

NEWPORT COUNTY RADIO CLUB



Meeting Minutes July 8, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President MacLean at 7:01 PM. By head count, and log, 19 members were in attendance.

John Mills gave the Treasurer's report which showed the club has a Net Worth of ~\$5400. However that number does not include some future liabilities in terms of past IBM Grants. John also provided updates to the member roster which currently stands at 59, with one new member application in hand but awaiting payment.

John King gave a presentation on the After Action Review (AAR) process. Many of the NCRC hams had already participated in a "HotWash" during the breakfast meeting which provided a list of things that went well, and a list of things that didn't seem to go well. The AAR process takes that information as an input and creates either a list of best practices for repeating in subsequent years, or improvement plans.

Rob White proposed that the club participate in JOTA 2013 (Boy Scout Jamboree-on-the-air), which is being held on October 19 and 20. John King volunteered to see if he can sign up for Glen Park on those dates, which would allow the scouts to have a camp over. NCRC would attempt to put one or more stations on the air so that the scouts could contact some of the other 700,000 participants using 13,500 stations. Rob volunteered to chair the event and the website has been updated to include a page describing it.

Bob Beatty updated the membership on the upcoming ILLW event on August 17 and 18. The club will use its own call since the K1BLH call had expired. We are awaiting formal lighthouse board approval, but expect to operate from inside one of the museum buildings.

There was an update on the WISYE repeater status – multiple power failures scrambled the controller memory during Field Day, and John King was able to reprogram it.

A request was made by Bob Day to have a future program on the Tiverton Boat project "Scout". John Mills is looking into that.

Bob Beatty gave a presentation on Lithium Iron Phosphate batteries.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10 PM

Submitted for approval by the secretary, July 9, 2013