



# The WA4IWL Newsletter



ENGLEWOOD AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC.

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**EARS**

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Martin Horowitz  
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K4VHX  
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WL7CKY  
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WA4IWL  
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Dennis Babcock

## Message From The President

It is my pleasure, as your new President, to write this message. I am honored by your support and that given to the newly elected society officers. With you, we will continue, and grow, our community and national service as well as the comradery and respect we show to all HAMS.

The newly elected officers for 2004 are:

President - Martin Horowitz, W4MHH

Vice President - Tom Hawes, WA3PRC

Secretary - Hugh Myers, KG4ZDX

Treasurer - Vic Emmelkamp, K4VHX

Trustee - Ken Anderson, W4JQT

Trustee - Don Spencer, WA4IWL



Trustee - Keith Herve, WL7CKY

I want to thank all previous year officers for a JOB WELL DONE ! They have led us into 2004 with a new and vigorous outlook which we will continue to build upon.

Looking forward to another great year for EARS.

73, Martin-W4MHH

## January 16 Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** President Keith Herve-WL7CKY opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with the Pledge

### CLUB MEETING

Englewood Amateur Radio Club meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at 7:30 PM. Meeting location is at the Englewood United Methodist Church 700 E. Dearborn St. (near Pine St. & River Road). Contact one of the officers for directions to the meeting room.

### After Meeting Program Providers

February's program is a demonstration by Bob Officer-W6WAY on his reverse osmosis water system used on his boat.

**Interested in becoming an EARS member or becoming an amateur radio operator?**

**Please contact one of the EARS club officers for details**

of Allegiance to our flag. There were 17 members and 6 visitors in attendance. Visitors were introduced and made welcome and then introductions were made around the room.

Visitors were Peter Pisa-KG4MOB, Bob Avrutik-N1RA, Bill Kraemer-KB9QOC, Richard Butler-WD9EZO, Jan Butler-WD9EZO, and Chuck Pistone-W8PFH.

**Secretary's Report:** Free-W1NPR moved to accept the minutes of last months meeting as printed in the news letter. Seconded by George-KA4JKY and carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Vic-K4VHX reported expenses since our last report of \$218.00, and income of \$441.50, making a check book balance of \$4626.03 on January 16, 2004. A motion by George-KA4JKY to accept the report was seconded by Jim-NX2II and carried.

### **Committee Reports**

**Publicity** – Jerry-K4JWE reported on publicity plans for our hamfest in March.

**Testing** – Ken-W4JQT reported no plans for testing in January.

**Hamfest** – Vic-K4VHX reported on our Charlotte County Hamfest planned for March 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Correspondence**

A letter was read transmitting \$15.00 to the club treasury for donated items that have been sold.

### **New Business**

By Laws Change Proposal –

Article IV, Section 2, Voting Rights and Quorum

Change from twenty such members to twenty percent of such members. The proposal passed with no dissenting vote.

By Laws Change Proposal –

Article VI, Budget, Section 2-Disperse Funds

Change from \$50.00 or less. totaling no more than \$50.00 during...to \$100.00 or less...totaling more than \$100.00 during...This proposal passed with no dissenting vote.

### **Election of Officers for 2004**

The names of those in nomination as reported at the December, 2003 meeting were read, and the floor was then opened for further nominations. There being no other nominations, Don-WA4IWL moved the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded and carried. Don then moved the secretary cast a unanimous vote for the candidates, which the secretary agreed to do.

The motion was seconded and carried. The officers for 2004 are as follows:

President	Marty Horowitz-W4MHH
Vice President	Tom Hawes-WA3PRC
Secretary	Hugh Myers-KG4ZDX
Treasurer	Vic Emmelkamp-K4VHX
Trustee	Don Spencer-WA4IWL
Trustee	Ken Anderson-W4JQT
Trustee	Keith Herve-WL7CKY

At this point, Keith turned the gavel over to the new president, Marty-W4MHH, who took over the meeting, with congratulations from Keith. Marty's first official act was to assemble the newly elected officers up front for a photograph.

