

Alliance Amateur Radio Club W8LKY
Meeting Location: Aultman Alliance Community Hospital Cong. Rm 1A Alliance, Ohio
March 12, 2025 Business Meeting

1. Meeting Call to Order by President John WG8X at 7 PM
2. Prayer: Ron KE8HCY
3. Pledge of Allegiance: John WG8X
4. Round of Introductions: 22 AARC Members, 2 Guest
5. Acknowledgment of Guests: Jim Brockett KE8FNG. Hal Kelley KE8II
6. Club Members Birthdays: Jennifer Williams, KB3GXB, and Tim Smith KE8ZLS
7. President Report: Concentrating on ticket sales for Fundraiser.
Working on New Club Business cards and Tri Fold Information Pamphlets. President John also noted that due to severe traveling conditions, AARC did not meet for February 2025 Business Mtg.
8. Vice Presidents Report: AARC was not approved for the App 365. We are seeking other venues to use by club members to have remote access to club activities.
9. Secretary Report: Prepared and posted March 2025 Business Mtg. Report. Received thank you letter from Aultman Alliance Community Hospital for \$150. Donation. Received a Thank You Letter from Clothed In Righteousness, For \$1,278; part of 2024 AARC Fundraiser.
Motion: Jim KE8VZE, Second: Paul K2ASA Motion Passed
10. Treasurer Report: Prepared and Posted a combined Feb. & March 2025 Treasury Report.
Motion: Andy AC8JR, Seconded by Karen WD8BIW, Motion Passed
11. Activities:
 - A. Club's CW Classes Monday Nights, classes winding done, Attendance 6, Tony KD8BBK Instructor.
 - B. Club's General Licensing Classes: wrapped up Attendance 5-7 , John WG8X Instructor
 - C. 2025 Winter Field Day:
 - a. We were On Air for 23 Hours and 14 Minutes.
 - b. Four Operators stayed overnight.
 - c. 473 Contacts made from 46 of 50 states including Hawaii.
 - d. Contact made with Faroe Islands (Iceland & Norway).
 - e. All our Radios powered by batteries
 - D. 2025 Fundraiser: A Kenwood TS+590SG is this years Radio.
 - a. Tickets available On Line or in person. We have 1148 out of 1500 tickets as of March 10th.
 - E. V E Exams: Saturday March 15th, Christ United Methodist Church 470 East Broadway in Alliance. Registration 8 AM, Testing at 9 Am
 - F. AARC POTA: Activation March 22nd, Rain or Shine. Location: Wingfoot Lake State Park (Suffield). POTA Location is Buckeye Pavilion (1st pavilion as the right as you enter the Park). Bring your own gear, we are operating on Low Power.
 - G. Stark County Fair (August 26 - September 1st). Table set up by Stark Cty Radio Clubs.
Mike Urban KE8CKL AARC Club coordinator
 - H. 2025 ARRL Field Day June 28th-29th. Arrowhead Orchard, Paris Ohio

13 Activities Continued:

I. AARC Annual Club Picnic: July 9th Jaycee Pavilion Silver Park Alliance..

J. Carnation Festival Special Event: (July 26th-August 9th) To be scheduled with ARRL and John WG8X to coordinate.

K. Carnation Parade: Parade August 9th 2025. AARC will provide Emergency Communications, Ron KE8HCY Chairperson

L. Carnation Parade Float: Need Chairperson

14. Equipment:

A. 2 Meter: Nothing new to report.

B. 440 MHz: New Repeater installed January 20, 2025. Thanks to: Bob WB8OVQ, Mike N8XY

15. Old Business:

A. Bob WB8OVQ, \$740 expense on 440 MHz repeater installation.

Motion: Tomas KC8ZEH Seconded by Alex KE8VXG Passed

B. Microsoft 365: AARC not eligible for this App. Other Apps and systems, will be review for possible remote use.

C. Club Hats/Shirts: Beatty Sport Shops of Louisville, Ohio is a good possible supplier, Karen WD8BIW is chairperson.

16. New Business:

A. A donation \$100 for use of the Louisville Sportsman's Club Winter Field Day January 25-26, 2025.

Motion: Ron KE8HCY Seconded by Andy AC8JR Motion passed.

B. Purchase of Kenwood TS-590 CHG for 2025 Fundraiser. An anonymous donor, donated half the cost. Cost is \$1,629.26, Motion: Mike KE8CKL Seconded by Allen KE8ZLT Passed

C. Renewal Post Office Box: We will seek additional Routes.

D. D. ARRL Equipment Insurance: Additional new generators need to be added to current coverage. Executive Committee will handle this by March 26, 2025. Premium to be submitted in April Old Business.

Motion to expedite payment by: Tim KE8ZLS Seconded by Steve KB8RFE

Motion passed.

17. Announcements:

- List of Hamfests on ARRL Web Site
- April Breakfast: April 5th Don Ponchos 8:30 AM
- April Club Business Mtg. April 9th, 7:00 PM Here in Rm. 1A Cafeteria Conference Room Aultman Alliance Community Hospital

18. Round Table: Members comments for the good of the order.

20. Motion for Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted:

Ron KE8HCY

AARC Club Secretary