

September 18, 2017 Membership Meeting

Meeting opened by President Ron K4TCP with introductions.

Vice-President Ken W4KBN had no report.

Treasurer Dave K4DLE was absent- no report as of this time.

Secretary Linda KM4WBN reported birthdays: Ken W4KBN, Brian W4BFZ, Larry (new call) K4LHG, Richard Lynch, Rebecca Milligan, Rhonda Walden.

Tom was absent thus no membership report. (Ken was taking membership money and names after the meeting.)

Bryce K4LXF repeater report- two weeks ago there was some noise that was possibly Summerville Medical Hospital. Antennas were moved apart and that seemed to fix the problem.

Brian W4BFZ reported that not a lot of QSL cards were coming in right now.

David AE4ZR VE report- 1 tested at the last test session, but there are 7 pre-registered for this month.

Presentation Committee- see Ron if you are interested in taking the lead for this.

Old Business:

K4PSA: Steve K4OPZ reported that their 2m antenna was put back up at PSA after Hurricane Irma knocked it down. They will be getting an HF antenna on the roof before School Club Roundup Oct.16-20. The 20th is also a leap day and there will be an opportunity to be on the air at 10am.

Museum Ships- Robert Wilhite absent, but still planned for next year.

Balloon Launch update: Brian- The first balloon went without it's payload. The second balloon went up after it's second attempt and came down almost at launch point. It did have it's payload, but the parachute was missing. Most video was lost because of duct tape covering the lens.

SCPOTA- David- August in Givhans Ferry SP there were 59 contacts made. September's Colleton County SP had to be cancelled because of the county being evacuated because of Irma. For an activation of Charles Town Landing they need two months advance notice. They said the entrance fee would be waived if you stayed at the assigned site and did not wander around at all. David has suggested Colleton County in December-TBD.

New Business:

JOTA- POC Ken and David went to Camp Moultrie and met with Rangers. They report that the scouts will cooperate fully with us. Ken also passed on a program to the district chairman from ICOM where they loan operating radio equipment to the scouts. It was reported that the scouts had had an Yaesu 897, but found an old radio in it's place when they looked. Ken will get information to go on our website about JOTA. Setup will be on Friday, October 20. Start time for operating will be 10am on Saturday Oct 21. Remember- you must have a Youth Protection Certificate to work with the scouts. This can be found on the scouts' website. Unless some more information is found they will be using the club call sign- N4EE.

TARC Picnic and Operating Day- POC Ray Miller KM4FRG had two proposals, one for the picnic date and one for the club to cover the cost of site. Both proposals passed. The picnic will be held on November 4, 2017 at the Hanahan Recreation Complex behind Trident Tech from 10am to 4pm. Cost break-down is this: with someone from Hanahan allowing us to use their name the cost for the site will be \$10 an hour

(without someone from Hanahan, it would be \$25 an hour). For the use of the restrooms it will be an additional \$25 an hour because someone from Hanahan Recreation has to be on site. With the Hanahan resident, we are looking at a total of \$210 for the six hours we are renting the site. The club will provide the meats and there will be a sign-up sheet for everyone to write what they will be bringing to the picnic. That can be sides, salads, and desserts.

The radio raffle was won by Robert Dean W4VRD.

Meeting adjourned at 2015.

Secretary

Linda Wilson

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