

Humboldt Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes – 1 February 2022

Officers Present: President: Ben Adams KK6SYJ
 Vice President: Gene Bass K6PCS
 Treasurer: Marcy Campbell KE6IAU
 Secretary: Jaye Inabnit [KE6SLS](#)

HARC's NEW president Ben Adams KK6SYJ chaired this month's meeting and called the meeting to order at 7pm on the Humboldt Amateur Radio Club repeater due to the COVID-19 Shelter In Place (SIP) order. Roll was collected via email. We had 28 members check in and the log was filled in accordingly by the secretary.

Jaye ke6sls asked if there were any changes for the Minutes from January and heard none noted. Motion was brought forward to accept the minutes by David kn6ceh & seconded by Steve kk6mpt.

Marcy KE6IAU gave our **Treasurer's report**. January's balance was \$2,825.11, with income of \$110.00 and payments of \$87.16 leaving a balance of \$2,847.95.

Dan kb6de gave the VE Report, with nothing to report for January. Testing will happen in Fortuna, February 19 if there are people to ready test.

David kn6ceh has planned the Winter Winlink exercise for Sunday Feb 13. The scenario is still being ironed out.

Don wa6nbg gave a report on the local Winlink gateway. The project is waiting for county to do some work for the project. Also, the antenna for this is not outside so users need high power to reach it at this time. The frequency 144.630 and uses VARA FM and the call is wa6nbg-10.

Matthew kn6cei provided a Winlink Wednesday Net update. Participants should check their WL2K email to see what NCS requests for a check-in each week.

Jaye ke6sls gave an update on the NBEMS net. Participation has been very light and is now in a probationary period to fold the net, however, a new day is being considered so net would meet each week instead of bi-monthly.

Ben kk6syj is looking for NCS for the HARC net. Please contact Gene k6pcs or Ben. Ben also reported Randy kn6nsk retransmits the ARRL audio news every Wednesday just prior to the HARC net.

Seer km6mwo gave an update on the HARC website reporting that pluggins and wordpress have been updated. It was also noted lots of items on the "Virtual Swap Meet" available.

Ben kk6syj is seeking topics and presenters for our HARC workshops.

Under "Interesting Radio Activities/Shack Additions" Jaye ke6sls reported using his Raspberry

Pi computer to take live off-the-air recordings to assist providing minutes. The little bugger worked perfectly. Richard kn6rk reported activating YOTA with his Raspberry Pi connected to a new IC-7300 and a solar panel and managed to make some digital contacts!

Jaye ke6sls notes the new location of the Eureka fill-in digi is working well, but still not 100% for Ferndale node. It does however cover the west and south of Eureka/Humboldt Hill/Loleta very well.

Matthew kn6cei officiated tonight's Tube Contest. Richard kn6rk made over 360 contacts and also won the most DX. Bob wb6qpg reported making a 40 meter contact with the Cayman Islands. Jaye talked about working 10 meter CW, even with a free floating HEX beam.

Auxcomm: Greg kj6oui reports OES is ready to accept members for our new AUXCOMM: <https://humboldt.gov/3202/Auxiliary-Communications-Team>

Winter Field Day: Matthew kn6cei did some PSK on 20 & 40 meters. Worked most the greater west coast and Canada, also worked well into midwest and southern states all on an inverted Vee wire antenna.

Marci ke6iau talked about how nice a day the Trinidad to Clam Beach Run was and thanked all the volunteers that helped during the race.

Jaye reported a brand new ham contacted our website and we were able to coordinate some assistance with new antenna for VHF/UHF. Also, a second new ham contacted me via the FWRA repeater for our FIRST CONTACT. Keep your radios on and welcome our shiniest new hams!

Prescriptions: Do you have at least 3 month supply of your prescriptions in case the worst happens to us here on the coast?

Ben kk6syj closed the meeting at 8pm and released the HARC repeater to regular amateur use.