

Minutes of the September 11th, 2024, meeting of The Alliance Amateur Radio club (AARC).

The AARC met on Wednesday, September 11th, 2024, at Alliance Community Hospital (200 E. State St, Alliance).

The meeting was called to order at 7:04, by President John Myers, WG8X.

After a devotion by Chaplain Ron Rittenhouse, KE8HCY, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Andy Magda, AC8JR.

A roll call was taken of members & guests. We had 16 members in attendance.

### **Birthdays**

The following birthdays were acknowledged:

- Barry Heiks – AB8YE
- Shawn Gentile – KD8ZEZ
- Karen Warner – WD8BIW
- James Andrews – KD8VT
- Alex Sweeney – KE8VXG

### **Committee reports**

- **Vice-President's report**
  - The two 2500W generators have been ordered and arrived
  - We are on for December 14<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas Party at Christ United Methodist Church
  - Starting to plan out Winter Field Day
- **Secretary's report**
  - Minutes are up online
  - Roster is updated online
    - One new member – Tom Campbell
  - Motion by Jim KE8VZE, seconded by KB8RFE
- **Treasurer's report**
  - Paul gave a rundown on the finances over the last month and the checks written out

## Club Activities

- **Castle Run**
  - Castle run went well this year with plenty of help. Thank you to everyone that helped
  
- **All Club County Picnic**
  - Club picnic went well and was a good time for everyone that came
  
- **Tech Classes**
  - Tech classes begin September 16<sup>th</sup>
  - There's still time to sign up at <https://www.w8lky.org/licensing/licensing-classes>
  - Limited books available at cost (about \$25)
  
- **VE Exams**
  - Next VE session is upcoming on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9AM
    - Registration at 8AM
  - Location: Christ United Methodist Church
    - Use north door designated 1A
    - More info on our website
  
- **Club Equipment**
  - **2 Meter**
    - Nothing new to report
  - **440Mhz**
    - Nothing new to report.

## Old Business

- **Annual Donation**
  - We have decided by vote to donate to
    - Military and First Responders Center in Louisville
    - Clothed in Righteousness
    - Salvation Army

## **New Business**

- **Upcoming Club Officer Election**

- Looking for nominations or volunteers
  - All officer positions and one trustee position are open
- Please reach out to the club trustees for any nominations
  - Please make sure your nomination is willing to serve before submitting

We went around the table for any additional comments or announcements before adjourning.

Ron wants to remind everyone to keep your calendar open for the annual kettle drive coming up in December

Our 50/50 winner was drawn for this meeting.

Bob, WB8OVQ, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55PM, seconded by Jim, K8WUP