

# Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club

## General Membership Meeting Minutes

### Wednesday, February 5, 2020



Meeting opened @ 1933 Hours by President James Clark Sr, KA2OSV.

Motion to approve General Membership and Board of Directors Meeting minutes as published in Crosstalk seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote of members present.

**Attendance : 33 Members**

**Visitors :** Karl Davis KD2SSE, a General Class from Voorhees

#### **Treasurer's Report :**

- ◆ YTD Income : \$734
- ◆ YTD Expenses : \$257
- ◆ Net : \$476

#### **Committee Reports :**

**Clubhouse :** Al Arrison KB2AYU reported the Clubhouse is holding up well with the mild winter. Had successful VHF contest showing, band conditions poor however.

**Contests and DX :** Tony Starr WA2FZB reported there are many DXpeditions this month, ARRL DX CW contest coming up President's Day Weekend. NAQP RTTY last weekend of February. Good band conditions on 160, now is the time to work on DXCC.

**Hamfest :** Sheldon Parker K2MEN reported on registering the 2020 Hamfest date with Gloucester County 4-H. Preparatory activities will begin in earnest starting March.

**Field Day :** Sheldon Parker K2MEN reported Winefest will be the same weekend as Field Day again this year.

**Repeater :** Herb Dyer KT2Y reported inventory of repeater site equipment has been completed.

**Budget :** 2020 Budget presented to the membership by Al Arrison KB2AYU. Budget adoption motion moved, seconded, and unanimously approved by voice vote of members present.

**Old Business : None**

#### **New Business :**

Jim Clark KA2OSV discussed the need for a dues increase in 2021 to balance the budget due to increased costs from running the Clubhouse. The membership dues rate has not increased since 2004.

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John Hill, W2HUV, offered the donation of an Elecraft KPA-1500 amplifier for use at the Clubhouse remote station, provided the Club installs an appropriate RF ground system. Technical discussion ensued about ways to accomplish the installation.

Meeting adjourned @ 1956 Hours.

**Program :** Jon Pearce WB2MNF “An Introduction to Raspberry Pi and Arduino for Ham Radio”

**Respectfully Submitted,  
John Zaruba Jr, K2ZA  
Recording Secretary**