

NEWPORT COUNTY RADIO CLUB



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Minutes from June 9, 2014 meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Willy Maclean, W1LY, at 7:02 PM. Twenty eight members were present.

The minutes of the last meeting were posted online. John Mills, K1JSM, read the latest income statement, which has been posted online.

Ted Wrobel, W1GRI, reported on the ADA Bike Ride held on June 1st. Approximately 20 hams staffed 11 chase vehicles and 12 refreshment stations along the route. The route was long enough that two of the KA1RCI repeaters were removed from normal use and linked together to support the race. (Steve, KA1RCI, was reported to be doing better).

Jim Sammons, KA1ZOU, reported on the June 7 & 8 Beavertail activation. Approximately 150 contacts were made covering a good deal of the US and a few European countries. The operators were able to hold onto the IOTA frequency of 14.260 MHz both days. In addition, a fan-dipole was tested for possible GOTA Field Day use. John Mills spoke about his upcoming Prudence Activation on July 26. Jim spoke about his upcoming Hope Island event on July 26, and Dutch Island Event on Aug 16. Finally, Julian Plowright, N1UHP, spoke about his Goat Island Event on Aug 16 & 17. Interested members are asked to contact the event leaders. See the Member Only Page for contact info.

James Setzler, K1SD, reminded members that they can operate the W1AW/1 station during the RI week which begins on July 23. Please email W1XX@DXUSA.NET to obtain a username and password for the W1AW.DXUSA.NET website.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to Field Day discussions by John King, WA1ABI. New layout information is available on the website under the "Field Day 2014" Tab. Willy has passed out a sign-up sheet for help erecting four

47' towers this year, beginning at 10 AM on Friday (and taking them down at 2 PM on Sunday). Members are asked to bring hard hats. Ed Gosling, W1NQH, described the wonderful meal plans but still needs a breakfast cook for Sunday morning. Richard Russell, KC1ARO, described his plans for the 6m operation, which will be staffed for 8 hours on Saturday and 6 hours on Sunday. Bob Beatty reported that he really needs hams to bring their kids to be GOTA operators. However it was pointed out that recently licensed OR UPGRADED hams can be GOTA operators. As usual GOTA coaches will be needed. Please contact WB4SON@gmail.com. Rob White, KB1ZZU, will be bringing Boy Scouts to operate Sunday. Finally, Bob described the Satellite operation.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 PM

Submitted by Bob, WB4SON, Secretary