CARs Club Meeting Minutes
3 April 2023
Held In-Person & Virtually Via GoToMeeting
https://meet.goto.com/RaymondReis/cars-bod-and-membership-meetings
Meeting ID: 789-571-853
Start Time: 7:00pm

Officers & Committee Leads

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Intros & Welcome

Everyone: Please sign in on the sign-in sheet that is going around.

Visitors: Make sure to check in with Bill N3WM in the safety vest.

Previous Meeting Minutes
Blair (NS1H)

Vote to Accept the Previous Minutes
Motioned: W2JEL
Seconded: Multiple
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Treasurer’s Report
Duane (KJ4YKG)
- Status/Current Balances:
- Budget Update:
  - Income: $972.13
Expenses: $1,141.90
Checking: $8,818.32
PayPal: $118.81
Petty Cash: $95
Prepaid Dues Liabilities: $120

Vote to Accept the Treasurer’s Report
Motioned: K4GDA
Seconded: NS1H
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Communications
Jeff (KM4ALL)
- Repeater:
  - Issues with .82 & .61 repeaters noted.
  - N4SD
- Facilities:
- Equipment:
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Schedule Tower Drop for AT-130 repair

Committee Reports
IT and Network Projects
Steven (KC4CAW)
- FirstNET update

ARES & PSOC Report
Van (KM4KBS) & John (N3JC)
- ARES:
  - Tour de Cure April 29th
  - 22 volunteer operators needed.
- PSOC:
  - VHF capability is back up and working.
  - Installed a new antenna patch panel.
  - PSOC VHF Winlink Vara FM node can be used to digipeat VarAC messages.

Membership
Todd (KO4ZGV)
- 7 new membership applications this month:
  - Kellen Stauss (KQ4GUS)
  - Ronald Telsch (K3YEO)
  - Kyle Owens (N6CGC)
  - Richard Palmieri (K4VBR)
  - Ryan King (Associate Member)
  - Alex Griffin (Associate Member)
  - Arun Ragsac (KQ4HEK) – Youth Member
Vote to Accept New Members into CARS
Motioned: KQ4AIP
Seconded: KJ4EZH
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Old Business
- CARS Club T-Shirts
  - 31 ordered - submitted to vendor on Saturday
  - Expected to be received by the next General meeting
  - Next order will be placed and be delivered before Field Day
  - **ACTION ITEM: Enable T-Shirt Donation link on Square site**
  - CARS Badge lanyards

New Business
- Donated Property Policy
  - New policy will be posted on w4car.org
  - Discussion about equipment auction

- Tailgator
  - Saturday May 6, 2023 from 8am to noon
  - $5 per person; children 12 & under are free.
  - $10 to tailgate (includes driver admission)

*** Break for 50/50 Raffle ***

- DMR Repeater
  - The .61 repeater (2m) has a dual antenna system that supports 70cm.

- Field Day 2023 Planning (Don KQ4AIP)
  - Seeking a Food Coordinator
  - N3WM will not be able to make Field Day due to family commitments but Marty KK4RF will take the lead for CW ops.

- Shenandoah Shakedown
  - This past weekend, 10-11 operators went out to several parks across Virginia and North Carolina and contacted the portable stations in Shenandoah.
  - All sites were able to communicate via the preapproved PACE plan. Most stations were operating at 5-10w
  - Fall Shenandoah trip is the weekend of October 13th.

- Training & Testing Updates
  - Upcoming VE Test Sessions – Sean (N4SML)
Saturday May 13th (ARRL VEC) at 9:30am
July (ARRL VEC)
  o VE Signup Link is available on w4car.org.
  o If you are interested in becoming a VE, please talk to Sean N4SML.

Calendar
- Next Shack Day: April 15, 2023 @ 10am
- Next Virginia Beach ARC License Exam: April 13, 2023
- ODU Fox Hunt: April 6, 2023 (~11:30am-1pm)
- Contest Calendar:
  o Rookie Roundup (Phone): April 16, 2023
  o CARS Portable Derby: May 20, 2023
    ▪ FT8 is allowed.
    ▪ Vehicle setups are allowed.
  o International Digital Contest: June 3-4, 2023
  o June VHF Contest: June 10-12, 2023
  o Field Day: June 24-25, 2023
- Email BOD any proposed calendar items/changes/corrections
- Other New Business or Discussion Points

Number of Members @ Meeting: 32 in-person, 11 online
Adjourn Time: 9:14pm

Online: NS1H, K4GDA, N4SML, K4LBL, KO4PDE, N9HMT, KB4GM, K3YEO, KN4LNO, WD4MC, KN4ZXF