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Public Service Events Start Early this Year

by Fred AE6SF

March 10th is the Fish Rock bicycle event, new to SCRA this year. Three hundred cyclists will depart Boonville, traverse to and down the coast, and return to Boonville. Radio operators and SAGs are needed. For details and to sign up, visit the SCRA website.

From the event website: <https://www.bikemonkey.net/fishrock>

Route

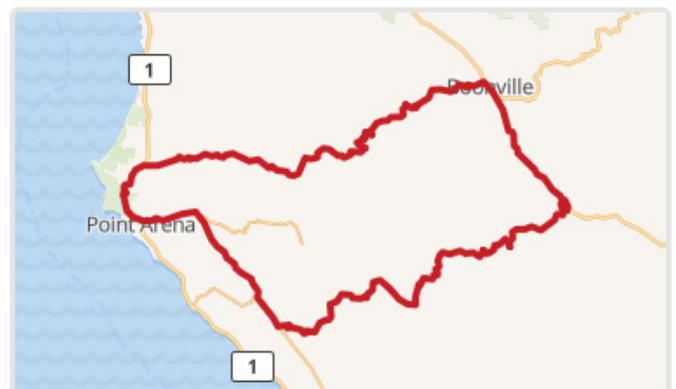
There's only one route for Fish Rock. It's 72.4 miles and 9,670 feet of elevation gain. The record is somewhere just under five hours.

We begin in Boonville and head west over the very long, beautiful, low-traffic Mountain View Road. After reaching HWY 1 for a brief period we turn inland to make our return and tackle the one that inspired it all: Fish Rock. Quickly turning to gravel and pitching upward, you'll find yourself in a place unlike any other. For

the next 25 miles, you'll have yourself, your legs and your heartbeat to keep you company.

This ride is not a joke. Every crazy thing you've heard about Fish Rock Road is probably true, or in some way related to something that is true.

“Fish Rock? That’s a four-beer road on a good day, son.”



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, FEBRUARY 2018

Welcome new members, Joe Muller KM6OVJ, Josh Menzies KM6PAU, Richard Klein KM6PPD, Shelley Edwards KM6PDT, William Bergman KM6MGG and associate members, Ann Ivan, Davison and Simone Marroquin.

This month we start a series of technician overview programs, starting with Chapter 2 Procedures and Practices and Chapter 3 Rules and Regulations.

Public Service events start earlier this year with the Fish Rock Bicycle Race, our cover story. Fred AE6SF will be the comm boss for this race. The Human Race follows in April. Watch for sign-up sheets for these events on the SCRA website.

Editor - KI6UGB

REMEMBER: WITH GREAT POWER COMES GREAT CURRENT SQUARED TIMES RESISTANCE.



FEBRUARY PROGRAM

Technician Overview:

Chapter 2 Procedures and Practices and Chapter 3 Rules and Regulations.

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WHEN YOU ASK WHERE THE PL-259'S ARE LOCATED

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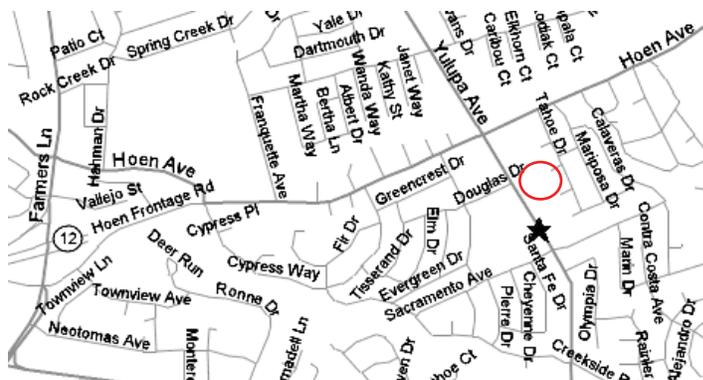
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SCRA Club Meetings

The club normally meets the first Wednesday of each month, socially at 6:30 pm, program starting at 7:00 pm. Exceptions are holidays or other big events.

Meeting location:
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center
2050 Yulupa Avenue
Santa Rosa, CA



All are welcome!

Please join us at our next meeting. Anyone interested in Amateur Radio is eligible for membership. A membership application is included in this newsletter. For more information, contact any SCRA officer, director or member. Hungry before the meeting? Join us for dinner! We Meet at IHOP restaurant, 4th and Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa. People start showing up at 5:15 PM. No RSVP is required.

