



Newport County Radio Club

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Prior to the meeting, four Demonstration Tables of various technology items were setup as a ham "show & tell". Future meetings will feature more.

The February 12, 2018 NCRC meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Paul K1YBE. There were 41 members and several guests present.

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

Jim, KA1ZOU, gave the membership report which stood at 110, however one of the guests, Mary Nebiolo, decided to join, raising the total to 111.

Bob WB4SON mentioned that the next Technician class is scheduled for 6 PM on March 20, 2018 at 105 Gano Street in Providence (Red Cross building). Paul updated the membership on the upcoming BHHS ARISS contact, efforts at Pell, including the School Club Roundup continuing on the 13th and 14th.

There was no formal Treasurer's update. Dues collection is going well, with all but 20 of our 111 members having paid.

Chuck N1CKT gave the QSL report, we have over 10,000 contacts, but this time Willy W1LY didn't snag QSO #10000.

John WA1ABI and Willy reported on WFD which was quite a success. The QSO count for SSB and Digital were roughly the same as last year. There were more CW contacts. On the other hand, there were fewer band multipliers. No matter what, fun was had, and nobody was injured!

Paul K1YBE mentioned the following upcoming programs:

- Mar - Repeater Tech by John WA1ABI
- Apr - History of John Kettering by Chuck Johnson
- May - Ladder Safety (with ladder giveaway)
- Jun - Field Day

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM

Following the meeting, Mike Bragg, K1VI, gave a great presentation on the new Digital modes including FT8.

Resectifully Submiteed
Bob WB4SON - Secretary