

Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - March 4, 2000

The meeting called to order 10:11 AM PST in the Crew's Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

Attendance

Members(12):	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP	Ken DeBrecht, WB6NOV
	Tony Dill, KF6ZCW	Josh Heide, KD6KML
	Charles Jackson, W6KNO	Dave Jackson, KC6SSF
	Dan Jackson, KL7IUX	Ralph Leon, W6NGE
	Mark McLean, KD6AGA	Vern Orme, K6VEO
	Rich Secondari, K6TR	Tom Trischan, N6AVB
Guests(4):	Nelda Heide, KD6ZZB*	Lance Heide, KD6ZZC*
	Dolores Hembree	Wm. Saunders

*- joined the club following this meeting.

The Feb meeting minutes were not available fully in print, however the sample Newsletter had the highlights and the complete minutes were sent via email to those on the "Net."

KF6ZCW- Toni Dill presented a sample Newsletter for the club. It was reviewed with many words of praise and a few corrections noted.

WA6KCP- Gary noted that he attended a museum meeting. In addition, he discussed the likelihood we would be using the after ammunition hold for a radio room. This location has the benefit of easy access - at least after they cut a new doorway through a bulkhead... Gary asked for information on using the "QSL Bureau", as he was starting to get international contacts.

W6KNO - Jack reported that we had very few expenses for the prior year and that he was still waiting for the \$13 refund from the FCC. We have three new members as of the start of this meeting, this brought our total to 26 members. The IRS has sent us a letter noting our exempt status, Calif will require that we send a list of club officers every two years. He has added a line to the Club membership application, the new line is for joining the Museum Association. The current space use plan for the ship was handed out for review.

N6AVB - Tom noted that no additional changes had been made to the radio room since last meeting.

WA6KCP- Gary noted that he is working on getting the ships wire antennas put up. He is also working on having a sign installed at the Park for the ship, to increase exposure. Leon is a volunteer for the Park and will help get this done.

WB6NOV - Ken made a short presentation on the ship's electrical system relating the generation of A/C power.

Dolores Hembree made a presentation on the "Richmond Radio Alert" organization. "This group is associated with the Richmond Police Department and provides training and communication services during disasters. They use "CB" and family service radios and interface with the local ham groups. The group was started in 1976. They are organized by neighborhood councils.

WA6KCP- Gary noted that the radio gear in the warehouse still needs to be moved into the #3 hold.

Meeting was adjourned at about 10:55 AM PST

The next ROVARC meeting will be 10:00 AM PST on April 1, 2000 in the Officers Mess(if available).

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