
Attendance:

N7DJE Timber
KB7POT Mikel
AL1Q Jeff
KK6FVG Avis
WB7JON John
WA7LKF Mike
K7RO John
KC7USG Davena
KI7LGV Evan

Secretary's report:

Mikel KB7POT read minutes from the March meeting. They were accepted with minor corrections.

Treasurer's report:

Timber N7DJE reported for N7ACW that we have payed \$31.50 on the power bill. There is currently \$1473.84 dollars in the bank and \$53 in petty cash.

Building and Grounds:

Timber N7DJE noted that there is a leak in the ceiling behind the back counter. There is a lot of water around the light.

Repeater Report:

Jeff AL1Q reports that the repeater still has some wind noise. He has not been able to visit the site yet this year due to reported snow drifts across the road. It will probably be another month before the next visit. He will be writing a letter to the site owner about the transfer of the repeater site. Jeff will no longer hold the lease after August.

Health and Welfare:

Timber N7DJE reports that Harold KG7PGJ passed away the end of January. He was a former club president.

ARES Report:

Timber N7DJE reports, the Tour of Walla Walla Bicycle race is this weekend. If you are participating please sign up on ARES Connect. If you have not signed up for ARES Connect, please do so. The Eastern Washington State Emergency Net is now also on ARES Connect for signup.

The fifth Saturday EOC - EOC exercise on the 30th of March. N7DJE, AL1Q, K7BDT, and KB7POT participated. The State EOC received over 200 Winlink messages. Much was learned.

VE:

Timber N7DJE Next VE session is the 28th of April, 1400, at the usual place.

There will be testing at the Yakima Hamfest this Saturday.

Announcements:

John K7RO offered an older, homemade, rack-mounted, 2000 Watt amplifier to the club. Needs a fan and some work.

There was a note on the club's table from Jim Myers who joined at the last swap meet. He wants to know if there is another swap meet this year. Timber will reach out to Jim.

Misc:

None

Old Business:

Timber N7ACW reached out to an electrician to look at the wiring and power entry for the building. The electrician will come when he has a chance. Timber will be drawing up plans to show him.

We are still planning on participating in the National Night Out.

New Business:

Mikel KB7POT will look into VA events that we can participate in.

Jeff AL1Q agreed to head up Field Day. We will be holding it in Rooks Park, in the same place as we did in 2017. Jeff will be looking for volunteers, and will be training people how to do it next year. There was more discussion on details and responsibilities of the setup and location.

Will ask N7ACW if general club member can join the WWARES group on groups.io. A site that allows two way communication via email and the web site. If he says yes, Jeff will probably use it to co-ordinate Field Day.

Show and Tell:

Avis KK6FVG showed her new VHF/UHF go kit radio in an ammo box by Hardend Power Systems.

Education:

Lynn K7LW gave a presentation on digital voice VHF/UHF radio. He also mentioned that he will be making improvements on his own Fusion repeater site.

Meeting adjourned:

21:00 PT

Respectfully submitted, Mikel KB7POT, Secretary

