



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2015

Due to a lack of a Quorum, there was no meeting held.



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:

Tim Neu KC0LQL

Guests Present:

Dan Peitso N0PIY

Called to order by the President at 6:40 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: The balance is \$313.43 as of this meeting. Accepted and Approved.

Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.

VE Report: Candidates: 11 - all passed their examinations. Congratulations!

Old Business:

- Wednesday net – seems to be going along well. Annette has been checking in periodically and seeing how it goes.
- Repeater update – we have the four receive site units and have registered them with Yaesu; more work, testing, etc. will be done when the weather gets a bit warmer. Bob has been talking with East Bethel about a possible receive site there; more information as it becomes available.
- Fundraising letters – we need to get them out to prospective donors. Bob suggested contacting the Chamber of Commerce to get contacts.

New Business:**• Welcome to incoming Treasurer Tom Lucey KD0NAA!**

- The number constituting a quorum for Club meetings was discussed; see the bylaws (on the ACRC website) for more information.
- Rooms at Blaine City Hall – there was a conflict with the “Blue Line Club” (police officers’ wives’ group) over the Mark Stack Room last month. Bob is working on this with Blaine; we reserved the room first, but this is being looked into. Any changes to meeting venue will be sent to the group as soon as the information becomes available.
- PIO – Shawn is working on having the “Anoka Cty Radio Acrc” account on Facebook closed; he emailed the owner to find out about the account, and heard nothing back. We would like to put up a new Facebook account and get the existing Wordpress site up and running. Bob moved that we move forward on this. Accepted and Approved. Other social media ideas to be discussed at a future meeting.

- Upcoming events:
 - Lino Lakes 5K (Cinco de Mayo) – Tim Neu is working on this; more information later.
 - Field Day – Tim Neu is chairing this event; he will be coming back from vacation right before the event, and will need assistance in getting it up and running. Tom Lewandowski N9DVT has offered his yard in East Bethel, as has Bob in Lino Lakes. Tim suggested Laurie Lamotte Park in Centerville as another possibility.
 - BB4 – If invited, we will look into it, but the Club is not planning involvement at this time.
 - Fete Des Lacs – a delegation from the Centerville City Council is planning to attend the March Board meeting. It will be a two-weekend event this year; the Lions are doing one weekend, and the City another. We have been invited to work the parade, fun run, and fireworks (on the City weekend). We have also been asked to work with Centerville on another fun run on a different weekend.
 - Simple Supper – 9/11/2015. We need to determine an event coordinator and site for this event. Bob will discuss the use of the grills and tables behind Blaine City Hall with the city; more information as it becomes available.
 - Halloween Special Event Station – 10/30/15. Annette will return as the non-technical chair of this event. She will bring this up at the next general membership meeting and try to recruit volunteers.
 - Christmas Party – There is a rumor that Chrissy Neu KC0OKE is willing to chair or co-chair this event. Tim would like to see us in a venue with a private room, if at all possible. The Old Country Buffet in Fridley was suggested, as was the Red Ox in Ham Lake. Bob motioned that we donate \$50 to the Peitso family to reimburse them for the presents made by Dan's wife and all their hard work. The motion was approved. Bob suggested that the committee (as yet to be named) put out a survey of the membership to get their opinion on presents, venue, etc.
- Email reminder(s) re: the Wednesday net – will be discussed at the March meeting.
- We need to set a Saturday up to change the signatories on the Club checking account; as well, we will need to discuss the VEC payment system.

Adjourned at 8:13 p.m. 



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March 17, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:**Guests Present:**

Mike Malwitz N0MWM
Clayton Rung

Called to order by the President at 6:42 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer does not currently have access to the accounts; Bob will contact the bank tomorrow to straighten out the issue(s).

Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.


Old Business:

- Raffle – The radio raffle was won by Brenda Malwitz KD0YOW. Congratulations!!
- Lino Lakes 5K – Will be held in the fall this year instead of the spring. More info to come.
- Field Day – Tim would like to finalize a location soon; options previously discussed included Laurie Lamotte Park and various members' properties. Tim will send out announcements for meetings soon; contact him if you are interested in being on the Field Day committee.

