



Anoka County Radio Club

General Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Ann Foster KØANN
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Darlene Rung
Dave Holter WØDAH
Dave Runkle KCØKEP

Jay Jagerson NØMDF
Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI
John Johnson KCØWTH
Karen Runkle KCØWEM
Ken Henke NØDLS
Mike Marshik KBØTZA

Paul Bushouse NØTYE
Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Ray Costello NØFY
Richard Young KCØWJE
Scott Hash KCØBZG
Shawn Rung KØSMR

Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Stacy Runkle KØPWD
Terry Holman KAØTFJ
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the President at 7:11 p.m.

General Announcements

- Scott Hash KCØBZG presented the nominations for board positions. Chrissy Neu KCØOKE plans on running for President. Tin Neu KCØLQL plans on running for Board Member at Large. Pete Alcock KBØKHZ has indicated that he may run for Treasurer. Bob Cordell KBØGIP has accepted a nomination for the Vice President position. There were no nominations from the floor.
- Elections will be held next month. Still looking for nominations for the open positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Board Member at Large.
- Repeater Status: No changes. Everything seems to be running smoothly.
- Ice Racing: If there is enough ice to hold the Ice Races, they will be held February 10 and 11. Please contact either Bob Cordell KBØGIP or Chrissy Neu KCØOKE for more information.
- Mike Marshik KBØTZA finished a small project. He presented to the club a Yellow Fuzzy Zebra. A picture will be posted to our club photos on our website.
- Sunday, January 7, 2007 is Ham Kids day starting at noon. See QST article for more info.
- Shep Shepardson NØNMZ presented a request on behalf of himself and a few other members preferring to ban bringing pets to club meetings. There were no comments on this request.
- Christmas Banquet location for 2007. Chrissy Neu KCØOKE inquired of the members what we as a club would like to do for the 2007 Christmas party. Al Schwarz AEØAL suggested that a fellowship hall at a church would be a good place. Maybe a potluck style or simple supper style of meal? Tim Neu KCØLQL recommended a hotel with a restaurant. Paul recommended holding it here at Paul Parkway. The consensus was that we still wanted to hold the part on the first Saturday in December for sure.
- Dave Runkle KCØKEP announced that the dates of the ACRC sponsored Skywarn classes will be the same as last year – Saturday March 10th and Saturday May 12th in the Stack Room at Blaine City Hall. Noon to 4:00 p.m., just after the VE sessions. Attention Anoka ARES members – The Skywarn class will replace the March ARES meeting.
- Shep Shepardson NØNMZ announced that VOAD training will be held on Saturday, February 10. More info to be posted on our website.



Adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



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February 2, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Ann Foster KØANN
Bob Cordell KBØGIP
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Dave Holter WØDAH
Dave Runkle KCØKEP
Dave Ventura KEØNA

Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI
John Johnson KCØWTH
Lorri Rung KØLLR
Maribeth Stephens KCØPZR
Parry Brown KCØTWB
Pat Barot KBØOLI
Paul Bushouse NØTYE

Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Ray Costello NØFY
Scott Hash KCØBZG
Shawn Rung KØSMR
Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Steve Besaw KD6JXG

Called to Order by the Vice President at 7:21 p.m.

Pledge

General Announcements

- The Ice Racing event was moved to Balsam Lake, WI.
- Saturday, March 10 will be the first VE with the Morse code requirement removed. This will be a very busy VE session and we will need LOTS of VE's that day.
- Our first club-sponsored Skywarn class will be held on Saturday, March 10 as well. There is all new training this year.
- Saturday, February 10 is the VOAD class. You do need to register before attending. More info on this class is at <http://www.mnvoad.org>.
- Shep Shepardson NØNMZ presented Al Schwarz AEØAL a certificate from Jay Bellows of the ARRL for the recognition of participating as a VE for 100 sessions. **Congratulations Al!**
- Repeater Status – Nothing new.
- Scott Hash KCØBZG presented the nominations for board positions:

Nominations for the open Board positions were:

President: Chrissy Neu KCØOKE

Vice President: Bob Cordell KBØGIP

Treasurer: Tim Neu KCØLQL

Board Member At Large: Parry Brown KCØTWB and Pete Alcock KBØKHZ

Motion to close nominations. Seconded. Unanimously Approved.

Motion to accept the non-contested positions on a white ballot. Seconded. One opposed, majority for. Motion Approved.

