

Bishop Amateur Radio Club
Minutes of meeting: Wednesday October 12th 2011

Opening

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President, Adrian Van der Riet N6VDR.

Adrian welcomed all those present and especially those who travelled from outside Bishop to attend. He also welcomed guests Mike Levine K2JNE, ex US Forest Service, and new ham Becky Landaker KJ6RGO.

Self-introductions were made around the room (See sign in sheet attached).

Treasurers Report

Report read by Treasurer, Bob Payne N7RAP
Beginning balance \$1,814.17
Donation of \$100 received from Greg Stahlman KJ6KO
Edison bill: \$48.30
Ending balance in checking: \$1,865.87
Savings account balance \$1,011.36

Minutes from previous meeting

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mike Fitzsimmons W6HDV and seconded by Ed Fitzsimmons N7SSP. Motion carried.

Upcoming Activities

1. Thursday, October 13th: Emcomm net on 146.94 simplex starts at 7:30pm. Adrian asked someone to take the EmComm net as he will be attending a lecture Cerro Coso presented by OVRO at which is also at this time.
2. Saturday, October 15th: T-hunt at 10am. Adrian invited and encouraged members and guests to attend. Reminder that the rules and map are posted on BARC website.
3. ARRL November Sweepstakes: CW Sweepstakes is the first full weekend in November (November 5-7, 2011). Phone Sweepstakes is the third full weekend in November (November 19-21, 2011).
4. October 29 & 30: CQ Worldwide SSB contest.

Old Business

1. BARC Meeting dates. Adrian has not been able to get in touch with Tim Brown of the Salvation Army and asked Mike Fitzsimmons W6HDV to take on this task. He asked Mike to meet with Tim and find out what other days/times would be available to the club to hold the regular monthly meeting at the Salvation Army.
2. Report from John AD6NR on new structure permit requirements: Adrian read a report by John which he submitted on October 9th. A brief discussion ensued about the legality of the new antenna structure and guest, Mike Levine K2JNE confirmed that, in his opinion, the BARC installation is an antenna mount and does not constitute a structural change.
3. Reports on California QSO party from participants.

Kurt Pauer W6PH report:

8 Operators: from out of state New Hampshire, Florida, Colorado, Arizona, from California: Riverside & Lone Pine. The group ran 4 stations simultaneously. All antennae were up at 50ft. They set a new record of ±660,000 points.

Ed Fitzsimmons N7SSP report: He had 25 contacts in about 4-5 hours.

Bob Moss W7WOW report: He had about 40 contacts in about 3 hours

Keith Franson KJ6IXM: 19 counties

4. Silver Peak site
Adrian reported on a "spanner" check on new antenna mount structure on the BARC building on Silver Peak. Everything still looks good and he and John AD6NR replaced the coax with ½" heliax. Thanks to Mark KI6MWI for the donation. Thanks to John for donating the clamps.

New Business

1. Nomination for officers of the club for 2012

Bob Moss W7WOW nominated John Shepherd AD6NR for Secretary
Bob Moss W7WOW nominated Bob Payne N7RAP for Treasurer and Mike Fitzsimmons W6HDV for Vice President, both nominations seconded by Rich Rynne KF6YLW.

Adrian read the procedure for nominating Board Directors from the club By-Laws and asked current directors, Bob Moss W7WOW, Kurt Pauer W6PH

and Everett Storey KD6IXK to meet and prepare nominations for voting on at next meeting.

Adrian advised that he is not available to run for President again. Kurt W6PH commented that Adrian has done so much for club and asked him to reconsider. This was seconded by Keith KJ6IXM and other members.

2. New business to carry over to next meeting

- Christmas party / meeting: members to bring ideas to next meeting
- Club Library: Adrian has an idea to present at next meeting
- 50/50 raffle: Rich KF6YLV raised this subject saying it was an old club meeting tradition that seems to have fallen away. He was tasked with presenting to the group at the next meeting.

Presentations

Adrian handed over the meeting to Mike Levine K2JNE from the US Forest Service. Mike said that the USFS has a long history with Radio, primarily due to Hams, as will be seen see from the video presentation 'Calling all Rangers, A brief history of radio in the Forest Service'.

Following a short video presentation Adrian moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Earl Gann KI6AIK.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41pm.

SIGN IN SHEET

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