

Albemarle Amateur Radio Club

April 8, 2025

Monthly Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order 7:00pm, by President, Bob Romanko, AK4BR.
2. Attendees. 17 in attendance in person at PVCC. 14 in attendance via Zoom.
3. Welcoming Statement & Announcements:
 - a. Welcome to the AARC monthly meeting
4. Approval of March meeting minutes deferred until the May meeting.
5. Voting in of new members
 - Joel Morgan K4DUV, General, Charlottesville.
New member voted in without objection.
6. Treasurer's Report – Larry Eicher, K4JZQ
 - Current balance \$38,676.26.
 - Club liability insurance is now paid through June 1, 2026.
 - Recommend that the Club consider additional expenditures to keep club funds under \$50,000.
7. Committee Reports
 - Public Service – Dave Damon K4DND
 - Completed Blue Ridge School gravel ride on Sat 4/5. 17 radio volunteers. 3 different courses of bike rides, with 91 riders enrolled.
 - Several events currently on calendar:
 - Sat 5/3: Mint Springs Trail 5K Run.
 - Sat 6/7: Blue Ridge Ride to Defeat ALS – Large numbers required.
 - Estate Committee – Rich Bradley W4DZC (Did not attend. No report.)
 - Technical Committee – Bill Pond N0WP
 - Went to Martha Jefferson to do work on 146.925 repeater.
 - Also listening to 146.760 Heard Mtn repeater to troubleshoot noises heard, additional work planned.
 - Public Relations – Russ Sawyer KN4LAU (Did not attend. No report.)

Education Committee – John Porter KK4JP

- In planning stages for future classes.

Fundraising – AJ Miller KE4AJM (Did not attend. No report.)

Volunteer Exam Coordinator - Hank Perritt K9KDF (Did not attend. Reported to Bob

- Previous info on upcoming VE sessions included below:
 - Session held on 3/15.
 - Next VE sessions to be held at PVCC at 10:00 AM:
 - 6/14/25, 9/13/25, and 12/13/25
 - All sessions have been posted on the AARC and ARRL websites

8. Comments for the group:

- Yusuf Cetin KQ4PPM, President of W4UVA, with support of Scott Barker KQ4TNX, trustee of W4UVA, has announced that the UVA Club has established a repeater that can be reached at 443MHz + tone: 151.4.

9. Old Business

- Club Branding & Logo. Bob AK4BR will present more in May.
- Field Day 2025 will be on June 28-29, 2025. Plans underway, but official planning meeting will be in June.

10. New Business

None offered.

11. Program – “Long Island CW Club” by Bob Romanko AK4BR.

12. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pete Francisco, K4KE, Secretary

Meeting Attendees

In Person:

Bob Romanko	AK4BR
Dennis Terribile	WR4I
Peter Francisco	K4KE
Wayne Bower	N4EYZ
Dave Beebe	K4EUK
Steve Bookout	NR4M
Ed Berkowitz	N3US
John Porter	KK4JP
Scott Barker	KQ4TNX
Ian Callahan	KN4TBG
Chris Baker	KØBUF
Len Soika	KQ4BBR
Jim Owen	K4CGY
Larry Eicher	K4JZQ
Glenn Hartman	WA3Z
Michael Smith	KQ4SRP
Ben Casto	NX4S

Online:

Ken Kellerman	K2AOE
Dave Damon	K4DND
Dudley White	W4CKP
LeRoy Moyer	K4ISW
Allan Nathanson	WA3WCO
Bill Pond	NØWP
Chris Kiewra	KQ4KEO
Warren Yursik	KN4LYF
Rich Freeman	KI4QKV
Barbara Freeman	KN4LAH
Sandy Mullins	K4PZC
Yusuf Cetin	KQ4PPM
Tonya Pederson	KQ4EUR