

# Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - March 5, 2005

## Attendance

Members (10):	Dick Bezman, KG6SXM	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP
	Jim Waite, WA6EZJ	Alan Craddock, WB6DXZ
	David Jackson, KC6SSF	Ivan Sturman, WB6PIV
	Vern Orme, AA6YE	Rich. M. Secondari, K6TR
	Peter Hoffman, W6DEI	Tom Trischan, N6AVB

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

- The Ship move was discussed. The marine handhelds didn't work - bad batteries. 2 meter radios were used and worked fine. The ship was moved fairly fast and Peter hardly had time to take the pictures he wanted. No one got hurt and everyone wore big smelly life jackets.
- The ship's internet connection was discussed. Everyone was hoping that a lower cost solution than the Satellite service could be found. David said that he would investigate the options. Hopefully, the new location will allow a wired connection of some kind. Although the ships phone had yet to be installed.
- Gary reported that the wood floor in the aft radio room was installed. Dick and Jim will be working on the trim to finish it off.
- The antenna trunk is still not completed, interior "wires" need to be reinstalled.
- Peter reminded everyone about the Museum Ships Special Event, July 16 and 17th. He will be operating from the Potomac in Oakland. Operation from the Lightship Relief is possible but antenna installation will be required.
- Meeting Minutes were reviewed for February, with one correction and approved. Rich commented that the Museum Ships Net now starts at 10:30 am local time.
- Alan mentioned the "Veteran Wireless Operators Association", information can be found at: <http://www.vwoa.org>
- Ivan reported that the club has received a big donation from NALCO ARES (Northern Alameda County Amateur Radio Emergency Service) of spare parts for our on-board gear - Tubes!! They now need testing and organizing.
- David brought up the ongoing fund raising effort for the club - eScrip. Asked that everyone consider signing up. You register your Safeway card or Credit Card and when you shop at participating companies - a donation is automatically made to the club. The web site is: <http://www.escrip.com>. The club's Group ID # is: 6226282. Or you can search for agencies you would like to support - up to three.

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

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:45 am.

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