

## **AARC Picnic Meeting of Sunday – September 10, 2017**

The AARC annual picnic was held at Dowden Towe Park on Sunday afternoon, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Weather was perfect. About 50 people attended.

A brief meeting was conducted between eating, chatting, and studying the used equipment for sale.

### **New Members:**

President Ed Berkowitz, N4US, read the names of four new members to be voted upon. A. J. Miller, KE4AJM, moved to approve the four perspective members. His motion was seconded by Joe Giovanelli, W2PVY, and was unanimously approved.

The newly approved members:

Michael Ellington, KN4BFB

Bill McCoy, KE4JSU

Mile Giovanoli (no call yet)

Chris Shaw, K7CGS

### **Upcoming Tech Class:**

Rick Oliver, KG4ZWE, announced that a nine session class for the Technician license exam will begin on Thursday January 11, 2018. AARC members were asked to consider teaching one of the classes.

### **Antenna Budget Item Approved:**

Bill Pond, NOWP, informed the club members that approximately \$250 is needed for a 220 Mhz repeater antenna in order to move the clubs 224.760 repeater from Bucks Elbow to the Heard's Mt. site.. Since this amount exceeds the limit allowed for approval by the AARC Board, a motion was made by Patrice Porter, seconded by ??? (Maybe AJ Miller?) then passed unanimously to spend up to \$250 for this purchase.

### **Scout Event:**

Dennis Trebbile, W4RI, announced that the Apple Harvest Festival is scheduled for Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>. This Boy Scout event will run from 9:00 to 1:00 o'clock. Ham radio will be demonstrated by several club members.

Following this brief, approximately five minute meeting, President Ed Berkowitz, N3US, returned attention to the picnic in progress.