New Business:

- Shep would like a Club officer with the checkbook at all VE sessions; he is not comfortable with the current arrangement. It was suggested that the VE team could start their own checking account to handle the funds, or some other way of handling them could be devised. Shawn suggested using a Square or another card reader to take payment. The Board will be discussing this with Shep at the next general meeting.
- Bob has contacted the Fete Des Lacs committee about having them come to a Board meeting; possibly in April. We are planning on one weekend for Fete Des Lacs, plus a second fun run sometime in the fall.
- The property surrounding the Centerville water tower has been sold. More info as it becomes available.
- Repeater work – We need to go to Blaine sometime soon and do some work on our equipment there.
- Repeater loan – Bob suggested that we set a percentage of incoming funds to the repeater fund (raffle ticket sales, donations, etc.) to be labeled as debt service and directed to the generous member who provided the loan. This would become effective as of 1 January 2015, and continue until the loan has been paid in full. The Board tentatively agreed to direct 25% of incoming repeater fund monies to this, pending the Treasurer being able to examine the accounts.

- Website – Shawn has a test site up for the new, improved ACRC web site – now with Joomla! The new site allows for letting various members control content for parts of the site, i.e., the net control for the Wednesday net could update their section. Also, the site contains an improved calendar and many other features.
- Email list – notices for general meetings? We have had some members ask us to send out reminders again, as we did years ago.

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m. 



Anoka County Radio Club Board Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:

Guests Present:

Ben Fehrenbacher *
D. Love*
Jeff Paar*
Dan Peitso N0PIY
* Centerville City Council

Called to order by the President at 6:45 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: The balance is \$363.98 as of this meeting. Accepted and Approved.


Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.

Old Business:

- Fete Des Lacs – the Centerville Fete Des Lacs (city events) will be on Saturday, July 25, 2015. Events will include the parade, 5K/8K run, and fireworks. Due to road construction projects this summer, the plan is to run the parade on Centerville Road, unless the projects are completed before the event.
- Field Day – Tim asked the Centerville City Council members present if it would be possible to use one of the Centerville parks for Field Day as an overnight event, most likely Laurie Lamotte Park. The general consensus was that it should not be a problem; Tim will get the permit form filled out, and Jeff Paar will bring it up at the upcoming city council meeting.
- Repeater work is ongoing; next step is programming and testing of the new units, as well as going through our inventory of 440 MHz radios to select units for the receive sites.
- We have had reports of malicious interference on the 146.67 repeater; we are looking into this.
- Lino Lakes 5k will be on September 19. CERT would like to participate again this year.
- BB4 – we have no information at this time.
- Simple Supper (September) we should look into locations soon.
- Field Day planning – Tim contacted Lino Lakes re: park permits; they do not allow overnight usage. Tim also looked into county parks; they appear to be booked for 2015, but 2016 is a possibility. Cost would be minimal. There will be a planning meeting this Friday, April 24 at 6:30 PM at the Blaine Perkins, 12545 Ulysses St. NE.

New Business:

- Raffle – Shawn has been reviewing the laws regarding charitable gambling and raffles. We will be updating our procedures as new rules come into effect later this year.
- Discover Aviation Days – we have been asked if we would like to participate in Discover Aviation Days on Saturday, May 30th and Sunday, May 31st, doing:
 1. Volunteer Parking / Traffic Control for parking area; and/or
 2. Volunteer scouting / pseudo-security / public safety walking around the airshow, looking for safety / trouble people and situations.Concerns were raised about the duties this would entail, as well as who is in charge of the event and who the club members would be reporting to. Tim moved that we have some members attend the event to observe the operations and see if we might be interested in working together in future. The motion passed. We will discuss at the May board meeting coordinating this visit.

Adjourned at 8:37 p.m. 



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Board Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:**Guests Present:**

Pat Branch *
Mike Malwitz N0MWM
Ofc. BJ Stepan, CLPD

* Centerville City Council

Called to order by the Vice-President at 6:45 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: Accepted and Approved.

Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.


VE Report: 8 Candidates: 6 Technician Licenses Granted; 1 General Licenses Granted; 0 Extra License Granted. Congratulations!

Old Business:

- Centerville Fete Des Lacs – the Board discussed detailed logistics for the Fete des Lacs festival events including the 5K run, parade, and fireworks display with Ofc. Stepan and Pat Branch.
- Raffle – raffle ticket sales did not happen at the May Skywarn meeting due to a scheduling and communication mixup. Persons who bought tickets (3 people) will be offered the choice of a refund or making a donation to the club. A raffle will be held Field Day weekend; details to follow.
- Field Day – we are planning a 2A station at Laurie Lamotte Park in Centerville. The permit gives us overnight access to the main parking lot, with all generators to be silenced by 10 PM. Logistical concerns include how many antennas and how will they be set up/supported, safety and markings, battery and power plans, press releases and publicity, food, etc.
- Discover Aviation Days (5/30 – 5/31) - we are putting together a delegation to have a look at what Matt is interested in having the club do as volunteers in future for this event.

New Business:

- No new business this meeting.

Adjourned at 8:30 p.m. 