Board of Directors Meeting

The SCRA Board of Directors will meet monthly on the Second Wednesday at the IHOP Restaurant, Fourth Street, Santa Rosa (in the Safeway/CVS Pharmacy center). All members are welcome to attend, no reservations necessary. Arrive around 5:15- 5:30pm for dinner. Meeting starts at 6:00pm.

LOANER RADIOS AVAILABLE

The Club has a variety of radios available to members to try out and improve their skills. We have a Kenwood T590 SG HF radio; Yeasu FT 2900 2 meter mobile; Yeasu FT1D, an analog/digital 2 meter and 440mhz HT; Yeasu FT 60, a 2 meter and 440 mhz HT; and a TYT TH-F5 VHF 2 meter HT. Trying these out is an excellent way to learn some radio and test before you buy. Contact Joe, K6AWA, at k6awa@yahoo.com with your request. Joe will forward an information form to you by return email.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We now have 192 members. 137, 71%, have paid their dues for 2018.

The roster will be adjusted after Feb 7, 2018 meeting, when inactive members will be archived.

73,

Karen K6KSM

SCRA Membership Committee

UPGRADE TO GENERAL OR AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS

Get more privileges and enjoyment from your Ham Radio Hobby. [Mentoring assistance](#) is available. Contact Dave W6IBC, SCRA Education Chair, at 707-838-8155 or w6ibc@arrrl.net.

Tuesday Night Net

The Sonoma County Radio Amateurs' net meets Tuesday at 7:00 PM on the SCRA repeater, 147.315, positive offset, PL 88.5.

All members and guests are invited to check in. The Net includes updates on SCRA activities, and News-line, the amateur radio community news service.

Anyone wishing to work as net control should contact lola kk6hre, at K6SON@ARRL.NET for assignment. Script and logs are available on the Website at <http://sonomacountyradioamateurs.com/wp/resources/net-script/>



Weekly SBARA Youth Net New Day and Time!

- For young people 18 and under
- Licensed youth or youth with a licensed control operator are welcome to check-in
- Check-in via EchoLink, if you are outside of the area
- Adults can check-in towards the end of the Net to answer questions and mentor the youth.

Please join our new, 13-year-old net control operator, Truman Lindsey, KM6AQS, and help us grow this important Net for young hams!

- SBARA Youth Net
- Every Tuesday evening, 6:30pm (1830), PACIFIC
- N6NFI repeater, Palo Alto, CA (145.230 MHz, -600 kHz, PL 100 Hz.)
- EchoLink Station: KR6DD-R

Steve Wilson KG6HJU
South Bay Amateur Radio Association
Fremont, CA
kg6hju@arrrl.net



10 Meter Net

There will be a net on 10 meters hosted by Joe K6AWA at 8:30pm (new time) following the regular SCRA net Tuesday nights. Set your dial to 28,403.00 SSB, USB. Please note that all license classes (including technician) are welcome.

Kids Net

Kids Net meets Thursdays at 7:30 pm on the Sonoma Mountain Repeater Society repeater at 146.910 MHz - PL 88.5 Petaluma.

Hosted by Ellen KJ6BHG and Joseph KJ6BHH for kids of all ages. It is focused on kids still in school, but all are welcome. They said to bring jokes to share.

2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Check the [Club website](#) for details

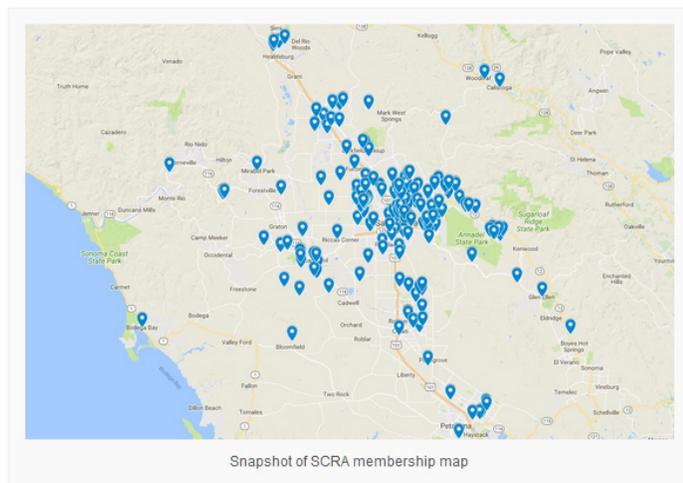
(Tentative schedule)

