Indiana County Amateur Radio Newsletter for the Month

February 2013 News Letter

Indiana County Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes for the meeting on January 1, 2013

President - Robert Zugates KB3JOF Vice President - Larry Freeman N3LT Secretary/Treasurer- Terry Carnahan KB3JOD

Board Members for 2012:

- 1. Terry Carnahan KB3JOD
- 2. Larry Freeman N3LT
- 3. Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD
- 4. Carl Hvozda **N3PIE**
- 5. Elmer Sorisio **KB3WG**
- 6. James St.Clair **N3TQR**
- 7. Robert Zugates KB3JOF

Only an informal meeting was held due to lack of members! Approval of meeting minutes for December 4, 2012 as posted on the web site:

Minutes were not be approved

Financial Report:

Terry **KB3JOD** Opening balance For December 2012 was announced.

Electric Bill -\$ 50/50 drawing +\$9.00 Hoss's Fund Raiser +\$82.47 Closing balance for December is was announced.

Financial report was not read or approved

Monday Night Net update: (146.91MHz -- 20:00)

If you are interested in being a Net Control Station, please contact the Net Coordinator Terry **KB3JOD** by email at

carnahanterry@gmail.com or by phone at 724-388-3826.

Information:

Rusty **WB3EUQ** - contact information Larry N3LT reported that Rusty was at the Saturday Breakfast November 24th. He looked good but is having trouable getting around. Rusty is at the Hollidaysburg Veterans Home, a Pennsylvania state facility just south of Altoona. Please note that he is not in the Altoona VA Hospital. He is in Eisenhower Hall and it's nursing care. The phone number for the unit he is in is (814) 696-5248. The phone, its cordless, is right across from his room at the nurse's station. You may call at any time. He does have a cell phone. For his cell phone number, contact Larry **N3LT**.

> Rusty's mailing address is : David O'Donnell (David is his actual name) P.O. Box 319 Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

When you go: when you come to Eisenhower Hall (the large building with the WWII tank in front of it, as you first come onto the grounds) You will need to sign in at the Security desk they will direct you to his unit, North 2. The security guards have room charts and know the residents.

VE Testing:

The next VE testing is Saturday April 6,2013 It is listed on the **ARRL** web site.

Fund Raisers: Carl N3PIE

Hossâ€[™]s fund raiser, December 8 (Christmas party).

Thursday Nite Round-About:

A group has been getting together on Thursday nights around 9:30pm on 3.5685MHz for some CW code practice. Everyone is welcome. Anywhere from 3 words per minute to 12 words per minute.

Monday Nite NBEMS Practice:

A group has been getting together on Monday nights around

9:00pm on the 146.91 repeater for some **NBEMS** practice using fldigi with MT63 -- 2000 operation mode. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Repeater Antenna Update:

Antenna work is still in process.

BUSINESS:

We need a new V.P.

Our current V. President Larry **N3LT**, needs to step down because of health issues. Larry will try to continue as V.P. temporarily until someone takes over for him.

Airport Awareness Day:

A discussion was held on the upcoming Airport Awareness Day taking place on the 2nd Weekend of June.

Questions raised:

Do we want to have a special event station? What about a special event QSL card? Antennas? Restrictions? Off center fed dipole? G5RV? Diamond loop? Will there be 120 VAC available or do we need a generator? What about the antenna trailer?

Programs / Presentations During 2012:

Robert KB3JOF would like to have a 2 month notice of the upcoming programs so that he can post the program and its description on the web site.

> January presentation - Joe W3BC - 'I have a secret' -Attracting members February presentation - Larry N3LT - Antenna and Feed Line Analysis March's presentation - Bill Menk W3LAB - show-n-tell night for

HF/VHF/UHF radios April's presentation - A short demo on the Icom 92AD HT May's presentation - Robert KB3JOF - what's in your bag? June's presentation - none July's presentation - none August presentation - Tom Stutzman of the Emergency Management Agency September presentation - Open .October presentation - Harry Bloomberg - NBEMS (bring in your laptop and hand held) November presentation - Dave Hunter N3YFO - WAN Repeater System

December presentation - Open If anyone would like to give a presentation during a club meeting, please contact any of the club officers.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Ken Snyder AA3IO 1/12 Paul Morris K3VAR 1/14 Marcia Malcolm KD4ITP 1/15 Tom May KB3HZK 1/26

50/50:

Fred **KM3M** won the 50/50 drawing. A total of \$6.00 was collected. Fred donated the money back to the club. Thank you Fred. The meeting was adjourned

Meeting Attendance:

(X) Craig Bigler -- KB3LBU
(X) Terry Carnahan -- KB3JOD
(secretary/Treasure)
(X) David Dzelsky -- N3DZ
(X) Larry Freeman -- N3LT (Vice President)
(X) Fred Maize -- KM3M
(X) Elmer Sorisio -- KB3WG (Board member and Repeater Trustee

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