

# Tales from the Swamp

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Swamp Fox  
Contest Group



WW4SF

June 4 - We had a small gathering at Lizards Thicket in Lexington.

Dave NJ4F and XYL Dee  
Frank KG4IGC and XYL Sarah  
Ted K7OM and XYL Marie  
Dave WB5NHL and XYL  
Gil KS4YX

We had the usual interesting discussions, sorry more could not make it.

Russ W4STR passed his Extra !! Congratulation, Russ !!

The club website has been renewed for one year at \$83.88, and the domain name for 2 years at \$39.95. We saved \$10 by going for 2 years.

Want to remind everyone I am putting on another contest class. It will be held at the Red Cross building in North Charleston on Aug 6. Please spread the word !!

Congrats to Dave WB5NHL in the 2015 ARRL 10M contest:

161 Q's, 61 mults = 2<sup>nd</sup> in SC and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Roanoke  
Way to go !!

I'm still trying to sell my MFJ-998 auto tuner and MFJ-986 manual tuner, and a few other items.

Dave WN4AFP finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the US in the 2016 Ontario QSO Party - congrats Dave !!

We have a new member - Craig Nessel W4CAN. Craig lives in Bonneau. Wonder if he is pontoon M/M ???

Maybe next year the club can do FD somewhere. Gotta remember to bring this up later....

There's a new contest - SA-Sprint on July 23. [www.sa-sprint.com](http://www.sa-sprint.com)

That's it for June, everyone. Not a lot happened, but the fall contest season is coming up in a few months, so be ready !!

## *Discussions:*

Ron N4VZ started a short discussion about lightning detection. Seems his shack is windowless and a lightning storm passed over him without his being aware of it. Ted suggested usingf Belkin surge protectors

## ***Awards & Certificates Received:***

None advised of.

## Contests:

(Number Q's - score)

June 1	CWOps	W1TEF	5 - 25
June 4	Alabama QSOP	WN4AFP KG4IGC	77 - 9,126 18 - 576
June 10	NCCC Sprint	WN4AFP	13 - 169
June 11	DRCG RTTY	KG4IGC K7OM NJ4F	75 - 15,059 84 - 36,960 (Ted got a lot more DX!) 31 - 5580 (estimated score)
June 11	ARRL VHF	AJ4UQ W4EEY KK4MA	8 - 64 121 - 8,228 313 - 35,682
Jun 16	CWOps	WN4AFP	43 - 1,849
June 18	WV QSOP	WN4AFP KG4IGC	28 - 716 (CW and SSB) 14 - 268 (CW and SSB)
June 11	Stew Perry	N4IQ NJ4F K7OM	84 - 193 27 - 59 28 - 64 (Ted usually bests me by 1)
June 22	CWOps (1300) CWOps (1900)	WN4AFP WN4AFP	39 - 1,482 10 - 100
June 25	Field Day	KG4IGC KS4YX WN4AFP	191 - 710 (used WW4SF) 117 - 206 - 850
June 29	CWOps (1300)	WN4AFP	34 - 1,156
June 30	CWOps (0300)	WN4AFP	45 - 1,800