Sat 3/10 Fish Rock	Bicycle
Sat 4/10 VE Testing	Education
Sat 4/13 Family Expo & Camp Fair	Outreach
Sat 4/28 Human Race	Walk
Sat 5/05 Wine Country Century	Bicycle
Sun 6/10 Vineman	Bicycle
Sat 6/16 Terrible Two	Bicycle
Sat 6/16 ARRL Kid's Day	On the Air
Sat 6/23 Field Day (6/22-6/24)	Camping
Sat 7/21 VE Testing	Education
Sat 8/12 Tour d'Organics	Bicycle
Fri 8/17 Mini-DX (8/17-8/19)	Camping
Sat 8/25 Tour de Fox	Bicycle
Sat 9/15 VE Testing	Education
Sat 9/22 Waves to Wine	Bicycle
Sat 9/22 PCAM (Wings over Wine Country)	Public Info
Sun 9/23 Waves to Wine	Bicycle
Sun 9/23 PCAM (Wings over Wine Country)	Public Info
Sat 10/6 Levi's GranFondo	Bicycle
Sat 10/20 JOTA (Jamboree On The Air)	On the Air
Sat 10/27 Bay Area Science Festival	Outreach
Sat 11/17 VE Testing	Education

Membership Map -New website feature
Click to try it.

Membership Map

[Click here for an interactive online map of SCRA members.](#)



2018 PROGRAM LINE-UP

Iola and I are working jointly on a series of over view programs for the 2018 calender year that are intended to promote the idea of encouraging our recently licensed Technician Class operators to advance to General Class license. Also if any existing or returning General class operators want to get back up to speed on the latest license requirements they to would be more than welcome. As stated before this program is intended to be a brief overview taking 30 to 45 minutes to present during the first half of the general club meeting, with interested participants being teamed up with an mentor.

Based on the current A.R.R.L. General Class License Manual the monthly overview program will cover the following topics as listed below (Subject to change):
February: Chapter 2 Procedures and Practices and Chapter 3 Rules and Regulations.
March and April: Chapter 4 Components and Circuits.
May: Chapter 5 Radio signals and Equipment.
June: Field Day
July: Chapter 6 Digital modes.
August: Chapter 7 Antennas.
September: Chapter 8 Propagation.
November: Chapter 9 Electrical and R.F. Safety.

We will be looking for as many volunteers as possible to take on presenting each topic based upon their interest and skill set as well as mentors. So in a nut shell, "Come one come all please help make this program a success."

Jeff Tonelli
KI6PBF

Russian River CERT Program

The Russian River CERT is very interested in hosting a presentation at one of our regular meetings. We are actively looking into getting as many of our members licensed, and utilizing the Amateur bands as a means of communications within our group. If any of you are interested, we will be holding our next regular meeting on February 15th at 6pm at the Russian River Fire Station in Guerneville. Please let me or David know how we might be able to make this happen.

Warm Regards,
Ryan

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CONTEST CORNER

Short Skip is reprinting Contest Corral from the ARRL Contest page to give you an idea of what is going on this month. Short Skip is looking for someone to take over this feature. If you are interested please contact shortskippeditor@gmail.com.

Contest Corral

February 2018

Check for updates and a downloadable PDF version online at www.arrl.org/contests.

Refer to the contest websites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

