

Tri-City Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the July 10, 2018 regular meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1930 by club president Tim Rodgers, WC1TWR at the T4 American Red Cross office, Montville, CT. There was no regular August meeting as the club attended the RASON summer picnic.

Secretary's report:

The minutes of the May 2018 meeting were read and approved, subject to correction of typos.

Treasurer's report:

Opening balances	\$9894.45
Expenses (annual insurance)	none
Ending balance	\$9894.45

The Treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business:

1. Dues for the 2018-19 year are due. All are requested to complete the membership application, available at the club website, as we are trying to recreate the membership database. Dues can be mailed too TCARC, PO Box 552, Groton, CT 06340.
2. 2018 field day at the Jordan Park house in Waterford was a real success. 33 operators and guests signed in. The weather cooperated, 110 CW and 443 phone contacts were made and all had a good time. Issues from FD included organizing operators relative to bands, number of stations, monitoring guests and walk-ins, and possible sites for next year. Thanks to all who attended!
3. The "North by Northwest" operation at the Nautilus museum, in conjunction with W1NAS at S. Weymouth, MA. is coming up Aug 18, 9am-3pm. Harry, N1FAM, will not be available this year to coordinate this operation, but Tim may. Contact Tim for more info.

4. The annual Auction is coming up. The reservation for the hall has been made. The Vice President will execute the auction checklist, based on our prior experience.

5. Flat Hammock: The Flat Hammock operation is scheduled for July 21. Because this involves boat transportation to Flat Hammock Is., participation must be limited to 10 operators/members...and they should bring their own lunches and plenty of sunscreen. Sources of power for this op were discussed. The club has access to several old, heavy generators. Concerns about weight and power quality were expressed. A motion was made and seconded (K1RMN/W3TMC) to purchase a new Honda EU2200I inverter generator for about \$1000 to support this and future operations. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. The club newsletter. The Feedback, was discussed. Darryl, WA1DD has expressed interest in reactivating this publication, either on line or in print...more to follow.

2. TCARC will be offering a Technician licensing class starting September 12 at the Groton Senior Center on Rt 110 in Groton. Registration is via the Groton Sr Center. Darryl, WA1DD will lead the class.

The meeting was adjourned at 2147.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Scott, WA2RYV, Secretary