



Meeting Agenda April 15, 2026

❖ **Meeting Detail:**

Day / Date:	Wednesday April 15, 2026
In-Person Meeting Option: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Hoss's Steak and Sea House Restaurant, 61 Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA (Upper Allen Township) Arrive at 5:15 p.m. or earlier to order your dinner and allow time to enjoy your meal. Meeting begins at 6:40 p.m. Meeting ends about 7:55 p.m.
Zoom Web Meeting Option: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Copy and paste this URL into your browser: https://zoom.us/j/184030413?pwd=Z1N2ek1TQUpHR0syUy9uUmRSOWxHQT09 Manual Entry: www.zoom.us Meeting ID: 184 030 413 Password 016028 Zoom Meeting Room opens at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 6:40 p.m. and ends about 7:55 p.m.
Meeting Lead by:	John Luthy, WA3KCP

Door Prize Entry Ticket	The winning ticket holder is invited to select the prize of his or her choice from a limited selection of Immediate Gratification Door Prizes . A broad selection of door prizes, for later delivery, can be found in MEMBER AREA >> MEMBER DATA ENTRY FORMS >> THE CARC STORE on our website.
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Remove ticket and separate it from the glue dot. Fill-in your Call Sign or Name Place ticket in the Door Prize Ticket Pretzel Jar	
If your Door Prize Ticket is drawn as the winner...	
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-or-	
b.) Visit The CARC Store for our full selection. https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com/member-store	
	
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❖ Meeting Participants / Attendees

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❖ First Things First

❖ Let's Get Started

Welcome to our Guests and Visitors.	<p>We invite you to share your contact information so that we can keep you informed of club news and other activities. Let us share our Contact Us form with you tonight.</p> <p>We won't pester you. If you ever wish to be removed from the contact list please tell us. email: membership@RadioClub-CARC.com</p>
Tonight's Meeting Host	<p>Thank you to Hoss's for making this meeting room available to us, free of charge. Please reward Hoss's with your dining dollars in the spirit of returning the favor.</p> <p>Thank you to Diane for serving our food and beverages. Please reward her good service. She strives for your appreciation.</p>
FCC License Renewal Reminder	<p>No License Renewals are due in April, May, or June 2026</p> <p>FCC license renewals can be submitted beginning 90 days prior to the license expiration date. The CARC website has step-by-step instructions for dealing with a license renewal and remittance of the FCC fee https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com/resource-license/#lic213</p> <p>The link shown above will bring you to the document row where the introduction, shown to the right, appears.</p> <p>Click the white box to display the PDF document. The document page count is 23. About half of that is for readers who successfully registered for a FCC CORES account in 2021</p> <div data-bbox="1230 835 1507 1045" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Renew My FCC License <small>Updated August 30, 2024</small></p> <p><small>Renewing your FCC Amateur Radio License requires you to have an up-to-date account in the FCC CORES system and the FCC LICENSE MANAGER system. This article provides step-by-step procedures for getting the job done.</small></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="button" value="Renew My FCC License [PDF]"/></p> <p><small>Keywords: RENEW, CORES, ULS, LICENSE MANAGER, FCC, PAYMENT.</small></p> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Have you registered with the FCC CORES System? The FCC changed their systems back in 2021. Transactions going to or coming from the FCC are now <u>all electronic</u> – NO MORE PAPER FORMS.</p> <p>Unless you are registered with CORES the FCC has no eMail address on record to which they can send official business correspondence. If the FCC cannot reach you they may cancel your license. The last time your Editor (AF3I) checked the FCC records, thirteen CARC Members appeared to have no registration information in the CORES system. Need help? Just ask.</p>
Birthday Greetings April 2026	<p style="text-align: center;">Charlene Cash, WG3Q Jeff Orner, W3JKO James Simpson, N3JRS Roger Wheeler, K3SU</p>

❖ Introductions

Tonight's Guests	
Tonight's Attendees In-Person	<p>Let's take a tour around the Hoss's Meeting Room and introduce ourselves by Name and Call Sign. Let's begin with Club President John Luthy, WA3KCP</p> <p><i>Please be prepared for a NEW and IMPROVED method of introductions for the benefit of our Zoom Audience.</i> (a brief cut-over to an alternate video source is part of this method.)</p>
Tonight's Attendees Zoom Web Meeting	<p>And then we will do the same for our Zoom Web Meeting audience.</p>

❖ **Membership Moment**

Nothing today.

