



Thursday, January 19, 2017

## Woodbridge Amateur Radio Club

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### General Club Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order – 7:30pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Round of Introductions
- Call for New Member Applications – None received
- Reminder 50/50 Tickets - Jack WD4KOF
  
- **Technical Presentation – We had three presentations**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> presentation was give by Scott, KK4SNO on Winter Field Day
  - Discussed what it is, and why we are holding it
  - Will be held on 28-29 Jan, 2017 from 2:00pm-2:00pm (24 hours of operation)
  - Will be held at Ardan and Corosi, 13800 Dawson Beach Road, Woodbridge VA
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> presentation was given by Rob, KJ4LWN on Solar Cycle 24
  - Provided some insights as to what was expected vs. what was realized and why it concerned the Amateur Radio Community.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> presentation was also given by Rob, KJ4LWN on possible financial report view for the future.
  
- **President's Report - Jay K2YUB**
  - Terry McCarty Status – Terry, WA5NTI is home and continues to improve steadily. He would love to have visitors.
  - Christmas Party - A BIG Thank You to Stu Mitchell, Stu2, and all the others who ensured the Christmas was a great success.
  - WWI Table at Winterfest Kathy/Mark – Being held on March 19 in Annandale, VA at NOVA. There was discussion about KJ4LWN and KM4TAY working with Stu, WA0DYJ and Jay, WB5OOD to acquire equipment the club already has for sale. Will also be handing out Club paperwork
  - WWI Table at Frostfest? – Being held on February 4 in Richmond. There was discussion about KJ4LWN and KM4TAY working with Stu, WA0DYJ and Jay, WB5OOD to acquire equipment the club already has for sale. KJ4LWN was hoping to go to FrostFest, but by the end of the meeting, no clear decision had been made on whether the club would have a table at this event.

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- February 2017 presentation will be on the Virginia QSO Party (occurring on March 18-19th 2017). To be given by Kathy, KM4TAY.
  
- **Treasurer's Report - Rob KJ4LWN**
- Contact Treasurer for information
  
- **Committee Reports**
- **Technical Committee / Repeater** - Stu WA0DYJ – Not present, no report provided.
- **Christmas Party** - Stu WA5DYJ – Not present, no report provided
- **Education Committee** - Rob KJ4LWN
- Successful Tech Q&A training session held on Jan 14, with testing immediately following. Had 10 students in the class and 6 of them passed the Technician Class Exam (3 of the 4 unable to pass were 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students who the club is providing additional assistance to and will seek to test again at Winter Field.
- Start of General Class Training on January 18. Will be held each Wednesday night from 7:00pm – 10:00pm at the Bethel United Methodist Church. Had 6 students on the first night with at least another 3 or 4 students expected to start attendance next week.
- Per Mark, KV4UC, the Elmering Session continue to be held on 1st/3rd Saturdays at Bethel United Methodist Church. Over half of the sessions have ended with no one showing up. Discussion was raised as to whether it would be worth trying a presentation format were a known topic would be provided ahead of time, but when raised no volunteers stepped forward to work the presentations. This may be something to address again in the future.
- Next scheduled Technician Class is scheduled for June 2-3 (7:00pm -10:00pm on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8:00am-5:00pm on 3<sup>rd</sup>, with testing to following immediately after).
- **Member Activities** - Kathy KM4TAY – No report provided.
- **BBHN Committee** – No current committee, looking for volunteers for this committee.
- **Membership & Recruitment** - John N2DRL, Larry K0LB – No Report Provided, but both N2DRL and K0LB have stepped down from this committee. New Committee needs to be formed (see New Business for additional)
- **Ways and Means** - Claude W4MLD - Updated the club on the status of our 2017 CFC submission status. OPM is requiring much more information on what the club provides to the community as a whole, and the Executive Committee is working on ways to be able to quickly provide this to Claude.
- **Fleet Watch** - Richard N4MZZ – Not present, not report provided.
  
- **New Business**
- Dick, KM4OQU stepped forward to volunteer his services to the Membership and Recruitment Committee.
- Claude requested use of the Club Banner for the Winter Field Day Site
- 50/50 Drawing - Jack WD4KOF – Pot won by Kathy, KM4TAY

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- **Date of Next WARC General Meeting**

- February 16, 2017 @ 7:30 pm @ Tall Oaks Community Center

Motion to Adjourn was provided, with a second and was voted into action at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Fournier Jr.

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Secretary, WARC