

## UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for March 16, 2023

**Christopher Whitaker** opened the regular meeting at 7:04 PM with 25 members and 1 guest present.

### Attendance:

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS  
Tom McCobb, K3TCM  
Lisa Whitaker, KF4NYL  
Peter Gulish, K1NEM  
Dwayne Stone, KC4NHW  
Kevin Harbin, K4KII  
Kathryn Ladd, KO4WKL  
Rick Lanier, N4RCL  
David Kurtz, KM4ZDK

David Keever, KV4N  
Alfred KoKoszczyński, KC2GZI  
Gary Pincus, KY4QH  
Norm Beasley, KO4CB  
Paul Corso, KK4PIB  
Hans VanHeule(G)  
Mal Speer, WA2TWA  
Tonya Opgenorth, KO4ZMU  
Linda Cook (G)

Andy Kabasakalian, WB2WZC  
Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD  
Gordon Lyman, W4ZD  
Ed Stemborowski, KJ4VLI  
Gary Stone, KO4NZU  
David Ladd, KO4WTD  
Ray Rising, K4LWJ  
David Profitt

1. Christopher (AE4WS) opened the meeting at 7:04 PM.
2. Tonight's meeting is being held at Siler Presbyterian Church, Wesley Chapel, NC.
3. Chris reviewed the meeting minutes for February 16, 2023.
4. David K. provided the Treasurer's Report. Current Balance of \$4,983.19
5. Gordon Lyman announced that he won a subscription for N3FJP logging software at the Hamfest. He would like to auction it at the next meeting.
6. The Charlotte Hamfest was discussed asking how many attended.
  - a. Hans VanHeule reported he was there at 2:00 PM and did not see the UCARS Banner.
7. Kevin suggested that the Banner be replaced with a new banner with the Club's logo.
  - a. Chris asked Kevin to research and bring the cost for the upgrade to the next meeting.
8. Chris announced that the next big Hamfest in this area is the Shelby Hamfest on Labor Day week end. The Raleigh Hamfest is April 8<sup>th</sup> and the Salesbury Firecracker Hamfest is July 8<sup>th</sup>.
9. The UCARS Saturday breakfast will be held at the Skinny Cook Restaurant on March 18<sup>th</sup>.
10. Chris has sent out invitations to members concerning AUXCOMM. As soon as the AUXCOMM installation is completed an invitation will be sent out for a tour of the new facilities and plans for training will begin.
11. Kevin Moderow talked about POTA and the success that has been made. The last POTA was at James K Polk Presidential site and very active. Kevin is proposing that POTA events occur on the Odd months on the first weekend.
12. A Field Day committee will be formed at the next meeting.
  - a. Mal Speer volunteered for the committee,
13. Chris is suggesting that if UCARS is going to educate prospective and existing Hams that the club needs to have an "Educational Program Director". If you are interested in the position let Chris know.
14. Tom McCobb is tonight's program presenter. Tom's program, was very interesting and kept everyone's attention as he talked and showed examples for the following:
  - a. Circuit building techniques including breadboard.
  - b. dead bug/manhattan style
  - c. Using the toner transfer technique to etch PCBs

15. Linda Cook was recognized as a guest. She had come to the meeting to learn how to operate her radio. Andy Kabasakalian volunteered to assist her in programming the radio and give her advice. Others met with her after the meeting to answer questions and provide advice.
16. Announced that the next UCARS VE Session will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup> at Siler Presbyterian Church in Wesley Chapel.
17. 50/50 Drawing was held for \$ 40.00. Gary Pincus was the winner. \$ 20.00 donated to the club's treasury.
18. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.