❖ **Milestones, Achievements, General Announcements and My Thanks to...**

Milestones and Achievements 1	
Milestones and Achievements 2	
Milestones and Achievements 3	
Milestones and Achievements 4	
Milestones and Achievements 5	

❖ **Parks On The Air — CARC Member, Top 10 Standings**

Data Mined: Mar 31, 2026 10:00:00 PM											
CARC Member Call Sign	Total Successful Activations	Total Attempted Activations	Unique Parks Successful Activation	Unique Parks Attempted Activation	Parks Hunted	Successful QSOs as Activator	Attempted QSOs as Activator	Plus Successful QSOs as Hunter	Equals Total QSOs	CARC Ranking	Notes:
KC3CPT	25	27	6	8	2676	1159	1163	5553	6716	1	
N3FWE	9	9	9	9	3027	144	144	3892	4036	2	
KC3UVG	110	113	29	29	953	1751	1755	1946	3701	3	
KC3UVH	109	113	29	29	944	1719	1731	1935	3666	4	
N3GTY	1	1	1	1	1423	15	15	3265	3280	5	
KC2FLY	1	1	1	1	463	13	13	642	655	6	
KB3PQT	5	6	4	5	196	90	93	237	330	7	
WG3Q	4	8	4	7	170	116	135	194	329	8	
WA3KCP	0	3	0	3	244	0	19	287	306	9	
W3JKO	0	0	0	0	119	0	0	167	167	10	

NEW: Look for an electronic version of the complete CARC Parks-On-The-Air Standings spreadsheet, accessible via the Club website <https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com> MEMBER AREA >> MEMBER DOCUMENTS Scroll down. Look for CARC POTA STANDINGS which can be located quickly by following the path to NAVIGATION BLOCK 02. Click the button labeled **Visit Our POTA Page**.

And the final step is a link labeled **Click Here to VIEW the CARC POTA STANDINGS**.

Eureka!. You should see a GOOGLE SHEET before your eyes.

❖ President's Report

Reporting:	John Luthy, WA3KCP
Presentation Details	The President's Report will be included in the Meeting Minutes document.

❖ Vice-President's Report

Reporting:	Charlene Cash, WG3Q She plans to join tonight's meeting via Zoom
Presentation Details	The Vice-President's Report will be included in the Meeting Minutes document.

❖ Secretary Report (Consent Agenda)

Reporting:	Maura Smith-Mitsky, KC3JJH
Presentation Details	The minutes of our March 2026 meeting were captured by Maura Smith-Mitsky, KC3JJH. The document has been posted in the password protected MEMBER AREA >> MEETING RECORDS page of our website. https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com/meeting-records/ See the back of your CARC Membership card if you need the password.
Consent Option	If there are no objections the March 2026 Meeting Minutes will be accepted as distributed. © Otherwise, please be recognized and present your comments.
Comments, Corrections	
Motion for Acceptance, if needed.	Moved: _____ Seconded: _____
Authorization by Membership	By a vote of _____ in favor, and _____ opposed the Secretary's Report is: <input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Rejected

❖ Treasurer Report

Reporting:	Doug Stenger, KC3CPT																														
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❖ Membership Secretary Report

Reporting:	Maura Smith-Mitsky, KC3JJH
Presentation Details	The Membership Secretary will provide updates on the membership adjustment process and our current membership count.
Comments, Corrections	

❖ Club License Trustee Report

Reporting:	Dave Smith, W3SOX.
Presentation Details	
Comments, Corrections	

❖ Quartermaster Report

Reporting:	Doug Stenger, KC3CPT
Presentation Details	
Comments, Corrections	

❖ QSL Manager Report

Reporting:	Frank Mellott, KB3PQT
Presentation Details	
Comments, Corrections	

❖ Standing Committee Report – Dillsburg Parade

Reporting:	Andrew Forsyth, AF3I
Presentation Details	No changes since last month. Next actions are expected to occur in September 2026. Eleven volunteers stepped forward to serve the community and the club. They are: Charlene Cash WG3Q, Doug Stenger KC3CPT, Valli Hoski N8QVT, Rob Rowe KC2FLY, Jon McCown KC3ZYD, John Luthy WA3KCP, Robert Getty KB3EWJ, Doug Good KC3AB, Mark Anstine KC3UVG, Paula Anstine KC3UVH, Sherry Morgan, N3TMT. Thank you for your offers to serve.
Comments, Corrections	

❖ Unfinished Business (New name for Old Business)

Name Badges	Take your badge as you enter. Return your badge as you leave.
ARRL Affiliated Club Status	With the adjustment to the club membership roster we remain qualified to be an ARRL Affiliated Club with 64% of our CARC Members who are ARRL Members. The minimum required ARRL Membership percentage among CARC Members is 51%.
ARRL Club Liability Insurance	This General Liability insurance policy has been renewed for a one-year term at the rate of \$200.00.

