



Dial Radio Club



Middletown, Ohio

APRS Digipeater: W8BLV 144.39

Repeaters: 52.21/53.21, 146.01/146.61, 147.915/147.315, 223.36/224.96, 449.825/444.825

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December 2007

Minutes of the November 19, 2007 Dial Radio Club Meeting

Attendance

KD8BCM, K8CM, WA8DTU, KC8DUX & Mary Ann, N8EH, W8EH, N8GGE, KD8HGE & Pam, N8HP, N8HRA, KI8I, W8ISZ & Marg, W8LKU, N8LRN & Eve, KC8NHP, WD8NKQ & Barb, N8OZN, N8PI, AB8QP, K2RWP, KC8SKW, AF8T, KD8W, W8WCQ, W8WLM, KC8WOF, N8YIG & Becky

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by N8EH at 7:04 pm.

Secretary's Report:

A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept them as published electronically was made by Dave, KD8W, and seconded by Lorie, W8LKU. The motion passed with one nay vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Ron, N8NQG, presented the treasurer's report, which reflected a membership 103 persons and 67 families. Barney, N8HP, made the motion to accept the treasurer's report and, Roy, N8LRN, seconded. The motion passed.

Repeater/Station Report:

Ernie, W8EH, reported that the West Middletown repeater (147.315) is experiencing noise from some unknown source. Otherwise the system is working.

Activity Report:

Lorie, W8LKU, reminded those in attendance that the Dial Intercom net which meets on Thursdays at 9:00 pm would not meet on Thanksgiving. Butler County ARES nets and monthly meeting are suspended for December. They will resume in January.

Classes and Exams:

Beverley, N8GGE, gave the education report. The next exam will be on December 5 at Verity Lodge, Miami University Middletown. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Dial will again offer a class to prepare for the Amateur Extra Class exam. The class will start on January 16, 2008 and run for 14 weeks (although class will not meet two of those weeks). The next exams will be on Feb 13 and April 23, 2008.

Old Business:

Carl, K8CM, announced that the Nominating Committee had a slate of candidates consisting of: Don, WA8DTU, for President, Roy, N8LRN, for Vice President, Barney, N8HP for Secretary, Ron, N8NQG, for Treasurer and Lorie, W8LKU, for Activities Director. Other nominations will be welcomed from the floor prior to elections at the December meeting.

New Business:

Ernie, N8EH, appointed an Audit Co mmittee consisting of Bob, WD8NKQ, Art, N8PI, and Roy, N8LRN, to go over the books for 2007, and report back to the membership.

Announcements:

Rick, AF8T, talked some about Icom’s D-Star system to transmit digitized voice and data simultaneously over VHF or UHF signals. He and Brian, KC8NHP, have purchased the equipment for simplex D-Star operation. Rick announced that a D-Star repeater should be in operation in southwest Ohio in the near future.

Carl, K8CM, asked the VE’s to try to arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 for the Dec. 5 exam session.

Carl, K8CM, announced the Southwestern Ohio Digital Symposium for January 12, 2008. This is an all-day session devoted to digital techniques as applied to amateur radio. Carl requested help during the set up stage. About six people are needed to help get the rooms ready, the coffee on, work registration, etc for the event. Ernie, W8EH, commented that the symposium had a nice spread in the current issue of ‘World Radio’ magazine.

Ernie, N8EH, reminded those in attendance that the next Dial meeting will be on December 17th at the Golden Corral.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Dave, KD8W, and seconded by Bob, KD8HGE. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm.

*Barney Taylor, N8HP
Secretary*

