

WAARC February 13, 2024 meeting minutes

Both the Hour of Power session and general meeting were performed via ZOOM video and inperson at the JCC Bruton Fire Station. The HOP was presented by Jack, KY4EA showing measurement devices, including several varieties of meters, both old and new, describing characteristics and benefits of each.

President Kerry, NH2A, was at Hamcation and attended via Zoom so Vice President Donna, KD2FYX called the general meeting to order. She welcomed visitors and new members. There were 50 attending. In honor of founding member Dick McNutt, W4NTG/SK a moment of silence was observed. Another founding member, Jack Barnett, K4WKI, offered some comments on his memories of Dick as did Mike, W4NYY.

President Kerry, NH2A, provided comments via Zoom. He addressed some changes in meeting procedures and times, leading to shortened segments. Each of the three segments, HOP, business, and program will be 45 minutes, starting at 6:15pm. Kerry outlined some goals, including supporting young hams, and a few ideas concerning meeting programs and the approaching 50th anniversary of the club.

Treasurer Greg, K3RM, presented the treasurer's report which is available on the groups.io site and that and the posted January meeting minutes were approved.

Donna played a short video she made about the annual dinner. Announcements covered the YL and Friends monthly lunch and other eating opportunities (Saturday breakfasts and Wednesday lunch). For Community Events, it was reported that the Colonial Half Marathon to be on February 17 and would use the 105 repeater. The March 23 Providence Classical School 5K would use simplex communications. A license testing session would be held February 24 at the World Outreach Worship Center. There was a reminder of the March 9 University of Scouting event at ODU with Kenzie, KO4GLN, coordinating amateur radio demonstrations. Kenzie provided details and the is information on the groups io reflector.

Wally, WA3RWP, is coordinating a license class starting March 26. See the announcement on the groups.io reflector or K4RC.NET web news and email Wally at hamradioclass@yahoo.com by March 11 to register.

Chuck, AI4WU, reported on work at the city EOC radio setup. Chris, KC4CMR, mentioned those needing renewed ARES credentials could see him. He also will be net control for the Half Marathon and reported that the club has been supporting this event since the 1980's.

Our program was presented by Will, K4MI, on the N1MM logging software: Beyond the Basics. Will described several features of the software he uses in contesting, especially with CW, as well as spotting and the spectrum display, voice keying, and score reporting.

Attendees:

AI4WU	Chuck	K	C3PCS	Scott	KO4UOR	Scott	N8VBN	Andrea
AJ4XV	Dave	K	C4CMR	Chris	KO4YFE	Robert	NH2A	Kerry
AK4XH	Martin	K	D2FYX	Donna	KQ4BEE	Karen	NKOS	Hutch
K1NUH	Ed	K	Œ4WMF	Scott	KQ4HNX	Russ	NY4B	Jaylene
K3RM	Greg	K	G4RGN	Larry	KQ4KRR	Greg	W4MBM	Jay
K4MI	Will	K	(H2FX	Anita	KQ4MPH	Martin	W4NYY	Mike
K4OBZ	Peter	K	(J6YJR	Andrew	KW9O	Cary	W40NH	Owen
K4PJN	Philip	K	K4R	Rob	KY4EA	Jack	W4RWP	Ray
K4PQL	Steve	K	CLOS	Dino	KY4RQ	Gerald	W4YSN	Randy
K4WKI	Jack	K	(LOSS	Toby	N1PAX	Robert	W4YVA	Joe
K5KTP	Keith	K	O4GLN	Kenzie	N2OP	Bob	WB3GBL	Rick
KB4PAT	Patti	K	(O4JPR	DJ	N4NOV	Arron	WD3O	David
					N7MXK	Peter	WG4F	Dan

Respectfully submitted, Dan, WG4F. Please send any corrections or additions to me.