Start - Finish Date-Time	Date-Time	Bands	Contest Name	Mode	Exchange	Sponsor's Website
1 1800	1 2200	28	NRAU 10 Meter Activity Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), 6-char grid square	www.nrau.net/activity-contests
2 1400	4 0200	All	YLRL YL-OM Contest	CW Ph Dig	Serial, RS(T), SPC	ylrl.org/index.php
3 1400	3 2359	1.8-28	FYBO Winter QRP Sprint	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), SPC, name, power, temperature	arizonascqrptions.apps-1and1.com
3 1400	3 2359	1.8-28	Minnesota QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	Name, county or SPC	www.w0aa.org
3 1600	3 1900	3.5	AGCW Straight Key Party	CW	RST, serial, class, name, age	www.agcw.org
3 1700	3 2100	3.5-28	FISTS Winter Slow Speed Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or power	fistsna.org
3 0000	4 2359	1.8-UHF	Vermont QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), county or SPC	www.ranv.org/vtqso.html
3 0001	4 2359	28	10-10 International Winter Contest, SSB	Ph	Name, mbr or "0," SPC	www.ten-ten.org/
3 1200	4 1159	1.8-28	Black Sea Cup International	CW Ph	RS(T), club/org or ITU zone	bscc.ucoz.ru
3 1200	4 1200	3.5-28, 144	F9AA Cup, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.site.urc.asso.fr
3 1200	4 2359	3.5-28	Mexico RTTY International Contest	Dig	RST, XE state or serial	www.rtty.fmre.mx
3 1600	4 2359	1.8-28	British Columbia QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), BC district or SPC	www.orcadxc.org
4 0000	4 0400	3.5-14	North American Sprint, CW	CW	Other station's call, your call, serial, name, SPC	ncjweb.com/Sprint-Rules.pdf
5 1900	5 2030	3.5	RSGB 80 Meter Club Championship, SSB	Ph	RS, serial	www.rsgbcc.org/hf
6 0200	6 0400	3.5-28	ARS Spartan Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, power	arsqrp.blogspot.com
7 2000	7 2100	3.5	UKEICC 80 Meter Contest	Ph	4-char grid square	www.ukeicc.com
10 1100	10 1300	7, 14	Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW	CW	RST, serial	jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt
10 1700	10 2100	3.5-28	FISTS Winter Unlimited Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or power	fistsna.org
10 1900	10 2300	1.8	RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz Contest	CW	RST, serial, UK district code (if any)	www.rsgbcc.org/hf
10 0000	11 2359	3.5-28	CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	Dig	RST, serial	www.cqwprrty.com
10 1000	11 1000	1.8-28	SARL Field Day Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), number of xmtrs, category, province (or "DX")	www.sarl.org.za
10 1200	11 1200	1.8-28	Dutch PACC Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), PA province or serial	pacc.veron.nl
10 1200	11 1200	1.8	KCJ Topband Contest	CW	RST, prefecture/district/continent code	www.kcj-cw.com
10 1200	11 2359	1.8-50	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or "none"	www.skccgroup.com
10 1500	11 1500	1.8-28	OMISS QSO Party	Ph	RS, SPC, mbr (inf any)	omiss.net/Facelit/qsoparty.php
11 1200	11 1800	3.5, 7	Balkan HF Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), serial	arabih.ba
12 0100	12 0259	3.5-14	CQC Winter QSO Party	CW	RST, SPC	www.coloradoqrclub.org
12 1300	16 2359	All (no WARC)	ARRL School Club Roundup	CW Ph	RS(T), Class (I/C/S), SPC	www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup
14 0000	14 2359	1.8-7	PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint	Dig	Name, OM/YL, SPC	www.podxs070.com
14 0130	14 0330	3.5-14	NAQCC CW Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or power	naqcc.info
14 1900	14 2030	3.5	RSGB 80 Meter Club Championship, Data	Dig	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org/hf
17 0800	17 1000	7	SARL Youth Day Sprint	Ph	RS, age	www.sarl.org.za
17 1900	17 2059	1.8-28	Feld Hell Sprint	Dig	RST, name, mbr, SPC, grid	sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub
17 0000	18 2359	1.8-28	ARRL International DX Contest, CW	CW	W/V: RST, SP; DX: RST, power	www.arrl.org/arrl-dx
17 1200	18 1159	1.8-28	Russian PSK WW Contest	Dig	RST, Oblast or serial	www.rdrclub.ru
17 2300	18 2300	1.8-14	AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party	Ph	Name, SPC	www.antiquewireless.org
18 1300	21 0800	1.8-144	Classic Exchange, Phone	Ph	Name, RS, SPC, rcvr/xmtr model	www.classicexchange.org
19 0200	19 0400	1.8-28	Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or power	qrptest.com/pigrun
21 1900	21 2030	3.5	AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening	CW	RST, serial, 2-digit year first used a bug	www.agcw.org
22 1900	22 2030	3.5	RSGB 80 Meter Club Championship, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org/hf
23 2200	25 2200	1.8	CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB	Ph	W/V: RS, SP; DX: RS, CQ zone	www.cq160.com/rules.htm
24 0600	25 1800	3.5-28	REF Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, F Department or serial	concoeurs.r-e-f.org/reglements
24 1300	25 1300	3.5-28	UBA DX Contest, CW	CW	RST, serial, ON province (if any)	www.uba.be/en
24 1500	25 0159	1.8-50	South Carolina QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), county or SPC	scqso.com/rules
24 1800	25 0559	3.5-28	North American QSO Party, RTTY	Dig	NA: Name, SPC/DC; DX: Name	www.ncjweb.com
25 0900	25 1700	3.5-28	High Speed Club CW Contest	CW	RST, mbr or "NM"	www.highspeedclub.org
25 1300	25 1600	3.5-14	SARL Digital Contest	Dig	RST, serial	www.sarl.org.za
25 1500	26 0059	3.5-144	North Carolina QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	NC county or SPC	rars.org/ncqsoparty
28 0000	28 0200	1.8-28	SKCC Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or power	www.skccgroup.com
28 2000	28 2100	3.5	UKEICC 80 Meter Contest	CW	4-char grid square	www.ukeicc.com

