

AARC Meeting Minutes for 4/14/2020

Meeting held online through Zoom assisted by John Porter.
Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Ed,N3US, President.

Members signed in: 34. See attached sign in sheet.

Treasurer's report – Don Eason Jr.

Beginning balance:	\$21916.19
Checks:	\$291.00
Deposits:	\$515.00
Ending Balance:	\$22140.19

Committee Reports:

Publicity – Paul McKee:

We now have business cards for club. The next draft of the club brochure is done after including changes suggested by Ed and Michael Rein. Club owes approximately \$24 to Paul for printing.

Field Day was reserved at Stonefield Mall but we will not be able to conduct a traditional club FD to Corvid 19. We hope to do a Fall Event and Winter FD at Stonefield.

Estate Sales – Jim Owens:

No donations in last month.

Field Day Report – Bob Romanko:

FD to be held Saturday, June 27⁻²⁸ 1400 EDST to Sunday, June 28th 1659 EDST.
May work only 24 consecutive hours from when operation begins if set up before 1800 UTC.

We will be operating FD as individuals due to pandemic. Many ham clubs across the country are doing the same thing.

How to operate during FD is per ARRL FD Rules. Some bonus points for operating as individuals. Bob reviewed miscellaneous rules.

Objective of FD:

- Work as many stations as possible
- Learn to operate in abnormal situations
- Learn to operate in less than optimal conditions
- Develop skills to meet challenge of emergency preparations.
- Acquaint general public with amateur radio capabilities.

Operating classes:

- Class B – 1 or 2 person portable, not in regular station location.
- Class B battery – 1 or 2 persons portable with battery operation, output power less than 5 watts.
- Class C – mobile, stations in vehicle, qualifies for emergency power but not 5x multiplier.
- Class D – home stations using mains power. Only count contacts in class A,B,C,E,F.
- Class E – home station, emergency power only.

Miscellaneous rules – modes are phone, CW, digital.

Stations worked once per band per mode.

No repeater contacts allowed and no remote operation permitted

QSO Points awarded: phone – 1, CW – 2, digital – 2.

Power multipliers:

<5w & battery 5X

<5w & battery with generator 2X

<5w & mains or gen. 2X

2X < 150 w < 1x

Bonus points awarded for emergency power, media publicity, public location, message handling, satellite QSO, solar or battery power, site visitation elected official, ARES, web submission, youth participation under 18 yrs old, social media and safety officer bonus.

We as individuals can buy inexpensive generators from Harbor Freight or Walmart.

Jim pointed out we could operate portable on our own QTH.

More discussion on home stations and licensed locations. Need ruling from ARRL.

Family members can attend FD.

Barbara asked if FD could be held in person if COVID-19 restrictions were lifted by June. Bob replied said FD unlikely to be held this year.

Education – Bob Pattison:

Do a Fall class. Intent is to do 2-day class sessions then test on 3rd day. Make sure attendees read all material before class. Andrew mentioned he had two friends interested in attending Technician class in Fall. Bob said to send him contact information if interested in class.

Dennis WR4I said there could be presentation done at Scout Jamboree when large meetings are again allowed.

Warren said there are cheap Morse code tutors available to assist with learning the code. Ben asked about testing a CW QRP kit he just assembled. Dennis said he could work with Ben on QRP CW testing and also suggested use of the Reverse Beacon Network to test our rigs and antennas.

Ed stated that club has Zoom license and we can have unlimited meetings. Let John Porter or Ed know if you want to set-up a meeting. Joe KO8V suggested doing Saturday AM breakfast sessions with Zoom until we can resume meeting in person at Panera.

Ed said online meeting was very successful and will do again next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Stephen Kramer, Secretary

AARC Sign-In Sheet For:

November 8, 2016

~~JANUARY 8, 2019~~

ONLINE MTR
April 14, 2020

Guests Please Note: Please add your contact information on the back for additional information about the club and amateur radio.

NAME CALL/Guest

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1	Steve Kramer	KN4CJI
2	Jahn Porter	KK4JP
3	Ed Berbowitz	NB4US
4	Larry EICHER	K4J2Q
5	Bob ROMANKO	AK4BR
6	Joe GIOVANELLI	W3PVY
7	ANDY WILFONG	
8	Kevin Cwalne	K4SHR
9	ANDREW WILEY	KK4SHO
10	Bob Patton	K4DU
11	DON EASON JR	N4UVA
12	JIM Owen	K4CGY
13	Ron RICHIE	K4RKA
14	JAN CALLAHAN	KN4TRG
15	Allen Graves	AG4VA
16	Walter YURSIK JR	KN4LYF
17	BILL POUND	NO WP K4KJP
18	Michael Rein	AG4VA
19	WILLIAM SOLOMON	AZ4MV
20	BENJAMIN KIDD	KG4EIF
21	Joe Greenberg	KJ4PE
22	PAUL McKee	AK4OH
23	Barbara FREEMAN	KN4LAH
24	Rich Freeman	KI4QKU
25	Joe DeVincentis	KO8V
26	Robert Miller	WH4RBM
27	Allen	AG4VA
28	MARY Louise DeVincentis	KM4CWP
29	Michael ELLINGTON	KN4BFB
30	Dennis Terrell	WR4F
31	Russell SAWYER	KN4LAU
32	Fred FELGENHAUER	KN4AXU KO4AXU
33	DAVE Beebe	KN4REK
34	LINDA Ellen ?	UHLRIN KN4SIO
35	TIM WILSON	K4BAV
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