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The Neptune Amateur Radio Club meeting was called to order, by our president, Joe, KC2HWK on July 23, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in American Legion Post 346. In attendance were 13 member and guests. No formal minutes were read as our last meeting was an informal meeting held in conjunction with Field Day. Our Treasurer presented a report showing our starting balance as \$543.20. Added was \$52.50 from dues and 50/50. Paid was \$331.62 for club insurance, ending the month with a balance \$264.08.

**Special Announcement** – We are deeply moved by the sudden and untimely loss of our dear friend and wife of Tony Tarantino, KA2ZSI. Alice left us on July 28, 2005. Her smile, laughter and cheerfulness will long be remembered. Alice always had a kind word to say and usually would bring a smile to anyone's face. We miss you Aggie.

**Health & Welfare** – Laura, N2HGI brought us up to date on the well-being of several of our friends. We all wish Shirley, N2KQ a speedy recovery from the condition that recently caused her to have a short stay in the hospital. Tony, KA2ZSI spent Saturday, July 2 in the hospital emergency room due to a case of vertigo. The condition improved and he had eye surgery a few days later. Laura, N2HGI will have a tumor removed on July 26. Jack Wills, N2AFI of Ocean Grove recently became a Silent Key. Rest in peace, Jack. Our club mascot, Muffin Baker passed away on June 3. Muffin attended fourteen Field Days since her birth fifteen years ago. Standing in for club mascot during this year's Field Day event was Toby Wroblewski, K9-XYZ. Toby's position as mascot is temporary until the Baker family secures a suitable replacement.

**Old Business** – Discussed at length was the success and good time had at Field Day. Thanks was extended to all for their participation in making this event the best yet. All total, 50 people attended the event and the club scored a total of 1820 points. Although the majority of the points came from QSO's made by Charlie, K3FX; Mike, KC2Q; Don, KG2NV; Harold, WB2CJE and Stirling, N2GT and several others; many other points (900 bonus) came from things like the Info Booth put up by Laura, N2HGI and the packet QSO's and APRS demo by Joe, W2KQ, electronic submission of the FD report by Stirling, N2GT. Equally important was the invitation to the town dignitaries made by Glen, WA2TPL and his securing of the park for the club. Of course Field Day just would not be Field Day without all the excellent meals prepared by our staff of cooks, Jeff, N2LXM; Tony, KA2ZSI; Peggy and Rich, KB2USF; Joe, W2KQ and others too many to mention for their deeds in making Field Day 2005 one to remember.

Thanks One and All!

**New Business** – We officially welcomed new members Fran and Manny (W3EAA) Morgan to our club. We were fortunate to have Peggy introduce herself to them at Field Day and invite them to spend some time with us. We learned that Manny is interested in DX and would like someday to lead a Dxpedition to Asia. One of our newer members to the club, Bob, AC2Z, is interested in model railroading. He has invited the club to see the display the Railroad Club has set up in a basement in Asbury Park. The display covers the entire basement and consists of five miniature cities. Joe, KC2HWK thanked him for the invitation and scheduled a club visit for Aug 12 at 10 a.m.

Harold, WB2CJE will be arranging for a tour of WRAT radio station for some upcoming Saturday.

**Miscellaneous** – Don, KG2NV reminded all of the upcoming Sea Girt Lighthouse Special Event on August 20-21 and spoke of the operational plans for the lighthouse station.

A reminder was made that JSARS will be holding their Hamfest on Sunday August 14. Plan to attend and show our support to their event.

The winner of today's door prize was Phil, W2LNB.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Frank Wroblewski, W2XYZ Secretary

**Meeting Notice Saturday August 27**  
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