

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 7, 2019



Meeting opened @ 1930 Hours

President Jim Clark KA2OSV asked everyone in attendance what ham radio related gifts they received over the holiday season.

Attendance :

- ◆ 43 members
- ◆ 2 visitors

Motion to approved meeting minutes as published in a supplemental e-mail to members was approved.

Treasurer's Report :

- ◆ 2018 YTD Income : \$8,872.00
- ◆ Expenses : \$6,427.00
- ◆ Net : \$2,445.00
- ◆ 2018 YTD Non-budgeted expenses : \$3,640.00 (approved by motion by Club membership)
- ◆ Treasurer's report was accepted and approved by voice motion from the floor.

Committee Reports :

Clubhouse : Al Arrison KB2AYU reported that the first test of HF station remote access performed well. He also recommended obtaining 5 fixed IP addresses for an additional \$25 per month on the Comcast bill. Discussed Uninterruptable Power Supply (UPS), Network Attached Storage (NAS) and router needs. Would also like the Club to consider the acquisition of an additional 80 foot tower for the site. Jon Pearce WB2MNF, John O'Connell K2QA, and John Zaruba K2ZA had an antenna building session, a 2M Lindenblad was built for the Fox-In-A-Box (FAIB) satellite telemetry receiving station. Performance was found to be very good for a fixed mounted omni-directional antenna.

Health & Welfare : Bill Price NJ2S reported that Club member Ray Martin W2RM was sent a get well card during a recent illness.

Contests : Vice President Tony Starr WA2FZB reported on upcoming contests for January.

Fox Hunt : Jim Wright N2GXJ announced a Winter Pre-Super Bowl fox hunt to be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019.

Club Picnic : It is scheduled to be held on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at the W2MMD Clubhouse.

Old Business : None

New Business :

President Jim Clark KA2OSV appointed Herb Dyer KT2Y to fill the balance of John Zaruba K2ZA's unexpired director's term.

Chuck Lanard KD2EIB was nominated by President Jim Clark KA2OSV to fill the remainder of Tony Starr WA2FZB's 3 year trustee term. He was elected unanimously by voice vote of the members present.

Urb LeJeune W1UL and John Zaruba K2ZA reported that the 2019 Ham Cram session will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Due to the success of previous years sessions and to accommodate more attendees, Cooper University Hospital will be hosting the session. More location details will be announced later.

Mark Gottlieb KK2L reported the Petty's Island operation was very successful with 169 QSO's made. President Jim Clark KA2OSV showed an example Special Event certificate. The next special event will be the Petty's Island Activation on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

Al Arrison KB2AYU reminded all present that 2019 is the Club's 60th Anniversary and is soliciting ideas for special events to celebrate.

Chuck Colabrese WA2TML reported there are some adhesive failures in the current supply of pin backs for the Club badge. He is investigating alternative supplies.

Mark Gottlieb KK2L made a motion for \$200 to be appropriated to produce and mail commemorative certificates of the Petty's Island Operation. Motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote of members present.

The meeting was adjourned @ 2017 Hours

The guest speaker was John Jacobs W7DBO from the Field Radio podcast via Skype.

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaruba Jr K2ZA
Recording Secretary