

WAARC September 12, 2023 meeting minutes

Both the Hour of Power session and general meeting were performed via ZOOM video and in-person at the JCC Bruton Fire Station. The HOP was presented by Ed Fong, WB6IQN, on his work on VHF and UHF dual band J-Pole antennas. Ed presented his research and prototypes and explained the advantages of his patented design. After his presentation he offered a club buy for discounted antennas.

President Jack, KY4EA, called the general meeting to order. There were 49 attending. He reminded all of the need for members to run for officer elections in January. Cynthia, K4CEF, will serve as election chair and she encouraged all members to consider running for an officer position. Voting will be by mail or in person at the January meeting. Jack announced he has appointed a KB4ZIN Award committee that will take nominations for the award. The Committee is composed of Sparky, KY4DZ, Toby, KL0SS, Fred, KN4ZME, Rhona, KI4IZF, and Ron, KN4ZLV. Jack also introduced a committee to look into the club purchase of a projector to either replace or augment the projector at the fire station. New members Jay, KQ4IQB, and John, KN4NYU, were welcomed.

- Vice President Donna, KD2FYX, indicated the STEM committee progress will be going again. Committee and grant documents are on the club groups.io site, including the interim report.
- Treasurer Greg, K3RM, reported on the club funds with the reports available on the groups.io site. There is a report on the club funds and a report on the ARRL Grant funds. Greg explained some of the equipment orders for the grant project and indicated he would start collecting club dues for 2024 via PayPal or check in November.
- Secretary Dan, WG4F: the meeting minutes were posted on the club web and groups.io sites.
- Director Chuck, AI4WU: mentioned the projector committee and recent discussions on the possibilities of band pass filters for Field Day operations.
- Robert, KN4UUT, for community events, described the Patriots Triathlon event which was Sept 9-10. The next event will be the Bush Christmas Dash December 3.
- Joe, W4YVA, discussed the VE coordinator activity. There will be an open session November 4. Joe reminded all that a pop-up mini session can be arranged on demand.
- Special Event coordinator Cynthia, K4CEF: the Yorktown Special Event will be on October 28.
- Barbara, WZ4BRB, Activities coordinator and Food Committee chair, described plans for the next YL's and Friends monthly lunch held on the third Thursday of the month and other club eating opportunities. The Club Picnic is planned for October, in place of the normal meeting. There will be two menu choices. The member cost for the BBQ option is \$18.00 and the member cost for the vegetarian option is \$10.00. The club is paying matching costs for each member. RSVP via the club web PayPal page by Oct 2.
- Jack discussed a few meeting program ideas. He also invited other programs ideas.

• ARES: Chuck, AI4WU, and Chris, KC4CMR: Chuck discussed progress at the Williamsburg new Fire Station and plans to work on the amateur radio setup on October 7. Chris mentioned the nation-wide emergency notification system test to be October 4.

Our program was presented by Dan, WG4F on a basic Introduction and getting started with Logbook of the World. There was lots of information for getting LOTW setup and some more advanced topics. The material is available on the club Groups.IO site files section.

Door Prizes were then awarded via random ticket selection. Winners can be from both in-person and ZOOM attendees, but you must be "present/Zoom" to win.

Attendees:

AI4KJ	Dan	K8LF	Jerome	KN4ZME	Fred	N2OP
AI4WU	Chuck	KB4PAT	Patti	KO4ENU	Steve	NH2A
AJ4RS	Bob	KC3PCS	Scott	KO4JPR	DJ	NY4B
AJ4XV	Dave	KC4CMR	Chris	KO4UJS	Heiko	W4NYS
AK4XH	Martin	KD2FYX	Donna	KO4UOR	Scott	W40NH
K3ADA	Chris	KD4ZVD	John	KO4WJU	Wes	W4RWP
K3RM	Greg	KH2FX	Anita	KO4YFE	Robert	W4YSN
K4CEF	Cynthia	KLOS	Dino	KQ4BEE	Karen	W4YVA
K4JST	Gil	KLOSS	Toby	KQ4IQB	Jay	WA3RWP
K4MI	Will	KN4NYU	John	KY4DZ	Dennis	WB6IQN
K4OBZ	Peter	KN4UUT	Robert	KY4EA	Jack	WD3O
K4PQL	Steve	KN4ZLV	Ron	N1PAX	Robert	WG4F
						WZ4BRB

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