Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - February 2, 2003 Attendance

Members(10): Alan Craddock, WB6DXZ

Gary Elliott, WA6KCP Larry Fitzsimons, AE6DZ Charles Jackson, W6KNO

Peter Hoffman, W6DEI Jim Waite, WA6EZJ John Larson, K6AUC Vern Orme, AA6YE Henry Primbsch, KK6PH Vicki Cero, KF6ZCT Rich Secondari, K6TR David Jackson, KC6SSF

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 by President Gary Elliott.

- Meeting minutes for December were reviewed and accepted as submitted.
- A fellow on the ROV makes License plate frames and will make them at cost for us. Cost is about \$6 to \$8. They are Red or Blue. The plates sold now have: "Crew Member" on top and "SS Red Oak Victory" on the bottom.
- Many members saw the short segment on the TV, thanks to Gary calling around. Segment was about 4 minutes and had interviews with some of the volunteers, and mostly showed the deck crew in action. Don Hubbard made a CD video of the show.
- The Wednesday morning Museum ships net is still operating. (10:00 local time, 7245 kHz)
- The USS Hornet has started broadcasting Code Practice. They will also be hosting a Boy Scout group for Radio Merit Badge training.
- The work continues on the new door for the aft ammo hold.
- Gary has been published on the web, operating from the ship. (url not available)
- Peter put together a web page to update the current radio club web page. It was on display on a laptop. Gary liked the added use of colors, David thought there were too many colors and that white is abetter background. Work will continue by Peter, as he has some time available now. Suggestions and comments were solicited.
- John reported that work continues on the antenna trunk but that he needs a sheet of steel, about 18" x 24" x 1/8" thick.
- The QSLs for the museum ships event haven't been completed, Gary admitted that most of the stuff was in his truck and that he was still looking for materials from the ROV to fill the envelopes. David and Larry volunteered to bring the materials onto the ship so that John could get busy stuffing the envelopes, etc.
- Larry reported on Capt. Nolan's fall and injuries. In part he waited at home before going in to the hospital to find out that he had a broken hip and injured shoulder.
- There was a discussing and report on the Museum Association's meeting on January 23: this included the election of new directors and setting the new budget. The Richmond Museum Association Nominating Committee Report of December 10, 2002 was submitted to the club and is a part of this meeting record.
- Announcements:
- a. Feb. 2 Fish Feed, at the Richmond Moose Lodge, to raise funds for the Richmond Museum of History.
 - b. March 13 Richmond Museum Meeting, Richmond Chamber of Commerce.
 - c. March 16 St. Patrick's Day Dinner, in the Warehouse at ship, to benefit the ROV.
 - d. March 27 Day at the Races, Golden Gate Fields, \$30 members and \$35 nonmembers.
 - e. April 13 Italian Heritage Reception 2 to 4 pm.

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- f. April 24th Volunteer Recognition Dinner, 6:00 pm in Warehouse, for Museum and ROV volunteers.
 - g. May 11 Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast, on the ROV.
- Henry reported that a Beginning Ham class will start on April 1 at the Alverado School, 7:30 to 9:30 pm and will 10 weeks. Target at completion will be a "No code Tech" license.
- John piped up that he would be willing to teach a Code class to match. He will start on Sat. April 5th at 1:00 pm following the regular ROVARC meeting.
- Jim reported that we should expect an article in the SF Chronicle about the ROV in Feb some time...
- Tom of the Engine crew stuck his head in the meeting and requested donations of money and paint for the engine room heat resistant silver mainly...

The next meeting will be 10:00 AM PST on Saturday, March 1, 2003 in the Officers Mess.

Submitted By: David Jackson, Secretary Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club