All dates refer to UTC and may be different from calendar dates in North America. No contest activity occurs on the 60-, 30-, 17-, and 12-meter bands. Mbr = Membership number. Serial = Sequential number of the contact. SPC = State, Province, DXCC Entity. XE = Mexican state. Listings in blue indicate contests sponsored by ARRL or NCJ. The latest time to make a valid contest QSO is the minute listed in the "Finish Time" column. Data for Contest Corral is maintained on the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at www.hornucopia.com/contestcal and is extracted for publication in QST 2 months prior to the month of the contest. ARRL gratefully acknowledges the support of Bruce Horn, WA7BNM, in providing this service.



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For additional contest calendars and resources check:

[WA7BNM Contest Calendar](#)

[ARRL Contests Page](#)

Amateur Radio Podcasts

by Bill Dornbush KM6BYD

When I am getting dressed in the morning, riding in the car, or when I am at the gym, I listen to podcasts. What are podcasts? They are audio (and often video) recordings that you can listen to online or can download to an audio capable device such as a cell phone. You can watch many as videos as well.



I use BeyondPod, an app that runs on Android. Another popular way to find them is iTunes. I have a set of podcast providers that I listen to regularly that are amateur radio related and a few other topics.

I have learned a lot about amateur radio, technology, and other topics by listening to them. You should consider listening to some online at least, or try downloading some shows and take them with you. Here are some shows that I listened to this month that I recommend:

Field Radio Podcast – <http://fieldradiopodcast.org>

– discusses topics about using Amateur Radio in the Field

Episode 12 (<http://fieldradiopodcast.org/FRP12.php>) was on Raising Field Expedient Antennas. On this podcast, they discuss the different methods and tools to use to get your antennas up in the air, how to keep them in the air, and how to bring them back down safely. This is an overlooked area of the hobby where you have to be inventive and adaptable to the situation.

Ham Nation - <https://twit.tv/shows/ham-nation> - Share in the excitement and importance of ham radio – from tossing an antenna wire into a tree allowing you to talk to the world, to the importance of ham radio operators in time of disasters.

Episode 334 (<https://twit.tv/shows/ham-nation/episodes/334>) Quartzfest Preview - What to expect at QuartzFest 2018, more resources for your Pineboard Project parts with Bob Heil, movies featuring Ham radio, and more!

SCRA Website Forum

So how many of you know that the SCRA website has a forum page? Its there for all members to use.

There is a Section for Activities, Announcements and News, Public Service, and Technical Issues.

To visit the site,

Navigate to the SCRA website,

Log in as a member

Click on Member Area, then [Forums](#)

While you are on the individual Forum pages, make sure to click on SUBSCRIBE. This will send you an email when a new question gets posted.

Don't worry about your inbox getting flooded with junk emails. Only valid members can post to the site.

How to Subscribe to the SCRA Calendar

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SONOMA COUNTY RADIO AMATEURS
MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

January 3, 2018

6:30pm – 7:00pm Social Time

7:00pm – 8:30pm = Meeting agenda items

Past Minutes approved: Dave and Pat

Conflict of Interest signed by all Board Members

1. Establish quorum; Introduce Board Members
Established

Introduce New Members and Guests

Jeff Herman KD5OIU

Charles KG6EDP

Lawrence Lee KK6GJY

Je KM6OVJ

2. Guests:

1. Richard Gallon K6ZGN

2. Aaron KN6CBM

3. Sharon KM6CBR

4. Jim WA6QBU

3. Net Control for:

JAN 9 = Charlie

JAN 16 =

JAN 23 = Jack K6OW

JAN 30 = Mike AD6YB

FEB 6 = Joe K6AWA

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEW CALLS,
UPGRADES, LIES AND BRAGS. This is where you
can announce

Keith Payea announced Jan. 13 Public Night Stars by
Pete RFO.org

March 21, SARA club meeting at Stanford University,
re: Radio Astronomy

-changes in your call sign, an upgrade to your license,
and possibly a brag or two.

