

Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - May 5, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am PDT in the Officer's Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

Attendance

Members(8):	Ralph Leon, W6NGE	Vern Orme, AA6YE
	Henry Primbsch, KK6PH	Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ
	Dave Jackson, KC6SSF	Ken DeBrecht, WB6NOV
	Jim Waite, WA6EZJ	Peter Hoffman, W6DEI

Guests(1): Robert "Texx" Woodworth, KG6ATH

The meeting minutes for April were reviewed and accepted as submitted. Note: due to popular demand, Vern has switched back to his old call sign - AA6YE. Texx is a former classmate of KC6SSF from El Cerrito HS.

Old Business:

- There was further discussion about the ship's antennas and the hope to get the original radio on the air soon. Ralph said that he has some wire to donate. Any rigging should be cleared with the Rolly and the Deck crew. They have a lot of gear and some one to climb the masts. (Following the meeting it was found that there are some pulleys available but that halyards were still required.)
- There was no **Treasurer report**, as W6KNO wasn't at the meeting.
- The ship continues to operate on the Wednesday morning historic ships net - 10:00 PDT, 7245 kHz. Jim Waite is hoping that others will be available to check-in and participate.
- Anyone interested in taking Amateur Radio licensing tests should be referred to one of the local clubs that regularly hold tests.

New Business:

- A trip to the reserve fleet will take place on Thursday, 5/24/01. The contact for Fleet Trips is Rolly Hauck, 415-897-4771.
- Upcoming events:
 - May 13th, Mothers Day Breakfast on the ship.
 - Field Day, June 22-24, Ken would like to get the ship in the air.
 - 4 of July, on ship BBQ and fireworks watching
 - 3rd weekend of July, Museum Ships Radio Event by USS Salem.
- Ideas for upcoming meetings: Antenna building for the ship, have a Coast Guard representative talk, report on W6KNO's idea to use "Bio-Diesel" for ship propulsion.
- The club web site has been updated by KC6SSF. Please review it and send him(me) comments.
<http://www.qsl.net/redoakarc/>
- If you know of a group that wants a ship tour, contact Tom Bottomly.

The meeting was adjourned at about 11:05 AM PDT

The next ROVARC meeting will be 10:00 AM PDT on June 2, 2001 in the Officers Mess(if available).

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