CARS CLUB MEETING AGENDA

2 May 2022

Held In-Person & Virtually Via GoToMeeting
https://meet.goto.com/RaymondReis/cars-bod-and-membership-meetings
Meeting ID: 789-571-853

Officers: X Mike Tromba (WM4ST) – President
          X Gary Atkinson (K4GDA) – Vice President
          X Duane Ettwein (KJ4YKG) – Club Treasurer
          X Jeff Kayser (KM4ALL) – Communications Officer
          X Blair Gillam (NS1H) – Club Secretary
          X John Cooper (N3JC) – Past President (Board Member Position)

Committee Leads:
          X Steven Griggs (KC4CAW) – IT and Network Projects
          Van Rowe (KM4KBS) – ARES/CARES EC
          X Todd Smith (KO4ZGV) – Membership

Intros

Previous Meeting Minutes: Blair (NS1H)

Vote to Accept the Previous Minutes
Motioned: K4GDA
Seconded: K5VIP
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Treasurer’s Report: Duane (KJ4YKG)
  Status/Current Balances:
  ▪ Income: $742.32
  ▪ Expenses: $440.44
  ▪ Checking: $8535.85
  ▪ PayPal: $66.67
  ▪ SQ: $4.77
  ▪ Petty Cash: $603.00
  ▪ Prepaid Dues: $210.00

  Budget Update:

  Vote to Accept the Treasurer’s Report
  Motioned: K5VIP
  Seconded: Multiple
  Accepted/Denied: Accepted
Communications: Jeff (KM4ALL)
- Repeater:
  - All repeaters up and operational. 146.82 back on 20W barefoot; amplifier at shack to be diagnosed. K5VIP offered to bring his spectrum analyzer to assist.
- Facilities:
  - Rotator: Still down. Fuses and starter capacitor replaced but still not working. Next step is to deploy WM4ST to the roof to check the brake.

Committee Reports:
- IT and Network Projects: Steven (KC4CAW)
  - NSTR
  - See Steven KC4CAW to receive your club email address (your_callsign@w4car.org)

- ARES Report: Van (KM4KBS) – Chesapeake ARES EC
  - ARES:
    - 2022 Tour de Cure: After Action Report
      - 21-23 Amateur Radio volunteers
      - Operated 7 rest spots, 1 command center, and 1 medical tent
      - Handled comms for 1 medical condition and several bike equipment issues
      - Approximately 460 bicyclists participated in the first in-person Tour de Cure since the pandemic began.
      - ACTION ITEM: Please send event photos to tourdecure@w4car.org for inclusion on the CARS Facebook and Twitter page
    - Phone Call from City
  - PSOC:
    - Station Update
    - Winlink RMS Gateway (Vara FM) Update

- Membership: Todd (KO4ZGV)
  - 3 new applications this month
    - William Dekker (KF4EPI)
    - Marshall Stipes (N4YWZ)
    - Olena Hunsicker (KJ4KUB) (Family member addition to KI4RXC’s existing membership)

Vote to Accept New Member
Motioned: KJ4EZH
Seconded: NS1H
Accepted/Denied: Accepted
Old Business:

- **CARS Portable Derby** – Jim (KG4WOJ)
  - Rules available at [https://w4car.org/portable-derby/](https://w4car.org/portable-derby/)
  - Sign-up Sheet going around

- **Spring Tailgator: After Action**
  - Comments, Suggestions, and Complaints
  - Next Year: Maybe not have a grand door prize

- If you have paid 2022 dues and do not yet have a 2022 Member Badge or if your callsign has changed since you received your badge, tell Blair NS1H (secretary@w4car.org) so another can be printed for you.

- Letter from Senator Mark Warner

- CQWW Certification Presentation

*** Break for 50/50 Raffle ***
$15 to Bill Grover; $15 to the club

New Business:

- Next Shack Day: May 21, 2022 @ 10am
  - Portable Derby participants meet at 9am.

- Field Day 2022
  - Deep Creek Park: City has approved the Permit.
  - **Field Day 2022 Committee meeting: May 7 1pm @ CARS Shack**
  - Harry KC4MUS will be handling the food. Club will purchase lunch and dinner; donations accepted to offset the cost.

- NinoTNC Kit Bulk Purchase – Jason (KE4NYV)
  - Contact Jason this week if you are interested in purchasing a kit
  - **ACTION ITEM: Add to website**

- Training & Testing Updates
  - Technician Course – Duane (KJ4YKG)
  - Possible General Course after Field Day starting in July
  - Extra Course planned for September-November led by Bill WF4R
  - VE Sessions
    - Saturday May 7, 2022 – Traditional paper exam hosted by Ed Williams KN4KL
    - Saturday August 27, 2022 (Expected to be an Exam Tools based test session)
    - Saturday November 12, 2022
  - FCC currently having issues with system that collects the $35 fee. No ETA on when the system will be back online.
  - ARRL providing grant program for youth (18 or younger) to cover $35 FCC application fee. Individuals will have to apply for the grant.

- Calendar
Next Shack Day: May 21, 2022 @ 10am
Next Virginia Beach ARC License Exam: May 12, 2022
CARS Portable Derby: May 21, 2022 (May Shack Day) @ 9am

Contest Calendar:
- ARRL International Digital Contest: June 4-5
- ARRL June VHF Contest: June 11-13
- Field Day: June 25-26
- Thirteen Colonies: Week of July 4th
- IARU HF World Championship: July 9-10

Email BOD any proposed calendar items/changes/corrections
Other New Business or Discussion Points

Adjourn Time: 9:16pm