

NCRC Meeting **Notes** – Tuesday October 15, 2019

Sign in (KVH and Club logbooks) & Roll Call 24 members and guests

Reports & Old business

- Approval of Minutes (August, posted on website). **Approved.**
- Membership Report (Jim KA1ZOU) **No report**
- James Powell, KC1IHC, Portsmouth (Application in and paid) **Voted in.**
- **New member application made for Wayne J. Gilli, KC1EQG. He paid for 2 years, \$50.00, and was promised a Radio.**
 - **133 Members**
- Education Report **No report**
 - **STEAM Report (Mike K1NPT)**
- Hands on Soldering Event Report Oct 7 (Paul K1YBE) **Dick Bianco described the Event. The attendees broke up into groups and learned soldering techniques from the mentors present. Then we built attenuators from kits for sale at \$5.00. Kits are still available from Paul.**
- Social Media Report (Mike K1NPT) **No report**
- Treasurer's Report Audit Planned (Ted W1GRI)
 - **Balance \$10,801.71 (Oct 14) Ted gave the treasurer's report.**
- Public Service Update (Ted W1GRI) **Ted summarized two events that he and the Club participated in:**
 - **The American Diabetes Tour for the Cure: This event has multiple distances for bicycle riders; Ted was a SAG driver for the 62-mile event.**
 - **Newport Fire Public Service Day at First Beach rotunda, Ted and Dick Bianco set-up a table, showed radios, and talked about the Club to a few people. This went well until Home Depot showed up and had five tables of children and adults building birdhouses, mostly using hammers.**
 - **The club voted to donate \$100.00 to the Middletown Police in support of one of their officer who was in a motorcycle accident. This same police officer initiated the setup of funds for the Coast Guard members whose pay was delayed due to the Government shutdown. Ted will contact the Secretary to**

arrange for the donation and to set up a pay pal account for the club members to make donations.

- Tri-city Family Preparedness Middletown Gaudet School Saturday November 9 from 0900 to 1200 (Mary NC1NEB) Mary talked about this event, she will be busy setting up the Portsmouth EMA display and Ted volunteered to setup the NCRC table. Club members are encouraged to attend. We will setup some radios and demonstrate the HT capabilities. Ted will contact the secretary to get some brochures and the President will bring the W1SYE neon sign. We should get the club banner for table decoration.
- ARES Update (Scott WX1X) No report
- Island Activation Report (Jim KA1ZOU, Willy W1LY) -- very successful, see website news for photos from all the islands they activated in Maine. No report

New Business

- Report of Nomination Committee (Jack N1JK)
 - President: Richard Bianco KC1IPJ
 - Vice President: Paul Fredette K1YBE
 - Treasurer: Ted Wrobel W1GRI
 - Secretary: Bob Beatty WB4SON
 - Executive Committee: Willy Maclean W1LY
 - Executive Committee: Jim Sammons KA1ZOU
 - Executive Committee: Paul Wynn AC1DW
 - ~~Executive Committee: Mary Nebiolo KC1NEB~~ Mary declined the nomination.

The President left open the nominations until next meeting when a vote will be taken on the slate of officers. Member's wishing to run for office should attend the next meeting and put their name in for that position. Please inform the President so paper ballots can be made- up in case there is a ballot.

- SWAG - T Shirts available for sale on the website (Mary KC1NEB) Dick Bianco also mentioned that he will be getting some information on ordering hats with the club logo on them, it is anticipated that when the information is available an order form will be added to the club website.

- Dates for upcoming meetings:
 - Monday November 11
 - December 2019 Party ~~TBD~~ the December 2019 Party will be on December 9, 2019 at the Atlantic Resort at Wyndham Newport Hotel. We will enjoy Cocktails at 6:00 pm and Dinner at 7:00pm. This will be a Dinner Buffet with:
 - Fruit & Cheese Display
 - Caesar Salad
 - Chicken Piccata
 - Baked Stuffed Scrod
 - Carved Beef
 - Vegetable Medley
 - Roasted Fingerling Potatoes
 - and Desert Station

The cost per member will be \$40.00 with the Club picking up any additional charges. (Actual meal cost is \$35.00 plus Tax and Tip).

- JOTA not being held (lack of support from Narragansett Council)
John Vecoli is supporting the South County Boy Scouts who are holding JOTA at Camp Yagoo on Saturday the 19th and Sunday the 20th. He asked for support from the club so anyone who wants to support this event please contact John Vecoli at 401.556.1603 or N1JAN Jack Norris at 401.419.9047. In addition, any club member who is at home can listen on the radio for JOTA calls and talk to the scouts. Jim Sammons was referenced as someone who has information on the merit badge program.
- Hands-on Radio Event #8, VNA October 21, 6:30 PM ASA (Paul K1YBE) Paul described the next hands on event (VNA Night at ASA on 10/21/2019 at 6:30 pm antennas will be available). We will be using Nanovnas that some of the club members have purchased to tune the antennas. The antennas will include the tape measure Yagi that we had originally planned on building but cannot due to not having time to put the antenna kits together. Yagi construction will be the subject of other hands- on event TBD.
- Ted showed a stack of QSL cards that have arrived in our mailbox. Ted will send these to Jim Sammons for processing. We should look to find some help for Jim there were many cards.
- The President has filed paperwork with the RI Division of Taxation for an Exemption from paying Sales and Use Tax. If this exemption is

granted, we will be able to save some money on dinners and club equipment purchases.

Adjourn

Presentation

- Our guest speakers will be Mark Rudd, who will give a presentation on Apollo 11th's 50th anniversary. Great presentation I think that Paul K1YBE has the presentation on his laptop.
- IF we have time, Tamitha Stov's Space Weather from 9/5/2019 (8 min) -- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_oYTHdtaCrY No time

Submitted by Richard Bianco