

# Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

## Meeting Minutes - February 2, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am PST in the Officer's Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

### Attendance

<b>Members(17):</b>	Ken DeBrecht, WB6NOV*	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP*
	Vern Orme, AA6YE*	David Jackson, KC6SSF*
	Alan Craddock, WB6DXZ	Ivan Sturman, WB6PIV
	Peter Hoffman, W6DEI	Larry Fitzsimons, KG6JID#
	Phil Dunlap, K6PHD	Jim Nolan
	Rich Secondari, K6TR	Jim Waite, WA6EZJ
	Henry Primbsch, KK6PH	Ralph Leon, W6NGE
	Mary Lasack	Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ
	Charles Jackson, W6KNO*	

**Guests(3):** Dan Jackson, KF6ZPH, Brian Jackson and Jim Sadler, W6SFW(joined following meeting)

\* Board members. # New call sign.

- After the meeting was called to order, introductions were done around the room. Larry(KG6JID) announced that he has upgraded to a General Class license.
- The meeting minutes for January were reviewed and approved with minor corrections.
- Ken reported that the ROV was featured on Bay Area Backroads (again), it was a short segment. Also he had information on Weather Faxes, which was passed around for viewing.
- Henry and Ivan reported on the main transmitter operation, following the meeting Henry will be working on creating calibration curves. The manual may not be the exact version for our radio, the manual is for the “\_\_BX” and the radio is the “\_\_BY” version.
- Ken requested input on a possible meeting or field trip to the San Francisco Maritime Museum(SFMM). Although there was interest in going, it was noted that the radio operation at the museum was on the 1st Sunday of the month in the afternoon, not Saturdays.
- Gary suggested we setup a schedule with the SFMM. -Good Idea!
- Ralph reported that the ROV had gotten a poor review by one of the members of the El Cerrito Historical Society at thier meeting.
- Ivan requested help getting the list of tubes which are required by the club for the ship. These are available for non-profit organizations, from the UC Berkeley Physics Lab. David said he would help and knew where most of the information should be.
- Also Ivan displayed an article in “Poptronics” magazine on a TV transmitter kit. And he had information on a CAD program available from “PC” magazine.
- Capt. Nolan brought in a big box of information about getting GMDSS licenses. This information is to share with the club. This is just the type of thing that we need secure space for, a short discussion of the progress on the Aft Ammo Hold followed.
- At this point, Vern and Mary got up and presented the first annual club awards. This was a fun presentation, “Ham of the Year Awards” to: David, KC6SSF, for work as the club secretary; Peter, W6DEI, for work as an active radio operator for the ship; Gary, WA6KCP, for leadership

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as past president; and Ken, WB6NOV, for leadership as current and past president.

- Additional discussion was held on the GMDSS and getting tested. Of the members present, 12 indicated a strong interest in getting training and tested. Rich, K6TR, volunteered that the proper contact to get a test setup for the club is: Dan Young, K6GOW, in San Francisco. Further information is available through W5YI.

The meeting was adjourned about 11:45 AM PST.

The next ROVARC meeting will be 10:00 AM PST on March 2, 2002 in the Officers Mess(if available and if the club still fits!).

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

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