



Newport County Radio Club

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The July 9, 2018 NCRC meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Paul K1YBE. There were 28 members present.

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

Bob, WB4SON, presented the following member applicants who were approved for membership (total membership stands at 124):

- Denneese Seale, Woonsocket, KC1JRX
- Kelly Worth, Portsmouth, K1GKW
- Bill Corbin, Jamestown, W3CJK

Mike K1NPT reported on STEAM efforts including the upcoming Space Chat #3 the first week of October. Mac K6MAC reported that his Eagle project will be installing 2.4 & 5 GHz AREDN nodes in Portsmouth on Aug 11th, with field strength testing at Gaudet MS and Portsmouth HS later in the summer. Paul reported that the AREDN experiment at Glen Park during Field Day went very well with high speed internet available at the park for the duration of the event.

Ted W1GRI gave the treasurer's report: Balance \$14,285, which includes a \$2K grant from IBM that was obtained by Mike. All members have paid their dues at this point.

Ted also described the upcoming Cystic Fibrosis "Cycle For Life" bicycle event on September 15, 2018. The race begins in Westport MA, and completes in Little Compton RI. SAG vehicles and rest stop radio operators are still needed.

John WA1ABI gave the Field Day 2018 results -- excellent again and sure to be in the top 10 nationally. Lots of love were shared for Willy W1LY and his construction crew, Chuck N1CKT's VHF gang, as well as excellent food by Ed W1NQH and the highest GOTA/Youth score ever

by Dave KC1GPA's team. John again emphasized that there were no injuries, a result of careful planning and attention to safety rules.

Paul mentioned that there is an upcoming "Hands-on Radio" event on Thursday July 19, lead by Paul AC1DW, that will be focused on all aspects of VHF radio. Expect to see many examples of handheld radios, antennas and accessories, as well as digital equipment. Please register online (see the "Hands-On" tab on the website).

Unfortunately Paul (N1PSX) was injured today and is unable to give his presentation on ARES, but should be able to do so at the August meeting.

Members were reminded that there is a memorial for Bob Day, AA1LG, at Easton's Beach on July 21 at 5:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

Following the meeting, Richard Connor gave a short presentation on his work with dolphins at Shark Bay in Australia, and his program for a "Decade of Dolphins". Richard will give us a full presentation in October.

Respectfully Submitted
Bob WB4SON - Secretary