### **Announcements**

Dues-Dennis-K4NF announced that in order to be included in the new directory, dues should be paid by the end of February.

Dennis also announced that items for the news letter should be to him before the end of the month so he can get the news letter out on the first of each month.

Keith-WL7CKY thanked the officers, project leaders, and members for a good year.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. After a short break for refreshments, Bob Avrutik-N1RA gave an excellent program on amateur radio operation aboard a cruise ship in waters around England, Ireland, and France, and all the preliminary licensing and authorization required.

Ken Anderson-W4JQT  
Secretary - Pro Tem



### VE Exam Sessions

The exams are given at 9:30 AM the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, on a reservation basis only, in the conference room of the Englewood Chamber of Commerce building, 601, South Indiana Avenue. Contact Jack Sproat-W4JS, w4js@juno.com, 475-1929

### January Presentation by Bob Avrutik-N1RA

#### Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale, Trade, Want To Buy

For Sale:

**AEA** TNC Model PK-900 ..... \$100  
Contact Larry Bell-W4ERN, w4ern@comcast.net,  
493-5900

For Sale:

**Cushcraft** R7 HF Vertical, 10,12,15,17,20,30,40  
meters w/complete instructions. .... \$160  
Contact Ted Holman-KB8UXK, kb8uxk@aol.com  
473-4222

For Sale:

(\* indicates cost when new)

**Hygain** TH3MK4 10-15-20 beam, 3 ele, \*\$470  
(new still in box) ..... \$395  
**Cubex** Killer Bee 6 ele, 6 mtr beam, \*\$300 ... \$150  
**Cushcraft** 13B2, 13 ele, 2 MTR, 15ft BOOM,

\*\$169.95 ..... \$95  
**Hygain** IV rotor & rotor cable ..... \$150  
**Alliance** rotor ..... \$35  
**Yeasu** G-1000SDX rotor & 125' cable, \*\$500 . \$300  
**Wireman** BuryFlex low loss coax, 160', \*\$95 (new  
never used) ..... \$75  
**Drake** W4 HF watt meter 200/2000 scales ..... \$35  
**Diawa** CN101 new watt meter 1.8-150MHz,  
15/150/1500w scales, \*\$100 ..... \$65  
**Diawa** CN103M VHF/UHF wattmeter, 140-525MHz,  
20/200w scales, \*\$100 ..... \$50  
**MFJ**-816 HF SWR/Watt meter,  
30/300 scales, \*\$35 ..... \$15  
**Eico** Mighty Mite tube tester ..... \$75  
**MFJ** 4245 45 Amp Switching power supply  
\*\$165 ..... \$100  
**Lambda** power supply,0-40Vdc @ 3amp ..... \$35  
**RCA** Master VoltOhmyst, WV510A  
Solid State VTVM ..... \$30  
**Henry** 100AL10 2 mtr SSB/FM amp,  
<10in=100w out ..... \$50  
**Commander** 2 mtr FM amp, <10in=80out, 4-10w max  
input ..... \$25  
**Command** CommSwitch 3500, computer/FAX/Phone  
Management System ..... \$10  
**Heil** Pro Micro Headset/w Icom adapter & preamp \$85  
**Kenwood** TM261A 2mtr xceiver, needs work .. \$25  
**Alinco** DR1200 2mter xceiver, Needs mike & backup  
battery ..... \$10  
**MFJ** 1272BYV Mike/TNC switch \*\$39 ..... \$10  
**Misc.** Coax, aluminum & steel pipe ..... \$??  
Contact Dennis Babcock-K4NF, k4nf@arrl.net  
698-1251, 468-4131 Or see you at the Arcadia  
Hamfest.