Election for the Board Member at Large position: 4 for Parry Brown KCØTWB; 9 for Pete Alcock KBØKHZ. Pete was declared the new Board Member at Large by majority vote.

The newly elected Board Members are:

President: Chrissy Neu KCØOKE

Vice President: Bob Cordell KBØGIP

Treasurer: Tim Neu KCØLQL

Board Member At Large: Pete Alcock KCØKHZ

- Ray Costello NØFY – If any members interested in a construction project in software defined radio building please contact Ray. This could be brought in as a Kit Builders Group activity.
- Mid-Winter Madness will be held Saturday, March 24th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Buffalo, MN.
- A new D-Star repeater is in town. 443.450 MHz, with a RPT1 call sign of: W0USD(space)(space)B.

Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



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April 6, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Don Lisell KØBNS

Jeff Kline KCØNIB
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Pat Barot KBØOLI

Paul Bushouse NØTYE
Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the Vice President at 7:10 p.m.

Pledge

General Announcements

- Asked the membership if they wanted the Christmas party to be held on December 1st or December 8th. A poll of the members indicated that December 8th is preferred.
- Reminder regarding upcoming BB4 / field day.
- Paul has a contact that might be willing to do a RTTY presentation.
- Suggestion to have Dave re-run PSK31 demo from 5 years ago.
- 1st or 2nd Saturday in September for the Simple Supper? – suggestion to start at 6:00 p.m. or have it on Saturday.

Adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



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May 4, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Ann Foster KØANN
Brian Lakeman KCØZTW
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Dave Cecka WBØVAD

Don Lisell KØBNS
Jeff Kline KCØNIB
Ken Henke NØDLS
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Parry Brown KCØTWB
Ray Costello NØFY

Shawn Rung KØSMR
Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Terry Holman KAØTFJ
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the President at 7:14 p.m.

Pledge

General Announcements

- Shawn Rung KØSMR asked what the membership would like in the way of a format at the Christmas Party dinner – “self catered” or pot luck style. The party will be held on December 8th at the Paul Parkway site. Lorri Rung KØLLR is committee chair for the Christmas Party. We are looking for help in this committee. Please contact Lorri Rung KØLLR at kØllr@arrl.net to help out.
- Chrissy Neu KCØOKE asked the members what a good start time for the Simple supper would be. After discussion, it was decided that 6:30 p.m. would be best.
- The Skywarn class will be held on May 12th from noon to 4 at the Blaine City Hall.
- The ARRL Field Day will be on June 23rd and 24th. We will be holding it with Anoka ARES at Blaine city hall. If you have questions, please contact Dave Runkle KCØKEP. The June General Meeting will be in regards to field day.
- We have been asked to help out with Centerville’s Fette-De-Lacs. It will be held on August 3rd thru the 5th. There will be fireworks on the 3rd & 5th and parade on the 4th.
- We are Interested in setting up another exam prep class. Anoka ARES would like to participate as well.
- Al Schwarz AEØAL requested that we save postage for those members that prefer to view the newsletter online. He would rather receive an email when the new newsletter is available online. Some of the other members present agreed that this was a great idea.
- Ray Costello NØFY showed us a sample unit of his Software Defined Radio. This looks like a very interesting project!
- Tim Neu KCØLQL – Packet presentation.
Links:
 - Emergency MN Wide Area Amateur Packet Radio: <http://www.14567.org>
 - AFU Knoppix: <http://www.afu-knoppix.de/neu>

Adjourned



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September 7, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL	Dave Holter WØDAH	Lorri Rung KØLLR	Stacy Runkle KØPWD
Andrew Turner KDØBEP	Dave Runkle KCØKEP	Mike Marshik KBØTZA	Steve Besaw KD6JXG
Ann Foster KØANN	David Healy KØMVW	Parry Brown KCØTWB	Terry Holman KAØTFJ
Dan Fish KBØXC	Jay Jagerson NØMDF	Paul Bushouse NØTYE	Tim Neu KCØLQL
Dan Peitso NØPIY	Jeff Kline KCØNIB	Shawn Rung KØSMR	
Dan Pleau KCØUQW	Karen Runkle KCØWEM	Shep Shepardson NØNMZ	

- Simple Supper / Potluck dinner.
- Member Surveys were handed out regarding 2-meter repeater usage and D-Star familiarity.

General Meeting called to order by the Secretary.

