

AARC Meeting Minutes April 12, 2022

Zoom Meeting started at 7 PM by Acting President, Ed Berkowitz, N3US
Meeting held via Zoom.

Don Eason gave Treasurer's report for March:

Beginning Balance:	\$32,110.98	
Checks:	\$150.00	(Zoom 1 year & part to fix club owned radio)
Credits:	\$363.54	(Dues-\$339.83, Amazon-\$23.94 and .27 Interest)
Ending Balance:	\$32,324.52	

Transitioning AARC bank accounts from Truist to UVA Credit Union. Need to setup Paypal and Amazon Smile

New member voted into club tonight:

KO4YSC, Michelle DeStefano, Keswick VA

Public Service – Dave Damon:

On 4/23 will be the Rockbridge Gravel Grinder bike event in valley near Stuarts Draft.
On 5/14 there will be the 2022 Ride to Defeat ALS Blue Ridge starting at Pro Re Nata, Crozet.
They have 5 rest stops and club members can volunteer for this Event by contacting Dave Damon.

Repeater Report – Dave Damon:

Repeaters all working ok. Repeaters are a linked system so reminder to wait a second before starting to talk. Carrier needs to drop first.

Request made for Life Membership in AARC for Don Eason in recognition of his long service to the club as Treasurer. Nominated by Dave Damon; Board voted yes and club voted yes at tonight's meeting.

Michael introduced his granddaughter as guest. She now has her Tech license.

Tonight's presentation is by Dennis Terrible, WR4I, who will talk about HF antennas.

He spoke about the main antenna types: towers and long dipoles for those with large lots, antennas based on limited space and CC&R communities and antennas for apartments. He also talked about testing antenna systems using Reverse Beacon Network, Weak Signal propagation report and the propagation Tools/Beacons that transmit signals every few minutes to indicate propagation conditions. Help for antennas are found in ARRL Antenna Manual, youtube videos, and our very own AARC Antenna team.

See attached file for Dennis' presentation.

Field Day report – Bob Romanko:

FD planning proceeding. Location will be at Earlysville Fire Co. There are 16 areas of responsibility for the event; 11 are filled and 5 are still open. Discussion about preliminary setup of antennas at Earlysville.

Larry Eicher spoke about food for FD. In past years, club received food donations but due to restaurants having financial issues, the club will purchase food for FD. We do have some \$200 in VISA debit cards leftover from another club event.

John Porter reminded everyone to please pay dues for 2022 by May 1 when we will purge the membership list of those who have not renewed for 2022. .

The May club meeting will have new ARRL VA section manager and new emergency coordinator at meeting.

John will setup breakout sessions for after meeting.

Meeting adjourned by Ed at 8:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Kramer KN4CJI
Secretary

**AARC Meeting Attendee List
4/12/2022**

31 in attendance via Zoom

John Porter	KK4JP
Ed Berkowitz	N3US
James Owen	K4CGY
Steve Kramer	KN4CJI
Frank Haynes	W4NUA

Bob Romanko	AK4BR
Dave Damon	K4DND
Dave Beebe	KN4UEK
Don Eason	N4UVA
Ian Callahan	KN4TBG
Jim Wilson	K4BAV
Joe DiVincents	KO8V
Bob Pattison	K4DU
Warren Yursik	KN4LYF
Larry Eicher	K4JZQ
Michael Rein	KA4JJD
Dennis Terribile	WR4I
Ben Kidd	KG4EIF
Wynn Solomon	AI4MV
Leroy Caudhill	KO4JMH
Rich Freeman	KI4QKV
AJ Miller	KE4AJM
Bill Pemberton	KX4KZ
James Condon	AD4YM
Joe Greenberg	KJ4PE
Mike McMahon	KK4UBE
Steve Hull	KN4TKR
Tim Freeze	KO4ELL
Michelle de Stefano	KO4YSC