AARC Meeting Minutes June 14, 2022

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

Larry Eicher gave Treasurer's Report:

Larry thanked Don Eason for his great support and counsel in helping him get familiar with Club finances. We all owe a great debt of gratitude to Don for his long service in support of AARC.

Treasurer's Report as of June 6, 2022 for AARC

The change from the Truist checking account (formerly BB&T) is now complete. Checking account with UVA Credit Union opened on 4/6/2022.

From 4/6/2022 to 6/6/202

Credits \$33,889.65

Debits. 285.43

Total Net. \$33,604.22 *

Many of the credits were from the collection of annual dues memberships via Pay Pal and mailed in checks, plus the sales of renovated equipment sold. Thanks to Ed N3US and Jim K4CGY in renovating SK estate sales equipment.

*Note: In addition to the above total net AARC has two (2) Visa Debit cards, value \$100 each. This amount will be used for upcoming expenses associated with Field Day activities & food.

Anticipated Expenditures/Income in Future: This year the Board approved a motion to fully pay all vendors who previously generously donated food/items in support of our Field Day operations. This decision is based on helping boost our local vendors get back on their feet after the Covid pandemic.

We know we will have additional expenses in support of Field Day as well as repairs scheduled for a couple of our repeaters. There is also the possibility of further SK and donated estate equipment income.

As part of this report, I want to note that we recently received \$30.10 from the Amazon Smile program. Thanks to you all who purchase products from Amazon and indicate your support for AARC using the Amazon Smile link. If you haven't registered, check out the Amazon website and highlight AARC.

Finally, our new UVA checking account received a dividend of \$.21 during this period.

Respectfully submitted.

Larry Eicher K4JZQ acting Treasurer

Repeater status:

Two new Antennas will be purchased for 895 repeater. Need to pay for county contractor to climb tower and install new antennas.

QCWA report by Brian:

Quarter Century Wireless Assoc. is for hams who have had a license for at least 25 years, not necessarily consecutive. They would like to get the local QWCA chapter active again and encouraged club members who are eligible to sign up.

Education committee report added after meeting:

The Education Committee met on May 24. Several topics were discussed including the format of the sessions, what course to teach next, in-person vs Zoom sessions, publicity, and coordination with other clubs in the area.

It has been decided that the next session will be for the Technician Class license. It will begin the Thursday after Labor Day. The sessions will be on Zoom except for the last session that will be an in-person review and license examination session. We hope to be able to hold the review and test (VE) session at PVCC.

In the later part of 2022, the committee will survey the membership to determine interest in a General Class for the Spring of 2023. In the coming weeks a course schedule will be published and the call for instructors will go out.

For the Education Committee Bob Pattison, K4DU

Presentation on 2022 Field Day by Bob Romanko AL4BR:Ss

Some highlights from Bob's presentation. See google doc for entire presentation. Link is below.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1nkgAXKoZ-rINN4k7VhJ1VjAwE4OS8XcoHhADM6Jt0s/edit?usp=sharing_eil_se_dm&ts=62ab261c

FD June 25-26th 1400 to 1400. 4th full weekend in June each year. Location: Earlysville Volunteer Fire Co. 283 Reas Ford Rd, Earlysville, VA 22936

Ham Radio's open house open to membership and the public. Details online at <u>http://arrl.org/field-day</u>

FD committee meetings held every Thursday at 7 PM via Zoom.

Strategy: Everyone does a little. Safety is big concern. See presentation for committee assignments.

Ed sent email to invite anyone from Board of Supervisors.

Larry sent email about food (see attached). Everyone going to dinner at 6 PM on Saturday bring side dish and chairs. GOTA table will be from 2 – 5 pm on Saturday. Jim asked for bandpass filters for HF.

Antennas provided by club, Bob R. and Dennis who will send out email with signup sheet. Dennis needs CW logger. Generators provided by Joe DeVincentis with 200 Ah batteries and cables. Kevin Cwalina has PC/LAN network all setup and ready to go. Please bring own laptop if operating digital. Club is operating 3A as W4DO.100 WATT limit. Scores are by club, by individual and aggregated by ARRL auto-aggregate. Setup Friday at 4 PM.

Show up, contribute and enjoy!

Larry's email about food for FD dinner.

Status of Food for Field Day Operation

Dinner will be scheduled for 6PM on Saturday June 25.

This year the club will supply the entrée and provide other supplies, plus water, sodas, coffee, and paper products like plates, napkins, utensils. No alcohol is permitted at the Fire Station.

Those club members staying for dinner are requested to bring a side dish. Suggested sides include salads, veggie dishes, desserts. Be sure to bring serving spoons and label you dish with your call sign/name. Note: if you bring something is cold, please ensure it remains cold (ice is available at the Fire Station); if your dish should be hot, please see if you can bring some sterno or cover the dish in aluminum foil.

If you don't like to cook, a dish from the local Deli section of a grocery store is quite sufficient.

The Club provided entrée will again be Wayside Chicken pieces, both fried and baked, water, sodas and picnic style setups for a buffet style meal. Bring chairs and coolers for your comfort.

Set up time for the dinner begins around 4:30 to 5PM and I would appreciate help from any club members and/or your spouses in setting up the tables and chairs, together with distribution of paper plates etc.

Larry K4JZQ

Club picnic may be in September.

Old/new Business:

Larry talked about VA phone net annual meeting. Don Eason elected life member. VFN traffic net started 1934.

Meeting adjourned by Ed at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Kramer KN4CJI

Secretary

AARC Meeting Attendee List 6/14/2022

23 in attendance via Zoom.

Ed Berkowitz	N3US
James Owen	K4CGY
Steve Kramer	KN4CJI
Dave Beebe	KN4UEK
Don Eason	N4UVA
lan Callahan	KN4TBG
Jim Wilson	K4BAV
Joe DeVincentis	KO8V
Larry Eicher	K4JZQ
Michael Rein	KA4JJD
Dennis Terribile	WR4I
Ben Kidd	KG4EIF
Steve Hull	KN4TKR
Ben Casto	NX4S
Kevin Cwalina	K4SHR
Brian	K4UL
Bob Romanko	K4BR
Wynn Solomon	AI4MV
Bill Oleksy	KF4IE
Nate	N4PED
Frank Haynes	W4NUP
Elden Liu	KQ4ABY
Charles Grisham	KF4RKR