

Minutes from SIARC meeting, May 13, 2015—Held at the County HR Building, 3019 County Complex Drive, Hopewell, due to the County Property Auction being held in the Safety Training Center.

Brought to order by President Tom Sanders KB2NCI, at 7:30pm. President Tom read the minutes of the last meeting where we all assembled. It was the February meeting and the minutes were approved as read. The March meeting was a Skywarn presentation and the April meeting was a tour of the 911 Center, so we did not have a regular meeting.

We did not have a **Treasurer report** as Stan WM3D was en route to the Dayton Hamvention . We were all very sad. We will expect a FULL report in June.

County Report (possibly his last) by John Park WA2SSJ. The installation of the new repeater antenna at the 145.450 site has been delayed. We thought there was a PO in place for it but apparently it was for another project. Stay tuned. Due to John's retirement from the county last week, the RACES records have now been transferred to the EMO and the secretary there will handle future paperwork.

Repeater Updates—Dave Mette W2ACC reports that the Stanley repeater KD2HVC is now coordinated with UNYREPCO. So with that all of our repeaters are officially coordinated. Mike KA2NDW has a D-Star hotspot in Junius (exact frequency unknown to us at this time). Dave also reports that his FM repeater at his house in Waterloo is now operational and coordinated. The frequency is 145.130 (-offset) and does not have a pl tone. Call sign is W2ACC. The problem using the KD2HVC repeater to connect to repeaters and reflectors has been resolved. It seems the Beagle Bone needed to be reset. Thanks to Dave and Steve Sykes KD2OM.

Steve Benton WB2VMR reports that the 145.450 repeater is now back on the air. Steve and Tom went up the repeater site last Monday to discover that the crimped coaxial cable connector had not been attached completely and that may have explained the on and off performance of the repeater of late. Steve went back up Wednesday and pushed in on more and taped it up. Should hold until we can get the new dipole antenna and coax installed.

Hamfest Report—Jay Hamill KC2TCM and Rich KC2TNJ—reported that the recent Drumlins Hamfest went very well. Attendance was up and estimated to be between 317 and 322. It was profitable, had a couple of commercial vendors that sold enough stuff to want to know the date of the 2016 hamfest!, and since the weather was so nice, the outside flea market did well to. There was not one car that needed to be

towed from wet ground. The SIARC table netted \$126 (Thanks to Dave Reussow KC2DQS for the equipment donated).

Outreach programs—Norm Schrader WB2GGM stated that the Honeoye Library was a great support of the May 2 event and that he and Nate Castle NY2NC, Scott Teresi N2UMH and Lenny Guessin WA2ZNC all had a good time. Nate worked JT65 digital with his antenna laying on the ground. Scott setup ATV and Norm and Lenny worked IRLP. Not many visitors but the highlight was a visit from a ham in his 90's that was a radio operator from WWII. Norm's event at the Field and Stream store in Henrietta had a few more visitors. It was such a nice day, that even the store was a little slow. Along with Norm, other hams were Steve K2SRF and Ross KC2LOC. He could have used more hams as while they were showing equipment, some visitors were looking at the brochure table and were not attended to.

Tom spoke on the 4H event on May 2 and there were several kids there who got to help put up Steve's G5RV, talk on IRLP to Den VK3FDAS in Australia and the highlight for them seemed to be the CW set up by Dave Taylor KB2KBY and Dale Hansen KB2TNL where the kids got to send CW to each other. It was a fun day. Also in attendance were Jay KC2TCM, Sabrina Hamill WD2STK, John WA2SSJ, who tried to do a satellite contact and was able to hear them but not talk to them.

Norm spoke about the ARRL Teachers Institute and how there is a lot of opportunity for us to promote to the local schools. Great project for the upcoming year, as the applications are due by May 1 of each year.

VE session-Dave A. Foster AB2WZ said there were 5 tests passed tonight—2 technician, 1 general and 2 extra. Congrats to all and thanks to Dave and his team.

Public Service events—Tom spoke of a few upcoming public service events coming up. Tour de Cure, June 13 in Webster, MS Bike 150 in Penn Yan, July 18 and 19, Red Cross Run for the Red, August 20 and Finger Lakes Triathlon, September 13.

RACES—Tom spoke that Scott is working on a list of things to buy with our budget. Send ideas to him at n2umh@yahoo.com.

D-Star—at 6:30 before the June meeting, Dave KC2DQS will be hosting in informal D-Star training session, so bring the equipment, laptop you have to learn more about. Dave is also planning on activating the EOC radio for a D-Star talkin.

Field Day—Don Smith N2VDE and Rich KC2TNJ are heading up and coordinating the FD effort for SIARC and Drumlins this year. They will be holding an organizational meeting on Saturday, May 23 at 9am at the Villager Restaurant in Canangaigua.

There will be a **remembrance for Roger Kessler** KD2RPK, on Sunday, June 28, 1pm at the Cheshire Fire house. This will be right after our take down for Field Day and on the way home for many of us. A **motion and made and passed** that the club would donate up to \$50 for a food tray of some sort for the event. Dave W2ACC will coordinate.

John Greco KD2GTA is still looking for the best way to have us get SIARC t-shirts.

Field Day shirts and hats were distributed to those who preordered them.

Program—Steve WB2VMR led the building of the Frequency Counter Kit. It went very well and 20 kits were made. Thanks, Steve.

Attendance:

John Greco KD2GTA, Nate Castle NY2NC, Tony Golumbeck KD2HWI, Sandy Federico KA2HQZ, Chris Springer KD2HNJ, JoAnne Rosato KD2FCX, James Rosato KD2AVK, Wes Mills W2WES, Don Smith N2VDE, Dave Hunter N2EZY, Steve Benton WB2VMR, Jay Hamill KC2TCM, Rich Hamill KC2TNJ, Dale Hansen KB2TNL, Mike Maynard KD2IFF, Dave Mette W2ACC, Russell Harris, N2IZV, Norm Schrader WB2GGM, John Park WA2SSJ, Vern Kunes K2VJK, Dean Stahlman W2WDS, Christopher Young KD2INH, Dave Foster AB2WZ, Ed Pevear N2VCY, Tom Sanders KB2NCI

Adjourned 9pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Sanders KB2NCI