#### Florida February Hamfests

Listing from <http://www.arrl.org>

**7-8 Feb 2004** Florida State Convention, Dade Radio Club of  
Miami, <http://www.hamboree.org>, Contact: John Hall, WD4SFG  
8670 SW 29th Street, Miami, FL 33155,  
Phone: 305-226-5346

Email: [wd4sfg@bellsouth.net](mailto:wd4sfg@bellsouth.net)

**10-15 Feb 2004** Operating Specialty Convention, ARC of Wally  
Byam Caravan Club, Christmas, FL,  
<http://www.rvweb.net/club/wbcciarc/index.html>  
Contact: Richard Stroud, W9SR, 3139 South Main Street, PO Box  
73, Liberty Center, IN 46766  
Phone: 260-694-6660, Email: [dikw9sr@citiznet.com](mailto:dikw9sr@citiznet.com)

**13-15 Feb 2004** Southeastern Division Convention, Orlando ARC, <http://www.oarc.org>, Contact: Cindy Radice, KD4NLV, PO Box 547811, Orlando, FL 32854-7811

Phone: 407-273-1406, Email: [hamcation@oarc.org](mailto:hamcation@oarc.org)

**21 Feb 2004** Highlands County ARC, Sebring, FL <http://www.strato.net/~hamradio>, Contact: Ben Wilbanks, KA6R 2003 Flower Terrace, Sebring, FL 33875

Phone: 863-314-0963, Email: [ka6r@arrl.net](mailto:ka6r@arrl.net)

#### **WA7BNM February Contest Calendar**

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html>

- North American Sprint, CW 0000Z - 0400Z, Feb 1
- Vermont QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 7 - 2400Z, Feb 8
- New Hampshire QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 7 - 2400Z, Feb 8
- 10-10 Inter. Winter Contest, SSB 0001Z, Feb 7 - 2400Z, Feb 8
- Minnesota QSO Party 1400Z - 2359Z, Feb 7
- Delaware QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 7 - 0500Z, Feb 8 and 1300Z, Feb 8 - 0100Z, Feb 9
- Mexico RTTY International Contest 1800Z, Feb 7 - 2400Z, Feb 8
- North American Sprint, Phone 0000Z - 0400Z, Feb 8
- FYBO Winter QRP Field Day 1600Z - 2400Z, Feb 8
- ARRL School Club Roundup 1300Z, Feb 9 - 0100Z, Feb 14
- CQ/RJ WW RTTY WPX Contest 0000Z, Feb 14 - 2400Z, Feb

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- SARL Field Day Contest 1000Z, Feb 14 - 1000Z, Feb 15
- Asia-Pacific Sprint, CW 1100Z - 1300Z, Feb 14
- Dutch PACC Contest 1200Z, Feb 14 - 1200Z, Feb 15
- YL-OM Contest, CW 1400Z, Feb 14 - 0200Z, Feb 16
- FISTS Winter Sprint 1700Z - 2100Z, Feb 14
- OMISS QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 14 - 0500Z, Feb 15
- RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest, CW 2100Z, Feb 14 - 0100Z, Feb 15
- QRP ARCI Winter Fireside SSB Sprint 2000Z - 2400Z, Feb 15
- ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Feb 21 - 2400Z, Feb 22
- YL-ISSB QSO Party, CW 0000Z, Feb 21 - 2400Z, Feb 22
- YL-OM Contest, SSB 1400Z, Feb 21 - 0200Z, Feb 23
- CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB 0000Z, Feb 28 - 2359Z, Feb 29
- REF Contest, SSB 0600Z, Feb 28 - 1800Z, Feb 29
- UBA DX Contest, CW 1300Z, Feb 28 - 1300Z, Feb 29
- Mississippi QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 28 - 0300Z, Feb 29
- North American QSO Party, RTTY 1800Z, Feb 28 - 0600Z, Feb 29
- High Speed Club CW Contest 0900Z - 1100Z, Feb 29 and 1500Z - 1700Z, Feb 29
- North Carolina QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 29 - 0300Z, Mar 1