

# Tales from the Swamp

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WW4SF

I apologize folks, I have been slack here the last couple of months. Will do better.

Yearly meeting:

January 28 (Sat), 3 pm  
Lizards Thicket  
4616 Augusta Road (US 1)  
Lexington, SC

A few of us lost power and antennas/towers from the hurricane. I was without power for 3 days, but luckily no damage other than covering for the workshop, a lot of limbs and leaves down.

Dave K4DLE lost power and a few trees and a new wire antenna.

Bill N4IQ said he had a sprinkle of rain.

Bill N4IQ says he can't stay up for 0300z CW Ops, he turns into a pumpkin.

Lew N4CO asked if anyone was using touch keyers. I said I was. Did anyone else speak up, Lew ?? What did you eventually do ??

NEW MEMBER !! Al NE4EA, Surfside Beach Welcome aboard !!

Per Frank, KG4IGC: If typos occur from the keyboard, could be it is out of warranty.

## *Discussions:*

There was some discussion about the FCC seeking comments regarding some hams reapplying for vanity call signs almost monthly to keep 1x2 and 2x1 call signs out of circulation.

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

**Hans WU0B**            1<sup>st</sup> Place SC SOLP, ARRL SS Phone 2015

**Ted K70M**            149<sup>th</sup> Place SOAH World, Russian WW RTTY

**WW4SF !!!**           1<sup>st</sup> Place SC MOLP, ARRL SS Phone 2015 (W4ANT, KB9WHV)

**Mike KK4MA**        6<sup>th</sup> North America        June 2016 VHF  
3<sup>rd</sup> SE Region  
1<sup>st</sup> Roanoke Division  
1<sup>st</sup> South Carolina Section

**Frank KG4IGC**      1<sup>st</sup> Place SO Unlimited QRP SC, ARRL 160M 2015

## **Contests:** (Number Q's - score)

### **California QSO Party**

K4AMA	58 - 4,698
WN4AFP	90 - 13,680

### **Russian MM DX RTTY**

K7OM	11 - 450
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### **TARA PSK Skirmish**

AJ4UQ	
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### **Pennsylvania QSO Party**

WN4AFP	128 - 24,400
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### **CW Ops**

N4IQ	85 - 6,375	Oct 12 1300z
N4IQ	76 - 5,244	Oct 12 1900z
WN4AFP	12 - 144	Oct 13 0300z
N4IQ	69 - 4,278	Nov 2 1300z
N4IQ	76 - 5,1687	Nov 2 1900z
WN4AFP	12 - 144	Nov 9 1300z
N4IQ	78 - 5,460	Nov 16 1300z
N4IQ	68 - 4,080	Nov 16 1900z
N4IQ	82 - 6,560	Nov 17 0300z
N4IQ	79 - 5,609	Nov 23 1900z
N4IQ	89 - 6,497	Nov 23 1300z
N4IQ	91 - 7,098	Nov 23 0300z
N4IQ	92 - 7,452	Nov 30 1300z

### **New York QSO Party**

K4AMA	17 - 481
WN4AFP	105 - 9,450
WU0B	6 - 36

### **Iowa QSO Party**

K4AMA	11 - 242
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### **Worked All Germany**

K4AMA	44 - 3,036
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**Illinois QSO Party**

WN4AFP	31 - 3,268
N4IQ	218 - 25,833

**JARTS RTTY**

KG4IGC	170 - 23,541
K7OM	259 - 68,817

**Pre-Stew Perry (160M CW)**

NJ4F	52 - 149
KG4IGC	51 - 180

**CQ WW DX SSB**

WN4AFP	143 - 41,760
W4EEY	602 - 477,405
K7OM	187 - 69,643
KG6MC	352 - 205,751
WU0B	48 - 4,644
AJ5E	88 - 18,183
W4SLT	144 - 25,674 <i>all on 10M</i>

**ARRL SS CW**

WN4AFP	428 - 64,200
N4IQ	640 - 106,240

**ARRL SS SSB**

WU0B	116 - 18,560
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**Kentucky QSO Party**

WN4AFP	14 - 1,282
N4IQ	10 - 96

**WAE RTTY**

NJ4F	375 - 103,875
KS4YX	87 - 6,873
AJ4UQ	125 - 16,250
K7OM	414 - 130,896
KG4IGC	243 - 92,796
KM4RK	40 - 2,840

**Bulgaria CW/SSB**

K7OM	70 - 9,472
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**CQ WW CW**

KS4YX	100 - 25,938
N4IQ	487 - 391,732
WN4AFP	300 - 152,600
KG4IGC	246 - 123,420
NJ4F	327 - 210,720
K7OM	384 - 269,094