

## TARC Board Meeting

04 May, 2015

6:57 p.m. Steve started the meeting

### Museum Ships Weekend

Chris M - Asked for a summary of the site assessment that Tom & Steve conducted.

Tom L. – It is ok for us to set up across the street in the grass in order to get a better reception.

Steve - Thinks we should get there bright and early Saturday morning to set up. We have two computers to use.

Chris - Has CAT control if we want to use it.

Steve - Has the setup to run digital but we will need CAT cables.

Chris - Tom, Ron, David M., Robert, Andrew, Michelle, & Chris are the operators for now.

Chris - Asked about ideas for starting and ending times. We will need to have at least two people on site at all times over night. Chris is working on an ONLINE signup sheet for the setup, operation & tear down. There will be food, snacks and water.

Tom - Said restrooms can be used in the Hunley building while it's open from 12 noon-5:00p.m.

Chris – The cost for porta-johns is estimated to be \$74/unit from Natures Calling with an extra fee for the sanitizer station. Chris has heard 20m works best and we can expect 100-200 contacts for our Museum Ships Weekend event.

Ron - As entered N4HH is the events call sign. Ron Agreed to upload contacts to Logbook of the world.

Chris - Planning on \$1 for self-addressed stamped envelopes in USA, and \$3 for foreign contacts. This is just for a QSL card from TARC... the actual certificates will be coming from the Museum Ships group in NC. Chris asked Tom to have contact information be switched over to the new web link for the event.

Bob - Asked what Freq. Chris planned on using but he didn't remember & will have to send it out to everyone. (It will be around 14.264 as per Ron).

Steve - Estimated 2 hours for setup & 1-1.5 hours for tear down and he would like to be home by 8:00 p.m. Sunday.

Recommend 7:00 a.m. Sat setup time (will see what we get for operator volunteers before making call about working overnight).

Tom - Suggested a 5:00 p.m. Sunday tear down & Steve liked that idea.

Steve - Has a contact at the Call of Nature but wants to wait to see if we need it for one day or two.

David M. - Suggested a large banner for the site & maybe another one to place by the Hunley building. Chris will work on cost estimates.

Chris - Asked Tom to Change the web site to include Phone as well as CW.

### Membership Meeting Show & Tells

Ron - Suggested doing show & tell at membership meetings.

Steve - Asked how to advertise.

Ron - Suggested including signup request in the weekly email and Steve suggested an online signup sheet. Andrew can show and tell at the 1st meeting... May's Membership meetings presentation will be a show & tell of some builds by Andrew & Ron.

### Linear Lines

Michelle - Linear lines may be out a little late, but prior to the membership meeting.

Bob - Said she was doing a great job.

Ron - Suggested doing one chapter a month from the "Arduino for H.A.M. Radio" by Glen Popiel, KW5GP, <https://www.arrl.org/shop/arduino-for-ha.m.-radio>, instead of builds.

### Balloon Launch

Ron - Is taking the lead on the next High Altitude balloon launch and will contact Todd in Beaufort for interested parties. The PSA School already has the balloon and will pay for helium. Ron will check using prediction software before settling on a date.

### Antennas

Ron - Said the Harleysville PD antenna is at Kevin's house but he fell and needs someone to pick up antenna and bring it to the PD.

Tom - Will get a contact to Steve for Susan to pick up the antenna for the Red Cross building.

### Kit Builds

Ron - Said Dave Eslinger K4DLE and Robert White KV4LV have some plans to build one for the 10M rig they setup.

### Dinner Meeting

Steve - Is looking for volunteer to lead, Bob will host at Brecks Rivers N. Charleston on 21st May at 1830. (Now the 15<sup>th</sup>)

### Picnic/Fox Hunt

Steve - Asked David on status of Picnic/Fox Hunt.

David - Understood we were looking for the date of 10 Oct and asked what funds were available for food and drink (hamburgers, hotdogs, rolls, condiments and soft drinks). No amount was available, so David will continue with the planning.

Tom - Said Beverly Boyd KM4AR has a house on Lake Marion that TARC could use for free for the Picnic. Tom will put Beverly in touch with David W.

### JOTA

David M - He needs to get with Tom to get fliers passed out at the next BSA district to see if they want to have two sites... if low interest then may just to Oscars farm. TARC will teach a Merit badge class. It will take 1/2-1 hours to go through the youth protection class & get set up to teach Ham Radio Merit Badge. Brian, David M., and Andrew will be going to BSA district meeting Thurs (07 May) at 1900.

### Field Day

Steve - Has permits in process.

Field Day 6/27-28, 2015

Site reserved, Permit signing in process.

Porta johns?

Need 2<sup>nd</sup> generator

Dinner for Saturday night?

Volunteer Sign up

## Operator sign up

Tom - Offered up his generator as a second for the event.

Steve - Poor turnout for last year's dinner so we will fend for ourselves (pizza?).

Tom - Will get Kelly at City of Goose Creek to get us a proclamation. Friday, 1500 setup time.

Steve - Will send out a signup sheet.

Tom - Said Mel will do CW. Steve is looking to bring his camper and set it up for the CW station.

Steve - Suggested taking orders from ARRL for T-shirts and selling them.

## Bi Laws

Steve - Asked if people will be sending in notes/comments on the recent Bi Laws draft.

David M - Said he had sent some notes included and Steve asked that everyone send "Reply All."

## Treasurers Report

Bob - He made a \$156 deposit bringing balance to \$2,080.58 total.

Tom - Asked how the Hunley did and Bob said it was kind of a wash but we still have some supplies left for over for net event. Bob said it was a great event and will grow.

## Tailgate

Andrew - Tailgate 8:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Sat. 09 May. Raffle for door prize at noon and winner will have to be present to win. Talking frequency will be posted on TARC web site.

Ron - Thanked Andrew and Tom for stepping up and taking over the Tailgate.

8:20 p.m. Steve motioned to adjourn, Joe seconded and all were in favor.