



# Newport County Radio Club

Post Office Box 3103, Newport, RI 02840 [www.w1sye.org](http://www.w1sye.org)

The June 14 2021 NCRC meeting was held using Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Bob, WB4SON. There were 41 participants

The minutes of the May 2021 meeting were approved by the membership, as posted on the website.

Paul K1YBE gave the Membership report:

- Four new member applicants for June:
  - Edward McGiveney, WA1TFF
  - Lauren Perlmutter, Tech. KC1PKI
  - Stephen Kane, KB1PPJ
  - Jerome Terres, AA1OF
- Peter Lawson of West Greenwich was voted in during the April meeting
- There are 171 current members and 34 have not paid dues for 2021

Bob WB4SON gave the education report:

- Online General and Technician Classes have completed
- General sessions were recorded as 15 hours of youtube video on the club channel and available for future upgrade wannabees.
- VE Exam completed on June 4 (5 Generals and 3 Technician passed)
  - Pictures (thanks Nancy) <https://photos.app.goo.gl/ryNHX9GnuiytHuYx8>
  - Bob Beatty (WB4SON) was the exam liaison.
  - Jack Garforth (N1JK) awarded for 32 years of service.
- Quarterly VE Exam held on June 12
  - Totaled with the June 4 exam, the recently completed online classes resulted in 10 General Upgrades and 6 Technician licenses. Great work by the students.
  - Mike Seil (AA1XQ) was the exam liaison.

- Thanks to all the VEs who participated:
  - Nancy KC1NEK – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Mary KC1NEB – 04 JUN
  - Bob W1YRC – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Jack N1JK – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Mike AA1XQ – 04 JUN/12JUN
  - Bob WB4SON – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Jim KA1ZOU – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Paul K1YBE – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Kelly K1GKW – 04 JUN
  - Mike AC1DV – 12 JUN
  - Ed W1NQH – 04 JUN/12 JUN
  - Rob KB1ZZU – 12 JUN

Ted W1GRI gave the Treasurer's Report.

- Amount in treasury for any purposes \$15,195.52
- Restricted Amount from IBM Grant \$2,500
- Total \$ 17,695.52

Public Service Report (Ted W1GRI):

- Cystic Fibrosis Bike Event September (Ted W1GRI)
- RI-ARES ARES Nets
  - Tuesdays at 7 PM, on the NB1RI network, the VHF net
  - 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:45 PM, the VHF Simples Net (147.42)
  - 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:45 PM, the HF Net (3.875 MHz)
- RI now has two Winlink VARA FM VHF Gateways
  - N1ASA-10 (145.050)
  - WB4SON-10 (145.050)
  - 3rd on the way: W1RIA-11 (145.070)

Willy W1LY gave the Repeater Report:

- Repeater continues to function well
- New Repeater/Cans all set and ready to install when needed
- Will schedule new antenna later this year

- STEAM and Media activities (Mike K1NPT)
  - Facebook interest up, 159 views, VARA FM driving interest
  - Field Day press release going out at end of the week
- ARTEN (Amateur Radio Training Experiment Network - A Microwave experimenters group (Paul K1YBE)
  - 2 sessions of testing at the Glen completed, 4 nodes linked
  - Pictures at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/gQnUPG6ao95JqsMd7>
  - Working on a 2.1 mile test.
- Field Day (Willy W1LY, Peter)
  - Training for Ops/Loggers/Coaches held at Ft Adams on June 13
  - Need 20 volunteers for antenna crews on Friday
    - Don't forget hard hats, safety glasses, sunscreen
    - Can use a few small sets of hand tools (wrenches, etc.)
  - Final setup on Saturday and Testing
  - Food will be bag lunches.
  - Brief station reports (K1YBE, KC1NEK, K1JSM, Howie, AA1XQ)
    - SSB finalized and full but flexible
    - CW finalized and full but flexible
    - GOTA SSB on Saturday, Digital on Sunday
  - Generators - have been borrowing in the past.
- Dave W2DAN mentioned that he will be hosting the RI 13 Colonies station July 1 to 7. Check out <http://www.13colonies.us/> for details.

The meeting was closed at 8:32 PM, but conversation continued for another half hour.

Respectfully submitted

Bob Beatty WB4SON, Secretary