- The Secretary, Shawn Rung KØSMR, invited Dan Fish KBØXC and Dave Runkle KCØKEP to talk about the D-Star repeater offer that Dan has proposed to the club. They both answered members' questions regarding the technology and feasibility of D-Star for the club. The offer by Dan is to donate to the club, co-managed by Anoka ARES, a D-Star core repeater. This deal is part of Icom's sales incentive program. His offer includes the Repeater Controller unit, 1.2 GHz Digital Voice unit, and 1.2 GHz Digital Data unit. As he meets the required sales goals set up by ICOM, he has also promised the club the 440 Digital Voice unit and 2-meter Digital Voice unit.
- Dave Runkle KCØKEP stressed that this offer does **not** require the club to change in any way our current repeater system. The donated repeater system is **in addition to** our current 2-meter repeater. Dan Fish KBØXC indicated that moving away from our analog repeater would need to be a club decision. He also noted that he feels that we may see the benefits of the new system and may want to make that switch in the future.
- The Treasurer, Tim Neu KCØLQL, spoke about the club's financial standing in regards to the costs of the additional needed equipment to make the donated D-Star repeater functional. Dave Runkle KCØKEP indicated that he has secured donations for many of the components needed. The items we still would need include a duplexer, muxer, antenna and feedline. Dave also noted that we still have many options available for donations to the club for the still-needed items and asked the members to be open to asking groups for funding and equipment, if possible.
- **The Secretary, Shawn Rung KØSMR, motioned to the club members present to accept Dan Fish's offer as presented to receive as a donation the core Icom D-Star repeater system and do what we can as a club to make it operable. Seconded by Parry Brown KCØTWB. Unanimously Approved.**

Meeting Adjourned.



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October 5, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dan Peitso NØPIY
Dave Cecka WBØVAD
Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI

Jeremy Amundson KDØBOC
Matt Genelin NØYNT
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Paul Bushouse NØTYE

Shawn Rung KØSMR
Steve Besaw KD6JXG
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the President at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge

General Announcements:

- Christmas Party: Shawn Rung KØSMR announced the menu to the members. The cost will be finalized at the board meeting this month.
- We are looking for a nominations chair person. Elections are in February. The positions open for nominations are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Member at Large. If you are interested in any of these positions, please nominate yourself. If you know of any member that would be a good fit for the position, please nominate them.
- Membership renewal: The Membership dues are staying the same this year.
- Steven Besaw KD6JXG had an idea to incorporate a study group for the General and Extra exams with the kit builders group.
- Paul Bushouse NØTYE suggested that we publish the names of the candidates that successfully pass their exam(s) in our newsletter and minutes. This idea was widely liked by everyone at the meeting.

7:30 pm Meeting Adjourned



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November 2, 2007

Members / Guests Present:

Al Schwarz AEØAL
Andrew Turner KDØBEP
Ann Foster KØANN
Brian Lakeman KCØZTW
Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dan Fish KBØXC
Dave Runkle KCØKEP
Don Lisell KØBNS

Jeff Kline KCØNIB
Jeremiah Bohn KCØFUI
Keith Lakeman KCØZZQ
Matt Genelin NØYNT
Mike Marshik KBØTZA
Parry Brown KCØTWB
Pat Barot KBØOLI
Paul Bushouse NØTYE

Ray Costello NØFY
Richard Young KCØWJE
Shep Shepardson NØNMZ
Terry Holman KAØTFJ
Thomas Holleran KCØVXC
Tim Neu KCØLQL

Called to Order by the President at 7:17 p.m.

Pledge

General Announcements:

- Discussion of *callsigndepot.com* and fundraising with clothing or hats with our club logo on them.
- Discussion of using a Hamfest as a fundraiser. Club table with donations.
- On March 29th the Midwinter Madness Hamfest will be held in Buffalo, MN. Perry Brown KCØTWB will look into reserving a table. 501C3 paperwork may need to be filed with the Hamfest in advance. It was also suggested that we have club QSL cards on table.
- Discussion of breakfast idea as fundraiser.
- Kit builders tabled for now.
- Dan Fish KBØXC offered to the club 2-Meter DStar Repeater equipment in addition to the 1.2 GHz and 440 Mhz.
- Al Schwarz AEØAL Motioned to use the 2-Meter D-Star Repeater and try to obtain a coordinated pair allocation other than our 146.670 / 146.070. Seconded by Perry Brown KCØTWB. Motion Approved.
- Transfer of equipment (1.2GHz and 440MHz). Opening of electronic toys and rejoicing. Jeff Kline KCØNIB and Paul Bushouse NØTYE took pictures.

Meeting Adjourned.