



Newport County Radio Club - Meeting Minutes

Date: 08 July 2024
Time: 7:00 PM – 8:09 PM
Location: St. Barnabas Parish Hall, 1697 East Main Rd. at Fairview Lane, Portsmouth RI and ZOOM video teleconferencing

Attended by: 15 on-site / 9 online
Chair: John Vecoli, KC1KOO, President
Minutes by: Arnaldy Medina, KP4AMC, Secretary

Subject: Monthly Meeting

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- **75th Anniversary Logo– John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:01 PM**

Discussion

John Vecoli spoke about Keith Henry's (KC1LPV) effort doing the 75th anniversary logo for the NCRC.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	John Vecoli, KC1KOO	N/A

- **August 2024 Business Meeting John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:08 PM**

Discussion

The club will need to move August 2024 meeting to the 3rd Monday 19 August 2024, due to scheduling conflicts of the church.

Conclusion

Voted unanimous by the club members

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Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	John Vecoli, KC1KOO	19 August 2024

- **QST July 2024 Edition – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:09 PM**

Discussion

John Vecoli congratulated Arnaldy Medina KP4AMC for being the cover of the QST magazine for the July edition.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **NCRC Minutes – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:12 PM**

Discussion

John Vecoli stated that the club has been missing the past 3 months of minutes due to being unassigned. From June 2024, Arnaldy Medina KP4AMC became the new secretary for the club and has been in charge of the minutes and the club's website and will be updating the website with the relevant information as soon as possible.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **Financial Report July 2024– John Jackman, N1SMX 7:16 PM**

Discussion

John Jackman discussed the financial report for the club for this July 2024, there has been a push back from the members of the club stating that the financial report is confusing. John Jackman will work on doing them more user friendly.

Conclusion

Voted unanimous

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **NCRC dues – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:18 PM**

Discussion

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John Vecoli, KC1KOO spoke about the upcoming dues for the members to stay current in the club.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **New members– John Vecoli KC1KOO 7:21 PM**

Discussion

One (1) member has been introduced to the club, Larry KI5UXC.

Conclusion

Voted unanimous

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **NCRC digital exam – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:25 PM**

Discussion

The NCRC is going to offer digital exams for the technician license.

Conclusion

The dates are 14 September 2024 and 14 December 2024.

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **ARTEN Mesh Radios – Paul , K1YBE 7:27 PM**

Discussion

The ARTEN group has been looking at new antennas for the project, the proposed antenna has been under careful testing by Paul. No more follow-ups.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
N/A	N/A	N/A

- **Field Day Outbrief – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 7:29 PM**

Discussion

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Keith Henry KC1LPV, compiled a video for the club including the highlights of the Field Day.

On a different topic, Nancy Austin KC1NEK brought up to the club's attention about the confusion of the ARRL Field Day GOTA station points. John Brewer, N1SXB clarified the ARRL Field Day 2024 rules and reinstated that president John Vecoli, KC1KOO misinterpreted the rules for the GOTA stations bringing 60+ invalid points of GOTA stations. John Vecoli stated that the ARRL Field Day 2024 rules are very ambiguous and are open to misinterpretation.

Conclusion

John Vecoli, KC1KOO apologized to the club for the misunderstanding and will address the issue as soon as possible.

No motions were called.

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
The GOTA station points from Bob Matose, KC1RFM are to be removed from the NCRC Field Day final scoring.	John Vecoli, KC1KOO	ASAP

- **NCRC 2024 Field Day Expenses – John Vecoli, KC1KOO 8:04 PM**

Discussion

Several members of the club, Dave W2DAN, Keith KC1LPV and Nolan K1PRU, incurred in extra expense for the success of the 2024 Field Day and the club wants to reimburse it.

Conclusion

Voted unanimously to approve checks for these members.

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
Next financial report will reflect these changes.	John Vecoli, KC1KOO and John Jackman, N1SMX	ASAP

- **JOTA/JOTI On The Air – Sean Baker, K1SDB 8:07 PM**

Discussion

JOTA is held the third full weekend every October, Sean Baker, K1SDB is the NCRC JOTA lead. Satellite, FT8, voice and video-conference will be setup for this activity.

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
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Contact Sean Baker, K1SDB to volunteer	Interested parties	ASAP
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- **PSA Call for Chairs to form committees– John Vecoli, KC1KOO 8:08 PM**

Discussion

The club needs to establish committees for the following events:

- Year End party 2025
- Recognition Awards
- Hospitality
- Winter Field Day 2025

Conclusion

N/A

Follow-up	Who's responsible?	Date
Contact John Vecoli, KC1KOO or Naldy Medina, KP4AMC to volunteer	Interested parties	ASAP