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June 16, 2015

Board Members Present:

Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:

Tim Neu KC0LQL
Shawn Rung K0SMR

Guests Present:

Mike Malwitz N0MWM

Called to order by Bob Cordell at 6:45 p.m.



Treasurer's Report: The balance is \$859.27 as of this meeting. Accepted and Approved.

Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.

VE Report: No report this month.

Old Business:

- Discover Aviation days – We sent a delegation to have a peek around. There appear to be a lot of areas we could be helpful. We would like to meet with the person coordinating volunteer groups to set up a plan to work with them.
- Field Day preparations were discussed. Press releases have been sent out to local media.
- Fete Des Lacs - the Board discussed logistics for the Fete des Lacs festival. The City events will be on Saturday, July 25, 2015. Events will include the parade, 5K/8K run, and fireworks. Due to road construction projects this summer, the plan is to run the parade on Centerville Road, unless the projects are completed before the event.
- The email request regarding the email reminder for the Wednesday net has gone out to the membership. If you want to receive the reminder emails, please respond to the email about the emails.
- Simple Supper and Christmas party – we need to get cracking on planning these events. Annette brought information from the Pizza Ranch in Andover for our perusal.
- Vests – we have discussed purchasing safety vests with ACRC logo, name/call, etc. This will be discussed at a future Board meeting – possibly October. Orders for coats, shirts, etc. will be discussed at that time, as well.

New Business:

- There is a disaster drill planned for June 27th in White Bear Lake; we were asked to participate, but respectfully declined as it conflicts with Field Day, etc.
- Classes – we have had some inquiries regarding holding Amateur Radio classes. Currently, we do not have the manpower to teach classes the way we would like to see them taught.
- Halloween special event station – Annette is looking into this. The event is scheduled to be held at the home of Tom Holleran, KC0VXC. We will need to send publicity materials to the ARRL by August to ensure publication in time for the event.

Adjourned at 7:18 p.m.





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Board Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:**Guests Present:**

Ben Fehrenbacher *
Jeff Paar*

* Centerville City Council

Called to order by the President at 6:36 p.m.



Treasurer's Report: The balance is \$805 as of this meeting. Accepted and Approved.

Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.

Old Business:

- Wednesday evening net reminders – how is it working? Annette says we have 4 or 5 check-ins/week, as opposed to previous weeks when there were no check-ins. Anyone wanting to be added to the email list should contact Shawn with a valid email address.
- Hams in the Park – the event has taken on a life of its own. Lots of participation!
- Field Day – 348 QSO points, total 1158 points. Fun was had. Contacts included Hawaii. Lessons included a study on loading stresses on vertical support poles – see Tim N. for details. Tim is planning to send a note to the City of Centerville thanking them for the use of the park with a short report on the operation.
- BB4 – Shawn got a call from Captain Szykulski of the Blaine Police Dept. on July 2nd asking if the Club was planning to come out and assist; Shawn told him we wouldn't be able to assist this year, but would be interested in future years.
- Fete Des Lacs – Bob's Gator will not be available for the events; it is in need of repair. The city volunteers will be meeting at 9 AM at McBride Park. They will need approximately 10 radios and 10 vests from our side. They are planning to have 4 ATVs available. Jeff Paar will have maps, etc. available at McBride Park.

ACRC schedule for the day:

The **5K/8K Run/Walk and Kids Run** will be held at the Laurie LaMotte Memorial Park, staging at **6:30 a.m.** The first run/walk will start at 8:00 a.m. These events will finish just in time to stage for the Parade.


The **Parade** will be staging at **9:30 a.m.** at Laurie LaMotte Memorial Park. The parade will start at 11:00 a.m. and should be done by 1:00 p.m.

Fireworks will be held at the Laurie LaMotte Memorial Park, staging at **6:00 p.m.** We will have a potluck during staging. If you can, please bring a dish to share.

- Simple Supper – Sept. 11 – Where are we holding the event? Bob will talk to the folks at Blaine City Hall to see if we can use their picnic area; otherwise, we could use a public park or perhaps a VFW, etc.
- Lino Lakes 5K – Sept. 19 – Tim will reach out to the organizers.
- Halloween special event station – Non-Technical Chairperson Annette Larson KB1UOG will be sending out press releases, etc. The event will be held at Tom Holleran's home. We could use a volunteer to take on the creation and handling of QSL cards.
- Christmas party – we need to get on the planning of this event.
- Discover Aviation Days – we are planning to coordinate with the planners and see where we can work with them on the event.

