MCW) and Steve Knittel (KC4YBO).

Items of business:

1. Here are the results of the 1994 North Fulton Amateur Radio League elections for the 1995 Board of Directors:

A. Jeff Weinberg opened the floor for nominations for President. Michelle Weinberg, WA4WSP, nominated Jeff Weinberg, AA4RC, for President. The nomination was seconded. No other names were placed into nomination by the membership present. Jeff Weinberg was elected President by a majority of the members present.

B. Jeff Weinberg opened the floor for nominations for Vice-President. Cam Clayson, WV5R, nominated Steve Mays, KE4GBB, for Vice-President. The nomination was seconded. No other names were placed into nomination by the membership present. Steve Mays was elected Vice-President by a majority of the members present.

C. Jeff Weinberg opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer. Steve Knittel, KC4YBO, nominated Fred Moore, N4CLA, for Treasurer. The nomination was seconded. No other names were placed into nomination by the membership present. Fred Moore was elected Treasurer by a majority of the members present.

D. Jeff Weinberg opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Jeff Medin, KD4TFG, nominated Alan Stern, N4QXH, for Secretary. The nomination was seconded, but declined by Alan. Judie Medin, KE4EPS, and Rose Daley, KE4MCW, were then nominated for Secretary. Both nominations were seconded. No other names were placed into nomination by the membership

present. The results of the vote were 11 votes for Judie Medin, and 15 votes for Rose Daley. Rose Daley was therefore declared elected to the post of Secretary having carried a majority of the voting members present.

Judie Medin was thanked for the great job she had done as Secretary of the NFARL in 1994.

2. New Licenses:

Upgrades: Extra - 1
General - 1

Steve Mays, KE4GBB, has passed his Amateur Extra written test, and is practicing on his 20 wpm CW.

New members: none
Visitors: none

3. Remember, the December meeting is the Christmas Party at the Chimney Springs clubhouse. Michelle Weinberg, WA4WSP, will be coordinating it this year. The NFARL will supply the meat and drinks, and all members will be asked to bring a side item. The club will be contacting you prior to the party on what to bring. Chuck Daley, KD4LXQ, will be presented with this year's Amateur of the Year award at the party.

4. The January meeting place is still in question. Jeff is working with the Cherokee Cattle Co. for their meeting room. Also needed are program topics for 1995. Contact Jeff if you have any ideas for these programs.

The meeting concluded at 8:00 PM.

An open discussion followed with the 1994 members of the Board of Directors. A motion was made for the club to purchase a repeater card from AD Technologies. It was noted that in the past, AD Technologies has donated 2 repeater cards for use by the club in its repeaters on 145.470 and 147.060. The new card will be used for the 440 MHz repeater when it is brought into service. The motion was seconded and passed

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unanimously.

Alan Stern began a discussion on increased participation in running the club. (See the Presidents article earlier in this newsletter. -ed) He brought up the idea of term limits for the club's Board of Directors. Jeff Weinberg and Fred Moore noted that in order to implement term limits within the NFARL now, a change would have to be made to the club's by-laws. It was decided that at the January meeting, the matter will be discussed again, and if the membership present feels that this is a good idea, then a ballot will be placed into the April Squelch Tales, with a vote to follow at the April meeting on the subject. This will allow all members of the club to have the chance to express their opinions on this topic.

Fred Moore was asked about the status of the 440 repeater. Fred reported that all of the repeater equipment on Sweet Mountain had been moved to the cabinet, but that work still needed to be done on the antenna and feedline, as well as incorporating the 440 repeater controller into the computer being used by the 145.470 repeater. Fred promised to do his best to get the repeater up and running at the earliest opportunity. Fred reminded the group that with the holidays coming up, this was not a good time of year for him to spend time working on the new repeater.

Respectfully submitted by Judie Medin, KE4EPS.

December 14, 1994

The Christmas Party was held at the Chimney Springs clubhouse. There was no formal meeting held for the club.

However, the 1994 Amateur of the Year award was presented to Chuck Daley, KD4LXQ, for his long history of

education to emergency communications and preparedness in the North Fulton area.

Jeff Weinberg was given a present from the club thanking him for his service as President. The present was a telephone made up to look like an old time radio.

Each member of the 1995 Board of Directors was introduced to the club members present. Jeff Weinberg - President, Steve Mays - Vice President, Fred Moore - Treasurer, Rose Daley - Secretary. Once again, Judie Medin was thanked for her fine work as Secretary in 1994. Jeff noted that as editor of the newsletter, he particularly appreciated Judie's ability to write the minutes in a manner that he could easily read. The party lasted until after 9 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Judie Medin, KE4EPS.

P.S.

I want to thank the Board and all of the club members for their support this year. I enjoyed representing the club as its Secretary, and look forward to working with the club in the future. Thanks!!

-Judie-



Ever want to put pen-to-paper? No? Not even a little bit? Be honest.....

Squelch Tales needs people to contribute articles and news. Every one is an expert at something. And, you would be surprised at how many people are indeed interested in what you have to contribute to the club.

So, don't be bashful. If you have something to report or say, send it to *Squelch Tales* Editor, P.O. Box 1741, Roswell, GA. 30077.

Contester's Corner

If you have material you would like to submit to this column, please send it to the Contester's Corner, *Squelch Tales*, P.O. Box 1741, Roswell, GA 30077.

Upcoming Contests

- January 7-8 ARRL RTTY Roundup
- Michigan QRP Club CW Contest
- QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint
- January 14-15 HA-DX Contest
- January 21-23 ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
- YL-ISSB QSO Party
- January 27-29 CQ World-Wide 160 Meter DX Contest, CW
- UAB Contest, phone
- February 5-6 Classic Radio Exchange
- Feb. 13-17 School Club Roundup
- Feb. 18-19 ARRL International DX Contest, CW
- Feb. 24-26 CQ World Wide 160 Meter DX Contest, Phone