

ONTARIO COUNTY ARES/RACES/SIARC MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 9, 2016

CALLED TO ORDER BY PRES. TOM KB2NCI AT 7:55.

PLEASE NOTIFY TOM OR ADD EMAIL ADDRESS TO SIGN IN SHEET IF YOU'RE NOT GETTING THE SMOKE SIGNAL.

ATTENDANCE:

SECRETARY'S REPORT: JOHN WA2SSJ FOR RAY AB2UY. MINUTES READ, UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: STAN WM3D. SINCE LAST REPORT, FINAL PAYMENT OF \$257 TO RAZZLE-DAZZLE T SHIRT COMPANY. \$50 TO RUSHVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY; THANK YOU RCVD FROM THE RUSHVILLE HISTORY ROOM, SIGNED BY ALL BOARD MEMBERS. JEAN A. RICE SENT SIARC A THANK YOU CARD AS WELL. \$305 TO 4H CAMP AT BRISTOL HILLS. DEPOSIT OF \$220 IN DUES, CLOTHING INCOME, AND QRP RADIO PROJECT PAYMENTS. CURRENT BALANCE \$2,956.03.

COUNTY REPORT: JOHN WA2SSJ. MOU IN WORKS WITH GENEVA CITY AND COUNTY TO FORMALIZE STATION IN CITY HALL. CLAIM HAS BEEN SUBMITTED FOR THE CONTROLLER AND POWER SUPPLY DAMAGED BY LIGHTNING LAST JUNE 5, AWAITING COUNTY SELF-INSURANCE RESPONSE FOR ABOUT \$250.

RACES: SCOTT N2UMH. DLAN IS OPERATIONAL AGAIN. GET ID IF YOU DON'T HAVE ONE. SECONDLY, NO BIDS ON COUNTY SURPLUS EQUIPMENT, SO RACES GETS THE WHOLE LOT. WE HAVE NEW REPEATERS, DUPLEXERS, OTHER ODDS AND ENDS. PLAN IS TO STORE AT GANNETT AFTER IT'S INVENTORIED. ALSO, THE 146.655 REPEATER AT THE MEES OBSERVATORY IS FAILING, AND CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO PROVIDING A REPEATER TO THE U OF R CLUB IN RETURN FOR A HOT BACKUP IF WE NEED IT FOR RACES. CONCEPT COULD BE REPLICATED WITH OTHER GROUPS THAT HAVE REPEATER ISSUES. AND, MORE TRAINING AND EOC WORK DETAIL BEING PLANNED. WE'RE STILL WORKING ON GETTING ELMERS FOR NEW FOLKS TAKING THE PLANNED EMCOMM CLASS.

COMEX DRILL: DAVE KB2KBY REPORTED ON COMMUNICATIONS ISSUES, AND FEEDBACK TO REGION 2 MARS, HOPEFULLY NEXT DRILL WILL BE BETTER. 302 COUNTIES DID PARTICIPATE.

WILD WATER DERBY APRIL 30 IN SHORTSVILLE. TOM KB2NCI REPORTS IT'S A GO, AND 10-12 OPERATORS NEEDED. MORE INFORMATION COMING NEXT MONTH. RACE STARTS AT NOON, USUALLY DONE BY 2:30 – 3:00.

BREAKFAST MEETING APRIL 16, 0800, VILLAGER RESTAURANT, CANANDAIGUA. EMAIL FROM TOM KB2NCI TO BE OUT SHORTLY.

DRUMLINS HAMFEST APRIL 23. SIARC WILL HAVE TWO TABLES; BRING EQUIPMENT IF YOU WISH TO SELL. MARK WITH NAME, CALLSIGN, AND PRICE RANGE.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE: NORM WB2GGM REPORTS HE'S CONTACTED A SCHOOL IN ROCHESTER WHICH IS VERY INTERESTED. ARRL ONLY HAS TWO APPLICATIONS AT THE MOMENT FOR THIS PROGRAM WHICH TEACHES TEACHERS HOW TO TEACH TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDING ROBOTICS, COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER TOPICS. APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MAY 1; IF ANYONE KNOWS ANY TEACHERS WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED, CONTACT NORM OR ARRL. ALSO, ARRL REPORTS IT'S IN NEED OF MORE MENTORS FOR THE ARISS PROGRAM; CONTACT NORM OR HQ IF ABLE TO HELP.

VE TESTING: DAVE AB2WZ. 4 NEW TECHS, 1 GENERAL AND 2 EXTRAS, WHO GOT ROUND OF APPLAUSE. TESTS WILL ALSO BE GIVEN AT DRUMLINS HAMFEST PER SABRINA WD2STK. . Upgrades to Extra included KC2TCM and KD2HNJ.

WEATHER NET: JOHN KD2GTA SAYS NET WILL BE STARTING IN COOPERATION WITH THE WAYNE COUNTY OPERATORS. MARCH 22 AT 7 PM ON 443.250, LINKED TO 146.745 SESSION MAY RUN ABOUT 45 MINUTES. PLAN IS FOR TRAINING AT REGULAR INTERVALS, POSSIBLE PPT PRESENTATION FOR FUTURE MEETING OF SIARC. ABOUT 12 POTENTIAL VOLUNTEERS IN THE GROUP.

SKYWARN TRAINING WILL BE MAY 3, EMAIL TO FOLLOW, LOCATION STF/EOC.

Dave W2ACC reported the Stanly D-Star repeater is being replaced. The previous Kenwood radio has receive issues. It should work much better and hold the reflectors as intended. Should be up and running by weeks end.

Scott N2UMH suggested we work on a Memoranda of Understanding between RACES/ARES and SIARC and for use of the 146.820 repeater. Possible replace the Vertex repeater at the VA with one of the surplus repeaters obtained from the county.

National Parks on the Air—Tom mentioned this is a Special Event and that we have two sites in our area we could activate. 1) Womens Rights Historical Site in Seneca Falls (director of it is neighbor of Chris KD2HNJ) and 2) Montezuma Wildlife Refuge. There was general agreement that we could do an activation there this year. More discussion to follow.

It was agreed to move the start time of the meeting on April 13 to 6:30pm to accommodate the time needed for the Kit project.

Adjourned 8:40pm and proceeded to the presentation by Dave KC2DQS on Soldering Techniques for our CW 40 meter QRP kit

Submitted by John Park WA2SSJ

33 attendees:

Dave Taylor KB2KBY, Wes Mills W2WES, Steve Benton WB2VMR, Mike Maynard KD2IFF, Wesley Maynard KD2KHI, John Greco KD2GTA, Sandy Federico KA2HQZ, Dean Stahlman W2WDS, Scott Teresi N2UMH, Michelle, Tony Golumbeck KD2HNI, Bill Burlingame WA2LVP, Bill Glosick KD2CZW, James Rosato KD2AVK, Tom Estey, Norm Schrader WB2GGM, Jay Hamill KC2TCM, Sabrina Hamill WD2STK, John Park WA2SSJ, Dale Hansen KB2TNL, Chris Springer KD2HNJ, Gib Buckbee KC2JTU, Tom

Corbit KD2AJP, Dave Hunter N2EZY, Riley Keller KD2IFE, Kevin Mussack KD2JZQ,
Andy Mussack KD2JZP, Vern Kunes K2VJK, Dave Mette W2ACC, Stan Avery WM3D,
Dave Reussow KC2DQS, David A. Foster AB2WZ, Frank Grossman (?), Chuck (took a
test), Tom Sanders KB2NCI