



Newport County Radio Club

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NCRC November Business Meeting was called to order by President Paul Fredette, K1YBE at 19:04R
November 12, 2018

Reports and Old Business

The minutes for the October 9th meeting were approved by the membership.

Membership:

Jim KA1ZOU presented two new candidates for election to membership:

Mike James KC1KKN

David Huth

Mike James was elected as a member good standing, but David Huth, was elected pending receipt of dues.

NCRC membership now stands at 128 members.

VE Team:

- Jack Garforth N1JK responded to questions about obtaining hard copies of FCC Amateur Radio Licenses by explained the current FCC policy and procedures for downloading and printing licenses.
- The next VE session will be held at the Middletown Baptist Church December 8, 2018.

Education:

STEAM and ARISS activities were reported by Mike Cullen, K1NPT.

- Teams from Bishop Hendricken HS placed 1st and 2nd in the recent Cyber Patriot competition.
- School Club roundup was successful and well-received at All Saints Steam Academy.
- There is now a Hustler 4TBV vertical antenna on top of All Saints Steam Academy.
- Mac Cullen K6MAC is finishing up his MESH network Eagle Scout Project.

The General/Extra Class study group will resume December 8th.

Treasurer:

Ted Wrobel W1GRI reported that we have \$13,939 in the bank.

Paul Fredette K1YBE and Jon Mills K1JSM will conduct the annual audit of NCRC financial records.

JOTA:

Rob White KB1ZZU reported a successful Jamboree On The Air in spite of cold wind and rain at night. In addition to on-air activities, fifteen of sixteen Scouts earned their Radio Merit Badges. Jim Sammons KA1ZOU thanked the many volunteers that operated radios and served as reviewers for the merit badge class.

The Hands-On Radio Event during JOTA featured a satellite station set up by Bob Beatty, WB4SON. Although lightly attended by club members, six Scouts made satellite contacts.

Summer Field Day:

Willy MacLean W1LY reported that summer field day was very successful for NCRC as we placed 10th overall and 2nd in Class 2A nationally.

Club QSL

Chuck Kesson N1CKT reported that he has received requests for QSLs for the Maine Islands and the recent marathon Light House Activation. Also that he is running low on Club QSL cards. Jim Sammons KA1ZOU reported that he has the paper logs for those events and will prepare ADIF files for Chuck.

New Business

Jim Sammons KA1ZOU gave a slide presentation showing several new QSL formats and how the image behind the text elements can be easily changed for small events. The Executive Committee will choose three cards from which the membership will select a final general club QSL card.

Election of 2019 Officers:

Nominating Chair Jack Garforth N1JK presented the slate of candidates for the 2019 offices, no additional nominations were offered from the floor, and the slate was approved unanimously.

President Dick Bianco KC1IPJ

Vice President Jim Sammons KA1ZOU

Secretary Bob Beatty WB4SON

Treasurer Ted Wrobel W1GRI

Director (ex President) Paul Fredette K1YBE

Director Willy MacLean W1LY

Director Paul Wynn AC1DW

Christmas Party:

Jim Sammons KA1ZOU announced the Christmas Party will take place on December 10th at the Main Stay Inn in Middletown, RI. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be reserved and paid for via the NCRC website. Jim asked that everyone sign up at their earliest convenience. Non-attendees should sign up by entering zero guests.

Program Chair:

Mary Nebiolo, KC1NEB has signed on as our new Program Chair. Members are encouraged to send suggestions for meeting programs that they would like to see by emailing program@w1sye.org or programchair@w1sye.org

Paul Fredette K1YBE sent a letter to Don Keith (co-author of new movie *Hunter Killer*) asking him to give a talk at one of our meetings.

Jim Sammons KA1ZOU and Paul Fredette K1YBE will visit *You Do It* electronics in Dedham Massachusetts to explore a possible meeting program.

Equipment Donations:

Forest Golden W1ZAR donated various pieces of radio equipment that was put out on tables for members to take as they wished.

Adjournment

Submitted by Jim Sammons