New Business:

- Membership Report – we are at 56 members as of this meeting. We have a good mix of General and Extra licensees.
- We need to renew with the Minnesota Repeater Council – we have previously done 5 years at a time(cost is \$10/yr). The board voted to renew for another 5 years.
- Shawn brought up disposal of obsolete/inoperable Club assets, specifically an old printer and ancient radios from the Fire Department. The board voted to let Shawn dispose of them.

Adjourned at 8:22 p.m. 



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2015

Due to a lack of a Quorum, there was no meeting held.



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Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2015

Board Members Present:

Tim Neu KC0LQL
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tom Lucey KD0NAA

Guests Present:

Called to order by the Vice President at 7:02 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: No report this month – treasurer absent.


Secretary's Report: Accepted and Approved.

Old Business:

- Fete Des Lacs – are we needed for the Fireworks? Chief 7 seemed to think not at this year's event. More information as it becomes available. Parade and run went well.
- Lino Lakes 5K/Centerville 5K – 9/19/15. We appear to have enough people to cover both events. Lino Lakes will use 146.550 MHz simplex; Centerville will use 145.52 MHz simplex. Lino Lakes will also be using GMRS as well.
- Halloween special event station – will use the same frequencies as last year, and hope for better band conditions on 10M. The event will be held at the home of Tom Holleran KC0VXC. We anticipate 3 RVs being used for operating positions. Event info has been sent to the ARRL, and will be posted to Facebook in the coming weeks. Annette will bring coffee, candy, and donuts, and we will have a “snack-luck”.
- Simple Supper – the event went well. We did not do introductions, which was an oversight. Tim suggested we have a standard agenda for meetings to prevent this.
- Christmas party – will be held at the Pizza Ranch in Andover on 12/X/15. \$15/person. There will not be presents this year, as per a vote at the Simple Supper. Chrissy Neu KC0OKE and Lorri Rung K0LLR will be organizing the event. The Board passed a motion endorsing this plan.
- City of Centerville equipment offer – we need to finalize the list of requests from the City of Centerville in order to get that in to Jeff Paar. Suggestions include – radio batteries, batteries for the Gator, vests, pop-up tent/canopy, etc.

New Business:

- October is membership month – renew your membership!

Adjourned at 7:55 p.m. 



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2015

Due to a lack of a Quorum, there was no meeting held.



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2015

Board Members Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR
Tim Neu KC0LQL
Tom Lucey KD0NAA
Jeremiah Bohn KC0FUI
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Annette Larson KB1UOG

Board Members Absent:

Guests Present:

Dan Peitso N0PIY

Called to order by the President at 6:40 p.m. 

Treasurer's Report: Accepted and Approved.

Secretary's Report: There was no ACRC Board meeting in October 2015. Accepted and Approved.

VE Report:


Old Business:

- Rooms have been secured for meetings in 2016.
- Elections are coming up for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Board Member at Large. The Board Member at Large incumbent, Bob Cordell KBØGIP is not planning to run again.
- ACRC Christmas Party – Sat., Dec. 15 3 – 6 PM at the Pizza Ranch in Andover. Cost is \$15/person. We will be having a white elephant gift exchange this year.
- Halloween Special Event Station – took place on Oct. 31. 10m was dead again this year – we may wish to discontinue its use in future. Overall, the event went well – we had several stations operating in close proximity to one another, with no major amount of interference.
- Fundraising letter – the Board discussed what needs get done to get the letter out.
- Centerville donation – there was some discussion as to who has the documentation needed to complete the letter to the Centerville City Council. Tim and Jeremiah will check to see if they have the information. Bob will send the information on Gator batteries to Jeremiah.

New Business:

- **NOTE: The January ACRC General Meeting will be on January 8, 2016, NOT January 1.** The meeting will take place at the Blaine City Hall as usual.
- We could **really** use some help getting the web site updated, and the newsletter back in publication. Sound like fun? Get in touch with Shawn!

- Discover Aviation Days in May 2016 – what do we think about this event? What would duties entail – parking? Eyes/ears? Something else? Shawn will get in touch with Matt Genelin for more information.
- Tom Yarborough KE0ABP brought up a possible new event for us at the last general membership meeting – the Daughters of the American Revolution hold a Flag Day 5K Run/Walk to benefit the Fisher House (service organization providing short-term housing for families of hospitalized veterans). In 2016, the event will be on June 11, and they have requested radio communication assistance. Tom volunteered to be the point of contact between the DAR and the Club. The Board consensus was that this event sounds like a good match for the club.
- Annette informed us that new software is due out at the end of November for the repeater radios. The update promises to improve performance, etc.

Adjourned at 8:18 p.m. 



Anoka County Radio Club

Board Meeting Minutes

December 22, 2015

Due to a lack of a Quorum, there was no meeting held.