

## Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

**Meeting Minutes - December 4, 1999**

The meeting called to order 10:10 PST in the Officers Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

### Attendance

<b>Members(12):</b>	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP	Robert Blohm, KE6ZWO
	Bill Hillendahl, KH6GJV	Dan Jackson, KL7IUX
	Dave Jackson, KC6SSF	Ralph Leon, W6NGE
	Vern Orme, K6VEO	Henry Primbsch, KK6PH
	Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ	Richard Secondari, K6TR
	Tom Trischan, N6AVB	Jim Waite, WA6EZJ

<b>Guests(2):</b>	John Shappell, KM6XO	Jim Cardillo-Lee, KE6VGV
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The November meeting minutes were reviewed and the minutes were accepted. The corrections marked by the "[sic.]" on the printed version were recognized and duly corrected.

The radio display at the SF Maritime Museum was high-lighted by a number of members who had visited it. Of note was the use of plexiglass to allow viewing of the back of the radio and also as a cover to prevent tampering when the radio is not in use.

Modifications to the ship's main radio were discussed. The revision plan is still in the works.

WA6KCP - He thought the veterans day celebration dinner was good, seconded by a number of members, but a P.A. system would be a good addition for future events. He is still working on the \$100 donation from PG&E.

The crew and family only are invited to be aboard the ship on New Years Eve. No event or activities planned, except to watch the fireworks displays if the weather is good.

N6AVB - Tom mentioned that the radio club web site needs work. The background and text colors made some of the pages difficult to read. Links related to the Red Oak Victory should be added.

AA6XZ - Sharon took digital photos of the members present and a group picture.

KC6SSF - David reported that the application for ARRL club affiliation was acknowledged and that he had been in email contact with Brad Wyatt(K6WR), the ARRL Pacific Division Director.

Also, David made a short presentation on the ship's impressed current cathodic protection system (ICCP) and its relationship to grounding of radio equipment. There should be complete isolation between the equipment case ground and any of the power conductors on both the AC and DC systems. A section 5 of a Navy Technical Manual, which covers the design, installation and operation of ICCP systems, was made available for review and will be delivered to the ships electrician.

KE6ZWO - Bob asked if anyone would be available to help with the local Hospital Net, it is the 4th Wednesday of each month. He has a replacement but needs a backup. Contact him if you want to help.

N6AVB - Tom mentioned that the HF ships net could use some more check-ins. This net is every Wednesday at 10:00 AM PST and meets on 7,245 kHz.

Meeting was then adjourned.

Applications were accepted from two new members, who paid 1999 and 2000 dues:

Jim Cardillo-Lee, KE6VGV, Petaluma; Toni Dill, KF6ZCW, Novato.

The next ROVARC meeting was set for 10:00 AM PST on January 8, 2000 in the Officers Mess.

Respectfully submitted: David Jackson, Secretary, Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club