

SIARC MEETING NOTES FOR JANUARY 11, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:40 by President Tom Sanders KB2NCI with 24 in attendance. Tom took this opportunity to introduce David Vanetten who just passed his Technician test in our VE session. The minutes for the November 2016 meeting were then read and amended to read Storm Trackers Team instead of National Weather Service Storm Trackers. With this correction the November minutes were accepted by the membership and entered into record.

TREASURES REPORT:

Was given by club Treasured Stan Avery WM3D. The club checking account now stands at \$3681.53; accepted and entered into record.

COUNTY REPORT:

John Park WA2SSJ reports that the budget passed and \$5,000 is now available for RACES in 2017. Also, the approval for the ground system at the Geneva station has passed with the work to follow. John also relayed a note of thanks from the Ontario County EOC training director for the good condition that the room utilized for the Kid's day event was left in. Everything spic and span and back in place.

VE REPORT:

Dave Foster AB2WZ reports that both test applicants passed their Technician examination.

FIELD DAY 2017:

Dave Mette W2ACC reports that we have reserved the Varick Fire Hall on the 4th weekend in June. We will partner up with the Drumlins RAC for this event. The company Quick Solar will bring a trailer that is equipped with solar panels and batteries for our emergency power and we will also have the use of the fire departments emergency generator if it becomes necessary. Overall the location is excellent as it is located on a high ridge between the two lakes. We may also have a fund raising chicken BBQ if we can provide some advance sales.

Dave also reports that the Stanley repeater is having problems which are possibly caused by the raspberry pie computer being affected by the RF. For now we will go back on the Western DSTAR repeater which is run by Windows 7 beginning this weekend.

SKYWARN AND HAMVENTION EVENTS:

Jay and Sabrina Hamill went to the events near the Buffalo area. They reported that there were about 15 people who attended the SKYWARN event where lots of door prizes were handed out. Jay and Sabrina said that the Hamvention event was winding down by the time that they got to it, but they felt that both events would be bigger in the coming years with more advance notice. Jay and Sabrina handed out flyers for the DRUMLIN Hamfest and other events in our area.

THE CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY:

There was a good attendance and a good time had this year at the main AWA museum building. The evening included a nice tour given by Ron Roach of the museum along with an outline of the future plans that are in the works. It was then voted by the SIARC membership to donate \$75 to the AWA in appreciation for the use of this marvelous facility.

CLUB BREAKFAST:

Will be held Saturday January 28th at 8am at the Villager Restaurant in Canandaigua. If you plan on attending it would be good if you let Tom Sanders know in advance however he usually tells the restaurant that there will be around 15 in attendance; so if you can make it at the last minute feel free to attend.

EMCOM CLASS:

This is an ARRL class offered to RACES members. The \$50 cost of the course for ARRL members is picked up by the two organizations. It is a prerequisite of the course that you have already taken the ICS course. Tom Sanders will hold this course on a Saturday in advance of those interested in taking the EMCOM CLASS. It is the desire of our group that our members have taken both of these courses.

ARRL REPEATER LISTING BOOK:

Dave Mette reports that the ARRL has indicated that they will probably drop the publication of this manual in the near future. He reported that a company called RF Binders is attempting to take over the publication in the future. This is causing a lot of concern in the Ham Radio Community because of the reports that much of the information that they publish is inaccurate or even totally wrong. In the past the ARRL always paid a fee to the frequency coordination organizations like UNIREOCO for the information they provided to the ARRL. RF Binders gets their data from whatever or wherever source and that's what the concerns are all about. Dave Mette said that it is a good practice to join UNIREPCO for the worthwhile service that they provide to our hobby.

RADIO RAFFLE:

Tom Sanders reports that there are still \$10 tickets to sell for the raffle of the TS 120S transceiver and power supply donated to our club. When 40 tickets are sold the units will be raffled off to a single lucky ticket holder and the proceeds of the raffle handed over to our treasure Stan Avery to be deposited in the club account.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 and followed by the annual club flea market whereby members could sell any of their surplus equipment.

These minutes were taken and submitted by club secretary Ray Dreimiller Sr. AB2UY

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ray Dreimiller, Sr.	AB2UY
Dean Stahlman	W2WDS
Vern Kunes	K2VJK
Stan Avery	WM3D
Shawn Springer	AC2SA
Jay Hamill	KC2TCM
Sabrina Hamill	WD2STK
Russ Harris	N2IZV
David Mette	W2ACC
John Greco	KD2GTA
Sandy Federico	KA2HQZ
Dan McGregor	KD2LBM
James Rosato	KD2AVK
David J Vanetten	KD2MOX
Bob Hess	KD2GMX
Tom Sanders	KB2NCI
Wes Mills	W2WES
Dave Jorgensen	N2JOR
Steve Benton	WB2VMR
Dave Hunter	N2EZY
David Foster	AB2WZ
Tony Golumbeck	KD2HNI
John Park	WA2SSJ
Ed Pevear	N2VCY