

UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for October 17, 2019

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS opened the regular meeting at 7:02 PM with 18 members and 3 Guest.

Members in attendance:

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS

Steve Goins, KN4CJF

Kelly Lambe, KW4IS

David Funderburk, N4DKF

Norm Beasley, KO4CB

Rick Lanier, N4RCL

Steve Bonnell, WA3KPI (G)

David Keever, KV4N

Michael Segersin, KN4CQA

Henry Hicks, K4HCH

Kevin Harbin, K4KII (G)

Ray Rising, K4LWJ

Jeff Weiss, K4EVT

Robert Hughes (G)

Andy Kabasakalian, WB2WZC

Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD

Alfred KoKoszczyński, KC2GZI

Peter Gulish, K1NEM

Mal Speer, WA2TWA

Rich Sammarco, KN4CQB

NeQua Hunter (G)

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1. Review of the July meeting minutes.
2. Treasurer's Report was given by David Keever.
3. In the absence of Paul Corso to discuss Warbirds over Monroe an email will be sent out to notify all the event and how to obtain an admission ticket. Event is scheduled for November 9th - 11th.
4. Alfred KoKo has the club tent and will need to hand off before Warbirds over Monroe.
5. Winter Field Day is scheduled at the Red Cross location on January 25-26. Some Red Cross people want to stop by and see what UCARS does.
6. Andy Kabasakalian talked about antenna installation for Winter Field Day and how they can be installed at the Red Cross Building. Andy sees no issues.
7. Kevin Moderow asked if UCARS can install cables and leave them in place in the attic.
8. Plans to use Club radio, Mel offered K3, Kevin also offered a radio. Plan to not use more than 2 stations
9. Chris to publish Winter Field Day by Social media.
10. David provided update of on tower availability at JAARS lot.
11. Skywarn training was held in Dallas, NC, no one in UCARS attended.
12. Some members attended the Rock Hill Hamfest.
13. Jeff Wiess and David K attended traffic handling class in Richfield, NC.
14. Announced VE test session for October 19, and verified we have volunteers.
15. UCARS has been invited to teach a Boy Scout Merit Badge Class at Camp Barnhardt. It is called the Boy Scouts Barnhardt winter camp. Event is to be held on December 27. Kevin, Mel and possibly Norm volunteered. Kevin requested copy of presentation; Mel offered to teach the section he taught before.
16. Discussion followed concerning location, number of Scouts in class (capped at 20) and who will volunteer.
17. Announced that Craig Sharp's (KD6B) wife died in September.
18. Announced that the California Forestry and Fire Protection has announced that they are contacting repeaters owners or equipment located on Forestry towers that Amateur Radio is not going to be their backup form of communications. An analysis will be conducted to determine if a monthly fee will be assessed to keep the equipment on site.
19. Election for Vice President was held. Candidates are Peter Gulish and Henry Hicks. Results will be posted Friday and you will receive via email.
20. Anyone that is not a member may sign up tonight, see David for application form.
21. Club Dues for 2020 are due.
22. Andy Kabasakalian gave a presentation on power to maintain charge on battery when power is present and to allow battery to take load automatically. Andy provided kits (for a fee) to build your own.
23. Holiday dinner was discussed, possibly on first Thursday in December. Asian Buffet is an option and other locations are open for discussion. Chris to send out email on Friday (October 18) to see if others have suggestions for location of dinner.

24. 50/50 drawing held for \$13.00. Won by Kevin Moderow, donated \$ 7.00 to the Club.
25. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Coming Events:

Saturday breakfast – November 9, 2019

UCARS Holiday Dinner – December 5, 2019 (?)