

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club  
Meeting of the General Membership  
October 7, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Wright, N2GXJ, at 7:30 pm. 45 members and visitors were in attendance.

The minutes of the September 2, 2015 meeting were read and approved by the members present.

Treasurer's Report - Al Arrison, KB2AYU, reported the YTD inflow of \$7,826 against \$5,906 in regular budgeted expenditures resulting in a positive inflow of \$1,920. Total cash in all accounts is \$16,947. Al noted the hamfest held in September netted over \$3,200 to boost cash balances while the annual mowing fee of \$900 was also paid. The report was approved by the members present.

#### COMMITTEES

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Hamfest – Sheldon Parker, K2MEN, thanked the many members who supported the hamfest with their time, equipment and dedication. It was not only a financial success, but generally a fun event for everyone. Jim Wright, N2GXJ, also heartedly thanked members as well.

Clubhouse – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, reported that Bill Price, NJ2S, planned to organize a work party to winterize the trailer on Tuesday from 5 to 7pm, encouraging available members to help out. Al Arrison, KB2AYU, said he was still working on operating position refinements.

Contests – Jim Wright, N2 GXJ, noted that Ken Denson, WB2P, had participated in the NJ QSO party on behalf of the club.

Sunshine – Ray Martin, W2RM, said a card had been sent to member Charlie Wahl, KC2STO. He also indicated that our oldest and longest term member Charles Sketchley, K2PQD, is experiencing poor health and encouraged members to send him a card at Cardinal Village.

Publications – Jeff Garth, KC2WCS, noted the Crosstalk submission deadline was October 20. He also said that Cory Sickles, WA3UVV, had sent him photos from the hamfest which he expected to be posted within a few weeks.

ARES/RACES – Walt Seitz, KB2JCG, reported the Pitman crop walk was scheduled for October 18 and encouraged volunteers. John Zaruba, K2ZA, announced the appointment of Tony Otlowski, W2WCC, as section emergency coordinator.

VEC – Ray Martin, W2RM, reported that one technician had passed the most recent test in Franklinville. He also noted tests were planned for Gloucester City as well as Franklinville tomorrow night.

Tech Saturday – Ron Block, NR2B, announced the topic for the upcoming Saturday meeting would be lightening protection.

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## OLD BUSINESS

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Ray Martin, W2RM, indicated a meeting for the Milt Goldman award was scheduled for the upcoming Saturday night at his home.

## NEW BUSINESS

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Phyllis Martin, W2PDB, said that planning for the annual holiday party was scheduled for December 3 at the Seven Stars restaurant from 6 to 9pm. Price would be \$25 per person.

Jim Wright, N2GXJ, demonstrated the tiny "fox" transmitter and said a spooky fox hunt was in the planning stage. Details would be forthcoming on the web site.

Jim Wright, N2GXJ, announced nominations by the nominations committee for open positions in the upcoming 2016 elections to be held during the December general membership meeting. They are:

President	Jim Wright, N2GXJ
Vice President	Cory Sickles, WA3UVV
Treasurer	Al Arrison, KB2AYU
Recording Secretary	none
Corresponding Secretary	Ron Block, NR2B
Director	Jeff Garth, KC2WCS
Director	Chuck Lanard, KD2EIB
Trustee	Mark Gottlieb, WA2DIY

Jim asked for additional nominations from the floor. None heard. A motion was made and seconded to accept the nominations as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm. The program for the evening was Emergency Communications during the Papal visit presented by Jennifer Robinson, KD2EYR, and John Zaruba, K2ZA.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sheldon Parker, K2MEN, Recording Secretary