

Alliance Amateur Radio Club

January 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Reminders:

We still need the Chairman's Planning Guides for projects that have been done this fiscal year.

We also need to make sure that all of the new equipment is added to the club insurance policy.

Meeting called to order by: President Ron Rittenhouse (KE8HCY)

Devotion led by: Frank Sanor (WA8WHP)

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Tomas (KC8ZEH)

1) Roll call was taken: 19 members present – 4 guests present

Members

John Myers (KD8MQ)
Chris McDaniel (AC8VN)
Dwight Turner (KD8YFV)
Peter Lucke (N8IGZ)
Karen Andrews (N8HUC)
James Andrews (KD8VT)
Bob Warner (WB8OVQ)
Karen Warner (WD8BIW)
Tony Schillig (KD8BBK)
Ron Rittenhouse (KE8HCY)
Andrew Magda (AC8JR)
Frank Sanor (WA8WHP)
Tomas St. George (KC8ZEH)
Paul Richardson (K2ASA)
Doug Matthew (KB8DNQ)
Rex Simmons (NX8G)
Dave Kleinhans (KE8IYN)
Dallas Underwood (KB8SKS)
Heath Urban (KE8KAV)

Guests

Ben Davis (KD8KMQ)
Andrew Williams (KE8ELK)
Jennifer Williams (KB3GXB)
Miriam Sanor

2) Introduction of members and guests was done.

3) Members birthday recognition: Kenneth Moats (K8NAT) 1/4, Tony Schillig (KD8BBK) 1/8, Rex Simmmons (NX8G) 1/21

4) Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved.

5) Treasurer's Report: Checking: \$XXXX, Savings: N/A

6) Review / Approval of December 11th Meeting Minutes: Waived

7) Officers Reports:

President Ron Rittenhouse (KE8HCY):

Vice President Doug Matthew (KB8DNQ): Mentioned the upcoming Hamfest for the Tusco Amateur Radio Club This is on January 26th in Strasburg.

Secretary Jeremy Toole (KE8AU): Nothing to report.

Trustees: Nothing to Report

8) Committee Reports:

a) 2 Meter Net – Tomas St. George (KC8ZEH): on 12/5 18 check-ins, on 12/12 13 check-ins, 12/19 15 check ins, 12/26 16 check ins, 1/2 16 Checkins

b) 10 Meter CW Net – Frank Sanor (WA8WHP): 3 check-ins seem to be the new normal.

c) 10 Meter Sideband Net – John Myers (KD8MQ): Going well 6 to 8 Check-ins at normal

d) Homeland Security Net – Loren Kleinhans (KD8WVE): on 12/17 we had 12 check-ins, on 12/24 we had 7 check-ins, on 12/31 we had 7 check-ins,

e) 2 Meter Repeater – John Myers (KD8MQ): Nothing to report

f) 440 Repeater – John Myers (KD8MQ): It's working! Still plugging away

g) 2 Meter repeater – John Myers (KD8MQ) reported the issue with the generator and look at trying to see what can be done. Until ideas can be done a Battery back up will be installed and should work fine. Concerns regarding the electrical with in the building not being able to pass inspections.

g) 2019 – 2020 DX Contest – John Myers (KD8MQ): The contest began on October 1st. It runs until March 31st of the following year. The contest is among club members to see who can work the greatest number of countries. It's scored by you exporting your entire log for that period and emailing it to John. John will load it into his logging program which will quantify the number of countries you've worked. If there is more than 1 entry, the winner will receive a prize or certificate or something (Yaesu Hat). You must be a club member and must be able to export your log in the ADI format. Most of the logging programs in use now will do that.

h) Ways & Means –Doug Matthew (KB8DNQ): Buying a YAESU 450 for Raffle. Cost is roughly 725 for cost and raffle ticket purchase. Looking to Start at 300 Tickets. Looking to pull the winner June 10th. Keep and eye out for a ticket drum. Looking for Person to be in charge of raffle tickets.

i) Training Classes – Frank Sanor (WA8WHP): Frank stated that he has 3 students that have shown interest in the classes. He then stated that the venue and time will be announced later as they probably won't start until

after the 1st of the year. With Frank's schedule and availability of facilities it is looking like Tuesday's at the Alliance community hospital conference room from 6pm-8pm.

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9) Old Business:

10) New Business:

a) Donation Letter through the Treasurer

b) Winter Field Day – John Myers (KD8MQ): TRI C Airport Hanger is being utilized for the 2020 winter Field day. Looking at Open hanger with restroom and no heat or the office with 2 restrooms and heat. Setup 10am Tri City Airport. Any question please call John or Tony

c) Motion for Flowers to Carl's Funeral (Motion Passed)

d) Motion for Club Raffle YAESU 450 and tickets for Raffle (Motion Passed)

11) Announcements:

Breakfast: Feb 1, 8:30 A.M., Don Poncho's Restaurant – 2105 W. State St. Alliance

Pre-meeting Dinner: February 12th, 5:30 P.M., Don Ponchos. ALLIANCE

We will Raffle off an Alinco DJ-MD5 DMR HT in January. It's new. It's been tested. It works perfectly. It has never been used. The only caveat is that it was purchased more than a year ago, so it has no warrantee

12) Next Meeting Date: February 12th, 7:30 P.M., Alliance (Aultman) City Hospital / Café Conference Room

13) Round Table: North American QSO Party. Tony (KD8BBK) a fun event for all.

14) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned.

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