

Newport County Radio Club

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The May 9, 2016 Regular NCRC Meeting was called to order by Jim, KA1ZOU, at 7:03 PM. By headcount there were 27 members present.

A member applicant was voted in, Charles, K1ECU, from Pawcatuk, CT. Congrats! The membership now stands at 85. However 20 have still not paid dues for 2016.

An update on the club QSL and logbook activity was given by Chuck, N1CKT. Four QSL cards were sent out, and the club has completed DXCC after 71 years.

Club Members were shown the new logo and marketing material (used above).

The treasurer, Ted, W1GRI, reported a bank balance in excess of \$10,500.

With John, WA1ABI, busy at the Portsmouth EOC, members were reminded that Field Day is coming up quickly (June 24/25/26). A signup sheet was passed around for setup/takedown help on Friday and Saturday. In addition, a plea for GOTA operators was given, as well as a need for loggers in the SSB tent, so more people will be needed this year in the operation stations.

Ed, W1NQH, described the club picnic dinner on Satruday (BBQ chicken, burgers, hot dogs, salads, and other tasty treats. A signup sheet was passed around for those attending the picnic.

We will have a special presentation after the picnic dinner. Dan Barstow, KA1ARD, Director of Education for the International Space Station, will give a talk on a typical ISS mission and share some of the amazing photographs that have been taken.

Forrest, W1MEE, indicated that Rogers High School was seeking permission to setup a station at the Toruo Synagogue later this summer. A special event station is also planned for the date of the Jr. ROTC certification.

If there is a volunteer to frame the DXCC and WAS certificate, we have been given permission to hang them along with our ARRL Charter at KVH.

The meeting was adjurned at 7:28 PM (a record short business meeting!)

After the meeting a presentation was given by Mike Cullen covering the successful ARISS event which was held on May 6. Many thanks to all the NCRC members that helped: Chuck, N1CKT, Paul, N1PSX, Willy, W1LY, Paul K1YBE, Jim, KA1ZOU, Mike, KA1IOO, Brian, KC1EQB, Charles, K1ECU, Rob, KB1ZZU, Jeff, KA1NGP, Bob, WB4SON, and of course Mike Cullen, K1NPT, who put the entire event together.

Respectfully submitted, Bob, WB4SON, Secretary