ARRL Club Commission program.	Robert Rowe KC2FLY will be your point person. ARRL memberships established and maintained this way, instead of directly with ARRL Headquarters, will financially benefit CARC. Details to follow.
Additional topics of Old Business?	

❖ New Business

Editor's Note:	Proposed New Business topics must be submitted to Club Leadership in writing and be published in the Monthly Meeting Agenda before they can be discussed in the Monthly Meeting environment.
Program for May Meeting?	Program? Discussion of ideas for May? (Field Day? All-play QSL/Certificate Show& Tell, Story Time?)
Next Enhancement Wide Angle Camera	<p>The direction given to Andrew Forsyth AF3I defined the goal as: “zoomers see entire in-house audience.” This goal is interpreted as a request for a wide-angle camera, capable of seeing persons seated in the far left and far right seats in the Hoss’s meeting room. For example, where Doug Stenger regularly sits, and where Frank Mellott regularly sits. Such a camera probably needs to be equipped with automated Pan, Tilt, Zoom functionality (or manual controls) in order to achieve the goal.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> We have been using the web cam owned by Andrew Forsyth AF3I. It is a Logitech C922. The camera is configured for its maximum field of view which is specified as 78 degrees.</p> <p>The Hoss’s Meeting Room is equipped with two rows of tables. Let’s name the tables from the perspective of the room entrance. Table Row 1 is on the left. Table Row 2 is on the right. A diagram of this numbering convention appears on page 11.</p> <p>Seating Row 1 has four tables with chairs, each table seating two people on each side. Let’s number the seats 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18</p> <p>Seating Row 2 had three tables with chairs, each table seating two people on each side. Let’s number the seats 21,22,23,24,25,26 and 31,32,33,34,35,36.</p> <p>The Hoss’s Meeting Room width is estimated to be 20 feet. (Get a measured dimension.) With a field-of-view 78 degrees, and a known distance from the camera to the far end of the meeting room table (16 feet), trigonometry tells us the viewable width is slightly more than 16 feet.</p> <p>When the Logitech C922 camera is mounted on its tripod, and by observation of the Zoom Video Recording, that setting provides a view of persons seated at the tables in seats numbered 1,2,3,4,5,11,12,13,14,21,22,23,and 24. These seats have been highlighted GREEN on the page 11 diagram. The field-of-view, and the distance from the camera to our audience, is not sufficient to capture an image of the entire seating area in this meeting room.</p> <p>Note: In all cases, the FOV using Pan, Tilt, Zoom features is dependent upon either manual operation or sensing with directional microphone and automated aiming at the meeting attendee who is speaking. Non-Speaking Meeting Room Attendees are unlikely to be projected.</p> <p>Note: Video Bars typically are permanently mounted to the conference room wall. Since our intended use involves the Hoss’s Meeting Room, where we cannot drill holes in the walls, we</p>

probably need to budget for workaround mounting arrangements.

Meeting Room Camera Device Options:

Only automated Pan, Tilt, Zoom devices were considered. Manual controls were rejected.

Logitech MeetUp	\$600.00	FOV 113 degrees. 163 degrees with PTZ Manually controlled by a device operator. Recommended for up to 8 meeting room participants.
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Logitech MeetUp2	\$999.00	FOV 113 degrees, +/- 48 degrees with PTZ Mfr documents describe this as for Small Rooms
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MEETING OWL with OWL BAR + Owl Bar.	Achieving the stated goal, as understood, requires Meeting Owl \$1,099, + \$1,439 = \$2,538. Budget for tripod and bar mounts. FOV 114 degrees
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Logitech Rally Bar Huddle	\$2,299.00	FOV 113 degrees, +/- 48 degrees with PTZ Recommended for up to 6 room participants.
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Logitech Rally Plus	\$2,799.00	FOV 82 degrees +/- 180 degrees with PTZ
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Logitech Rally Bar Mini	\$3,499.00	FOV 113 degrees +/- 25 degrees Recommended for up to 12 room participants.
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Logitech Rally Bar	\$4,299.00	FOV 82 degrees, 132 degrees with PTZ. Recommended for up to 20 room participants.
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We welcome your input based on personal experience with Conference Room Camera.

Recommendations – Consider any, all, or none of the following:

Recommendation A: Deep Dive into what lead to the specified goal. Explore whether the goal can be achieved by recommending our Zoom participants change their User-Configurable **View** to **Speaker** instead of using the **Gallery View**. The change will present the Hoss's Meeting Room camera image as Full Screen instead of the smaller matrix. Cost \$0.00

Recommendation B: Consider making operational improvements to the way In-Person meeting attendees are introduced at the beginning of the evening. Acquire a portable, handheld camera and use it to show a head and shoulders image of the person who is introducing himself or herself.

