

# Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

## Meeting Minutes - September 8, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 9:58 am PDT (WB6NOV's watch was still fast) in the Officer's Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

### Attendance

<b>Members(10):</b>	Ken DeBrecht, WB6NOV	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP
	Dave Jackson, KC6SSF	Vern Orme, AA6YE
	Peter Hoffman, W6DEI	Ralph Leon, W6NGE
	Rich Secondari, K6TR	Tom Trischan, N6AVB
	Henry Primbsch, KK6PH	Bill Hillendahl, KH6GJV

**Guests(2):** John P. Shappell, KM6XO  
Jim Sadler, W6SFW

The meeting minutes for August were reviewed and accepted as submitted.

### Old Business:

- Ken reported that the RDF was put in operation. He and Henry provided power supplies to run off the 120v AC. A number of stations were recorded and Ken later looked them up on aviation charts.
- **Fleet Trip!** Dick (K6TR) reported that they did get items from the mothball fleet trip. This included equipment manuals and a VHF transceiver pair. There was some discussion about what vintage equipment should be installed in the radio room. The general consensus was that the more radios the better.
- Ken reminded everyone to start thinking about Club nominations for next year. Nominations are excepted during the November meeting and elections are in December.
- Gary reported that the watertight door and its proposed location for the ammo hold was reviewed by someone from the Coast Guard on Tuesday, Sept. 4th. The location appears good.
- Gary got a call from Rollie to discuss the status of the ships wire antennas.
- Following the meeting there will be a work party to fire up the main transmitter and install the VHF radios.

### New Business:

- David received an email request from Don Hubbard, KG6ECI, to set up a station on the ship for the weekend of October 6 and 7. The call sign for this station would be W6W. This request was forwarded to Ken and Gary. Also a reply was sent requesting that they bring more information and come to the club meeting to present the request to the club. Gary reported that he had talked on the phone with Don and felt it would be a good chance for more exposure for the ship and the club. Following some discussion, a vote was passed to allow the special station to be set up - if approvals were received from the ship management. Attached is a description of the proposed operation.
- Bill reported that Len Gwin, the San Francisco Section Manager of ARRL, sends his greetings and hopes to come to a meeting sometime. He can be contacted at: [WA6KLK@arrl.org](mailto:WA6KLK@arrl.org).
- A number of members reported that the Gyro-compass was operating last weekend - apparently someone from the J. O'Brien was aboard working on it.
- Henry reports that he is starting an Extra Class class this Tues. - 13 weeks long. Contact him for more information.
- Gary is working on getting permission to set up stations on all the San Fran. bay area museum ships for next years event. -- Sounds like a great club activity for next July.
- There are a number of receivers on the ship that need work, any club member could take one home to work on. There are manuals for most of the receivers in the radio room - don't lose them...

The meeting was adjourned at about 10:45 AM PDT

The next ROVARC meeting will be 10:00 AM PDT(assuming Ken sets his clock right) on October 6, 2001 in the Officers Mess(if available).

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