

## November 20, 2017 Membership Meeting

Meeting started by Vice-President Ken W4KBN at 1930.

President Ron K4TCP was absent.

Treasurer Dave K4DLE was absent. Ken said that Dave had said that no new money was spent since last month's report.

Secretary Linda KM4WBN reported birthdays: Carl Dinger, Jonathon Lynch, Darrell Moser, Jenny Myers, Mel W4MEL, and Robert Wilhite AJ5E.

Tom W4DAX was absent. No membership report.

Bryce K4LXF Repeater report- the Seabrook repeater is down and someone was going to check on this on Tuesday, November 21. Jenny WA4NGV reported that since she is the trustee for W4ANK, she would take care of the renewal.

David AE4ZR VE Testing reported that three tested last month and the results were two new Generals and a Technician. One of the Generals passed both Tech and General that night.

Brian W4BFZ QSL Manager reported that he received two QSL cards for SC POTA.

At this point in the meeting, Linda Selleck KJ4EVV reported that she was trying to get Berkeley County to allow our club to use one of their Western Shelters for Field Day in June. This is a heavy-duty shelter that would come with air-conditioning. Set-up volunteers would be needed for this shelter.

### Old Business:

K4PSA- Max N4MLF reported that the club had many activities planned, including a Fox Hunt next Friday. The club is looking at new HF antennas and would like to find some new members.

HL Hunley- David POC. Planning is ongoing for February 17, 2008. ARRL has been contacted for an announcement in February's QST.

Museum Ships- POC Robert Wilhite POC. Planned for June 2018 at the same place as it was in 2017.

SC POTA- DavidAE4ZR, Larry K4LHG, and Ray Miller KM4FRG went to Oconee State Park, located in the upstate. They set-up Friday evening and made 25 contacts. They changed antennas on Saturday and only had one contact because of equipment failure. They plan to activate Colonial Dorchester on December 9, 2017.

Picnic/Operating Day revisited- a good time was had by all!

Christmas Party December 16 will be at Sticky Fingers in Summerville. Seating at 6pm and ordering together at approx. 6:30. Naughty Santa gift exchange, value to be \$15-\$20. We will have a private room and a vegan dinner selection will be available.

### New Business:

Reminder- there will be no December membership meeting.

New Equipment- Three items were presented for a purchase vote: MFJ 1906H- a push-up mast, MFJ 1921- a five and one-half foot tripod (making set-up by one person possible and being safer with no guy lines for someone to trip over), and MFJ 933B- an auto-tuner. The members passed the vote. The old equipment (ladder, guy lines) will be kept for demo purposes.

Trailer maintenance- Larry will be checking with Bubba's for a check-up and wheel bearing greasing. It was noted that the trailer itself was not included on the inventory list. It originally came from Lark in

Georgia. Also looking into having the 6800 watt generator's oil changed. A question was asked about the mast that is on the trailer and it was noted that Tom W4DAX is the POC for that. What is the status? Rebecca N4EFS reminded everyone that if you need a name badge, please contact her.

Jenny WA4NGV informed us that Ham Fest here in Charleston will be February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The CEO of ARRL will be present and TARC will have a table.

Radio raffle was won by Linda Selleck.

We had a guest visit our meeting: Martin Stapleton KD8RGN. He is only interested in CW and is considering joining our club.

Terry N4TLF informed us that our club was listed in third place for South Carolina in QST.

David reported that Kevin Jensen N1KTJ told him that he still has plenty of lapel pins left and it was agreed that it would be a good idea to offer them at club events in the future. Ken had a certificate for participation for TARC in the 60<sup>th</sup> Jamboree On The Air with the Boy Scouts. The five operators also received individual certificates for participation on-site at Camp Moultrie.

Meeting adjourned at 2012.

Secretary

Linda Wilson  
KM4WBN