The new Anker S500 speaker/mic will pick up the name and call sign audio of these introductions. Prior to, and following, the introductions, the Zoom Video setting will specify the Logitech C922 camera we have been using for the in-room video images.

Suggest DROIDCAM app for a mobile phone and DROIDCAM.APP for a Windows PC. (AF3I staged a brief test and found this to be workable.) Cost \$0.00 for the *FREE VERSION*, or \$14.99 one-time purchase for the *PRO VERSION*.

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	<p>Recommendation C: Spend almost all the money remaining in the club treasury and purchase MEETING OWL with OWL BAR. Cost \$2,538 plus \$300 (SWAG*) for any needed accessory items (tripod for Meeting Owl, support structure of some kind to hold the Owl Bar),</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWAG – Scientific Wild-Assed Guess
New Business for Next Month	

❖ Confirmed Activities

CARC Derby Day	<p>WHEN: This year's event will take place Saturday May 2, 2026. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. WHERE: The QTH of Dave Smith W3SOX. 1367 Kiner Boulevard, Carlisle, PA.</p> <p>Accessible from the north via W. Trindle Road and Old Stonehouse Road. Accessible from the south via Boiling Springs Rd (Rt 174) and Old Stonehouse Rd.</p> <p>WHAT: Social Event with some operating. What to bring? Gear? Food? (Dave has antennas?)</p>
Field Day 2026	<p>Saturday June 27 and Sunday June 28, 2026 The plan is online. Click Here</p> <p>For our Menu Bar members: MEMBER AREA >> MEMBER ACTIVITY/EVENT DOCUMENTS >> NAVIGATION BLOCK MAE.03</p> <p>A copy of the CARC Field Day 2026 -- Planning Document is in this agenda Pages 11-12. Are there any changes? New digital modes involved?</p>

❖ Beyond the Airwaves Activities

Tuscarora State Forest PENDING	Saturday April 18, 2026. Site Reserved. Any campers? Any day visitors or members activating POTA?
Informal Lunch PENDING	Details TBD.

❖ Meeting Night Discussion

CARC Picnic and POTA Outing	Saturday April 04, 2026. Pine Grove Furnace State Park. Reflections and Suggestions for V2.0
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❖ Door Prize Drawing and Prior Month Results

Draw the Winning Ticket	<p>A random drawing selected from among CARC members attending the meeting in-person or via Zoom. We offer a selection of Instant Gratification Door Prize items – No Waiting for Delivery.</p> <p>We also have an Online Store from which you may choose one of the available door prizes. Located on the club website: MEMBER AREA >> MEMBER DATA ENTRY FORMS >> THE CARC STORE.</p> <p>Make your selection. Enter information using the website form. Press SUBMIT. Your selection is eMailed to the CARC Fulfillment Center Staff.</p>
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March Winner	Won By: Robert Getty, KB3EWJ	Prize Selection: Reusable Wire Ties
April Winner	Won By:	Prize Selection:

❖ **Tonight's Presentation Topics**

None listed.

❖ **Next Meeting Info**

Date, Time, Location and Formats	<p>© The next monthly business meeting will be held Wednesday May 20, 2026 at 6:40 p.m. Mark your calendar. The meeting won't be the same without you.</p> <p>CARC meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month, January through November. Check the web site https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com for event status info.</p> <p>We will meet at the Hoss's Restaurant located at 61 Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA.</p> <p>For others, the meeting will be carried online as a Zoom Web Meeting. Our goal is to open the Zoom connection by 6:30 p.m. so the Zoom audience can be ready for the 6:40 p.m. start.</p>
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❖ **Meeting Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn	<p>Moved: _____ Seconded: _____ Vote: AYE: - ___ NAY: ___</p> <p>Tonight's meeting was adjourned at: _____ p.m. Good Night, All.</p>
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❖ **On the Air Events, and an Occasional Hamfest**

The Event Calendar	Google Calendar
<p>From the club website Top Menu bar, select: Things To-Do and then The Event Calendar</p> <p>If you are a URL person: https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com/calendar/</p> <p>And, for our LINK Friends: Click Here</p> <p>The default view for The Event Calendar is DAILY. Search by date, scroll up or down for nearby dates.</p>	<p>From the club web site Top Menu bar, select: Things To-Do and then Google Cal.#1</p> <p>If you are a URL person: https://www.RadioClub-CARC.com/googcalp/</p> <p>And, for our LINK Friends: Click Here</p> <p>The default view for Google Calendar #1 is MONTHLY.</p>

Check the dates. Some contests begin at 0000Z which is late Friday night local time / early Saturday morning UTC.

