Humboldt Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of Meeting - February 4th, 2020

Officers Present: President: Anthony Wiese, KG6LHW / Vice President: Steve Isherwood KK6MPV / Secretary: Ben Adams KK6SYJ / Treasurer: Marcy Campbell KE6IAU / Position open: R.A.I.N. Newsletter Editor / Past President: Peter Esko W6IES

Anthony called the meeting to order at 19:01 PDT in the Eureka Municipal Auditorium (Muni) Meeting Room @ 406 11^{th} St. (11th and E). The pledge of allegiance was recited, introductions were made, and the logbook was passed; a total of 26 members and/or guests attended. We also took a moment to discuss site safety measures in the event of fire, first aide, earthquake, and active shooter.

Health and Welfare:

- Mike Brennan KA6PGN, a former HARC member, is now an SK. A moment of silence was taken for him

President's Report:

- Furthest DX Q50 this month: Peter New Hampshire @ Winter Field Day 2020.
- Most QSO's this month, Don Nelson WA6NBG.
- Anthony made a short presentation on his trip to Alaska for the summer solstice, which encompassed 2019 Field day. The club was able to make a scheduled contact with him on 20 meters.

Secretary's Report:

 December 2019 and January 2020 minutes were approved as noted. December moved by Cliff Vancott KN6CEJ and seconded by Don Campbell KE6HEC, January minutes were moved by Cliff V. and seconded by Larry Beurer KK6EEO All voted aye, none opposed. A suggestion was made for digital distribution prior to next meeting, and will be attempted.

Treasurer's Report:

January Starting balance: \$1987.14

\$ 37.00 Raffle proceeds

\$ (112.86) Humboldt Redwood repeater site lease

January ending balance: \$1987.14

Vice President's Report:

- Nothing new to report.

EMCOMM Report:

- Next meeting February 20th @ 19:00 L on FWRA frequency
- Next exercise February 22nd 10:00 L on FWRA (date pending)
- There is potential for a communications event with CERT April 25th, more details to come.

ARRL VEC Coordinator Report:

 VEC Testing on even numbered months in Fortuna, at volunteer fire department, odd numbered months in Eureka at Humboldt Bay Fire's Training Room.

Submitted by Ben Adams: 2020 02-04 HARC V1.0 Minutes Pending Approval.docx

Trailer Report:

- The club voted to purchase a set of steps and the appropriate accompanying handrail to install at the trailer side door. Funds for the steps and handrail were collected that night.

New Business:

- Anthony would like members to join the next meeting with ideas on how to grow club membership.
- HARC Workshops are now 2nd Thursday AFTER the HARC meeting.
- Packet station will be down for the next ~2 months. WA6NBG & KE6SLS

Old Business:

- A Hi-Q antenna was donated to the club, and its fate is to be decided. One suggestion was to mount on the trailer to facilitate HF radio use without the erection of the military mast.
- HARC is <u>STILL</u> looking for someone to step up to the important duty of R.A.I.N. Newsletter Editor after Jaye set a wonderful example for the last 3 years. Come on, somebody, we know you want to do it. Just ask and your wish will be granted!

Past Event Report:

- January 25th& 26th, Winter Field Day, approximately 99% of the planning for the event was done on amateur radio frequencies, including sending out a small map of the area using digital image transmission!
- February 1st Clam Beach Run, 15 volunteers showed up to this event! 15! Wow. We hope to see you all at the next community event.

Future Events:

- Feb 13th, Technical Workshop at the Muni @ 19:00 L
- Feb 18th, Informal Club social dinner at Azteca Grill, in Arcata @ 18:30 L
- March 8th, Foggy Bottoms Milk Run, Ferndale CA. See Don C. KE6HEC for details.
- 2045 Total Solar Eclipse centered on Fortuna, CA.

Miscellaneous:

- Steve Isherwood KK6MPV has made a list of Jim's radios and equipment for sale to benefit Jim's Daughters, see the website.
- Cookies and juice provided by Don and Marcy Campbell. KE6HEC & KE6IAU.
- Raffle winners this month: Del Freret W6KOZ, John Olson KG6MAR, Joyce Isherwood KJ0YCE, Abe Crow KM6LWF, Peter Esko W6IES

The meeting was adjourned at 20:44 PDT.

Note to new or prospective Members:

The club has an informal lunch every Thursday, 11:30 L at the Pantry Restaurant on Broadway in Eureka (next to the Motel 6). All are welcome.