

Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - April 7, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am PDT in the Officer's Mess aboard the *SS Red Oak Victory*.

Attendance

Members(12):	Daniel Jackson, WA6SCN	Vern Orme, K6VEO
	Gary Elliott, WA6KCP	Dave Jackson, KC6SSF
	Bill Hillendahl, KH6GJV	Jim Waite, WA6EZJ
	Peter Hoffman, W6DEI	Vicki Cero, KF6ZCT
	Rich Secondari, K6TR	Jim Lee, KE6VGV
	Ivan Sturman, WB6PIV	Bob Blohm, KE6ZWO

Guests(0):

The meeting minutes for March were discussed, however no hard copy was available to review. It was noted that Bob Blohm actually resigned as president at the last meeting - not just stepping back for a few meetings. (have fun traveling Bob and come to the meetings when you can)

In the absence of the Vice-President, Past Pres. Gary ran the meeting.

Old Business:

- Gary is still working on getting the membership badges made. The options for the design were discussed, with general agreement that a silhouette of the ship should be included if possible. Also, each persons full name, call sign, "Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club," and "Richmond, CA." Bulldog clips and not pins should be used on the badges.
- An inspection of the antenna trunk was done after the last meeting and it is in good condition, except some standing water. the drain needs to be fixed.
- There was no **Treasurer report**, as W6KNO wasn't at the meeting.
- In the on-going discussion about the Aft Ammo Hold for Radio club use: all changes and work has stopped pending the review of the historical significance of the space. It isn't known if the space matches its 1944 configuration or if it was modified for subsequent voyages. It was recommended that the condition of the ammo hold on the other Victory Ships be surveyed and photographed on a future Fleet Visit, especially those ships that still had/have gun turrets in place for and aft.

New Business:

- A trip to the reserve fleet will take place on Monday, 4/9/01. No one from the club is going. The contact for Fleet Trips is Rolly Hauck, 415-897-4771. Ivan and Bill expressed interest in a future trip, but need to have some notice of the date...
- There was discussion about a volunteer who had been "requested to leave the ship" - that person was NOT Rudy Sass, a member of the club in good standing, as some had thought last meeting.
- Upcoming events:
 - 28 April, VOMARC Swapmeet, Sonoma, CA
 - No-Code Tech classes - contact Ivan
- Reminders:
 - 4 of July, on ship BBQ and fireworks watching
 - 3rd weekend of July, Museum Ships Radio Event by USS Salem

The meeting was adjourned at about 10:55 AM PDT

The next ROVARC meeting will be 10:00 AM PDT on May 5, 2001 in the Officers Mess(if available).

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