



WAARC December 14, 2022, meeting minutes

This month's meeting activities were in person and on Zoom.

There was no Hour of Power this evening. Instead, there was a potluck dinner commemorating the 1000th continuous day of Coffee and Radio net. About 30 people came to celebrate.

President Jack KY4EA called the meeting to order at 19:10. 54 members (34 in person—includes non-ham spouses, 18 via Zoom) and 3 guests (3 in person, 0 via Zoom) were in attendance.

Jack started the meeting by explaining the absence of the Hour of Power and informing everyone about today being the 1000th continuous day of the Coffee & Radio Net. C&R Net was the brainchild of Toby KL0SS who was club president on March 19th 2020 as the COVID lockdown began. Dino KL0S implemented it right away and served as net control operator for much of the first year. Tracy K4RVR and others organized the pot luck.

Following on the heels of the above item, Jack rallied everyone to sing happy birthday to Dino.

Vice President Donna KO4GLO announced details of the January club banquet, details are posted on the reflector and the club website. It will be held at Old Towne Pizza & Pasta, 5540 Olde Town Road, in front of Bowling World bowling alley. The \$40 per person price includes gratuity. Reservations are a must and can be made by buying a ticket through the PayPal portal on the club website. Parking will be at the bowling alley's parking lot as Old Towne Pizza parking lot can only accommodate a dozen cars or so.

Treasurer Greg K3RM presented his finance report which will be posted separately to the reflector's Files section. He encouraged members to start, or renew, their ARRL memberships through the club as ARRL will donate a small portion of the dues back to the club. Also, Club membership renewals for 2023 are due soon.

Secretary Dan WG4F was not present but it was announced that the November minutes were posted on the reflector.

Member-at-large Chuck AI4WU had nothing to report.

Club QSL manager Toby KL0SS announced that certificates available to those who have worked all three of the club's special events. Contact her for further details.

Three guests introduced themselves:

Lance KN6ITS has recently moved to Williamsburg from Guam. (Everyone looked at Kerry NH2A and Anita KH2FX who would have introduced Lance to Guam family members had they known.) (Additional note - Kerry and Lance know each other but haven't seen each other for 20 years. It's a small world.)

Tim KQ4ECS from the Richmond area.

Phil KQ4COA relocated to Williamsburg from Virginia Beach.

VE Team coordinator Kerry NH2A had nothing to report other than pop-up exams are available anytime. Let him or anyone on the team know if one is ready to take an exam. No need to wait for a group exam session.

Training coordinator Wally WA3RWP announced a new question pool has been released for General class exams. This question pool will become effective on June 30, 2023. If anyone needs a license manual for any class of license, let Wally know. He can obtain the manuals from ARRL at a discounted price.

Special event coordinator Cynthia K4CEF presented the approximate dates of the three 2023 special events. Jamestown will be in May, Colonial Williamsburg will be on 1 July, and Yorktown will be in October.

Barbara WZ4BRB announced that the YL & Friends Net luncheon will be this Thursday, December 15. She also revealed that the January Hour of Power will be a murder mystery involving ham radio. She is seeking volunteers to act as suspects and a few volunteers to make some deserts.

Jack introduced the Hour of Power and club meeting program schedule for the first quarter of 2023.

JCC ARES EC Chris KC4CMR had nothing to report.

Williamsburg ARES EC Chuck AI4WU had nothing to report.

Jack said he and Fred KN4ZME are working on an emergency exercise program for CERT and local hams. It would serve as an interoperability exercise between WAARC and CERT hams as well as give CERT non-hams an opportunity to experience the advantages of becoming a licensed ham. This exercise is being planned to take place during the ARRL Field Day event at the end of June.

Jack submitted the ARRL grant proposal for \$10,800. He was not sure when to expect adjudication. Stay tuned.

Jack gave a synopsis of his involvement with the ARRL Virginia Section Presidents Meeting.

Finally, Jack announced that club elections will be held at the next meeting in January. Currently the slate of candidates is:

President

Jack KY4EA

Vice President

Donna KD2FYX

Mark KQ4RMP

Treasurer

Greg K3RM

Secretary

Dan WG4F

Member-at-Large

Chuck AI4WU

Gil K4JST

Trish W0CSZ has volunteered for the position of club Public Affairs coordinator.

The business meeting closed at 20:00.

Wally WA3RWP gave a very good presentation on APRS. The capability does a lot more than just report positions of radio operators.

Four door prizes were awarded.

Adjournment was at 21:00.

Respectfully submitted by Kerry Hofferth NH2A

55 Total Attendees:

AI4WU Chuck  
AI4KJ Dan  
AJ4RS Bob  
AJ4XV Dave  
AK4XH Martin  
K1NUH Ed  
K3RM Greg  
K4CEF Cynthia  
K4JST Gil + Jean  
K4MI Will  
K4PQL Steve  
K4RVR Tracy  
K8LF Jerome  
KB4IUD Jim  
KB4PAT Pattie  
KD2FYX Donna  
KE4WMF Scott  
KF4CJQ Thea  
KH2FX Anita  
KK4R Rob  
KL0S Dino  
KL0SS Toby  
KN4UUT Robert  
KN4ZLV Ron  
KN4ZME Fred  
KN6ITS Lance  
KO4GLO Donna  
KO4JPR DJ  
KO4PQM Ken  
KO4UOR Scott  
KO4WWJ Michael  
KQ4BBN Mike  
KQ4BEE Karen  
KQ4COA Phil  
KQ4COE John  
KQ4EXS Tim  
KQ4RMP Mark + spouse  
KT4JB John  
KY4DZ Sparky + Beverly  
KY4EA Jack  
N1PAX Rob  
NH2A Kerry  
NK0S Hutch  
NY4B Jaylene

W0CSZ Trish  
W4YSN Randy  
W4YVA Joe  
WA3RWP Wally  
WB3GBL Rick  
WB7URZ Randy  
WZ4BRB Barb + Doug