

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club  
Meeting of the General Membership  
September 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Wright, N2GXJ, at 7:30 pm. 42 members were in attendance.

The minutes of the August 3, 2016 meeting were read and approved by the members present.

Treasurer's Report - Al Arrison, KB2AYU, reported the YTD inflow of \$2,741 against \$2,435 in regular budgeted expenditures resulting in a positive inflow of \$305. Total cash in all accounts is \$14,157.

#### COMMITTEES

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Clubhouse – Al Arrison, KB2AYU, thanked Mark Gottlieb, WA2DIY, for installing an internet service at the clubhouse. Al also noted that lawn mowing service invoicing is expected soon.

Tech Saturday – Al Arrison, KB2AYU, said the topic for this month's discussion would be home brewing and current building techniques.

Repeater – Al Arrison, KB2AYU, announced the installation target for replacement of the 2 mtr antenna had been changed to Sept 30, weather permitting. John Zaruba, K2ZA, reported that the new 2 mtr repeater which Cooper Hospital had agreed to purchase and donate to GCARC had been purchased. No installation table was available yet.

Sunshine – Ray Martin, W2RM, reminded members that club member Charlie Wahl, KC2STO, had been in Manor Care for several months. He encouraged members to send get well cards.

Foxhunt – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, said he was planning a foxhunt in the fall when the weather was a little milder.

Annual Club elections - Jim Wright, N2GXJ, provided a summary overview of the annual event and promised to initiate the process with the nominations committee for the October meeting.

Club volunteering – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, reminded members that volunteers are still welcome to participate in the annual event scheduled for Sept 24 & 25.

Crosstalk – Jeff Garth, KC2WCS, reminded members the article submission deadline for October would be September 20<sup>th</sup>. He requested that any hamfest photos be sent to him asap after the Sept 11 event for inclusion in Crosstalk.

Hamfest – Sheldon Parker, K2MEN, reported that all preparations for the upcoming Sept 11 hamfest were on schedule. He noted several support areas needing volunteers and asked that volunteers let him know of their availability. He had spoken to most of the large vendors and received very positive feedback. A large contingent of vendors is expected. He also recognized the efforts of Ken Newman, N2CQ, who sent several hundred emails with flyers and hamfest reminders to vendors and prior year attendees in late August and

again the early September. Lee Marino, KD2ITC, noted he had produced flyers and circulated them among business establishments as far away as HRO across the bridge in DE. Great initiative, Lee.

#### OLD BUSINESS

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None.

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None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm. The program for the evening was an eclectic presentation by President Jim Wright, N2GXJ, which included VHF contesting, emergency communications and ham radio on RT66.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sheldon Parker, K2MEN