



Newport County Radio Club

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The August 15, 2017 NCRC meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM by Paul K1YBE. There were 21 members and one guest present.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved by the membership.

One new applicant was presented to the membership by Bob WB4SON and voted in; Neville Bedford, W1ESQ, of Providence RI. With Neville's addition, the membership stands at 89.

A technician class will be held at St. Lucy's Church in Middletown, starting from 5:30 to 8:00 PM beginning October 5. There will be six weeks of classes and an exam on November 16th. The class has been published on the ARRL website, as well as our own. Other advertising opportunities will be taken.

Ted W1GRI gave the Treasurer's report indicating the club checking balance was \$8,989.

Chuck N1CKT gave the QSL report. We now have 8,866 QSOs currently in LotW.

Mike K1NPT covered STEAM efforts: BHHS ARISS contact is moving forward and will now be a telebridge contact the week after Thanksgiving. Students and faculty need to get engaged. They do have a permanent location for their station (8x15 room). ASA classes are beginning in September for both ham radio and CyberPatriot.

Paul N1PSX mentioned that support is needed for the upcoming Winter Field Day. There was general agreement that the club should provide some funding for food/beverages/fuel.

Paul K1YBE said that October's meeting will include a Skype presentation by DX Engineering's Jim Duffy, K3LR, on their Multi-Multi contest station.

Ted reported on two upcoming public service events.

Paul mentioned that ARES is coming back in the state, and work continues on the AREDN Mesh network. He also discussed the upcoming Solar Eclipse Party (Details in QST).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM

After the meeting, Pete W1LAB gave a presentation on the recent island activations in the Elizabeth Island chain.

Respectfully submitted, Bob, WB4SON, Secretary