

TARC Membership Meeting Minutes

01/20/2020



Called to order at 1930

President – John KK4JS – Welcome to the members and guests. His Family appreciated the club for the flowers.

Vice President – Jan KX4MI – No report.

Treasurer - Jim KW4PW – Treasurer's report. The club account has a balance of approximately \$4300. This amount does not include several members dues payments made just prior to the meeting.

Secretary – Mike KJ4TAC – December and January Birthday wishes.

Membership committee report – No report.

Repeater committee report – No report.

VE Testing report – No report

QSL committee report – No report

Program committee report –Dr. Tom WW1TA will be giving the February meeting presentation.

WEB Master committee report – No report.

Unfinished Business

POTA Update – David AE4ZR – 4 parks were activated during the Jan 17-18 outings. Several other impromptu activations were made during the month. Approximate number of contacts using N4EE were 225. This does not include individual ham callsign contacts during the same events.

Christmas party in December – Christmas party turnout was large enough to allow Gilligan's to return the \$50 deposit check. That check was voided and the account updated.

Mike KJ4TAC and John KK4JS will be getting the safety deposit box shortly. It will be a 5X10 box and cost is \$76/year.

Still looking for volunteers for the Property Committee. So far, no volunteers. Club property will be collected, re-inventoried and stored in the trailer for use during events.

Larry received the embosser and turned it over to the Secretary for safekeeping.

The CSS Hunley event will be held 17 February 2020 in the morning. Ron, K4TCP is the point of contact. Glen was notified of the need for the trailer for this event.

Van will be the POC for the CSS Hunley Museum Ships event next year. The club was notified that the Little David site did not qualify as a Museum Ship since it was a replica. The MSOTA will only be the Hunley at the site near the restoration site.

Field Day will be held at Biggans Creek in Moncks Corner on 25-26 January 2020. Jan, KX4MI, will be POC. Glen was advised the trailer was needed for this event. Jim, KW4PW, will be bringing a coffee pot and microwave for use by the attendees. All are advised to dress for the weather since the site has minimal facilities and no power.

New Business

John, KK4JS, presented an Outstanding Operator award certificate issued by the State Parks On The Air Organization to David Merritts, AE4ZR, for his work in organizing, promoting, and recruiting new hams to participate in SPOTA. Congratulations to David.

CARS Hamfest will be held on Feb 1, 2020 from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., at the Armory Park in North Charleston. The address is 5000 Lackawanna Blvd. Tickets are \$5. Linda will be manning the TARC table with John assisting. Brian Smith also announced there would a Go Box competition. Bring yours and enter to win a prize.

A Tailgate event is planned for one Saturday in May. The date and location will be announced when plans are finalized. A QST entry will be needed as soon as can be provided.

A Summer Field day is being planned for June 27-28. Ron, K4TCP, will be the assist the needed POC in the planning. Still determining if this will be a contesting event or just normal ham operations.

The TARC birthday is coming up in April. Happy 47th birthday. John will be bringing cake and punch for the April meeting.

The recommendation for using the Logbook of the World database for contact logging has been tabled for further discussion and evaluation for integration into current TARC logging processes.

A calendar of events will be presented to the trailer custodian. Members are requested to submit events to the Board for inclusion on the calendar. The permanent storage location will be the Cane Bay Fire Station once it opens and becomes operational. This is currently projected to be February or March.

A survey from the Program Committee was passed out during the meeting. Members were asked to list presentation topics they would like to have.

Dave, AE4ZR, proposed the Spring Picnic be held at Charlestowne Landing. The date will be determined later.

Meeting adjourned at 2003.

Presentation by Jim, KW4PW, on End Fed antennas.