Darryl, 2 new studying with him,

5. Program: Brian N6IIY = Planning for Personal
Safety in a Disaster

Paul Lowenthal, Assistant Fire Marshall

10 MINUTE BREAK Program ended 2010

Planning Meeting: Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Rincon Valley
Mobile Estates

6. Accept Minutes of Previous Meeting as published in
Short Skip Accepted

7. OFFICER AND CHAIRPERSONS BRIEF
REPORTS –

Treasurer's Report:

Savings: 1288.35

Checking: \$ 923.09

PayPal: \$ 1054.63

Total Accountability: \$ 22,766.07

Activities:

Jack; Repeaters up, Calsites Agreement made to pay
power; seconded by Mike. \$ 755.00

Community Outreach: Darryl KI6MSP

2 friends studying with Darryl

- Education: Dave W6IBC_NTR
- Field Day: Brian N6IIY
- Merchandise: Dan KK6VIQ
- NTR
- Repeater Committee: Jack K6ROW
- As indicated above
- Emergency Services:
- NTR
- Membership: Karen KK6GJW
- 185 Members
- DX Team: Doug KF6LMB
- NTR

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Minutes continued from page 8

- VE Testing = Brian N6IIY
- NTR
- Radio Loaner Program = Joe K6AWA
- Reminder
- Book Lending Library
- More books, Iola
- Public Service
- Bike club donation: recommended \$ 2500 to 5000, not decided.
- Roster Comp. group hold off until March

9. New Business

By Pres. John, Iola as Public Information Officer, questions on if allowed, later emails report allowed.

10. Adjournment

Board of Directors Meeting: January 10, 2018

Call to Order: President John ke5ri, called the January 2018 Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Board Present: Aaron kk6zdb, Jeff KI6PBF, Iola kk6hre, John ke5ri, Fred ae6sf, Joe k6awa, and Steve kk6vmz.

Also Present: Charlie kz6t, Mike ad6yb, Jack k6row, Brian n6iiy, Darryl ki6msp, Pat kg6jsl, and Cornell w6hmn.

Approval of previous minutes: Motion to accept previous minutes as published in Short Skip, by Iola kk6hre, seconded by Aaron kk6zdb. Motion passed.

Officers and Directors Reports:

Treasurer, Arron kk6zdb: \$ 22,291.79 in account. The proposed Budget for 2018 was discusses and approved. The Proposed Budget for 2018 will be brought to the Members in March for ratification. Copy of the Proposed Budget is attached to these Minutes.

Committee Reports:

Community Outreach, Darryl ki6mp: Request to

sponsor Brook Haven Elementary School radio club. Help to be requested as needed. Doug, concerns about costs of background checks for club participants. Darryl indicated that background checks were not necessary for temporary, short term, visitors at Brook Haven Elementary School. Board agrees that this project will not be a club sponsored program, but assistance requested from Darryl will be announced, as needed.

Activities: Jeff ki6pbf, suggests a class on Teaching Radio, 2:45 – 3:45, Mon. Tues. Thurs.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) 2018 Proposed budget passed. Impact: \$ 13,596.79.
- 2) John KE6RI, made motion to act now on DMR, Aaron 2nded. Motion passed.
- 3) Donation to Cycling Club. \$ 1,000. Double what Cycling Club hoped for. Iola kk6hre moved, Joe k6awa seconded, motion passed unanimously.
- 4) KX 3 SOTA, donation by Phil Kenney. Joe k6awa and Charlie kz6t, estimate the cost to bring KX 3 to top notch is, \$4,500.00. Charlie is considering a standing rig. \$900.00 + tax, shipping and add to Loaner Program. Needs approval of members at the February general club meeting. Jack reports 5 club members already using DMR. DMR repeater and two radios cost about \$4,400.00. Added to Loaner Program. Currently, nation-wide, 82,000 users. Maintenance is estimated at \$500.00 annually. Jack k6row proposed \$ 4,455.00 total and motion seconded by Fred. Motion passed, 1 opposed. Budget for total DMR changed from \$4,455 to \$4,000.

New Business:

- 1) Vacancy: Public Service Coordinator. Iola suggests John ask Eric aa6em, or Matt kj6lji, motion seconded by Joe k6awa. Motion passed.
- 2) Repeater Committee Members: Iola suggested adding Bill Dornbush. Repeater Committee members passed unanimously.

Adjournment: 1905 Hrs.

Respectfully submitted:
Steve Bouchard KK6VMZ



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