

## February 20, 2017 Membership Meeting

Meeting held at Reforge in N. Charleston.

Present were:

Ron K4TCP

Dave K4DLE

Linda KM4WBN

Ken W4KBN was absent.

Meeting opened by Ron at 1930 local time.

Introductions were made.

Dave gave the treasurers' report, attached.

Linda gave the Bad News/Good News report (if we missed your birthday in December and January, you received your one and only 'get out of aging' card. You did not age this one year! She also proposed a new event: Ladies' Field Day. Stay tuned for more information about this if there is enough interest from the ladies to hold this event.

Tom W4DAX said he has some members' dues. All new members would be prorated.

Bryce K4LXF said that the 147.27 problems should be fixed.

David AE4ZR VE report- said they had two candidates in February. One passed and the other will be trying again. He also reported that a new VE joined the team and he expressed appreciation for those VEs that were available if needed. The results were back in a little over an hour. Ron has the computer programmed and ready to go.

There will be a test session at the Citadel for those wanting to test. They are not allowed to leave the campus so the VE team will travel to the Citadel.

Brian W4BFZ said he had no new QSL cards, but is expecting some soon.

For the HL Hunley event, we had about 125 contacts and we have not heard from the Swamp Fox club yet.

Presentation for March will be Ron on Aduino.

Tom mentioned that Skip Teller had been in a pretty serious accident, but was going to be ok.

Old Business:

Museum Ships- Wilhite POC was absent.

TARC support for the balloon launches still unknown.

Max N4MLF reported on the ISS contact that all 21 questions were answered. All involved agree that the contact was very successful. During School Roundup K4PSA did not beat Aiken, but all student hams did well and gained a lot of experience!

Dave reported that when he arrived at PSA on the last day of the roundup that the students already had the antenna up and running.

Ron reported that K4PSA had made contact with the SES HL Hunley for the log.

Tailgate on for May 20, 2017 at the Masonic Lodge in Goose Creek including the Fish Fry. There will be a fee to sell. Steve POC. There will be 3 certificates given away: one for \$50 and two for \$25 each.

New Business:

David said the SES HL Hunley went very well at Breechs Inlet on 40 meters. The repeater system had linked up for two contacts from upstate South Carolina. Bryce had set up the links.

Ron talked about the Dinner Meeting on Friday, February 24, 2017, at TJs in Goose Creek. More information is on [tridenthams.org](http://tridenthams.org).

Tom said the net calendar is set for the next two months. Anyone needing to change dates should let him know. Also, if someone wants to direct a net to also let him know.

Meeting was adjourned at 1956.

Linda

KM4WBN