

WARC Newsletter

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wantagh Amateur Radio Club, Wantagh, Long Island New York

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Meeting Notice: The next monthly meeting of the Wantagh Amateur Radio Club will be held at 8:00 P.M. on Friday, January 14th, at the Wantagh Public Library. The next Executive Board meeting will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 11th at the Sunrise Diner. All active members are invited to attend.



WARC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – December 10th, 2004.

The President, Vic K2IY, opened the meeting at 8:15 PM.

The Secretary, Bill N2RRX, accepted the minutes as read.

Chris KC2FBW, Treasurer reported a year-end balance of \$57.61. He noted that several members had already paid dues at the \$20 rate, although the executive board had not yet confirmed that figure for next year. There was some discussion about the whether a change will

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Ham Radio University 2005 a BIG success! The sixth annual Ham Radio University was held this year at Briarcliffe College, 1055 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage, Long Island, NY 11714. A record turnout of over 450 attendees came through the door. HRU is a day of education to share ideas, experiences, knowledge and fellowship among Amateur Radio operators. HRU 2005 featured 25 different forums covering all areas of ham radio, Amateur Radio demonstrations, an area for clubs and organizations, a special event station (W2V) and a VE session. Thanks are extended to all the volunteers, forum moderators, committee staff, VE team, clubs and organizations for all their efforts that made HRU 2005 a success. A HRU 2005 committee wrap-up meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8th at 7 PM at Briarcliffe College cafeteria. For more information about HRU including an up-to-date forum schedule, see

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be necessary. A budget for anticipated revenues and expenditures has to be done before a final figure can be determined.

OLD BUSINESS:

For our November meeting our guest speaker, Diane Ortiz, K2DO, provided an interesting interactive discussion on reaching out to the public. She picked up on our concerns about the future of the club as expressed during the report on the Bellmore Fair. This had been our first outreach effort in years with disappointing results. A more detailed report will follow at a later date.

We then had a discussion about possible programs for 2005. The following suggestions were made:

Phil, N2ZUB was interested in learning more about Echo Link;

Al, K2ES suggested that some ARRL tapes might be useful for programs;

Sid, K2LJH suggested a tape on Integrating Amateur Radio with computers, such as the Win Link tape.

NEW BUSINESS:

Broadband Over Power Lines (BPL) Report

Sid K2 LJH reported that the ARRL is establishing local committees across the country to monitor BPL. Sid is chairing the committee for NYC and LI. There are currently two test sites in NYC-Manhattan, operated by Con Ed.

There is no DX Report this month.

Vic K2IY will try to arrange a board meeting before HRU 2005.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM for our Holiday Party. **HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!**

Respectfully submitted,
Bill N2RRX, Secretary

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the HRU 2005 website at <http://www.hudson.arrrl.org/nli/hru2005.htm> or e-mail HRU Chairman George Tranos N2GA at n2ga@arrrl.net

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The Wantagh Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Friday of each month at the Wantagh Public Library. Directions to the library, along with notices of meeting changes, invited speakers, demonstrations, etc. can be found at the club's website at <http://www.gsl.net/w2va/home.htm>. Visitors, both hams and other persons interested in amateur radio, are invited to attend. Coffee tea and doughnuts usually are served after the business meeting and before any presentations from guest speakers.

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