❖ Hoss's Meeting Room Table and Chair Numbering

For illustrative purposes – using estimated room dimensions, not actual measurements

Entrance to Room ←

Table Row 2		Distance from Camera	Table Row 1	
Chair	Chair		Chair	Chair
31	21	16 ft	11	1
32	22	14 ft	12	2
33	23	12 ft	13	3
34	24	10 ft	14	4
35	25	8 ft	15	5
36	26	6 ft	16	6
		4 ft	17	7
		2 ft	18	8
Logitech C922Camera 78 degree FOV –camera aiming favored Table Row 1 Visibility as observed on Zoom recording				

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Owl Bar 114 degree FOV – dead center alignment Predicted Visibility				

❖ CARC Field Day 2026 – Planning Document

K3IEC FD2026 - Contest Station Plans (8/29/2025)

Purpose: The contest operations piece of the full overnight plan for CARC FD2026 at Shaffer Park.

KEY FD2026 QUESTIONS:

- * Can licensed CARC members operate K3IEC in all band segments if an Extra is on site?
- * How to engage more members to consider FD2026 participation?

FOCUS:

- * 3A operating category; Bill's 6M station & GOTA station are counted separately.
- * Maximize QSO rate via band/antenna swap between stations.
- * Maximize each station's activity (day/night shifts; multiband/multimode).

- * Maximize each station's flexibility using the fewest, most efficient antennas (more multibanders 80-6M; 2M QTC).
- * Install/test all antennas, including overnight and backup ones, by 2pm.
- * Minimize noise issues (multimode station in social space; AC! closed door to porch; Bandpass Filters).
- * Review Quartermaster's club inventory (Doug, Mark, Paula).
- * Develop antenna location diagram for planning (Mark).

ANTENNAS (3A, overnight):

(FD2025 antenna inventory screenshot available)

- 1) (80-10) - Butternut vertical (Garry; 40M optimal performance) + ?' coax (Club)
- 2a) (80-10) - G5RV (Bill, Mark, Paula)(will test at PAQP)
- 2b) (40-10) - Inverted V doublet (Mark, Paula) + ?' coax (Club)
- 3) (80,40) - Trap dipole (Mark, Paul, Dave S) + ?' coax (Club)
- 4) (40-6) - Multiband vertical w/tripod)(Bill) + ?' coax (Bill)
- 5) (2M) - for QTC (Frank)

HF STATIONS (3A):

- 1) FT8+ (Charlene Yaesu FT-991A)
- 2a) CW (daytime)(Club IC-718)
- 2b) SSB (overnight)(Club IC-718)
- 3) SSB+ (all day)(Andrew IC-718)
- 4) Solar FT8,SSB (6-40)(day/night thru solar batteries)(Mark, Paula, Bill; Bill's Kenwood)
- 5) 2M (for digi QTC bonus points) (Frank)
- 6) GOTA? (single-use radio, not 3A; special callsign, not K3IEC)

STATION EQUIPMENT (3A)(4A?):

- 1) Radios: [1] FT8 (FT-991A Charlene); [2] CW(day)/SSB(night) (IC-718 Club); [3] SSB+ (anytime) (IC-718 Andrew); [4] FT8/SSB 6M-40M solar day/night station (Bill's Kenwood); [5] 2M QTC (Frank); [6] GOTA?
- 2) Bandpass filters 80/40/20/15/10. (Frank)
- 3) Peripherals (PC, mic, headset, key, cables, connectors) (FD2025 inventory screenshots available)

OPERATORS (+ others TBD):

- 1) FT8 - Bill, Charlene, Richard
- 2) CW - John L, Andrew
- 3) SSB - Bill, Steve, Doug, Garry, Paula, Mark, Frank, Maura

ANTENNA CREW:

Mark, Paula, Jon M, John L, Steve, Bill D, Bill W, Garry, Doug, Dave D; Dave S

COMPUTER HDW/SFTW/NW: Andrew

QUARTERMASTER CREW: Doug; Garry, Dave S, Andrew, Frank

(ed. WA3KCP 7/18/25; rev 7/24; rev 7/31 after Caffè 101 review by Mark, Paula, Garry, Bob; 8/6 Charlene review; 8/8 sent to Frank, Andrew; 8/28 Caffè 101 review by Mark, Paula, Garry, Bob, Charlene; 8/29 sent to Frank, Andrew)