

Humboldt Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of Meeting - March 3rd, 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 19:05 PST in the Eureka Municipal Auditorium (Muni) Meeting Room @ 406 11th St. (11th and E). The pledge of allegiance was recited, introductions were made, and the logbook was passed; a total of 24 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:

President's Report:

- Furthest DX QSO this month: Jaye Inabnit KE6SLS.
- Most QSO's this month, Anthony W.
- 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:

- February minutes were moved for approval by Peter E. and seconded by Richard Kern **KN6FXK**. All voted aye, none opposed.

Treasurer's Report:

February Starting balance:	\$1911.28
	\$ 43.00 Raffle proceeds
	<u>\$ 600.00 Trailer step donation</u>
February ending balance:	\$2630.14

Peter E. was able to sell the Ten-Tec radio system, donated by the estate of XYZ, for \$250. Proceeds will go to HARC.

Vice President's Report:

- Steve I. will report back on the costs for silkscreen setup for logo on safety vests.

EMCOMM Report:

- Next meeting Thursday March 19th @ 19:00 L @ the Eureka Municipal Auditorium.
- Next exercise March 25th 11:00 L. A Tsunami Test Drill will be conducted by CAL Trans. They would like to try contacting Del Norte and Mendocino Counties. See Peter for more details.
- There is potential for a communications event with CERT April 25th, more details to come.

ARRL VEC Coordinator Report:

- Jason Durant **AJ6NU** took and passed all three tests. Congratulations Jason.
- Matt Renner **KK6CEI** passed the technician test. Congratulations Matt.
- A round of applause for Humboldt's newest Hams.

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

Trailer Report:

- The steps were ordered, arrived, and are in process of being installed, under budget even! It was anticipated to be a couple hour job, we all know how those can go.
- Anthony asked to spend some of the remaining money originally allocated for Phase 1 of the trailer upgrades to purchase an Epic Power Gate from West Mountain Radio, which is part of phase 4 of the trailer upgrade. The motion was supported by Peter E. and seconded by Jaye. Vote taken, all aye, no opposed.

New Business:

- The HARC net on 3-4-2020, will be the last net by Peter for the time being, the net will need another volunteer Net Control.
- A list of ideas to boost club participation and membership. Some of the ideas presented are:
 - Keeping the website and social media accounts up to date.
 - PSA's and KHUM Plugs
 - Kinetic Grand Championship Schwagg
 - Postcards to QRZ hams by zip code
- HARC Workshops are now 2nd Thursday **AFTER** the HARC meeting.

Old Business:

- HARC is **STILL** 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:

- Feb 13th, Technical Workshop at the Muni.
- Feb 18th, Informal Club social dinner at Azteca Grill,

Future Events:

- March 8th, Foggy Bottoms Milk Run, Ferndale CA. See Don C. **KE6HEC** for details.
- March 12th, Technical Workshop on ISS packet Transfer 19:00 L @ Muni.
- HARC Field Trip To Humboldt Bay USCG Air Station (date pending)
- **2045 Total Solar Eclipse centered on Fortuna, CA.**

Miscellaneous:

- See the website for a list of Jim Armstrong's equipment for sale to benefit his daughters.
- Cookies and juice provided by Don and Marcy Campbell. **KE6HEC** & **KE6IAU**.
- Raffle winners this month: Del Freret **W6KOZ**, Richard K., David Boyd **KN6CEH**, Jeannie Buerer **KW1LTD**.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:36 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.