W2WCR Monthly Club Meeting

March 28, 2022 Monday

Meeting started at 7pm

Welcome to New Members:

KD2WNF - Louisa KD2OBS - Rick

We had a Quorum Present so club business could proceed.

Welcome back to our President Chris AF2V

REPORTS

Secretary: Julie N2JUL

In-person attendance: 32
Google Meets on line: 3
Total for this meeting: 35

Total Paid Members to date: 64

Minutes from last month have been posted on the website for all. This will be done every month.

Treasurer: Ron W2PLK - Julie - N2JUL substituting

\$ 2,621.90 in the bank

\$ 110.00 cash

\$ 80.00 cash/checks new members

Total of \$2,811.90

License Trustee: Bernie N1NDN

W2WCR repeater status: Gore Mountain Repeater is having some issues with interference. If by chance anyone hears the interference please contact Bernie N2NDN at the time of the interference. Bernie needs to assess if it is the link or the repeater.

Radio Officer: David KD2BVA - Mickey - N2MC

Mickey reported that he has application for anyone seeking to join ARIES.

Board of Directors: George KD2FKH, Steve NY2SL

The Board only has two active members at this time and had a tied vote regarding continued use of Google Meets. The President of the Club made a executive decision to continue with in-person meeting and Google Meets for one more month. At the end of this meeting a new board member will be voted on.

The clubs insurance policy was received from ARRL and is being reviewed.

COMMITTEES:

Summer Field Day: Steve NY2SL

Payment has been sent for Prospect Mountain Field Day Event.

A new Summer Field Day Committee has been started. If interested in volunteering for this committee contact Steve - NY2SL.

Tom - N2TOM Fred - KC1IMF Mickey - N2MC

Field Day is held on the third weekend in June. This year it will be June 26th and June 27th. 2022.

The Event runs from Saturday 2pm to Sunday 2pm.

At this time the GOTA (Get On The Air) station is set with two new radio operators. KD2YZF - Jamie and KD2YFY - Adam. GOTA is for any operator that has had their license for less than a year. It give the club a large amount of points for the event. So if you are a new operator and would like to join for just a little while come join the fun.

VE Testing/Classes: Frank KA2VVI

Next tech class will be April 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} . Testing for all license classes will be on April 3^{rd} Please contact Frank if you are able to volunteer.

Please remember that you will need a FRN# from which you receive from the FCC. You cannot take the test without this so please be prepared.

VE's are needed for Sunday April 3rd at noon.

NEW INFORMATION: The FCC has approved a \$35.00 licensing fee effect on April 19, 2022. Per FCC "The \$35 application fee will apply to new, renewal and modified application that request a new vanity call sign. The fee will be per application. Modifications applications to upgrade an amateur radio licensees' operating class will be exempt from fees" FCC will automatically send you a link with 10 days to send payment. If paid your license will be issued. If not paid you will loose your license even if it is a upgrade. So now is the time to crunch those books and classes and get your test in before the deadline.

If you are under the age of 18 and a member of ARRL, the ARRL will pay the \$35 licensing fee under the "Youth Licensing Grant Program"

NEW WEBSITE

Committee for the new website design is:

KD2YFY - Adam AE2Z - Ed N1NDN - Bernie KB5VVI - Frank N2MC- Mickey

Anyone else interest in joining the committee please contact Bernie N1NDN

At this time is has been decided to completely scrap the website and start from scratch. The new site will be built over a course of several months. So look for new changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

At the end of February we had a empty spot for Board of Directors. This month we had one candidate N2TOM- Tom who was nominated. All agreed to have the secretary cast

the final vote for all. That vote was "yes". Welcome Tom N2TOM to the Board.

Meeting was closed at 8:10pm Motion by Chris AF2V 2nd by Bernie - N1NDN