UCARS (Union County Amateur Radio Society) Meeting Minutes for April 19, 2018

David Keever, KV4N opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with 19 members and 1 visitor present.

Members in attendance:

Paul Corso, KK4PIB Ricardo Fisher KM4QJO Michael Segersin KN4CQA Mal Speer WA2TWA Kevin Moderow WA9VFD Greg Turner, W3CL Rick Lanier, N4RCL

David Keever, K8IP Chris Whitaker Jr, KK4WJL Moe Gingerich, WA4MOE Al Zinkernagel KI4UJJ Andy Kabasakalian WB2WZC Ray Rising, K4LWJ Bill Foust KB4NET Don Jacobson, KC1BD Peter Gulish, KA1NEM Norm Beasley, KO4CB Steve Goins, KN4CJF Bill Turner, W4WNT

Visitors: Skip Henry, N4QIN

- 1. David reviewed the minutes of the last meeting.
- 2. David K gave the Treasurer's report
- 3. David announced the loss of David Higgs and a reminder of his service on Friday March 20 at 11:00 AM at the Holland Funeral Home in Monroe, NC
- 4. Welcomed and announced new members for the past two months.
 - a. March: Peter Gulish KA1NEM & Greg Turner, W3CL
 - b. February: Henry Osuna, N4HOA and Bob DeWitt, K4RLD back after a long-time absence
- Paul Corso reported that no definitive date has been set for the Boy Scout Merit Badge Training Class. Multiple Scout leaders are working to present a date. Club needs a month's notice before a class can be given. We still need volunteers for presentation for the Meriti Badge Class.
- 6. Andy Kabasakalian gave an update on the upcoming Field Day. He requested anyone interested in being on the Field Day Committee to let him know.
- 7. Announced that the next meeting will be held at the new location of the Red Cross in Monroe. 125 Pedro Street.
- 8. There has been a request to change the location of the UCARS Breakfast meeting. The Hilltop restaurant has been suggested. Members will be polled to receive suggestions and vote for the location change.
- 9. There will be a Catawba Nuclear Drill on June 5th. Members of the club are invited to participate by a minimum of checking into the drill on the UCARS repeater. They are also invited to participate in person at the Red Cross location.
- 10. A request was made by Ray Rising that we attempt to obtain Skywarn training for those interested. David K will investigate the possibility of a class being held in Monroe. A poll of members interested was taken and there appears to be sufficient interest to have the training.
- 11. Moe Gingerich had equipment on site that he is attempting to sell for a missionary.
- 12. Mal Speer announced there is a Trader's Net on the SCARS Net (SouthCoast Amateur Radio Service) held on Wednesdays at 10-11 AM EDT on 7.251 Mhz.
- 13. Kevin, WA9VFD has expressed an interest to the club of creating a library of books (Radio related) that would be used by members. Is there room/location at the Red Cross to support this or should he approach the Library about setting up an area for text books. He is looking for suggestions, comments or if it would be beneficial. What is the interest of the members?
- 14. David announced that the "Catawba Valley Hamfest" is being held Saturday April 21 in Morganton, NC
- 15. Presentation was given by Ray Rising, K4LWJ of his Captivity for 810 days by Guerilla terrorist in the Columbian Jungle.
- 16. 50/50 drawing was held with \$33.00 in the collection. The drawing was won by Greg Turner and proceeds donated to the club treasury.
- 17. Meeting closed at 8:30 PM

Coming Events:

The next Saturday Breakfast is May 12th at a location to be announced.