## UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2019

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with 16 members and 4 Guest.

## Members in attendance:

Paul Corso, KK4PIB Chris Whitaker, AE4WS David Keever, KV4N Andy Kabasakalian, WB2WZC Steve Goins, KN4CJF Christopher Whitaker, KK4WJL Michael Segersin, KN4CQA Ricardo Fisher, KM4QJ Jim Tompkins, KF4TOM Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD Kelly Lambe, KW4IS Henry Hicks, K4HCH Alfred KoKoszczynski, KC2GZI David Funderburk, N4DKF Kevin Harbin, K4KII (G) Peter Gulish, K1NEM Hank Gamber, KK4ITO (G) Len Tower (G) Robert Hughes (G) NeQua Hunter (G)

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- 1. Review of the July meeting minutes.
- 2. Introductions of all in attendance
- 3. Treasurer's Report was given by David Keever.
- 4. Review of UCARS presence at Shelby Hamfest.
  - a. Decision to obtain table in sheltered area again next year.
- 5. Paul Corso reviewed his antenna (2-meter beam) purchase at the Hamfest and his results thus far.
- 6. UCARS received \$15 donation from members for Hamfest table at Shelby.
- 7. Warbirds over Monroe scheduled for November 9-11. Paul reported to early to reserve space and reservations.
- 8. Club decided to participate in Winter Field Day to be held January 25-26, 2020.
  - a. Permission to operate at the Red Cross Building has been obtained.
  - b. Other location suggestions are requested and will discussed in later meetings.
- 9. Chris Whitaker provided an update on ARES for Union County, plans and requirements.
- 10. UCARS elections for 2020 will be held in October.
  - a. Nominations received:
    - i. President Chris Whitaker will run unopposed.
    - ii. Vice President Henry Hicks, Peter Gulish, Jim Thompkins withdrew, Steve Goins withdrew
    - iii. Secretary /Treasurer David Keever will run unopposed
    - iv. Program Committee Appointed Kevin Moderow, Peter Gulish and Andy Kabasakalian
  - b. Voting to take place at October meeting for Vice President.
- 11. David K. provided information about the tower donated to UCARS and its status.
  - a. Club can not use due to size and place to install
  - b. Looking for someone to purchase tower and remove from JAARS. (Waxhaw)
- 12. Basic Skywarn Training is to be held on September 26 in Dallas, NC at the Gaston County Community Center. If interested contact Greg McDowell, W4GCH1@gmail,com
- 13. A Traffic class (RadioGram) is scheduled for Saturday September 21 in Richfield, NC sponsored by the Stanly County Amateur Radio Club.
- 14. The YCARS Hamfest will be held on October 5 in Rock Hill, SC. Hours from 7 AM to 2 PM.
- 15. Andy Kabasakalian and Chris Whitaker met with a local Boy Scouts round table to discuss their involvement with Amateur Radio and how UCARS can assist.
  - a. There is interest in putting together a Meriti Badge Class after the first of the year in 2020.
- 16. Kevin Moderow announced that there will be a weeklong celebration for the "Ham of the Century"
  - a. Call sign to be used in N1O
  - b. This will celebrate Oscar Norris, W4OXH, his 102 Birthday
  - c. Will be operating on 80, 40 meters, CW, SSB and FT8

- 17. Henry Hicks and Len Tower (Program Managers) for CERTS in Stallings, gave a presentation about CERTS.
  - a. Focused on what is Certs.
  - b. How to become involved
  - c. Other Areas that need to be served.
- 18. Anson County Amateur Radio Club will have a meeting September 20 at 6:00 PM at the Speckled Paw Coffee house in Wadesboro.
- 19. 50/50 drawing held for \$18.00. Won by Paul Corso, donated \$17.00 to the Club.
- 20. Meeting adjoined at 8:23 PM

## **Coming Events:**

Saturday breakfast – October 12, 2019 UCARS VE Session – October 19, 2019