

Newport County Radio Club

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The Jan 11 2021 NCRC meeting was using Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by Peter KQ1XX. There were 46 participants

The minutes of the December 2020 meeting were approved by the membership, as posted on the website.

Paul K1YBE said no new members were waiting. Membership stands at 162, with 87 paying dues for 2021.

The education reports were given:

- Bob WB4SON recognized Jack N1JK for 32 years of VE sessions
- New Leader of VE needed, future exams likely still drive-thru at St Lucys.
 - Quarterly VE sessions, first session in March 2021 (June/Sept/Dec)
 - All radios have been mailed out for HT class (scheduled this month)
 - On-line classes start after mid-April

Ted W1GRI gave the Treasurer's Report.

- Audit Report Completed (Paul K1YBE)
- Result of Fund raiser \$10,250
- Amount in treasury for any purposes \$17,637.73
- Restricted Amount from IBM Grant \$2,014

Repeater Reports (Willy W1LY)

- Dave W2DAN, Kelly K2GKW, Willy W1LY have old repeater back on the air as of Monday Jan 4
- "New" cans purchased four years ago are defective and TeleWave recommends replacement of the TX pair.
- New Bridgecom repeater transmit failure (into new cans) and has been returned for warranty repair

- Plan is to have the original old gear (currently on the air) as a backup/spare, and the newest gear as the active repeater
- A commercial antenna is likely to be installed in a few months (availability, commercial installer availability, good weather, etc.)
- Winter Field Day (Willy W1LY)
 - o Depending on operators, may have a small crew online at the Glen
 - Suggest others operated from home stations and aggregate scores
- Members were reminded that QSO reports (HF Phone only) are due by month's end for the GOTA Challenge (John K1JSM, Jim KA1ZOU). Email to GOTA@w1sye.org
- The February Presentation will be a SKYWARN Class, 2 hours long, given by Rob

The meeting was voted closed at 7:45 PM.

Mary KC1NEB, gave a presentation on the Boeing 737MAX MCAS system

Respectfully submitted
Bob Beatty WB4SON, Secretary