

# Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - June 4, 2005

## Attendance

Members (8):	Dick Bezman, KG6SXM	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP
	Alan Craddock, WB6DXZ	Vicki Cero, KF6ZCT
	David Jackson, KC6SSF	Ivan Sturman, WB6PIV
	Vern Orme, AA6YE	Jim Nolan

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Dick Bezman.

- Gary reported his house sale went through with 0.3% of the sale going to scrip, \$1500!
- Restoration of the ship's original radio was held: the transmitter is working based on output to spectrum analyzer, antenna needs to be installed. The consensus is that the radio room access should be restricted to prevent damage to the equipment. Gary may replace placard at the entry.
- Jim Nolan reported that there aren't enough volunteers for the ship to keep it open for tours. They have gone to restricted hours. Tuesdays still have a good turnout.
- Gary reported that the plan for repair of the ship includes: gray latex paint above the water line (topsides), a sanitary system, and improvements to the A/C electrical system. Tom Bernard is getting things moving again. Ivan is working with Tom. There is hope that next year the port boiler may be fired up.
- a committee is being formed to work on grants from the San Francisco Grant Exchange. Lane Victory got \$50k for their sanitary system.
- US Coast Guard is being very tough on the safety issues, ROV needs to meet requirements for "non-movable barge".
- Many drawings for victory ships are in hold #3, MARAD may have more drawings. Need to organize by ship number.
- The Father's Day pancake Breakfast is coming, June 19.
- Vern reported that the papers are set for ROVARC third call sign.
- Gary requested that paint remover be donated for his work.
- Gary reported that he made two pages of QSOs on Memorial Day from ROV. Peter H is currently biking in Colorado.
- Alan reported that Sharon is selling radio equipment at swap meets.
- Vicki reported that she has a great CD of music related to Ham radio, HamBand.com for information.
- We were happy to talk to Mr. Bailey, who showed up at the end of the meeting and related some tales from when he was aboard the ship, 1944 and 1945. He was at the commissioning and returned to San Francisco on the day Japan signed the surrender papers.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:25 am.

The next meeting will be July 2nd, 10:00 am on the ship.

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